

Saints Mary & Joseph Parish

November 4, 2018

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:

Sat: 4:00pm

Sun: 9:30am w/KidsChurch and
Toddler Time

Sun: 11:00am

RECONCILIATION:

Sat: 3:00pm-3:50pm

or by appointment

St. Joseph Church

40 Main Street

Salem, NH 03079

MASS:

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 7:15am

Sun 7:30am & 6:30pm

Parish Office

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God."

- Mk 12:32, 34ab

Vote for the Banquet...

Well, Election Day is almost here. After all the divisive rhetoric, all the negative ads, all the back-and-forth accusations (based, it seems, more on emotion than fact), on Tuesday we finally vote for those who will lead our country and state.



But before you go vote, a suggestion: Take a look at the Scripture readings for Mass on Tuesday. Although not assigned for Election Day per se, the two readings for Mass on Tuesday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time are worth praying over as we consider our vote in these midterm elections.

The first reading is Philippians 2: 5-11: Saint Paul's beautiful hymn to the Crucified Christ (you may recognize this reading from the Palm Sunday liturgy). In what is probably the text of an ancient Christian hymn, Paul praises Christ Jesus who "emptied himself" of his divinity in order to become human and, in his humility, accepted the cross for the sake of all humanity. As we approach the voting booth, may we "empty" ourselves of our own narrow interests and wants and vote for the common good of our communities.

Tuesday's Gospel is Jesus' parable of the rich man's banquet ((Luke 14: 15-24): When his friends send their regrets, the host orders his servants to invite the "the poor and the crippled, the blind and the lame . . . that my home may be filled." Keep that image in mind as you cast your ballot: God's kingdom is a great banquet to which everyone is invited; God sets a table where everyone has a place. May our vote on Tuesday provide for the poor, the sick and the vulnerable of our community; may our nation and community mirror the generosity and inclusiveness of God's banquet.

So, this Tuesday, read, pray . . . and vote.

Deacon Jay

Since the Jesuits left our parish this summer, we have only one priest to shepherd all of the families in our community. **The Bishop has been closely monitoring the transition from three priests to one and has made some decisions.** His observation is that in order to shepherd all the faithful in Salem, the "parish has to see itself ever more clearly as one single parish with two churches in which to gather for Mass and the celebration of the Sacraments." As a result, he has made the following decisions:

"It appears that the Saturday evening Mass at 4:00PM has become more well attended at Mary Queen of Peace Church, whereas the attendance at St. Joseph Church is not sustainable. Especially as the autumn returns to Eastern Standard Time will encourage many more to attend Mass at the earlier hour, and since Mary Queen of Peace is able to accommodate everyone, it is appropriate to suspend indefinitely the Saturday evening Mass at St. Joseph. Beginning on Saturday, November 3, 2018 the only Mass on Saturday evening will be celebrated at 4:00 PM at Mary Queen of Peace Church."

"Realizing that St. Joseph Church is vital to the area and provides the opportunity for early morning daily Mass, I believe that St. Joseph should be the location most suited to daily Mass and that the 9:00AM week day Mass at Mary Queen of Peace be suspended indefinitely. Beginning on Monday, November 5, 2018 daily Mass will be celebrated only at 7:15 AM at St. Joseph Church on Main Street." (The Wednesday Eucharistic Services are also being suspended at both campuses.)

"The music ministry known as *Atonement* has begun to provide the music and song at the 9:30 AM Mass at Mary Queen of Peace. I am very pleased to hear of this and encourage its continued participation." Beginning this weekend, the Atonement Band will play weekly at the 9:30 AM Mass at Mary Queen of Peace Church.

"Be assured of my prayers and support as Father Vincent continues to shepherd Saints Mary and Joseph Parish and build the house of the Lord."

