# Saints Mary & Joseph Parish March 19, 2017

### **Our Mission Statement:**

Discover God's Love so we might Love God; Love others; and Grow as a community of Disciples.

### **Mary Queen of Peace Church**

200 Lawrence Road Salem, NH 03079

MASS: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 9:00am Wed: Eucharistic Service 9:00am

Sat: 3:00pm Reconciliation

Sat: 4:00pm

Sun: 9:30am w/KidsChurch and

Toddler Time Sun: 11:00am

### St. Joseph Church

40 Main Street Salem, NH 03079

MASS:

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 7:15am
Wed: Eucharistic Service 7:15am

Wed: Mass at 6:30pm Sat: 3:15pm Reconciliation

Sat: 4:15pm

Sun 8:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

#### **Parish Office**

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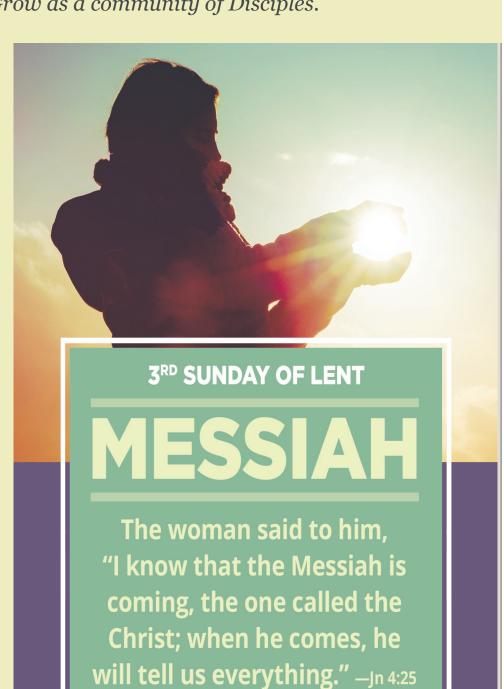
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It's hard to believe that the Israelites, after having witnessed the plagues that influenced the Pharaoh to release them from slavery; after seeing the waters of the Sea divided and the manna (bread) being provided in the desert; could still be whining and protesting against Moses for what they were missing. It's a basic flaw of humanity though, isn't it? We have 100 different choices of cereal on the grocery shelves and we are dissatisfied because our favorite is missing. We have ten different routes to travel to get to our hair appointment but we get angry because one of them is partially blocked by a DPW crew. You might explain such behavior by saying "Well, that's just human nature," and you'd be right. BUT, it is also a sign of human nature in need of redemption.

St Paul writes in his letter to Romans, "...we have been justified by faith (therefore) we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the Glory of God. And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit..." If I can paraphrase what Paul is saying: Jesus has made it possible for us to know God intimately as his children; as a result we have a peace & strength that we never knew possible. We have been made whole (redeemed) and know what our future is because God has loved us totally and unconditionally.

Let's look at the Samaritan woman that Jesus met at Jacob's Well as an example. She's had a tough life if you look at nothing but her failed marriages. Chances are, because of that, she is shunned and mocked by the other women in town and feels terrible about herself. She couldn't have been happy and peaceful in her situation. But look at what happens when she meets Jesus, realizes that He is the Messiah, and experiences His unconditional love **just** as she is! God's love is poured out into her heart and she becomes a new creation, a new person now able to share her story boldly with those in the town without any shame or hesitation. Jesus has given her "living water, a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

So we are presented with two choices. Do we live the life of the Israelites of Moses' time, expecting the things of the world to bring us peace and fulfillment? Or, do we seek a face-to-face encounter with Jesus, who has shown us by His life, death and resurrection the depth of His love for us and the Way we are to live our lives?

Deacon David

#### **CLUSTER PENANCE SERVICE**

St. Patrick Parish, Pelham, NH Sunday, March 19 from 2pm—3:30pm

#### **How Do You Celebrate Lent?**

"Among our observances, our family has found <u>CRS Rice Bowl</u> to be helpful to integrate the spiritual pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. The calendar provides a daily resource that helps us reflect on our own obstacles and also encounter our brothers and sisters around the world."



Meredith Cook is the Director of the Office of Public Policy at Catholic Citzenship News.

#### **Operation Rice Bowl**

This Lenten program invites people to place a cardboard container, found at the church entrances, in their homes, and put in it money that's saved because of their fasting and sacrifices they gave up for Lent. At the end of Lent, the Rice Bowl is brought to Sunday Mass for the offertory. Since 1975, this practice has donated almost \$167 million used for development projects in poor nations and hunger relief in the local diocese.

#### **Staff Adoration**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church. Holy hours are the Roman Catholic devotional tradition of spending an hour in Eucharistic Adoration in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration concludes with Benediction. Our next opportunity to adore Jesus is:



Thursday, March 23, 2017, 3PM at Mary Queen of Peace Church.

