

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

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Office 207-892-8288

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

Faith Formation 207-892-8922

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

Third Sunday of Lent—March 8, 2015



And to those who sold doves he said, “Take these out of here, and stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.” His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

- Jn 2:16-17

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

**Our Lady’s Office will be closed on Thursday, March 12th . Reopen on Monday, March 16th*

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Sacrament of Baptism:

Preparation for parents and all documentation are required before a date is set for the Baptism. Please call the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please contact the office six months prior to the wedding.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Greg Smith is the facilitator.

RCIC: Rite of Christian Initiation of Children
Please call Lawrence Guertin (892-8922)

How May We Serve You? Contact the Parish Office at 892-8288, for a parish registration form; request for prayer, notify hospitalization, request for visit or a change of address. For the website go to www.OurLadyMaine.com

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Finance Council *Timothy Verreault*
Justice & Peace Commission *Christine Koza*
Worship & Spirituality Comm. *Susan Snow*
Faith Formation Comm. *Lawrence Guertin*
Our Lady's Guild *Rosemary Skillin*
Our Lady's Website *Jennifer Dunfee*
Knights of Columbus *David Spada*

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Mass Schedule: March 7 through March 15

4:00 p.m. Mass is on Saturday, March 7
Connie Gauvin ® The Morning Mass Group

10:00 a.m. Mass is on Sunday, March 8
Mrs Elizabeth Stefanko ® JJK

800 a.m. Mass is on Tuesday, March 10,
Healing for Teresa Webber

800 a.m. Mass is on Thursday, March 12,
Elaine Tetreault ® Pat & Ed Sullivan

4:00 p.m. Mass is on Saturday, March 14
Dorothy Ann Finley ® Tina Finley

10:00 a.m. Mass is on Sunday, March 15
Marie Hillerman ® Deacon Frank & Florence Chambers

8:00 A.M. COMUNION SERVICE

Mon, Mar. 9 Wed., Mar. 11 Fri., March 13

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are observed during the Fridays of Lent at 3:00pm. Come and have this be part of our Lenten prayer.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

The Missions Office is sponsoring a Lenten Retreat at the Sky-Hy Conference & Renewal Center in Topsham on Friday, March 13, and Saturday, March 14. To attend both days, the cost is \$65 which will include lodging, meals, and the retreat. To attend Saturday only, the cost is \$25 which will include lunch and the retreat. FMI contact Ruth Oakley, Diocesan Director of the Missions/CRS Office, at (207) 773-6471 (ext. 7817) or at ruth.oakley@portlanddiocese.org. **The deadline to register is March 10.**

On Wednesday, March 18, country music star Steve Azar will perform a special concert at the Westbrook Performing Arts Center on 471 Stroudwater Street in Westbrook to benefit Saint Andre Home's *Project TLC*, Maine's first safe house/residential treatment program which is set to open in May 2015. Tickets are \$20 for general admission or \$50 for a private meet. FMI or if you would like to donate a silent auction item, contact Diane Madden at (207) 710-2774 or dmadden@saintandrehome.org. Visit www.portlanddiocese.org/sites/default/files/files/ConcertFlyer.pdf.

ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

LOOKING AHEAD: "Lights Are On For You"

St Anne's and Our Lady's have scheduled two evenings when two priests will be available during the "Lights are On" program. Tuesday, March 24, 6:00 PM we will be at Our Lady's, Windham, and Wednesday, March 25, 6:00 PM we will be at St Anne's, Gorham.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Both churches have scheduled "Stations" during Lent. At Our Lady's, various ministries groups and organization are leading the "Stations" at 3:00 PM. At St Anne's, the Youth Ministry group is leading the "Stations" at 6:45 PM after the "Fish Suppers" during Lent.

PROCEED WITH CAUTION: With the ever-growing mounds of snow at the edges of the parking lots and driveways, I encourage all drivers to proceed with utmost caution. Please be especially alert when exiting the driveways on Angler's Road and Route 302

Fr. Joe.

Daylight Savings Time Begins

This weekend, March 8th

Lenten Disciplines and Practices

Fasting & Abstinence : Fasting usually means eating one main meal a day. Good Friday (April 3) is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence from eating meat, and this obliges all those who are age 18 – until the beginning of their 60th year (through age 59 - except, of course, for medical reasons).

Abstinence From Eating Meat:

This practice involves not eating meat on certain days. All the Fridays of Lent are days when we do not eat meat, and this rule applies to every one of age 14 and older.

Easter Duty - In the dioceses of the United States, the obligation to receive Holy Communion at least once a year may be satisfied from the First Sunday of Lent (February 21/22) to Most Holy Trinity Sunday (May 30/31). For a just cause, the Easter duty may be fulfilled at some other time of the year (canon 920).

OUR LADY'S FINANCE — STEWARDSHIP

First Collections: Feb. 28/March 1 \$2,302.98

Special Collection: March 14-15 *The Catholic Relief*

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CRS Rice Bowl Pick up your family's rice bowl from the table in the narthex. Remember, your Lenten sacrifices change lives.

Life Long Faith Formation News

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

Faith Formation Grades K-12, Class time 8:30am-9:45am

March 8th Grades K - 12 Regular Session

March 15th Grades K - 12 Regular Session

March 22nd Grades K - 12, Regular Session

March 22nd Special Session for Parents that have children preparing for the **Sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Eucharist for Children.** March 22nd, 8:30am to 12:30pm. This session includes Mass. FMI please call Larry at the Faith Formation Office at 892-8922 or e-mail Lawrence.Guertin@portlanddicoese.org

HIGH SCHOOL CONVENTION 2015 – April 17-19, 2015 at the Samoset Resort, Rockport. Come join us on this powerful weekend with hundreds of Catholic youth from across the state sharing and rejoicing in their Catholic faith. Connor Flanagan is our keynote presenter and musician. He is a parish youth minister, presenter, and musician who fuses hip-hop and pop acoustic music with storytelling. FMI & details visit www.olffmaine.com. Registration forms and additional information available in the narthex.

Guild Meeting/ Corned Beef & Cabbage luncheon, March 11th. Workers, please be there by 10:30, lunch at 12 noon. RSVP to Jackie ASAP, cost \$8.00.

Friday, March 27th – Mary's Way of the Cross at 3 p.m. Guild members please be there by 2:30 p.m.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & PEACE


Lenten Non- Food Drive

Dear Parishioners, as in past years, we would like to help in restocking local food pantries with essential, non-food items. You can find a "shopping list" of items needed in the Narthex. Items needed include: bath soap, dish soap, laundry detergent, shampoo, Kleenex, paper towels, toilet paper, toothbrushes & toothpaste. More people than ever need assistance from the food pantries. Please help us improve the lives of our neighbors and friends. All donations should be returned to the church by **Sunday, March 22nd.** Thank you for your generosity.

MORNING PRAYER Liturgy of the Hours is offered weekday mornings starting at 7:40am in the Chapel Meeting Room before Mass or Word & Communion Service begins. Prayer books are available. Come join us.

Military Note: Col. John E. McDonough USMC, son of Ann & Joseph McDonough is currently deployed to Iraq. He is stationed in Al Asad Air Base with 320 marines. Their mission is to train and lead the Iraqi National Army to defeat Isis and to reclaim their country. We ask for your prayers for their safety and success.

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