

Saints Mary & Joseph Parish

March 15, 2020

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

Sun: 11:00am

Mon: 9:00am (May—October)

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 & 5:00pm

Rosary prior to daily mass 6:45am

Parish Office

603-893-8661

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

St. Joseph is the Patron Saint of the Diocese of Manchester, celebrated as a Feast in parishes of the Bishop, and as a Solemnity only in those parishes bearing his name. **We celebrate his feast on March 19.** “Joseph became the guardian, the administrator, and the legal defender of the divine house whose chief he was,” wrote Leo XIII in 1889 in *Quamquam pluries*, an encyclical letter on devotion to St. Joseph. “He guarded from death the Child threatened by a monarch's jealousy, and found for Him a refuge.” Leo XIII presented St. Joseph as a model at a time when the world and the Church were wrestling with the challenges posed by modernity at the turn of the century. A few years later, the pope went on to publish *Rerum novarum*, an encyclical on capital and labor which outlined principles to ensure the dignity of laborers.

St. Joseph is also an apt recourse for the unique troubles facing society in the 21st century.

For a modernity that sanctions euthanasia, we turn to St. Joseph, the patron of the dying.

As the modern workplace reckons with the fallout of the sexual revolution and the #MeToo movement, we can turn to the chaste leadership of St. Joseph the Worker.

Faced with the breakdown of the family in society, the head of the Holy Family models faithful fatherhood.

In what Pope Francis has called a “throwaway culture,” we have Joseph the artisan and craftsman.

As society condones abortion, St. Joseph stands guard over expectant mothers.

At a time when the number of refugees worldwide has hit record highs, St. Joseph, himself once a refugee, watches over immigrants.

In what Cardinal Sarah has called “the dictatorship of noise,” Joseph is a saint of humble silence.

The globalized 21st century needs St. Joseph, whom Bl. Pius IX named patron of the universal Church in 1870. “If you want to be close to Christ, I repeat to you 'Ite ad Ioseph': Go to Joseph!” said Ven. Pius XII in 1955 as he instituted the feast of St. Joseph the Worker to be celebrated on May 1.

Taken from the Catholic News Agency at <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/commentary-st-joseph-the-worker-in-the-21st-century-91816>

Vigilance is necessary regarding the Coronavirus

Starting this weekend, our parish is

- a) **Suspending the distribution of Holy Communion via the chalice**, the Precious blood, with exceptions for people with severe cases of celiac disease.
- b) **Reminding you that if you are sick, you are not obliged to attend Mass and, in fact, should not attend.**
- c) **Continuing the use of anti-bacterial solutions on hands when assisting at mass.**

Please **be aware of the risk of infection**. These precautionary measures are to be in place until further notice. If you are uncomfortable extending Peace with a handshake, use a fist bump, a slight bow, an elbow bump, etc. If possible, cough or sneeze into a disposable tissue and discard it rather than using your elbow.



Family-to-Family Easter Basket Project On the weekends of **March 14 & 15** and **March 21 & 22** we will begin giving out information after all Masses for families that need to be adopted for Easter meals. The information will include family size and suggestions of items to include in the basket. If you would like to adopt a family and you know you will be away that weekend, you can email Kellie Lavoie at kjlavoie73@gmail.com and the family info will be emailed to you. All baskets need to be **dropped off at Mary Queen of Peace on Saturday, April 4th between 9–11am.** Thank you for your continued generosity

and giving spirit.

Stations of the Cross: Wednesdays at Mary Queen of Peace Church at NOON

The following groups will lead the Stations on those dates:

March 18—Knights of Columbus

March 25— Kristen Klecan & Pastoral Council

April 1— Liturgy /Arts & environment Group

April 8—Deacon David

A light lunch of Soup and Bread will be served after the Stations.

Rice Bowls are available at the church entrances. Please take one to enrich your almsgiving through sacrifice and sharing. God bless you on your Lenten Journey!



Youth Happenings: All group events are held at Youth Center, 40 Main St., Salem, NH, Behind St. Julie Hall
Unless stated otherwise.

Youth Ministry Information

Monthly Family Program Schedule:

- Option 9:30A: Mar 15 Mass-Noon
- Option 4:00: Mar 21 Mass-6:30
- Option 9:30B: Mar 22 Mass-Noon
- Option 9:30A: March 29 Mass-Noon
- Option 4:00: April 4 Mass-6:30
- Option 9:30B: April 5 Mass-Noon

Come celebrate the end of our
Grades 1-5 youth ministry year with a
CELEBRATING our YOUTH



TALENT SHOW
and Pizza Night
Monday, April 20th 5-7:30
in St Julie Hall

Youth wanting to be in the show,
please contact Sue to request a
Talent Show Form!