**Come join the staff and pray** for our Parish, the greater Salem community, and your personal intentions.

## **Youth Happenings**



#### **Grades 3-5 and 6-8 Youth Ministries**

A weekly hour gathering where youth engage in fun and games that demonstrate a Christian point.

#### No Commitment needed!

Come and join us on Tuesdays from 6-7 in Youth Center: entrance around back of St. Julie Hall. Youth can bring their friends!

## Family Faith Formation Grades 1-8 Schedule: REVISED March Schedule due to gym availability

Family Option 9:30B March 19 at MQP
Family Option 9:30A April 2 at MQP campus
Family Option 5:00 April 2 at St. Joe campus

Family Option 11:00 April 9 begins 9:30 at St. Joe School Family Option 9:30B: Let us know whether you are coming April 2 or 9!

#### **Confirmation Classes**

Sunday sessions meet March 19 and 26 in the Family Room below St. Joseph Church.

Tuesday sessions meet March 21 and 28 in the Youth Center behind St. Julie Hall. starting at 7 PM

## NO OPEN GYM this week (Or March 26)





## What's Happening at KidsChurch March is all about :

we are Treasured By God!

The little ones were anxious and eager to see what our object lesson was

all about last Sunday! The materials were a glass half filled with blue colored water and an index card. Miss Dawn posed this question to one of the children: Would he trust her if she turned the glass of water upside down on top of his head even if she covered it with the index card? The answer was No Way! Miss Dawn then asked the group what they thought trust was. Believing In **Someone** was the answer given by one of the little ones. (They are wise at this young age.) Some trusted people in their lives included Mom, Dad, Siblings And.....GOD! The glass was covered with the index card and turned upside down...Amazingly the water did not spill out! We recreated the parting of the Red Sea The little ones walked through blue balloons placed over a yellow tablecloth (Very Fun!). The little ones came away with the message that we TRUST God to lead us in the right direction.

#### March 19th: A House For God

(Glory And Praise To Our God!)
Dawn Pavlini, Director of KidsChurch
Kidschurch@saintsmaryandjoseph.org

#### **Children's Bereavement Seminar**

Has your child lost a loved one in the past few years? The Bereavement Center of St. Mary and Joseph Parish is offering a three day seminar for children.

The seminars are scheduled for the following Saturdays in April from 10:30am to noon: April 1, 8 & 15.

The program offers the children an opportunity to develop coping skills in a safe trusting environment. The children are encouraged to express their feelings through art projects, writing exercises and other age appropriate activities. A puppet show pertaining to grief will be offered on the last day of the seminar. The program is free of charge. A healthy snack will be provided. Contact **Linda O'Reilly at 603-893-6061 to register**.

#### **Prison Ministry and Family Faith Formation**

Our February Faith Formation Classes focused on the Work of Mercy: 'visiting the imprisoned'. Families were invited to pray in a sacrificial way during the weekend of a Kairos Prison Retreat... Here is what a couple said they would do:

No tv for a day Give up electronics

Exercise No dessert

Not fight with my brother I will pray for those on retreat once a day

I won't play with my Xbox or IPad I will sleep on the floor

I will pray the rosary

May our prayers and sacrifices be a source of strength and transformation!!!

"The road from love to hate is easy. The one from hate to love is more difficult, but brings peace."
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## St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 18

4:15p Thomas Skehan by Joe & Martha Lessard

Sunday, March 19

8:00a Anna Willis by Don & Linda Simmons
11:00a Louise Desrosiers by Georgette Beaulieu
5:00p William White in loving memory by His Family

Monday, March 20

7:15a Marion Cullen (parish benefactor) by Fr. Tom

Tuesday, March 21

7:15a Helen Lowe by Marty& MaryAnn McDonough

Wednesday, March 22

7:15a Eucharistic Service6:30p Janet Smith by Family

Thursday, March 23

7:15a Anna Willis by Lee Alphen

Friday, March 24

7:15a Anna Willis by Marc & Joan Payeur

Saturday, March 25

4:15p Lillian Sullivan by Ken & Peg Akerley

Sunday, March 26

8:00a Joanne Chmieleski by Susan LaPlante11:00a Carolyn Tiner by John & Patricia Campo5:00p James Fitzgerald by the Berube Family

