

Holy Spirit Parish

NOVEMBER 10, 2019

OUR PARISH CHURCHES

ST. MARY CHURCH

236 Eldridge Rd.
Wells, ME 04090
(207) 646-5605
FAX (207) 646-9437
Weekday Mass: 8 AM
Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM
Sunday 9 & 11 AM

ST. MARTHA CHURCH

30 Portland Rd.
Kennebunk ME 04043
(207) 985-6252
FAX (207) 985-7740
Weekday Mass: 9 AM
Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM
Sunday 8 & 10 AM
*Confessions at both Churches
Saturdays 3-3:30 PM*

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

(closed until June 2020)

OUR PARISH STAFF

Fr. Fred Morse, Pastor
Fr. Agustin Sebasthian, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Darrell Blackwell

OFFICES

Diane W. O'Neil, Manager
Rosanne Smith
Ruth Shrader
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Donald Webber
Mark Reeth

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Timothy Gallant, Supervisor
Jesse Ouellette

FAITH FORMATION

Carolyn F. Houston, Director
Rosanne Smith, Adult Education

LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mark Reeth, Coordinator
Lisa White, Choir Director



32nd Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"They can no longer die, for they are like angels;
and they are the children of God because they are
the ones who will rise." - Lk 20:36

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

“Some Saducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, came forward and put this question to Jesus ...”

In this Sunday’s Gospel, the Saducees avoid their real question. Is there a resurrection from the dead or not? Rather than ask this question point blank, the Saducees try to prove their point through a roundabout, unrealistic scenario. Jesus cuts straight to the question behind the question, citing Scripture passages relating to the resurrection. The Saducees are trying to trick Jesus. While we may not intend to stump God, our doubts and questions may have more in common with the Saducees than we care to admit. Doubts are part and parcel of life in a fallen world. Still, there are different ways we can word our doubts to ourselves, God, and others. When we’re struggling, truly struggling, about some article of faith, do we admit it? Or do we cloak it with other, obtuse questions to hide the nature of our concern? Have you considered leaving the Church over the hypocrisy of some of her members and leaders? Perhaps the real question is: “How can a place blessed by God and instituted by Christ have this evil in it? Can I reconcile with the concept that an institution has an admixture of good and bad? What do I expect from others, from myself? What responsibility do I have to try and remedy evil in an institution I’m part of?” Perhaps you’ve wondered about the nature of romantic love and, if God is love, does He really care so much about the details of this particular scenario? Perhaps the real question is: “Can my mind wrap around the concept of a God whose law seems — on the surface, in this situation — to make people unhappy? What is the relationship between the moral law and human flourishing?” These aren’t easy questions, but they are more honest ones. This week, don’t be afraid of your deeper questions! Bring them to God, to someone you trust, and to yourself.

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Holy Spirit Parish Mission Statement

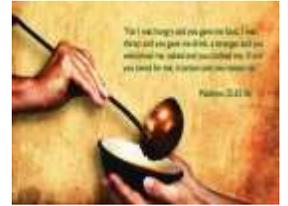
Holy Spirit Parish is a welcoming and caring Roman Catholic community, grounded in Eucharistic faith, and which enthusiastically lives and embraces the values modeled by Jesus Christ. As a community of believers, Holy Spirit Parish is committed to:

- ~ ongoing faith formation,
- ~ life-long spiritual growth,
- ~ nurturing and sharing our gifts for the common good.



Youth Ministry Matthew 25:35 Meal

The Matthew 25:35 Meals put on by the youth ministries of both Holy Spirit and St. Therese of Liseux Parishes are served monthly, every second Tuesday (*next one being this Tuesday, **November 12***) at St. Ignatius Church Hall in Sanford, 5:30-6:30 PM. To support this community meal project, gift cards to Hannaford, Walmart, or Shield’s Meats in Kennebunk, are welcome. All donations should be labeled “youth ministry” and dropped off at either church site. Prayers for volunteers and guests are also appreciated! If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Houston at 985-6252, 646-5605, or carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org.



Journey in Faith

The Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council has teamed up with the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation and Parish Social Life to bring six exciting faith commu-

nity and education events to the parish, entitled ***Journey in Faith – adult formation with separate sessions for children***. These events are geared toward **adult** faith formation, but also involve parishioners of every age. The events are for single or married parishioners, and for those with or without children. We gather together for some refreshment and an opening prayer before breaking into groups for age-appropriate faith formation. The adult sessions feature a dynamic guest speaker on the related topic. We are called to form our faith, as well as our community. As Catholics, our mission is to grow closer to Jesus and to share His story with others. These sessions enable us to learn more while evangelizing one another as a faith family. They also assist us in recognizing how we are called to bring the love of Jesus to our wider community. An informational brochure, containing the schedule and information about the six events, and scheduled speakers for the adult sessions, is available in the narthex of both churches. In order to ensure enough supplies and adult supervision, we need to know if adults are bringing their children or grandchildren to the child component of the program **by the Wednesday before** the event. Our parish’s second ***Journey in Faith*** event will take place next **Sunday, November 17, 3-5 PM, at St. Mary Church**. The theme is **“I Believe: The Creed”**, presented by **Dr. Anthony Coleman**. Dr. Coleman holds a Ph.D. in Systematic Theology and has been a professor of theology in several college/university settings. He is also an author/editor of various theological works.