Monday Youth Ministries

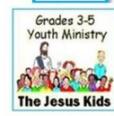
Grades 1-5 in the Youth Center 5:30-7
Behind St Julie Hall at the St Joseph Campus

March Dinner Theme:
Meatless March!

March 16: St Patrick's Day Pancakes

**SPECIAL EVENT for those who
RSVP's by March 12th:
SPIRIT night!!!!**

Bring a light colored t-shirt and receive
a youth ministry iron-on, decorate
your shirt and



March 23: Nachos
March 30: Cheese Pizza

A Free Will offering helps offset meal
costs... ThankYOU!!!

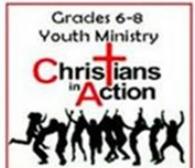
CIA Middle School Youth Ministries

Grades 6-8 begin with the 5pm Mass
then meet in the Youth Center til 7:30
Behind St Julie Hall at the St Joseph Campus

March Dinner Theme:
Meatless March!

March 15: St Patrick's Day Pancakes
March 22: Nachos
March 29: Cheese Pizza

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What's Happening at KidsChurch at MQP during the 9:30 am Liturgy Psalm 139:14

Drop your preschool child off in our Kidschurch room before the 9:30 Mass so they may experience Church in an age-appropriate environment!!!

Guess what we've been doing in Kid's Church?

In **January** we learned that God made us all unique! Just like snowflakes! We made snowflakes, painted and even examined some snow!

In **February**, we learned how to be a kind friend, just like Jesus! We made Valentine's, talked about kindness and read stories about how Jesus treated others!

March is busy too! We are learning how blessed and lucky we are to have God in our hearts! We are learning how to bless ourselves, say the Our Father and we are even learning about the Holy Trinity! Doesn't the Holy Trinity look like a shamrock? We can't wait to learn what April will teach us!



March 15, 2020—The Third Sunday of Lent

Our parish currently has two part time openings: Pastoral Minister and Pastoral Coordinator. Each position is approximately 20 hours per week. Candidates should be willing to work nights and weekends, have excellent communication skills as well as strong computer skills.

Interested and qualified applicants should send a resume to Fr. Vincent at onunkwo2001@yahoo.com

The general duties for each follow, but are not limited to these duties.

Pastoral Minister – lead high school youth group; coordinate Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA); assist in Faith Formation; coordinate Safe Environment Program ensuring adherence to Diocesan policies for all employees and volunteers; participate in weekly staff meetings.

Pastoral Coordinator – staff Liturgy of Word for Children; handle all aspects of Baptismal registrations and planning; coordinate coffee & donuts after 9:30 and 11:00am masses; find EM's to bring communion to homebound; coordinate leaders of Stations of Cross and soup during Lent; coordinate Christmas Giving Tree and Family-to-Family food baskets at Thanksgiving & Easter; coordinate HarvestFest and some fundraiser events; participate in weekly staff meetings.

Are You A Parishioner??

Sometimes, because we attend mass here and participate in different ministries, we assume that we are parishioners. Or, because we have received some of the sacraments here we assume that we are automatically made a parishioner. That is a very common assumption. After all, why wouldn't we be considered a parishioner? Of course, we welcome everyone into our community! But, if you are not receiving mail from the parish, or envelopes if that is how you choose to donate, then you are probably not registered as a parishioner. **It is up to you to fill out a parish registration form and make it official!** The process is simple: you provide us with some information about yourself and your family, like name(s), address, contact information and whether or not you want to use envelopes or donate online. You can go to the parish website to fill out a form (saintsmaryandjoseph.org) or fill out a paper form and put it in the offertory or bring it to the office. Becoming a parishioner makes it easier for us to identify you and family members as a member of our parish community.

There are **many benefits** for you **when you register in a parish**. In addition to us having information in case of an emergency, other parishes ask for verification if you are asked to become a godparent or confirmation sponsor. It also helps if you are applying for awards or scholarships. If you are not sure, call the parish office (603-893-8661) and we will verify your status for you!