## **MQP Mass Intentions**

Saturday, March 18

4:00p Ghandour (Dan) Sarkis by Bill & Marie Mullen

Sunday, March 19

9:30a Dillon Cohen by Bob & Evelyn Demers

11:00a Helen Taplin by Her Family

Monday, March 20

9:00a John LaPlante by his Family

Tuesday, March 21

9:00a Sal Dawaliby by Helen Abou-Haidar

Wednesday, March 22

9:00a Eucharistic Service

Thursday, March 23

9:00a Kenneth & Leona Slack by Stephen Slack

Friday, March 24

9:00a Kenneth & Leona Slack by Stephen Slack

Saturday, March 25

4:00p Nieves Cannon by the Family

Sunday, March 26

9:30a Chester Francis Orban by Wife & Family

11:00a Rose Muollo by husband Charles

#### **Parish Calendar**

Sunday9:30 am FF Option B 9:30/MQP—Main HallMarch 196:00pm Confirmation Option 1/SJ—Fam Rm

**Tuesday 10:00am** Bible Study/MQP-Emmaus Rm

March 14 12:30pm Quilting/SJ-St. Julie Hall

6:00pm Youth Group/SJ—Youth Center
7:00pm Confirmation Class/SJ—Youth Center
7:00pm DivorceCare/MQP—Main Hall
7:00pm Atonement Band Practice/SJ-Church

7:30pm Al-Anon / SJ-St. Julie Hall

Wed 8:00am Men's Cursillo/SJ-Family Rm

March 15 10:00am Lent Reflection/MQP—Emmaus Rm

Noon Soup & Stations /MQP—Church
6:30pm Book Discussion/MQP- Emmaus Rm

7:00pm Bible Study/SJ—Family Room

7:00pm AA/MQP-Hall

7:00pm Rehab EM Mtg/MQP— Emmaus Rm

Thursday 6:00pm Young Adults/SJ-Youth Center March 16 7:00pm Bereavement/SJ-St. Julie Hall

Friday March 17

6:00pm Soup & Stations/SJ- Family Room

Saturday Nameb 40

March 18 8:00am Bible Study/SJ-Family Room

#### **Rest in Peace**

We pray for all who died recently especially **Antonin Garcia.** May his family be comforted by loving memories of him and by hope in Christ's promise of the resurrection.



#### **Eternal Light**

This week the Eternal Light is burning at St. Joseph Church for **Bob Galle** by Joe Bourque, and at Mary Queen of Peace Church for **John Lavin** by Dennis & Elaine Lavin.

Parish Giving	
March 4 and March 5, 2017	
Envelopes	\$ 9,627.00
Loose	\$ 1,850.00
<b>Development Fund</b>	\$ 241.00
Flowers	\$ 209.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 294.00
Sub-total	\$12,221.00
Aid to Europe & Africa	\$ 58.00
Total	\$12,279.00
Thank You for your generosity!	

#### **Soup & Stations of the Cross**

#### **MQP** Wednesday at Noon

**St. Joseph Friday at 6:00 PM** Before the Friday 7 PM Stations, soup and bread are served in the Family Room below St. Joseph Church. Please join us for a light dinner and prayer as we seek to journey with Jesus this Lent.

March 24: Corn and Fish Chowder March 31: French Onion Soup

### SAVE THE DATE!! Volunteer Appreciation Dinner Wednesday, April 26

Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

#### **Community Garden News**

Did You Know we have seeds that have been started indoors by some of our parishioners? It's not too early to think about a Harvest!!



#### **Ministry Matters**

Share Our Strength's Cooking Matters® is a program of the NH Food Bank. This program teaches youth, families and adults lessons in nutrition and cooking healthy meals on a budget. Has God been preparing you to be a part of this outreach and to help our parish host a program? It would require a 6 week, 3 hours per week commitment, plus a 2-3 hours training session. For more information about the program go to www.cookingmatters.org

#### Three Reasons to become an SMJP Altar Server:

You get to wear cool white robes.

You learn when and how to ring the bells.

It gives you something to do during mass, and something to look forward to for the next time you are scheduled.

Three Reasons **YOUR PARENTS may want you to serve** on the altar:

You can make a real difference by serving the parish. You get more out of mass because you are a part of it. It can lead to a deeper relationship with Christ.

Information Meeting and Pizza Party, Wed, March 29, at the Parish Office, from 6-7 PM.

If interested in any of the ministries, **contact Kay** Barretto at **603-930-7963** or <a href="mailto:kbarretto@comcast.net">kbarretto@comcast.net</a>.

#### **Knights of Columbus**

"In service to One, In service to All"

**SCTV#17:** "The Face of Mercy"

Airing 3/20—3/22

Monday 8PM; Tuesday 2PM; Wednesday 2PM

#### DivorceCare is HERE!

DivorceCare is a support group and video series covering all of the ramifications of the pain, worry, and anxiety that come with a separation or divorce. The 13 week series continues every Tuesday until May 30th at MQP in the Main Hall.

The program is free. Required workbook costs \$20. TO REGISTER contact <u>Joedoc222@aol.com</u> or 508-982-9104 and ask for Joe.