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND: November 9 & 10

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Thomas Barbaria by the family
 4:00 PM (W) Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus
- Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) Theresa & Stanley Roberts by Nancy & Ray Hallczuk
 9:00 AM (W) John O'Neil Hoell by Mari O'Neil
 10:00 AM (K) Inez Mencaccini by the family
 11:00 AM (W) For our parishioners

WEEKDAYS: November 11-15

- Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Maureen McEvoy by her husband
 9:00 AM (K) Paul Martel by Muriel Martel
- Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) Mary DeMarco by Mary Cormier
 9:00 AM (K) Alice Stacey by her daughter, Joan
- Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) John J. McCarthy by Winifred McDonough
 9:00 AM (K) Robert Klouda by his wife
 10:30 AM Kennebunk Nursing Home
- Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Mary Litterio by MaryAnne & Don Kamann
 9:00 AM (K) Tommy McNamara by the family
- Friday: 8:00 AM (W) William P. Mangle by Alice & Jerry Fitzgerald
 9:00 AM (K) Roland, Raymond, & Julia Hebert by Connie & Leo Bourque

NEXT WEEKEND: November 16 & 17

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Margaret Spas by the Spas/Faul Family
 4:00 PM (W) Jack Connerty by Cindy & Dave Barton
- Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus
 9:00 AM (W) Michael DaBiere by Mary Lou Colvin
 10:00 AM (K) For our Parishioners
 11:00 AM (W) Stephen Woodhead by Joline & Angela Woodhead



~Rest in Peace~
 Anthony Ciampi

Location Key: (K) St. Martha, Kennebunk
 (W) St. Mary, Wells

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

November 16 & 17

- 4:00 PM St. Martha (K) Fr. Agustin
 4:00 PM St. Mary (W) Fr. Manship
- 8:00 AM St. Martha (K) Fr. Morse
 9:00 AM St. Mary (W) Fr. Agustin
 10:00 AM St. Martha (K) Fr. Morse
 11:00 AM St. Mary (W) Fr. Agustin

Schedule subject to change.

**Reconciliation on Saturdays
 3-3:30 PM at St. Martha & St. Mary**

SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM: To register, call Diane O'Neil at (207) 646-5605.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays, 3-3:30 PM (or upon request), at both St. Martha and St. Mary Churches.

MATRIMONY: Please contact the pastor six months prior to the desired wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call anytime. If you know that you will be admitted to the hospital, please call the office to make arrangements to receive the Sacrament after a daily or Sunday Mass. Please advise the office when a parishioner is hospitalized.

For more information, or to make an appointment for any sacrament, please call the office at 207-646-5605.

Those seeking to join the Church or wanting to know more about the Catechism of the Catholic Church, call Rosanne Smith at 207-985-6252.

Prayer Line Requests may be made to Aline Saunders at 207-985-9214 or alinesaunders@roadrunner.com.

Homebound Parishioners wishing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at home, please call the office at (207) 646-5605.



The sanctuary lamp at St. Martha's burns for health & blessings upon Mr. & Mrs. Ron Croaken on their 50th wedding anniversary.



The flowers at the St. Mary's altar are in loving memory of Peter Gray by Ruth Dooley.

Bulletin insert requests must be submitted by Friday at noon (7 days prior to the weekend for which being requested). Please e-mail Mark at mark.reeth@portlanddiocese.org.



THE WEEK AHEAD

November 10-17

ST. MARTHA CHURCH

Sunday: No Faith Formation
Parish Fair - 9 AM-1 PM
S Anon - 7 PM

Monday: Veterans Day - Office Closed
Centering Prayer - 9:30 AM & 6 PM
K of C Officers Meeting - 6:30 PM

Tuesday: K of C Meeting - 7 PM

Wednesday: Old Timers Luncheon - 12 Noon
Ignatian Exercises
Weight Watchers

Thursday: Cursillo - 4 PM
Romans: The Gospel of Salvation - 6 PM

Friday: Produce Pantry

Saturday: Reconciliation - 3 PM

Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM
S Anon - 7 PM

ST. MARY CHURCH

Sunday: No Faith Formation
RCIA - 10 AM
Coffee & Donuts - 10 AM

Monday: Veterans Day - Office Closed
No Faith Formation

Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM
Romans: The Gospel of Salvation - 1 PM
Movie "Unplanned" - 6 PM

