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October 22, 2023

BELONG



“Repay to Caesar what
belongs to Caesar and to God
what belongs to God.”

MATTHEW 22:21

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The Vision for St. Theresa Parish and St. Mary Parish

To grow the presence of the Catholic Church in the towns of the
Contoocook River Valley and on the New England College Campus

Our Mission:

- ❖ To welcome individuals, couples and families
- ❖ To form disciples
- ❖ To train for service
- ❖ To learn to share our faith
- ❖ To go deeper into scripture and prayer

ST. THERESA



ST. MARY

October 8, 2023

Offertory	\$	6,503.00
Offertory Online 10/02-10/06/23	\$	3,138.39
Debt/Capital Projects	\$	160.00
Debt/Capital Online 10/02-10/06/23	\$	329.13
Utility Fund	\$	1,427.00

October 15, 2023

Offertory	\$	3,713.00
Offertory Online 10/09-10/13/23	\$	1,906.42
Debt/Capital Projects	\$	128.00
Debt/Capital Online 10/09-10/13/23	\$	195.00

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Madelein-Mae Cynthia Brouillard,
Dennis Broussard, Jeanne Campbell,
Maria Carranza, Dan DaCosta,
Tyler & Caitlyn Deschenes & family, Faith Downs,
Bill Gould, Madalyn Grace Downs,
Crystal Emerson, Roy Emerson,
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October 8, 2023

Offertory	\$	1,432.19
Offertory Online 10/02-10/06/23	\$	803.63

October 15, 2023

Offertory	\$	832.00
Offertory Online 10/09-10/13/23	\$	550.63

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**St. Mary
Prayer Chain**

Peggy Abeln, David Ancil, Peter Beard,
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Tom Fraser, Charlotte Furo, Katie Walter Jeffery,
Jostin & Family, Jocelyne LeBlanc, Tommy Lloyd,
Ashley Montgomery, Melissa Morin, Betty Plante,
Lily Plater, Paul Plater, Phillip Sullivan, Dan Tafe,
Ursula & Walter Radermacher and Michael Wahl



Oct. 21/22 World Mission Sunday Collection
Oct. 21 Knights hosting Harvest Dinner
Oct. 22 Divine Mercy 2:30 at ST. MARY
Oct. 23 St. Mary Outreach Meeting 1:00 p.m.
Oct. 24 The Prayer Course at St. Theresa 6:00 p.m.
Oct. 25 The Prayer Course at St. Mary 2:00 p.m.
Oct. 28 Pro-Life Conference Abortion & the Church
St. Theresa 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Oct. 28 Family Formation Movie Night
Oct. 28/29 Anointing of the Sick following all Masses

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ST. THERESA



ST. MARY

Sat. Oct. 21 4:00 p.m.

- ☼ For our Parishioners and all who live in the towns served by St. Theresa & St. Mary

Sun. Oct. 22 8:00 a.m.

- ☼ For our Parishioners and all who live in the towns served by St. Theresa & St. Mary

11:00 a.m.

- ☼ For our Parishioners and all who live in the towns served by St. Theresa & St. Mary

Mon. Oct. 23 8:30 a.m.

- ✠ In memory of Margaret (Peggy) Sherry by Joe & Ginny Bigwood

Wed. Oct. 25 8:30 a.m.

Adoration 9:00 a.m.-Noon

- ✠ In memory of Matthew Ryan Ashcraft by Schuster Family

Sat. Oct. 28 4:00 p.m.

- ☼ For our Parishioners and all who live in the towns served by St. Theresa & St. Mary

Sun. Oct. 29 8:00 a.m.

- ☼ For our Parishioners and all who live in the towns served by St. Theresa & St. Mary

11:00 a.m.

- ☼ For our Parishioners and all who live in the towns served by St. Theresa & St. Mary

Sun. Oct. 22 9:30 a.m.

- ☼ For additional qualified, compassionate security guards for our NH correction facilities by Rita Murdough

Tues. Oct. 24 8:30 a.m.

- ✠ In memory of Douglas Domina by Florence Osgood

Thurs. Oct. 26 8:30 a.m.

