

Holy Spirit Parish

NOVEMBER 17, 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
Paula Moses

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Donald Webber
Mark Reeth

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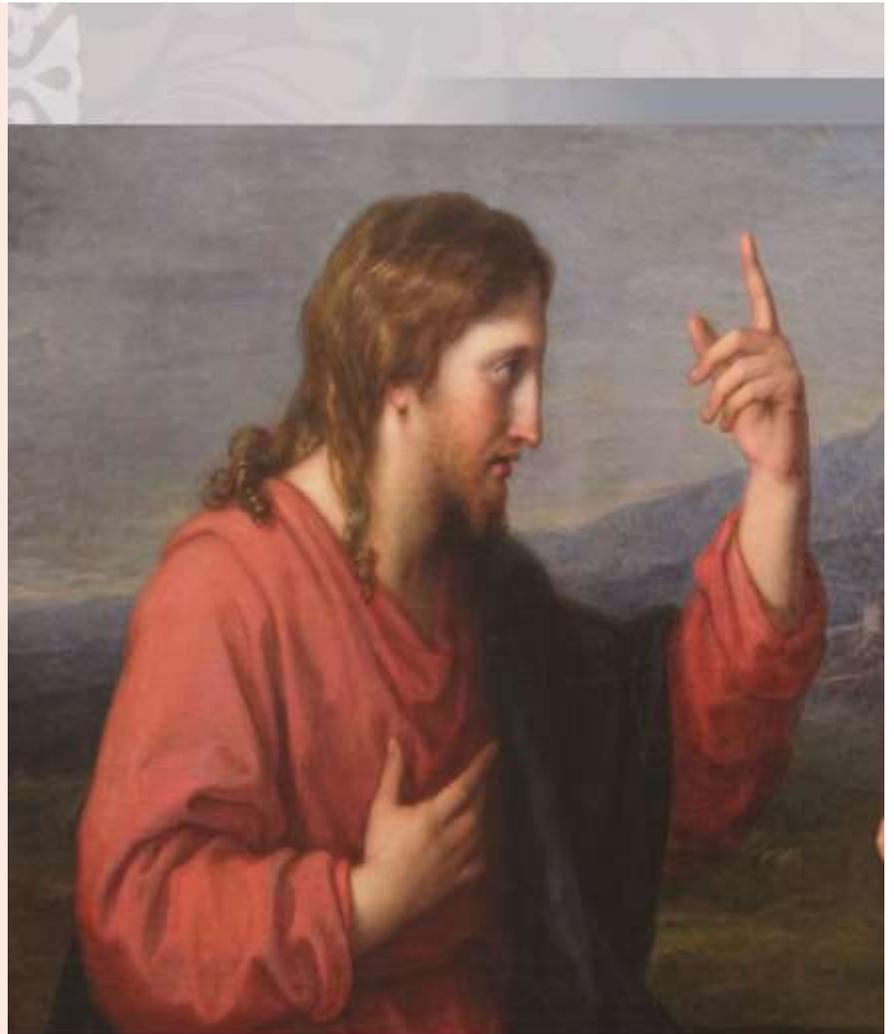
Timothy Gallant, Supervisor
Jesse Ouellette

FAITH FORMATION

Carolyn F. Houston, Director
Rosanne Smith, Adult Education

LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mark Reeth, Coordinator
Lisa White, Choir Director



33rd Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed." - Lk 21:16-18

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Where would you go if the world was ending? What would you do? The last decade has seen a rise in doomsday prep-

ping, the marketing of survival techniques, and a sea of products designed for you to weather the apocalypse. *“The days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another that will not be thrown down,”* Jesus warns in today’s Gospel. On the one hand, he is referring to the literal downfall of the city of Jerusalem. Indeed, many of his prophecies here have come true over the last few millennia. Nations have indeed *“rise[n] against nation[s],”* kingdoms against kingdoms. Surf any world news website today alone, and you will see stories of *“powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues.”* Jesus’ advice to his disciples, however, isn’t to build a bunker. It’s to persevere in faith ... which won’t be easy.

“They will seize and persecute you ... you will be handed over ... you will be hated because of my name.” This warning, too, has come to pass in the Church throughout history in state-sponsored persecutions and martyrdoms. Jesus is the Messiah, but his first coming was not a coming of earthly victory. Any disciple of his can expect a challenge. The coming of Christ didn’t disrupt our free will. Evil still exists and sometimes even appears to triumph. This does not mean God has abandoned His people! Jesus reminds the disciples — and us — of his constant presence. *“I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking.”* In other Gospel passages, Jesus promises and sends the Holy Spirit upon his followers. The presence of God is real in our lives, no matter what trials come our way. It’s tempting to be distracted or dismayed by natural destruction and moral evil in the world. But the Church has weathered greater storms. The sacredness of the human person endures. We can have hope! This day and every day, we can persevere in hope and trust in God.

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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.



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 community 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 this **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.



Journey in Faith



Thank you to **ALL** who volunteered to make the Holy Spirit Parish Fair a huge success once again! Whether donating or working, we could not have done it so well without the hard work, time, commitment, and care from each of you.

A full report on the fair will be coming soon.