**Faithfully yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Peter A. Libasci,
Bishop of Manchester.**

Vocation Awareness Week

During the week of November 4-10, the nation and our diocese will once again celebrate Vocations Awareness Week. The theme of the diocesan celebration this year is "Called by Name." Let us remember to pray for men and women in our diocese who are discerning their vocation and encourage them to **pursue God's personal call.**



Youth Happenings: All activities are held at Youth Center, 40 Main St., Salem, NH, Behind St. Julie Hall

Faith Formation NEWS

Faith Formation October and November schedule:

- Option 9:30A: Nov 4
- Option 4:00: Nov 10
- Option 9:30B: Nov 11
- Option 9:30C: Nov 18
- Each option begins with Mass at the MQP campus and then moves to the hall for their monthly session.
- Children’s Liturgy of the Word and Youth Ministry options detailed on this page.



What’s Happening at KidsChurch at MQP during the 9:30 am Liturgy
October Shows Us That We Are

All ...Hand Picked By God!

Last Sunday we concluded our October theme with some Halloween related activities. A very important part of Halloween is the CANDY! The little ones learned that people are like **M&M's!** The color of an M&M does not matter because it's all about the **CHOCOLATE!** It doesn't matter what we look like on the outside, it's what's on the inside that counts. We should choose our friends by the way that they act toward others, not by the way they look. The little ones moved into our pumpkin patch tent to listen to Miss Dawn read the story, **Spookley the Square Pumpkin.** Through this heartfelt story, the children received the message that God has made all of us special. He has given us special talents that we can use to bring the joy of being friends with Jesus to other people.



We Are Going To “Gobble Up” God's Word In November!

November 4th: Josiah Discovers God's Word

Dawn Pavlini, Director of Kid's Church

Kidschurch@saintsmaryandjoseph.org

High School Youth: Loving Out Loud

November 8 Hair Raising (and Head-Splitting) Courage

November 15 God –vs– gods

November 23 Thanksgiving Day

November 29 WARNING: Under God's orders prophets act Strangely (and gross)



What’s so ‘GOOD’ about the Good News?

Our Faith Formation families considered that for their September Spiritual Exercise. This is some of what they dis-covered!

- †Jesus teaches us how to be happy.
- †Jesus taught us how to have faith.
- †We can always trust in Jesus, even in troubled times.
- †We think the “Good News” is in fact Jesus! We noticed how much healing he did and how many miracles he performed to save people. Jesus is the promise of eternal life!
- †Jesus made it possible for us to live with God forever.

Special Thanksgiving Tea on Nov 17th for Parish Seniors!!!



Our “Jesus Kids” youth group (grades 3-5) is hosting a **Thanksgiving Tea on Saturday, Nov 17th at 2:00 pm** at St. Julie Hall, on St. Joseph campus, for the senior members of our parish. Please call the parish office by Nov 12th to reserve your place. Questions? Call Sue Levesque 893-8661 ext.107.

Youth Ministry for Grades 3-8

November meeting theme: **Thanks a lot!!!**

November Dinner Theme: **November Noodles**

Date	Menu	Youth Group Theme
Nov 5	Spaghetti Noodles and Meatballs	Happy Harvesters
Nov 12	Holiday: no meeting	
Nov 19	Ramen Noodles and chicken	Stuff the Turkey
Nov 26	Turkey Noodle Casserole	Attitude of Gratitude

Gr 3-5 (**The Jesus Kids**) begin with activities and end with dinner

Gr 6-8 (**CIA: Christians In Action**) begin with dinner and end with activities!

“If you want to listen to the Lord’s voice, set out on the journey, live out your search. The Lord speaks to those who search.”

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

Veterans' Mass

Saints Mary and Joseph Parish will be honoring all veterans on Saturday, November 10th at the 4pm Mass at Mary Queen of Peace.



The Veterans' Mass is our way to show our thanks to all our veterans, those who have died, those who are still with us and those who will be a veteran when they finish their service to our country.

If you have a flag of a deceased veteran and would like to have it displayed at this Mass please bring it to the office by November 8th. We will have a light reception following the Mass.

If you know of someone who is currently serving in the Armed forces, please call Justine at the office (603-893-8661) and give her the name, rank and their branch of the service so that their name can be added to our Service banners and the parish will continue to pray for all these men and women throughout the year.