#### Slice of the Pie March Winners

Congratulations to the following winners who will each receive a \$125.00 check!!

Antonio Garcia Donna Eideh Ms. Seppie Casagrande



The Interfaith Choir presents "A Sprinkling of Spring" (a mix of sacred, gospel and show tune music) on Saturday, April 1 at 7 p.m. at Chester Congregational and Baptist Church, 4 Chester Street, Chester, NH; and on Sunday, April 2 at 4 p.m. at Londonderry United Methodist Church, 258 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH. Admission is free, refreshments fol-

low each concert and a free will offering will be accepted. All are welcome.

#### 17th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference

Men of all ages, including teens and college students, are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Assumption College on Saturday, April 1st. Visit the conference website at <a href="https://www.firstmensconf.org">www.firstmensconf.org</a> for information regarding ticket purchases. Brochures are available at the church entrances. There are over 1000 men in attendance, and it is truly an inspirational event!

#### Family-to-Family Easter Food Baskets

To adopt a family, pick up an envelope this week-end at the church entrances. Return baskets by April 8 to the parish office. Contact Marie at ext. 108 for more information.

#### **Parish Information:**

**New Parishioners** If you have just moved to the Salem area, we welcome you to our Parish. Please register on our website or at the Parish Office.

**Baptisms** Please call Justine Dufour by calling the parish office at 893-8661.

**Communion or Sick Calls** A Priest or Eucharistic Minister will be happy to arrange a visit at your home or hospital. Please call Justine Dufour at 893-8661.

Marriages Couples please call the parish office at 893-8661 for an appointment at least six months prior to the date of your marriage.

Shared Meal Ministry Our ministry is to help individuals and families in the Salem area who need temporary care and could benefit from a meal being brought to their home. Please contact Justine Dufour at 893-8661 or Therese Vallario at 978-975-8581.

## Saints Mary & Joseph Food Pantry 893-8661 x131

Food Pantry Hours Every Friday 11:30am to 12:30pm.

Salem residents can visit the Pantry every four weeks. Please call by Thursday Noon for Friday pick-up.

**Prayer Line** 

We are 35-40 families that pray for those who have died and those struggling with health issues or any kind of discord in their families. Requests for prayer are sent to prayers by first name only for family privacy. Call Melanie at 603-893-6763 or Lee at 603-898-1927. Email requests can be sent to greeley-kid@msn.com BUT must have the word "prayer" in the subject line!!!

#### Parish Staff: 893-8661

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Jay Cormier......Deacon jaycormier@comcast.net

David Costello......Deacon

greeleykid@msn.com

#### The Forty-Day Journey

It took 40 days for sinfulness to drown under the flood before a new creation could inherit the earth (Genesis 7-4). It took 40 years for the generation of slaves to die before the freeborn could enter the promised land (Numbers 14:33-35). For 40 days Moses, Elijah and Jesus fasted and prayed to prepare themselves for a life's work.

Forty is symbolic of a journey; it is the journey of the catechumens to baptism. Forty is symbolic of a lifetime, the lives of all the baptized. We pattern our lifelong work according to the gospel.



The ropes along the side walls at both churches symbolize our own journey of lent. With its ups and downs, accomplishments and setbacks, we strive toward the victory of Easter so we can celebrate the Resurrection .

#### **A Lenten Meditation**

A seven week program starting Mar.1<sup>st</sup> (Ash Wed) 10-11AM at MQP Emmaus Room and ending Apr.12<sup>th</sup> (Wed. of Holy Week) using the outstanding booklet created by Sister Genevieve Glen *Not By Bread Alone* (similar to Advent's *Waiting in Joyful Hope*). Each Wed. we will read and discuss the upcoming Sunday readings and their implications for our life using the Reflections, Meditations and Prayers.



# Family Service Day... could you use a hand or two?

Do you have yardwork/housework or a small house project that you are unable to do that a family or two within our parish could help with? Or do you know someone we could help with raking, landscaping, planting, painting, cleaning, etc.? Do you know of any community

organizations that could use our help in tackling a project?

We have two more days set aside (**April 22** and **May 20**) when we match families and interested parishioners together to spend a morning serving those in need. Applications may be found online or at the church entrances. For more information, please contact Sue Levesque at the office.

#### Congratulations to the Basketball Champions!

St. Mary & Joseph's of Salem - 2017 CYO High School, Manchester Division and City Tournament Champions

Front L-R: Cameron Donahue, Andrew Veilleux, M.J. Jaskelevicus, Aiden Norton Back L-R: Matt Wallace, Matt Gangi, Paul Lukas Blythe, Griffin Schaufenbil, Zach Chase, Coach Gerry Bolvin, David Onyemen, Asst. Coach Carlos Cabrera, Devin Sullivan. Missing T.J. Vaughn(IR)