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS 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

WEEKDAYS: November 18-22

- Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Ann Reynolds by Jennifer, Steve, & Elizabeth
9:00 AM (K) Janet Dattore by Leo and Connie Bourque
Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) Deanna Wallace-Dubay by her daughter
9:00 AM (K) Gerald Verrielle by Leo and Connie Bourque
Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) Lorraine Ireland by her sister
9:00 AM (K) Rev. Armand Neault by Priscilla Russell
Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Eleanor Fizzano by Eugene & Carol Flynn
9:00 AM (K) Yen Nguyen by Phai Nguyen
Friday: 8:00 AM (W) Marjorie Kanan Groleau by Cindy & Dave Barton
9:00 AM (K) Elizabeth Wirtes by Dan and Becky Wirtes

NEXT WEEKEND: November 23 & 24

- Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Alan Turnage by the family
4:00 PM (W) For our parishioners
Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) Ly Nguyen by Phai Nguyen
9:00 AM (W) Richard Peckham by Margaret Briand
10:00 AM (K) Yen and Chau Nguyen by the family
11:00 AM (W) Shirley Beauregard by Madelyn Beauregard



~Rest in Peace~
Rachel Lachance

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

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

November 23 & 24

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

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.

The sanctuary lamp at St. Mary's burns in loving memory of Susan M. Loprete by her family.



The flowers at the St. Mary's altar are in loving memory of Mary Patricia & James T. Walsh by Peter C. Walsh.

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.



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 WEEK AHEAD

November 17-24

ST. MARTHA CHURCH

Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM
S Anon - 7 PM
Monday: Centering Prayer - 9:30 AM & 6 PM
Tuesday: Red Cross Blood Bank - 12 Noon
Wednesday: Ignatian Exercises
Weight Watchers
Thursday: Cursillo - 4 PM
Romans: The Gospel of Salvation - 6 PM
Movie "Unplanned" - 6 PM
Friday: Produce Pantry
Saturday: Reconciliation - 3 PM
Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM
S Anon - 7 PM

ST. MARY CHURCH

Sunday: Faith Formation - 10 AM
RCIA - 10 AM
K of C breakfast - after Masses
Journey in Faith - 3 PM
Monday: Faith Formation - 3:45 PM
Hope & Recovery Ministry - 5:30 PM
Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM
Romans: The Gospel of Salvation - 1 PM
Wednesday: Bible Study - 10 AM
Food Pantry - 5:30 PM
K of C General - 7 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
Coffee & donuts - 10 AM

The Holy Spirit Prayer Shawl Ministry

invites you to its next meeting this **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.



The choir will sing next Saturday, November 23, at the 4 PM Mass in Kennebunk.

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

November 2 & 3

Collection	\$ 13,927.00
We Share (36)	\$ 2,171.50
Total Offertory	\$ 16,098.50
Tithe	\$ 1,126.00
Envelopes (345)	\$ 8,415.80
Loose	\$ 5,511.20

All Saints' Day

Collection	\$ 2,590.00
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Next weekend's second collection will be for the ***Catholic Campaign for Human Development.***

Thank you for your support of last weekend's second collection for the ***Archdiocese of Military Services.***

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.



ALL ARE WELCOME!
THIS 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 this **Tuesday, November 19, at 1 PM at St. Mary in Wells**, and this **Thursday, November 21, 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.



The movie, *Unplanned*, will be shown at St. Martha in the church hall this 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.

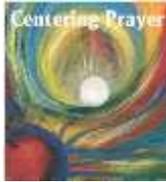


The Father William J. Kelly Knights of Columbus Council 9782 of St. Mary Church is sponsoring the annual “**Keep Christ in Christmas**” poster contest. This is a way for our parish children between the ages of 5 and 14 to express the true meaning of Christmas in “their own language”. The entrants compete in one of three age groups: 5-7, 8-10, 11-14 (age eligibility is determined by the age on November 1).

The winner in each age category will be awarded \$100.

Applications and poster materials are available in the church narthexes. The contest begins next weekend, November 23-24. The posters must be submitted to the K of C table in the narthex by December 15. For more information, call Bob at 646-6870 or Steve at 850-6488.

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.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SEMI-FORMAL DINNER/DANCE sponsored by the St. Martha Knights of Columbus #12033

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8
THE NONANTUM BALLROOM
95 OCEAN AVENUE
KENNEBUNKPORT, ME

Social Hour 5:30-6:15 PM
Dinner & Dancing 6:15-10 PM

\$35.00 per person; cash bar

MENU

Mixed field green salad
Bake NE haddock with crumb stuffing

OR

Prime Rib
Chef’s classic dessert, coffee, tea

Entertainment by DJ Tom Pomeroy
For tickets, contact George Lynch at 985-9840.



CourageLIVES, a program of St. Andre Home in Biddeford, is 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.



In celebration of its 150th anniversary, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland will host a reception to benefit one of the many benevolent programs that helps parishioners to share God’s love and mercy with people in need. The Portland Peninsula & Island Parishes will host the 150th Anniversary Reception on Saturday, December 7, the eve of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Following a 4 PM Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert P. Deeley, the reception will be held in the cathedral’s Guild Hall at 5 PM.

Although there is no charge to attend the reception, a donation (\$20 per person/\$50 for a family) is suggested with **all proceeds** to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen. Located in Guild Hall, the St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen offers free meals to those in need Monday through Friday from 11 AM to 12:30 PM. Clothing is also offered each Friday, and people of all faiths are welcome at the kitchen. If you plan to attend the reception, organizers ask that you please RSVP by **Wednesday, November 27**, at www.portlanddiocese.org/cathedral-150th-anniversary.