- ☼ In celebration of Ben Hurd's birthday by Katelyn

Sun. Oct. 29 9:30 a.m.

- ✠ In memory of Michelle Bissonnette by Danielle Bissonnette

If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention at St. Mary or St. Theresa, please contact the Parish Office. Mass cards are available.

Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

The Sanctuary Lamp is the candle burning near the tabernacle which signals Jesus' Eucharistic presence in the tabernacle. The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly, 24 hours a day!

If you would like to "sponsor" the burning of the Sanctuary Lamp at St. Theresa or St. Mary in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office.

**This week at St. Mary
the lamp is burning in memory of
Douglas & Christine Domina**



Family Formation Movie Night October 28th

**Join us for DreamWorks
The Prince of Egypt**

**Pizza
Popcorn
Lemonade**

Signup sheets will be in the narthex this weekend or email familyformationsttheresa@gmail.com



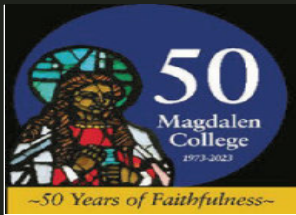
**Divine Mercy Devotion
this Sunday
October 22nd
2:30 pm
at ST. MARY**

ST. THERESA AND ST. MARY PARISHES



If you are new to our parish, please contact the parish office for a registration form or complete our online registration form available on the Parish Website.

Visitors, we are glad that you joined us today!



Attention ALL high school students and family members!

Join us **October 27-29** for our **OPEN HOUSE**

Experience Socratic seminars and visit with current students, professors, administrators, and alumni. The weekend will include a live jazz band, beautiful liturgy, campus tours, and much more. **Peter Kreeft** will be a guest speaker at a special event on Friday evening. Magdalen College of the Liberal Arts, in Warner, NH is celebrating **50 Years of Faithfulness**. JOIN US. <https://magdalen.edu/admissions-mc/visit/50th/>



Rectory repairs at St. Mary's in recent weeks were required as a result of water pouring into the cellar, and mold having to be removed, along with rotting timbers. Our parish insurance will be reimbursing the parish for much of the work that was required. Each parish in the diocese has a \$5,000 deductible, meaning that the parish will not be reimbursed for this amount. To date, the total cost for the upgrades and repair work is \$14,500. Otherwise, the parish property is in good shape. The filling of cracks, sealing and lining of the parking lot was done this summer. Members of the parish Finance Council, which includes Keith McGuire, Mike Connolly, Brian Clarey, Tamasine Wood-Creighton and Father Marcel, continuously review parish property issues. A parish cemetery committee, meanwhile, has been overseeing the upcoming upgrades to the cemetery on Center Road which will include putting hardpack on the road that allows access to graves. That committee includes Deacon Jim Rock, Jon Rheault, Bob Finch and Elvis Queliz.

This weekend Father Marcel will be trading places with his good friend Father Bob Washabaugh. Fr. Bob will be at St. Theresa for the three weekend Masses. Father Marcel will be celebrating five weekend Masses, including one in French for Haitians, and another in Spanish for the Hispanic community, in Norwich, Connecticut.



Tuesdays at St. Theresa 6:00 P.M.

6:00 p.m. Dinner - 6:45 p.m. Video

7:15-8:00 p.m. Small groups

Wednesday at St. Mary 2:00 P.M.

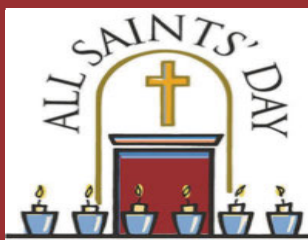
2:00 p.m. Video - 2:30-3:15 p.m. Small groups

This week we will discuss Contemplation.

It is not too late...please join us!!!!

Celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick **October 28th and 29th following all Masses**

Father Maurice and Father Marcel will be offering the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to all who are eligible to celebrate this sacrament. All who are suffering from serious physical or mental health condition, or by virtue of age are eligible. The celebrant will lay hands on each individual, and then bless each person on the forehead, and on the palms of the hand. The response to both blessings is: "Amen".



Our Holy Day schedule:

November 1st

St. Theresa at 8:30 a.m.