Wednesday: Bible Study - 10 AM
Food Pantry - 5:30 PM
Spiritual Study Group - 7 PM

Thursday: Food Pantry - 1 PM
Pastoral Council - 6:30 PM

Friday: AA - 7:30 PM

Saturday: AA - 8 AM
Reconciliation - 3 PM

Sunday: Faith Formation - 10 AM
RCIA - 10 AM
K of C breakfast - after Masses
Journey in Faith - 3 PM



The Holy Spirit Prayer Shawl Ministry invites you to its next meeting on **Wednesday, November 20**, at 11 AM, in the downstairs parlor at St. Mary Church. The group meets once a month to knit/crochet and offer prayers over the shawls so as to pass along personal petitions and intentions for the recipients. FMI, or if you know of someone who would benefit from a shawl, please call Sue at 646-8217, or Verna at 646-4543.

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

October 19 & 20

Collection	\$	13,747.50
We Share (41)	\$	1,261.50
Total Offertory	\$	15,009.00
Tithe	\$	1,050.00
Envelopes (312)	\$	7,189.20
Loose	\$	6,558.30

In addition to your regular weekly offering, you may donate to *special collections* through **WE SHARE**.



How to create your We Share account:

1. Visit holyspiritme.org and click Give Online.
2. Click on the collection to which you'd like to donate.
3. Click Recurring Donation; enter your donation amount and frequency.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

THE HOLY SPIRIT PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

from our most recent fiscal year
(July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019)
is available in the church narthexes.

ST. MARTHA COMMUNITY PANTRY NEEDS:

beef stew, tuna fish, macaroni & cheese, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned chicken.

ST. MARY ECUMENICAL

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

juice, shampoo, facial tissues, paper towels, laundry detergent, dish detergent.



St. Mary's Ecumenical Food Pantry has added an additional hour to its weekly schedule. Now also open on Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 PM, on a trial basis through January 8, volunteers are needed to provide this additional service. To help on one or more Wednesdays per month, please contact: Jim Heenan at 207-467-5313 or Jimheenan@aol.com, Paul Goyette at 207-252-3245, Bill Sawyer at 617-513-0548 or billsawyer@live.com, or Don Kamann at 207-251-3241.



ALL ARE WELCOME!
NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17
 ~ after Masses in St. MARY'S HALL ~

MENU INCLUDES:

pancakes, waffles, eggs, toast, potatoes, bacon, sausage, fresh fruit, milk, tea, water, coffee

Ages 11 & older - \$10; Ages 6-10 - \$5
Ages 5 & under - free

Paul's letter to the Romans has been at the center of reflection, conversion, and controversy from the very beginning. **Romans: The Gospel of Salvation** is an eight-week Bible study



being offered by Holy Spirit Parish. It will help make sense of the difficult passages regarding faith, works of the law, and justification. It will provide a Catholic, comprehensive, and simple way to understand this challenging epistle. The next Bible study will take place on **Tuesday, November 12, at 1 PM at St. Mary in Wells, and on Thursday, November 14, at 6 PM at St. Martha** in Kennebunk. FMI, or to register, contact Rosanne at 985-6252 or rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org.

Lector workbooks are now available for pick-up in the sacristy or office at both St. Mary and St. Martha churches.



Cursillo Maine

You're invited to Christian fellowship. Take the time to tell others how important Christ is in your life and hear others share the same. Join us for weekly small group on **THURSDAYS, 4 to 5:15 PM**, and our monthly Ultreya (Onward!) 3rd Saturday (September to June) at 10 to 11:30 AM. Both meet in the conference room at St. Martha. All are welcome! 3-Day Cursillo Weekends (short Course in Christianity) are held in Winthrop, Maine. Applications are available: www.mainecursillo.org, or Kat Boucher lkmb@roadrunner.com or at 207-216-7839.

OPIATE CRISIS RECOVERY PRAYER GROUP meets at St. Mary's, 5:30-6:30 PM, the 1st & 3rd Mondays of every month. FMI: Cornelia Stockman at 207-468-4586 or Leona Regan-Dolan at 508-308-4819.



