



St. Theresa Parish & St. Mary Parish

IN HENNIKER & HILLSBOROUGH, NH

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February 25, 2024



LED THEM
UP A HIGH
MOUNTAIN.

— MARK 9:2 —

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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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

February 18, 2024

Offertory	\$	2,821.00
Offertory Online 02/05-02/09/24	\$	1,517.03
Debt/Capital Projects	\$	65.00
Debt/Capital Online 02/05-02/09/24	\$	140.00

Thank You for your Support!!



*St. Theresa
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Jaxson Rivera, Grace Rock, Gabriel Rock,
John Rock, Jennifer Schallert & children,
Mary Ellen Schule, Eric Smith, Joseph Tierney,
Drysdan Wallace and Anthony Yarochwicz

A little parish history

St. Mary parish in Hillsborough was founded in
1892. 2024 marks its 132nd anniversary.

St. Theresa parish in Henniker was founded in
1925. 2024 marks its 99th anniversary.

Pastoral Staff

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February 18, 2024

Offertory	\$	1,121.50
Offertory Online 02/05-02/09/24	\$	1,056.51

Thank You for your Support!!



*St. Mary
Prayer Chain*

Peggy Abeln, David Ancil, Peter Beard,
Cynthia Bumford, Lori Carrington,
Tommy Connolly, Mathew Douston,
Monique Fox, Tom Fraser, Charlotte Furo,
Kathy Rysnik Huard, Katie Walter Jeffery,
Jostin & Family, Jocelyne LeBlanc,
Ashley Montgomery, Melissa Morin, Betty Plante,
Lily Plater, Paul Plater, Marilyn Powers,
Dee Sampson, Jackie Sylvia,
Ursula & Walter Radermacher, Michael Wahl
and Bill Wengrowski

**Feature film to tell the story of
Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini**



A motion picture has been produced
telling the extraordinary account
of Mother Cabrini, who came from
Italy to the United States in the
19th century to serve poor Italian
immigrants, and many more.
Check out the movie trailer on your
search engine to decide if this might
be worth your while.

The Regal Cinema at 282 Loudon Road in Concord
will be showing this film on Friday, March 8,
at 3 p.m. and again at 7 p.m.

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ST. THERESA



ST. MARY

Sat. Feb. 24 4:00 p.m.

✠ In memory of Michael Whalley
by Pat & Fred Moreland
and

✧ For the intentions of Fr. Marcel on the
occasion of his ordination anniversary
by Jeanne Clarner

Sun. Feb. 25 8:00 a.m.

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

11:00 a.m.

✠ In memory of Shirley Vander Heyden
by her Family

Mon. Feb. 26 8:30 a.m.

✧ For those listed on the prayer chains

Wed. Feb. 28 8:30 a.m.

Adoration 9:00 a.m.-Noon

✧ For recovery for Kayla Haines
and for strength for her family

Sat. Mar. 2 4:00 p.m.

✠ In memory of Paul Vahey, Jr.
by Pat & Fred Moreland
and

✠ In memory of Ted Story.
by the Story Family

Sun. Mar. 3 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. Feb. 25 9:30 a.m.

✠ In memory of Nancy Moriarty
by Juanita McDonough

Tues. Feb. 27 8:30 a.m.

✧ For the Parishioners of St. Mary
& St. Theresa

Thurs. Feb. 29 8:30 a.m.

✧ For the Parishioners of St. Mary
& St. Theresa

Sun. Mar. 3 9:30 a.m.

✠ In memory of Pauline Rainville
by Juanita McDonough

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!

**This week at St. Mary
the lamp is burning for the intentions
of Walter Radermacher**



FEBRUARY

Feb. 24 Family Formation Movie Night 5:00 p.m.
Feb. 25 St. Mary Reconciliation Service 1:30 p.m.
Feb. 25 Divine Mercy Devotion St. Mary at 2:30 p.m.

MARCH

Mar. 1 Stations of the Cross St. Mary 5:00 p.m.
Stations for the Cross St. Theresa 6:00 p.m.
Mar. 3 St. Mary Coffee & Donuts following Mass
Mar. 6 Adoration St. Theresa 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Mar. 6 St. Mary Social Committee Meeting 9:00 a.m.
Mar. 7 Adoration St. Mary 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Mar. 8 Stations of the Cross St. Mary 5:00 p.m.
Stations for the Cross St. Theresa 6:00 p.m.
Mar. 9 Family Formation
Mar. 12 St. Mary Cemetery Committee Meeting 7:00 pm
Mar. 13 Knights Meeting St. Mary 7:00 p.m.
Mar. 15 Stations of the Cross St. Mary 5:00 p.m.
Stations for the Cross St. Theresa 6:00 p.m.
Mar. 16 St. Patrick's Dinner hosted by the Knights
Mar. 17 St. Theresa Coffee & Donuts

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL RETREAT

Join us for the Eucharistic Revival Retreat with the
Sisters of the Daughters of Mary, Mother of Healing
Love. The retreat will be held on **Saturday, April 13**,
from 8:30 am-2:00 pm at Christ the King Parish.
\$5 registration fee. A light lunch will be included.
Sponsored by Christ the King Parish Women's
Ministry. For more information and to register,
visit <https://www.christthekingnh.org/retreat>



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!