St. Mary at noon

St. Theresa at 7:00 p.m.



November is the month to remember all our faithful departed.

We invite you to bring in framed photographs of your loved ones to be displayed at St. Theresa and St. Mary during the month of November.

Please remember to label your photos

Please enter the names of your deceased loved ones into The Book of the Names of the Dead. Please note that your loved ones do not need to be listed yearly. Once entered, they remain in the parish's permanent books.

At St. Theresa's, we invite you to light a candle for your departed loved ones on the Tree of Life.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

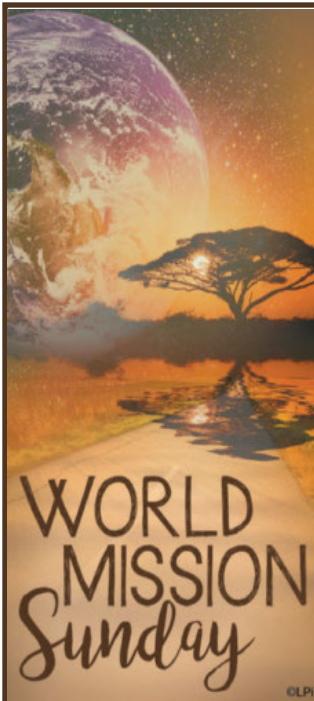
Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him. (Is 45:1)

Second Reading:

We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love. (1 Thes 1:2-3)

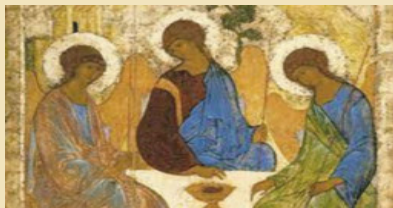
Gospel:

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." (Mt 22:21)



Today, we celebrate World Mission Sunday, heeding Pope Francis's call to keep our **"Hearts on fire, feet on the move."** On this day, we reflect on our baptismal promise to be disciples and missionaries, sharing the Good News. The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith directly aids priests, religious, and lay leaders in the Pope's missions, allowing them to minister to and uplift communities in dire need. Let's light up the world with our prayers and generosity. Thank you for your heartfelt contribution!

Abortion & the Church: Gather to Listen ... Gather to Heal



Saturday, October 28, 2023
St. Theresa in Henniker, NH
9AM – 2 PM

FREE - To Register & more information:

<https://www.showerofroses.org/>
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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

October 22, 2023



With little more than a year until the United States' national elections, I find myself feeling, like many Catholics, both dread and energized. Dread, because our democratic republic can be a messy endeavor and campaigns a long, nasty, and unedifying slog; energized, because hope for positive societal change can be enticing and engaging. As a pastor, I see similar conflicting attitudes in those whom I serve. How can Catholics best engage our political arena in a way which is truly helpful and worthwhile?

This week's gospel reading offers wisdom in this regard. Jesus says, "Render therefore to Caesar the things are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." This riddle forces us to answer for ourselves a hidden question: what is the relationship between political and divine authority? Two common but false answers lead to mischief. If we answer that the two are equivalent, politics becomes our absolute authority. This happens whenever religion is slave to the state, as in the travesty of the pro-Nazi German Christian movement in the 1930s and 40s. It also usually occurs when there is an official state religion. If we answer that the two are totally unrelated, we end up with an unchecked aggressive secularist state as we often experience now. Thus, religion becomes a weak and private pastime.

What's a better alternative? At our best, Christians hold that political authority does indeed have its own legitimate autonomy but is nested within God's all-encompassing authority. Think, for example, of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s respect for politics while also being able to criticize unjust human laws because he recognized a higher heavenly law. In other words, Caesar owns politics — *and God owns Caesar*. So, we should allow Jesus' words to lead us to have a deep respect and willingness to peacefully engage in politics without making that engagement our religion. We bring our faith to bear on our politics knowing confidently that Caesar isn't God — but he is indeed God's.

Father John Muir ©LPi

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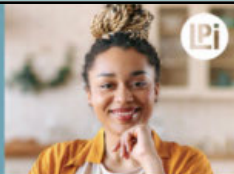
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