Holy Spirit Parish is looking for a team of adult parishioners to join Cross Catholic Outreach on a mission trip to the Caribbean island of Grenada. The trip will be Saturday, May 30-Sunday, June 7, 2020. Our mission will be to provide love to the 20 people being cared for at St. Martin's Home for the Aged. These residents have no other friends or family to care for them, and the Diocese of St. George's in Grenada is asking for missionaries to come and love them in their final days. The home has additional needs, such as painting, repairs, and yard work with which we might help. We will be staying at the St. Martin Retreat Centre in Mount St. Ervans. You must be at least 18 years of age to participate. If interested, or for more information, please contact Lisa White at (207) 351-0502 or lisa.white@portlanddiocese.org. To learn more, you may also visit one of the following sites: <https://www.stmartinsgrenada.org/about/> or <https://crosscatholic.org/>

If you would like to make a donation to St. Martin's Home for the Aged through Cross Catholic Outreach, checks can be made out to Holy Spirit Parish.



UNPLANNED

The movie, *Unplanned*, will be shown at St. Mary in the upstairs parlor this Tuesday, November 12, at 6 PM, and at St. Martha in the church hall on Thursday, November 21, at 6 PM. The movie is an eye-opening story of Abby Johnson's experience working at Planned Parenthood. Abby's story begins with her heartfelt desire to help women. This led to her working at the clinic, and her journey from believing abortion is necessary to suddenly having a horror of the procedure. The movie portrays both sides with respect. This is an important movie to see if you care about women who must make the heart-wrenching decision of whether to keep or abort their babies. It reveals the inner workings of an abortion facility and shows what happens to women during the entire abortion process.

There is no charge for the movie.

St. Andre Home in Biddeford, a non-profit organization founded by the Good Shepherd Sisters, and dedicated to helping vulnerable women and children in Maine, will celebrate its 80th anniversary in May with a dinner and auction. Volunteers are needed to serve on the event-planning committee. Anyone interested in volunteering is encouraged to attend an event committee kick-off meeting **this Wednesday, November 13, at 6:30 PM** at St. Joseph's Convent in Biddeford. Whether you are able to help with decorations, identify and meet with corporate sponsors, solicit items for the silent auction, or assist on the night of the event, the Good Shepherd Sisters would love to have you join the event committee! FMI, please e-mail Sister Terry Gauvin at stgauvin@saintandrehome.org. *Thank you!*

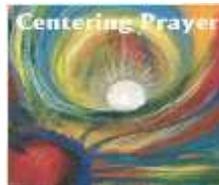


SIN AND RECONCILIATION...

This seminar, led by Fr. John Bacevicius, OFM, of the Franciscan Monastery in Kennebunk, will reacquaint the participants to the Church's teachings on the forgiveness of sin, the reason for such teachings, and the path to their fulfillment. If you would like to learn more about reconciliation, which is important for salvation, please attend on **MONDAY, TUESDAY, & WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 11 - 13), 3:30-5 PM.**



Refreshments will be served. Seating is limited; please RSVP to Peter at 967-0302 (include number of attendees and dates of attendance). For Guest House inquiries, call 967-4865.



CENTERING PRAYER meets at St. Martha Church every Monday at 9:30 AM and 6 PM. FMI, contact Deacon Darrell at 207-467-0957 or doxieduo@maine.rr.com.



This is a program of St. Andre Home, and

Maine's first residential treatment program for survivors of the crime of human trafficking. It provides outpatient services to anyone who has survived human trafficking, domestic violence or sexual assault, and residential treatment to women over the age of 18 who are survivors of human sex trafficking. Many of the women served by CourageLIVES arrive with only the clothes they are wearing, and many survivors in the community do not have the range of clothing they need for themselves and their families. With colder weather imminent, CourageLIVES welcomes donations of coats, gloves, hats and other cold weather gear for clients. New clothes preferred, and gift cards or monetary donations are greatly appreciated to purchase the right sizes for the survivors and their children. FMI, please contact Amy at (207) 205-1876.

PARISH REGISTRATION/UPDATE

Name (s): _____
 Street: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____
 New registration Change of address
 Change of e-mail address
 Moving out of parish Request envelopes

If you are new to the parish, or you have a new address or phone number, please complete this form, place it in the collection basket, or mail to:

**Holy Spirit Parish,
 236 Eldridge Road, Wells, ME, 04090,
 or e-mail to stmarywells@myfairpoint.net.**

If you are looking to deepen your relationship with God, wanting to rekindle your prayer life, yearning for a greater connectedness with all of creation, or facing a major decision, consider making the **SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST. IGNATIUS 19TH ANNOTATION RETREAT**. Known as "The Retreat of Daily Life", this 30-week retreat begins in September and ends in May. It takes place at St. Martha Church in Kennebunk on Wednesdays. There is a choice to attend either a morning or an evening session. Each session consists of a one-on-one meeting with a prayer guide, listening to a reflection by one of the guides, and daily prayer with scripture (the Exercises are the background from which St. Francis comes). For more information or to request an application, please contact Maureen Fulford at 207-468-4070 or Ellie Flavin at 207-985-2971.