Family to Family Thanksgiving Food Baskets

On the weekend of November 3 & 4, information will be handed out after all masses for the Thanksgiving basket project. Choose a family size you'd like to adopt, shop for the family and return the baskets (or boxes) of food. If you would like to adopt a family but will be away those weekends, email Justine at pm@saintsmaryandjoseph.org and she will send you the info along with a suggested grocery list. All food and baskets need to be dropped off at **Mary Queen of Peace on Saturday, November 17 by 11:00 AM.** The families will pick up their gift the same day. If you have been blessed this past year and feel you want to "pay it forward" - this is your chance to bless a family this holiday season!

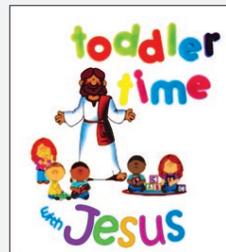


Volunteer Ministry Opportunities



Our Kidschurch and Toddler Time with Jesus Ministry during the 9:30 Mass are in need of more volunteers.

We offer sensory play, music, age-appropriate fun and childcare while parents are given the opportunity to be more fully engaged in Mass.



Would you be able to offer a Sunday morning once a month to care for little ones? No planning necessary! Music, books and toys provided! Please contact Sue Levesque at the parish office!

For more information, or to offer your help within our parish, please contact our Ministry Coordinator Kay Barretto at 603-893-8661 X 103 or kbarretto@comcast.net. You can also learn more about our music ministries on our parish website at saintsmaryandjoseph.org/ministries.

Fill out an orange Volunteer Interest Form found in the back of the church at each parish campus and return it to the office. We will be in touch!



Sips, Nibbles and Fellowship After 4 PM Mass

We would like to offer our parishioners the opportunity to mix and mingle after the Saturday 4 PM mass at our MQP campus. Can you help build this time for fellowship? Please contact Dave and Lorraine Thompson at lorlisat@aol.com, pgpeagle@aol.com or 898-1217 if you are interested in volunteering. Thank you in advance for your willingness to participate and continued blessings.

Why Do Catholics Have Saints?

A saint is a person who is recognized as having an exceptional degree of holiness, likeness or closeness to God. As Catholics we are so blessed because when we read about the lives of the saints, it inspires us to imitate them. During the month of November, SMJP churches will have the pictures and stories of various saints hung. At St. Joseph they hang on the side aisle walls between the Stations. At Mary Queen of Peace the picture frames are in the back corner of the church. We invite you to read about some of the lives of our saints. There are several modern day saints, and some that were canonized as recently as October 14 of this year by Pope Francis. Pictures of the six newly canonized are to the right. May our lives imitate those who have modeled a deep and abiding faith.



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 at the parish office at 893-8661 x103.

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 x105 for an appointment at least six months prior to the date of your marriage.

Food Pantry 893-8661 x131
Pantry Hours Every Friday 11:30am to 12:30pm at St. Joseph Campus. 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 pray-ers 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 greeleykid@msn.com BUT must have the word "prayer" in the subject line!!!

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Upcoming Parish Activities

NH Knights of Columbus: "In service to one, In service to all."
SCTV #17: View the current show
Airing 11/5– 11/7 Mondays 8:00pm Tuesday & Wednesday 2:00pm

The **Parish Office will be closed on Monday, November 12** to allow the staff to celebrate **Veteran's Day** with their families. The holiday honors military veterans; that is, persons who served in the United States Armed Forces. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, when the Armistice with Germany went into effect.

Our **monthly Pot Luck Supper** is being held on Wednesday, November 7 in St. Julie Hall. Please bring a dish to share with other parishioners and enjoy good conversation with other like-minded parishioners! Dinner starts at 5:30pm.

Holiday Bereavement Support

For those of us who have lost a loved one to death, we dread going through the holidays alone. The trained facilitators at the Bereavement Center will show you what to do with traditions and other changes as well as how to handle invitations and holiday parties. The facilitators will help you find comfort, strength and hope. The Bereavement Support Group meets every Thursday in St. Julie Hall at 7:00 PM. The group is free of charge. Call: Linda at 603-893-6061 to register.

2019 Mass Book will be OPEN beginning NOVEMBER 1 for Mass Intentions during 2019. Please stop by the Parish Office or call Maryanne at 893-8661 x105. Intentions for both masses and the eternal light can be reserved.