WHAT CAN WE DO FOR LENT?

- ♦ **Consider starting a small faith sharing group in your home.** Invite 3 or 4 people, not necessarily Catholics who are practicing their faith, to join you.
- ♦ **Join a small group:**
 - ***Fridays, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** Slusser Senior Center, Contoocook. Reviewing the upcoming Sunday Bible readings, and discussing current moral and religious issues with Father Marcel
 - ***Mondays, 11:00 am to 12:30 p.m. (2/19-3/25)** St. Theresa Church meeting room. Celebrate Spirituality-12 step. Led by Beth Ann Sondles, there is much we can all learn from 12 step spirituality.
 - ***Mondays, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** St. Theresa Rectory, 246 Old West Hopkinton Road, Henniker. An interactive study of the principles of group spiritual direction, to prepare to lead groups like Alpha and the Prayer Course that were offered this past year.
 - ***Sunday morning, 9:15 a.m.** Bible Discussion Group, St. Theresa Church Hall. Read and discuss the Gospel for the following Sunday.
 - ***Sunday morning, 10:30 a.m.** Bible Discussion Group, St. Mary Church Hall. Read and discuss the Gospel for the following Sunday.
- ♦ **Attend:** Weekday Mass—Friday Stations of the Cross—Cursillo Retreat Weekend—Adoration
- ♦ **Daily spiritual read,** including The Season for Healing Hearts
- ♦ **Support:** Operation Rice Bowl—40 Days or Life—40 Cans for Lent



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

GO TO CONFESSION

Sunday, February 25 at 1:30 p.m.

A brief Reconciliation Service followed by confessions will be held at St. Mary's in Hillsborough

Sunday, March 17 at 1:30 p.m.

A brief Reconciliation Service followed by confessions will be held at St. Theresa's in Henniker

Sunday, March 3 at 2:30 p.m.

The Concord Deanery Reconciliation Service this year, with several priests/confessors, will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Loudon Road in Concord.

Confessions are heard at St. Theresa's every Saturday from 3 to 3:45 p.m.,
and at St. Mary's every Sunday, upon request, following the 9:30 am. Mass.

I CAN, YOU CAN, WE CAN

40 CANS FOR LENT



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us the Fridays of Lent

St. Mary at 5:00 p.m.

St. Theresa at 6:00 p.m.

Followed by a Lenten Supper of soup and bread

SUNDAY'S READINGS

2nd Sunday of Lent

First Reading:

"I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." (Gn 22:12)

Second Reading:

He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? (Rom 8:32)

Gospel:

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." (Mk 9:7)

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

February 25, 2024



As a college student, my prized possession was an after-market car stereo. It was my pride and joy: glorious audio, eye-catching display screen, and multi-disc CD changer. It drained my hard-earned dollars, but it was totally worth it. It drenched me in music everywhere I drove. On Ash Wednesday of my senior year of college, Father Tom, the Jesuit priest at my university said, "Pray for God to tell you what he wants you to sacrifice for Lent." I did. In my heart, the answer came: "Give up listening to your car stereo for forty days." I winced. Not possible, I thought. Can't do it. I made other plans. The next morning, I was stunned to find that my car had been broken into, and my fancy stereo ripped out and stolen.

God's command to sacrifice what we love is no joke.

This week in Genesis 22, God says: "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love — Isaac — and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you." Believe me, I know. We like to be in control. It chaffs us that *God sets the terms* of what we must sacrifice, and how. But this is no impersonal, tyrannical process. Remember that God uses their names, Abraham and Isaac. God knows each one of us and the precious gifts He commands us to offer. Finally, our sacrifices are for our own good. Do we trust this enough to do what Father Tom asked me to do?

Lenten challenge: This week, I dare you to ask God: "What do you want me to give up?" He may ask for that which you love most. It will be something precious to you: time, money, a relationship, a dream, an opportunity. What matters is we trust Him and act sacrificially in line with His command. Whatever we sacrifice will of course come back to us as surely as the Risen Jesus — but that doesn't make it easy.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Respect Life - *Imago Dei*



Pregnancy Resource Centers (PRCs) are on the front lines in supporting women to *both* pursue her aspiration *and* choose life. Please, support your local PRC.

Jesus, I plead your blood over my sins and the sins of my nation. Lord God Almighty, end abortion and send revival to America. Amen.



Divine Mercy Devotion
this Sunday, February 25th
2:30 pm
at St. Mary

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER



SAVE THE DATE

Please join the Knights of Columbus for the annual St. Patrick's dinner on **Saturday March 16th** after the 4 pm Mass. Tickets to this fun-filled event will be sold after all Masses the weekends of: March 2nd & 3rd & March 9th & 10th. Invite friends and family for a great meal and fellowship!

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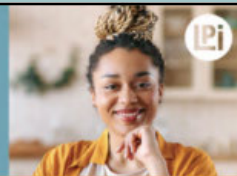
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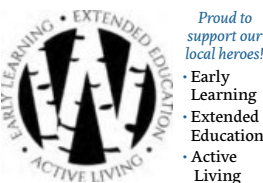


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