

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)

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent—March 15, 2015



And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. -

Jn 3:19-20

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? 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*
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CLUSTER 23 LENTEN ACTIVITY

"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.

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).

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Mass Schedule: March 14 through March 22

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

800 a.m. Mass is on Tuesday, March 17,

Special Intention for Michelle & Lisa Perry

800 a.m. Mass is on Thursday, March 19,

For the Parish Family

4:00 p.m. Mass is on Saturday, March 21

Lucia Fecteau ® Claire Cressey

10:00 a.m. Mass is on Sunday, March 22

Connie Gauvin ® Avis Fleck

8:00 A.M. COMUNION SERVICE

Mon, Mar. 16 Wed., Mar. 18 Fri., March 20

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

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.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Bishop Robert P. Deeley will celebrate Mass on the Feast of St. Patrick at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland on Tuesday, March 17, at 12:15 p.m. St. Patrick is the secondary patron of the Diocese of Portland. All are invited to attend.

ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

"THE LIGHTS ARE ON FOR YOU" is a program that encourages each parish church to schedule times for confessions apart from the regular weekly times. Here in our "cluster" of two churches, individual confessions are scheduled on two evenings: Tuesday, March 24, 6:00 PM at Our Lady's in Windham and Wednesday, March 25, 6:00PM at St Anne's in Gorham. Two priests will be available each evening.

REFLECTIONS FOR MID-LENT: This past Sunday and the week day since, the readings and prayers at Mass have focused on the KINDNESS AND MERCY" of God. Perhaps they stand out even more because of the current temptations to hate, to get revenge, to judge others because they don't live the way WE want them to, and we even go about telling God who to behave toward others. Consider spending a little time reflecting on your own kindness and mercy toward others or perhaps, the lack of these in your attitudes towards others.

Fr. Joe.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MSGR. W. G. CUNNEEN COUNCIL 10020

The Knights want to thank everyone who participated in last weekend's Haddock Supper. Because of the support of our Parish Community and the people of the Lakes Region we are able to announce that the Sisters of The Community of the Resurrection will receive \$750 from the proceeds of the dinner. Our updated Public Supper Schedule for the remaining dinners for 2015 is in this weeks bulletin.

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.

Life Long Faith Formation News

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

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

March 15th Grades K - 12 Regular Session.

March 22nd Grades K - 12, Regular session.

March 22nd Special Session for Parents and Children

preparing for the sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Eucharist from 8:30am to 12:30pm. This session includes Mass. FMI, please call Larry at the Faith Formation Office at 892-8922 or e-mail (address above).

March 29th, Grades K - 12 regular session

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, go to www.olffmaine.com. Registration forms and additional information available in the narthex.

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: March 7-8 \$2,984.73

Special Collection: March 14-15 *The Catholic Relief Service* funds six Catholic agencies that work to serve our suffering brothers & sisters around the world. Please be generous.

EASTER FLOWERS: Envelopes are available for those who would like to make a donation in memory of their deceased. This offering is very much appreciated and a great help to the church. Please put your name and the name (s) of the deceased on the envelope. Please print.

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