Lost & Found



Have you misplaced a hat, sunglasses, gloves, an umbrella, or any other item? Perhaps you left it at church! Our lost & found basket at the parish office contains these and many more items. Check it out because after one month they will be donated to charity!

Neighboring Parish Activities

St. Luke the Evangelist Parish, 8 Atkinson Depot Road, Plaistow, NH	Christmas Craft Fair with 20+ vendors	November 10, 9:00am—3:00pm FREE admission	Raffles, Penny Sale, Thrift Store, Silent Auction and MORE!
St. Elizabeth Seton, 190 Meetinghouse Rd., Bedford, NH	Craft Fair & holiday Boutique	Saturday, Nov. 10 from 9:00am—3:00pm	Free admission & parking, food, raffles, bake sale
St. Kathryn Church, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH	25th Annual Christmas Bazaar & Penny Sale	Saturday, Nov. 10 & Sunday, Nov. 11 beginning 9:00am	Cash grand raffles, Penny Sale, gift cards, bake sale

Mass Intentions

St. Joseph

Sunday, November 4

7:30a Intentions of Louise Pelletier

6:30p All Soul's Intentions

Monday, November 5

7:15a Intentions of David Costello

Tuesday, November 6

7:15a Louise (Costello) Raschiella

Thursday, November 8

7:15a Claire Simensen

Friday, November 9

7:15a Bryan Dowgiert

Sunday, November 11

7:30a Peter Sawyer

6:30p Deceased members of the Dobbie Family

Mary Queen of Peace

Saturday, November 3

4:00p John Zavisza, Frank Cangiano, Donald P Carter

Sunday, November 4

9:30a Expedido Vicente

11:00a Salim Dawaliby

Saturday, November 10

4:00p James & Lillian MacKenzie, Lorraine Marotte, Frank Worthy Jr.

Sunday, November 11

9:30a Alvin Huebner & Taplin Family

11:00a Judy Collins



Parish Giving

October 27 and October 28, 2018

(*Our goal is for \$11,000 each week)

Envelopes \$ 7,570.00

Loose \$ 1,706.00

*Sub-Total \$ 9,276.00

Special Relief \$ 2,239.00

TOTAL \$ 11,515.00

2nd Collection for November weekends

11/4 Development Fund

11/18 Campaign for Human Development/Black & Indian Missions

Thank you for your generosity!

Your regular financial support of our parish community is essential to our continued viability and vitality.

Rest in Peace

We pray for all who died recently especially **Leonard A. Wilson, Anna M. Gagne & Alfrieda Goterch**. May their families be comforted by loving memories of them and by hope in Christ's promise of the resurrection.

Eternal Light/Sanctuary Candle is

burning this week at St. Joseph for **the Intentions of Melanie & David Costello** by Maryanne Murach and at Mary Queen of Peace for **the Intentions of Gertrude Bamford** by the SMJP Choir.



Parish Events

Sunday November 4

9:30am KidsChurch/MQP-Classroom

9:30am Family Faith Formation/MQP-Hall

12:30pm Baptism Prep/MQP-Emmaus Room

Monday November 5

5:00pm Jesus Kids Youth Group/SJ-Youth Center

6:00pm CIA Youth Group/SJ-Youth Center

6:30pm RCIA : contact Justine x103

Tuesday November 6

10:00am Bible Study/MQP-Emmaus Room

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

6:30pm Choir (11am Mass) Rehearsal/MQP-Church

7:30pm AI-Anon/SJ—St. Julie Hall

Wednesday November 7

9:00am Community Play Group/MQP-Emmaus Room

10:00am Choir (7:30am mass) Rehearsal/SJ-Church

5:30pm Pot Luck Supper/SJ-St Julie Hall

7:00pm AA/MQP— Main Hall

Thursday November 8

6:30pm Atonement Band rehearsal/MQP-Church

7:00pm Youth Group SJ-Youth Center

7:00pm Bereavement/SJ-St. Julie Hall

7:15pm Pastoral Council/MQP-Hall

Friday November 9

6:30pm NarAnon/MQP-Main Hall

Saturday November 10

8:00am Bible Study/SJ-Family Room

4:00pm Family Faith Formation/MQP-Hall

6:00pm SIA/MQP-Emmaus Room

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