Vocation Awareness: "But whoever drinks the water I give, will never be thirsty." Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation? If you think Jesus may be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life, call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

"The Lord tells us not only to carry out works of charity, to pray, and to fast, but also to do these without pretense, duplicity, and hypocrisy." [Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex](#)

Rosary Making On February 20, 2013 the World Apostolate of Fatima Manchester, NH Diocesan Division started a rosary making session in Salem, NH. We gather the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Mary Queen of Peace. We use these rosaries for the purpose of promoting recitation of the daily rosary in families as Our Lady of Fatima asked us to do back in May 13, 1917. **"Pray the Rosary every day, in order to obtain peace for the world..."** **Our Lady of Fatima**. The rosaries are also used in promoting our National and International Statue visits here in NH. The most recent visit was the United Nations Fatima Statue in October 12, 2019 in Exeter NH. Fatima Talks given throughout the diocese of Manchester use these rosaries as well. We have contributed rosaries in the past to our welcome committee in the parish. If you are interested in helping, please call us and leave your name and number at 603-894-6583. We will reply if you have any questions. Our first session this year begins **March 18, 2020**. We start at **10AM** and end by 12:00Noon at **Mary Queen of Peace**.

20th Anniversary Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference

Men (of all ages, including teens and college students) are invited to this important 20th Anniversary Conference, scheduled for **Assumption College on Saturday, March 28**. Visit the conference website at www.firstmensconf.org for information and to purchase tickets online and elsewhere. For a Conference brochure, further information or registration, call Joan DeMasi at 508-929-4345. **Adult tickets are \$45 until March 11th, afterwards \$60.** Student tickets are always \$30.

During the week of March 23, volunteers from **St. Mary Mission in Lancaster, Pennsylvania**, will be in the area to **pick up used religious items** that are no longer wanted or needed. If you are doing spring cleaning and have items to donate, please **let the office know**, but do NOT bring them to the office! We have no storage, but will arrange for a pick-up. (No furniture items will be taken.)

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples celebrating an anniversary in 2020 of **10, 15, 20, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 55+ years**, to attend the **Spring Wedding Anniversary Mass**. This celebration will be held on **Sunday, April 19, 2020 at 2:00 p.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester**. To register, please contact your parish office **by March 20, 2020**. The parish office will gather and submit all necessary information. Couples celebrating anniversaries of **5, 25, or 50 years** will be asked to **register later for a fall celebration**.

Operation Pet Therapy - Join our parish as we collect stuffed animals that will be given to all the residents of SalemHaven. Stuffed animals can be dropped off in the **Family Room at St. Joseph campus and in the vestibule at Mary Queen of Peace campus**. Please, donate only NEW or VERY GENTLY USED stuffed animals. They must be brought to the parish by March 29. We will not save any that are dropped off after that date. Thank you for making the residents of SalemHaven smile.

Upcoming Parish Activities

NH Knights of Columbus: "In service to one, In service to all."

SCTV #17: An appropriate topic

Airing 3/16- 3/18/20 Mondays 8:00pm Tuesday & Wednesday 2:00pm

Easter Flower envelopes are at the church entrances. List the names of deceased loved ones on the envelope and place in the offertory for remembrance at a special mass after Easter.

The Interfaith Choir will be presenting "A little bit of this and a little bit of that" musical program on Sunday, April 5 at 4:00pm at Mary Queen of Peace Church. Admission is FREE and light refreshments will be available after the concert.

Dancing Through the Ages" Food Pantry Fundraiser

The Salem Lions Club is sponsoring a Dance for Hunger aerobics class: "Dancing through the Ages" on Saturday, March 28 from 10:00am-11:00am at the Woodbury Middle School. (Plan on arriving at 9:30am for registration.) Secure some sponsors and build a team! YOU WILL HAVE A GOOD TIME, A GREAT WORKOUT AND FEEL GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF FOR SUPPORTING A WORTHY CAUSE! Sponsorship forms are at the church entrances and on our website. Donations are also welcome! Proceeds to benefit four community pantries, including SMJP food pantry.

The Classic Car Show and Craft Event organizers will hold another planning meeting on Thursday, March 19 at Mary Queen of Peace meeting room 1. The meeting begins at 5:30pm. Anyone interested in helping organize the event is welcome. Do you have some good ideas that would enhance the event? Come and share them with the group! All are welcome.

The Bereavement Support Group will be meeting monthly beginning March 12th and continuing the second Thursday of each month. We are planning to have a number of guest speakers and this will ensure that there will be a significant audience. If "one on one" bereavement is needed, appointments can be scheduled. For questions, call Linda at 603-893-6061.

Year-End Tax Statements Call 893-8661 x 101 for Maryanne or email office admin@ saintsmaryandjoseph org Statements will be mailed out on Fridays for requests made during that week. Thank you for your cooperation!

Upcoming Neighboring Parish Events

Table with 4 columns: Event Name, Location, Date/Time, and Contact Info. Includes Holy Family Academy, Gianna's Place, and Raeanna Williams.

