

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish 919 Roosevelt Trail—Windham, ME 04062



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Parish Office Hours 8:00am until 12:00 noon (Monday –Thursday)

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

4:00p.m Saturday 10:00a.m. Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES: 8:00 a.m. Tuesday & Thursday

WEEKDAY SERVICES: 8:00 a.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Readings for the Week of November 16, 2014

November 16, 2014

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



"'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good

and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'" - Mt 25:20b-21

Readings for the Week of November 16, 2014

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Our Sister/Cluster Parish: St Anne's, Gorham: Sunday Masses 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m.

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How May We Serve You?

Please contact the Parish Office at 892-8288, if you would like to receive a registration form; have someone prayed for; going into the hospital, appreciate a visit from the church; or a change of address.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Finance Council *Timothy Verreault*

Social Justice & Peace Commission *Christine Koza*

Worship & Spirituality Commission *Susan Snow*

Faith Formation Comm. *Lawrence Guertin O.F.S.*

Our Lady's Guild *Rosemary Skillin*

Knights of Columbus *Dave Spada*

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Preparation Course and paper work required, before an appointment for baptism. Please call the parish office at 892-8288 for information.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please contact the office (892-8288) six months prior to the wedding.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please call 892-8288. Greg Smith is the facilitator.

RCIC: Rite of Christian Initiation of Children

Please call Lawrence Guertin at 892-8922.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Mass Schedule: November 8 through November 16

4:00 p.m. Mass is on Saturday, November 15

May & Thomas Trenholm ® the family

10:00 a.m. Mass is on Sunday, November 16

Mass is offered for the Parish family

8:00 a.m. Mass is on Tuesday, November 18

John S. Skvorak Sr. ® Our Lady's Guild

8:00 a.m. Mass is on Thursday, November 20

Ruth Kimball ® Charles & Patricia Hume

4:00 p.m. Mass is on Saturday, November 22

Vernon Watters ® The Watters family

10:00 a.m. Mass is on Sunday, November 23

John S. Skvorak Sr. ® Anita & Greg Smith

8:00 a.m. Word & Communion Service

Monday, Nov. 17 Wednesday, Nov. 19 Friday, Nov. 21

DIOCESAN NOTICES

The Mission of CCHD is made possible by the generous support of Catholics in the United States, especially through this annual collection taken up in most parishes the Sunday before Thanksgiving. From this collection, 25% of the proceeds remain in Maine to support local efforts with significant parish engagement. In recent years, this amount has been around \$14,000. The remaining 75% is collected by the USCCB to distribute for larger national funding opportunities from which Maine agencies and organizations that address the systemic root of poverty can also apply. The collection for the *Catholic Campaign for Human Development* is November 22-23.

The Greater Portland Council of Catholic Men will gather to celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, at a special Mass and the 66th annual father and son communion breakfast, on Sunday, November 23, 8 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland. The annual communion breakfast will be held at 10 a.m. at the Italian Heritage Center on 40 Westland Avenue in Portland. Tickets to the communion breakfast are \$10 for adults, but students will be admitted for free. To purchase tickets, contact Mike Hutchins at (207) 671-9706.

Upcoming Events

Mon-Thurs. Nov. 17-24 Office Closed, Vacation
Sat/Sun. Nov 22-23 Second Collection: Catholic Campaign
Mon. Dec 8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin
Sat/Sun. Dec 13-14 2nd Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious
Wed. Dec 24 Christmas Eve
Thurs. Dec 25 Christmas Day

FINANCE — STEWARDSHIP November 8-9, 2014

First Collection \$ 2,853.00

WEEKLY REPORT FROM THE CATHOLIC APPEAL

The progress report to date (October 24) for Our Lady's is
\$26,622.00 from 133 donors = 56.73%
Thanks to all of you who have contributed thus far.

ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

WHERE WE ARE IN THE CHURCH'S CALENDAR:

After two Sundays when we stepped out of the numbered Sundays of "Ordinary Time" to observe two important dates, November 2, "All Souls Day" and November 9, "Dedication of the Lateran Basilica" we return this weekend, November 15-16, to the last numbered Sunday of the church's calendar this year, the "Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time." Next Sunday, November 23, is known as "Christ the King Sunday" which every year begins the last week of the liturgical calendar. The Advent season, which begins with the first Sunday of Advent, also begins the church's new liturgical cycle, happens on November 29-30 this year. That is just two days after the civic holiday of Thanksgiving Day. So, the appearance of our churches will change rather dramatically as we make the transition from "ordinary" time green to advent time purple. The four candles and wreath will help us to count the weeks and the themes of the four Sundays: watch, wait, rejoice, and hope. And before we know it, we will have entered the Christmas season.

"LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU": Once again this year, the Diocese of Portland is participating in the program that encourages people to make use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (a.k.a. "Penance" or "Confession") by scheduling evenings, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, during the weekdays of December 15-19. I will be inviting other priests and scheduling myself to hear confessions during that week. If you or someone you know has not been "to confession" for many years, then I encourage you to schedule another private and convenient time for you (simply call the parish office) so that we priests are able to hear as many confessions as possible.

THANKSGIVING MASS for both St Anne's and Our Lady's parishes will be scheduled for the Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving Day at 7:00 PM at St Anne's Church. In this way I am alternating the place and time for Mass between our two parishes this year. It was recommended to me by parishioners with whom I spoke not to schedule a Mass on Thanksgiving Day morning because it is such a busy time for families and many will be traveling that morning. Last year, we had only a small number attending morning Mass, compared to the number who attended the evening Mass.

Fr. Joe Koury, Administrator

IMPORTANT With winter fast approaching the church building's doors and windows are closed. Please be considerate of others and refrain from wearing strong fragrances (perfumes, hair sprays, deodorants etc.). More people are developing allergies to these..

Has your telephone number, cell phone number, physical location or your email address changed? If so, please notify the parish office at 892-8288.

Guild members and parishioners are asked to bake cookies for our annual cooking walk on the weekend of Nov. 22-23. Please make sure cookies are not too big as they must fit in a coffee can. Cookies may be dropped off at the church the day of the event. Thank You.

Guild Executive Committee Meeting is set for Monday, November 24th after 8 a.m. mass.

Our Christmas Luncheon is set for December 10th, cost is \$10.00 for members \$20.00 for guests.

Life Long Faith Formation News

e-mail: Lawrence.Guertin@portlanddicoese.org.

Faith Formation for grades K – 12

Nov 16th is a Regular Session 8:30am to 9:45am. Please note special event for adults listed below.

Nov 23rd is a Ministry Sunday. This is for youth in grades 3 – 12. No session for Grades K – 2.

Nov 30th No Session.

Think First- Stay Safe (Child Lures Prevention) is a program designed to educate both parents and children on the different ways that sexual predators behave and how children can best protect themselves from being abused. Nov 16th 8:30 to 9:40am, there will be a sessions for adults to further explain the program. This session will be in the church.

Catholicism Project. Adult Faith Formation The Catholicism Project is a program that will be offered on Sunday Mornings. During these sessions, through the Catholicism DVD and materials, participants will learn about the Catholic Faith in a whole new way. Anyone who would like to know about their Catholic Faith. There is no cost to attend. **The next session is November 23rd from 8:30am—9:40am here at Our Lady's!** ***All parishioners are welcome to attend. Come join us!***

How do I become Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or RCIA process finds its roots in the life of the early church, where those seeking to enter the Church were introduced into the rich sacramental, liturgical, and prayerful traditions of the Catholic Church. Is God calling you or someone you know to the Catholic faith? FMI, call Larry Guertin 892-8922 or e-mail



CHRISTMAS FAIR DECEMBER 6th & 7th

Don't miss out on this year's Christmas Craft Fair! Fun for all ages and beautiful handmade crafts for all occasions! In addition to crafts, we'll have name-brand gift baskets for sale!

We are seeking donations in the following areas:

Baskets: Please take a slip off the bulletin board in the Narthex to help out with Christmas Fair baskets. A collection basket is in the coat room. Please label your contribution.

Knit and Crochet: Newly made hand knitted or crocheted items. (Please see the bulletin board for suggested items)

FMI Kathie @ 655-4709

Sewing: Newly made sewing crafts are greatly appreciated.

FMI Avis @ 892-0298

Very Gently Used, High Quality Gift Items: (Things you would re-gift to a friend) such as household or children's things. (No clothing) Please label boxes or bags "Nearly New" and place them in the coatroom. FMI Marilyn Bose @ 627-5066.

Interested in Volunteering? Contact Our Christmas Fair Chairperson Molly: 655-1215. ***All proceeds benefit Parish programs.***

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are offering a Countdown To

Christmas prize calendar. Each day from Dec. 1st to 24th we will draw a number, Monday thru Saturday winner will receive \$25, Sunday \$100 and on Christmas Eve \$500. Included are some gift certificates and special days with an extra prize donated by a local merchant. Calendars \$10 each and only 200 will be sold. Tickets are available after Masses or by contacting any Knight