Parish Information:

New Parishioners We welcome you to our Parish! Please register on our website: saintsmaryandjoseph.org or at the Parish Office.

Baptisms Please call 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 Maryanne at the Office at 893-8661.

Marriages Couples please call the parish office at 893-8661 x101 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 prayers by first name only to preserve 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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Mass Intentions

St. Joseph

Sunday, March 15

7:30a Pro Populo—People of the Parish

5:00p John O'Shea r/b Wayne & Debbie Daigle; William Lavoie r/b Marilyn & Wes Suszek; William Troiano r/b Mark & Theresa Berube

Monday, March 16

7:15a Ed Kulesz r/b The Provencher Family

Tuesday, March 17

7:15a Alphen, Tris & Haskell r/b Lee Alphen

Thursday, March 19

St. Joseph Feast Day

7:15a Shirley Crawford r/b Jim & Janet Frahm

Friday, March 20

7:15a John La Plante r/b Family

Sunday, March 22

7:30a Thomas F. Skehan r/b Joe & Martha Lessard ; Ed Kulesz r/b Melanie & David Costello

5:00p Pro Populo—The People of the Parish

Mary Queen of Peace

Saturday, March 14

4:00p Vincent Berthiaume r/b Melanie & David Costello; Ed McFadden r/b Wife, Jean; Paul Keogh r/b Marion Glendye

Sunday, March 15

9:30a James Covey r/b Dick & Jean Collopy; Joseph Remillard r/b Dave & Lorraine Thompson

11:00a Intentions of Richard Hassett r/b 4:00pm Mass Community; Intentions of Dave Thompson r/b 9:30am Mass Community

Saturday, March 21

4:00p Gino Digirolamo r/b Connie Zaccardi; Robert LaChance r/b Melanie & David Costello; Marilyn Fennell r/b Husband, Bill Fennell

Sunday, March 22

9:30a Nieves Cannon r/b Vicenti Family; James Covey r/b Melanie & David Costello

11:00a John Lavin r/b Lavin Family



Eternal Light/Sanctuary Candle is burning this week at St. Joseph for **Brinley Franklin** by Parish Staff and at Mary Queen of Peace for **Marilyn Fennell** by Her Husband Bill.

Rest in Peace

We pray for **Alex M. George, Diane Alice Goulet & Brinley Franklin** who died recently. May their families be comforted by loving memories of them and by hope in Christ's promise of the resurrection.

Did you know? If you are 72 or older and need to take a "required minimum distribution (RMD)" from an IRA retirement account, a direct distribution to a qualified charitable organization, such as our parish, can save you money on your taxes. Such a donation will count toward your required minimum distribution but will be excluded from taxable income. Ask your tax preparer or IRA trustee for the details.

Parish Events

Sunday March 15

9:30am KidsChurch/MQP—KidsChurch Room
9:30am Family Faith Formation/MQP-Church
5:00pm CIA & High School Youth Group/SJ-Church

Monday March 16

5:30pm Fun in Sun, Jesus Kids/SJ-Youth Center
6:30pm Choir rehearsal for 11:00am/MQP-Church
6:00pm RCIA/SJ-Family Room

Tuesday March 17

Happy St. Patrick Day!

10:00am Bible Study/MQP-Emmaus Room
12:30pm Quilting/SJ-St. Julie Hall

Wednesday March 18

10:00am Choir rehearsal/SJ-Church
Noon Stations of Cross/MQP-Church
1:00pm Prayer Shawl Group/MQP-Emmaus Room
7:00pm AA/MQP— Main Hall

Thursday March 19

Feast of St. Joseph

10:00am SJRCS Mass/SJ-Church All are Welcome !!
5:30pm Car Show Meeting/MQP-Meeting Room
6:00pm Atonement Band rehearsal/MQP-Church

Friday March 20

10:30am Book Club/MQP-Emmaus Room
6:00pm Adoration/SJ-Church

Saturday March 21

8:00am Bible Study/SJ-St. Julie Hall
NOON Adoration Ends/SJ-Church
4:00pm Family Faith Formation/MQP-Church
6:00pm SIA/MQP-Emmaus Room

Parish Giving

March 7 & March 8, 2020

(*Our goal is \$11,000.00 each week.)

Envelopes	\$9,023.00
Loose	\$1,508.00
On-Line	\$1,764.00
* Total	\$ 12,295.00

2nd Collections for March

3/22 Catholic Relief

Please consider adding Saints Mary & Joseph Parish to your will, or in your annual tax relief.

SAVE THE DATE: Volunteer Appreciation Night is Tuesday, April 28 at 6:00pm in SJRCS Auditorium.

