Saints Mary & Joseph Parish

June 28, 2020 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Mission Statement:

Discover God's Love so we might Love God, Love Others, and Grow as a Community of Disciples.

All non-essential meetings and programs in the parish have been suspended until further notice.

Mary Queen of Peace Church

200 Lawrence Road Salem, NH 03079 MASSes Livestreamed

Sat: 4:00pm

Sun: 9:30am w/KidsChurch

Sun: 11:00am

Mon: 9:00am (May—October)

RECONCILIATON:

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

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13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." - Mt 10:42



Please extend a warm welcome to **Father Marc Montminy**, **our new Pastor**, and **Deacon Joseph Moynahan**, our transitional deacon who is scheduled to be ordained next June. Father Marc and Deacon Joe will be moving into the rectory on Tuesday, June 30. Most recently Father Marc was the Pastor of St. Michael Parish in Exeter, NH and St. Mary Parish in Newmarket, NH.

Father Marc requested this assignment since he was assigned to Salem, NH 43 years ago, as a newly ordained priest!

Deacon Joe will be with us for the summer, and will be returning to the seminary for his last year of studies in the fall, providing they are opening for classes. He will be spending time with us on weekends during the year, prior to ordination.

We are certainly blessed to have them join our parish family! Welcome Father Marc & Deacon Joe!

The Celebration of Mass has resumed at Saints Mary & Joseph Parish on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE basis (beginning the week-end of July 4 & 5, you DO NOT NEED TO CALL in to reserve a space for Mass. Also, confessions will be at the normal time and by appointment. We are gradually returning to our regular schedules.)

With the approval of Bishop Libasci, we have resumed the celebration of Mass on a limited basis . We want to make the resumption of the Eucharist as safe as possible for everyone under these unusual and difficult circumstances. The protocols we have put in place follow the guidelines provided by the state and the diocese. The emphasis is on **safety, social distancing** and **sanitization.** To provide as safe and clean an environment as possible, we ask those coming to Mass to observe the following:

<u>Parishioners must wear masks</u> from the moment they leave their car until they return. Masks will be provided for those without.

Ushers will accompany worshipers to one of <u>the places marked in the church</u>. To avoid contact with others, <u>seating will begin at the front of the church and continue to the back</u>. Once all the marked places have been taken, no one else will be admitted to the church.

Hymnals have been removed from the churches .

Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass.

The church will be sanitized immediately after Mass.

We are committed to following these protocols for the safety of our parish community, our liturgical ministers and our clergy. *To this end, parishioners who are not able or unwilling to follow these guidelines will be asked by ushers to leave.*

For those who are unable to return to Mass, <u>we will continue to "live stream" ALL of the Sunday Masses from Mary Queen of Peace</u>. While this is far from the ideal celebration of the Eucharist, it is a first positive step forward as we resume our life as a parish community and celebrate our identity as the people of God.

The Parish Office will be **closed on FRIDAY, JULY 3** in honor of the 4th of July holiday! Have a safe and relaxing week-end, keeping your social distance and wearing your mask in public!



May God bless you in whispers . . .

The past few weeks I've been thinking about one of my favorite stories of the prophets: Elijah's encounter with God at Mount Horeb (1 Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a – as it happens, it will be the first reading on Sunday, August 9).

Elijah's uncompromising peaching on God' justice has provoked the wrath of King Ahab and his treacherous queen Jezebel. Fleeing to the wilderness, a broken Elijah begs God to take his life. Elijah falls asleep under a broom tree and, in a dream, an angel instructs him to go to Horeb, the mountain of God. Dejected but ever faithful, Elijah walks 40 days and 40 nights to Horeb. At Horeb, he takes shelter in a cave. There he has a second vision, telling him to wait, for the Lord will be "pass [ing] by." From the safety of the cave, Elijah experiences, first, a violent wind, then an earthquake, and finally a firestorm, but the Lord is not in any of them. Then Elijah hears a "tiny whispering sound" coming from the cave — and Elijah hides his face in his cloak at the presence of God. God is in the whisper.

I first heard this story read at a friend's monastic profession; since then, I have always understood it as an image of seeking God in the quiet of one's heart. But in this year of COVID-19, I think God is speaking to us not in profound displays of power but in the simplicity of everyday "whispers": in the selflessness and sacrifice of so many medical and emergency personnel, in the tireless generosity of caregivers, in the often unseen work of those who keep vital community services up and running, in the humility of those who keep their distance and dawn facemasks – and still make sure that we know that we are loved.

Our lives over that past three months have been lived in "whispers" of sorts – yet I have heard God speak clearly in those whispers of kindness and caring; God has made his presence known in the "tiny" expressions of care and concern for one another.

And it is with a "whisper" that I take my leave. This is my last "official" weekend at Saints Mary and Joseph – on Tuesday, I begin my new ministry at Saint Jude Parish in Londonderry. While I would like to say goodbye to you all in person, we all realize the present circumstances make that difficult. I hope that as soon as we settle into some kind of new "normal" in the weeks ahead I might get a chance to do that.

I leave Saints Mary and Joseph with a heart filled with gratitude for the past six years. No deacon (especially a newly ordained one) could have been more welcomed, more supported and more blessed by a parish community. It has been one of the great blessings of my life to have served here, especially during these challenging years of transition. Both Ann and I are grateful for this time with you.

There are so many people I would like to thank, but forgive me if I thank two individuals here:

Father John Michalowski was the best mentor and first pastor a deacon could hope for. I learned a great deal not only from his wisdom and experience as a pastor but from the humility and grace of his life.

The single most instructive "course" I took in my deacon formation was the day I spent shadowing Deacon David Costello on his weekly rounds to the nursing homes and his visits to at-home parishioners. Every deacon (and priest, for that matter) could learn a lot about the meaning of pastoral care and compassion by watching Deacon David go about his ministry with his characteristic sense of joy and humility. But you all know that.

You also know the wonderful team who staffs this parish. They have served this community with loving constancy during this difficult time of transition. It has been a privilege to work along side of them. God has blessed you abundantly in them.

There's a photo on my bookcase that a parishioner took of the Jesuits who served here, along with Deacon David and me. I will always cherish that photograph and the memories it evokes.

It has been an honor and a joy to have worked with all of you in our parish's ministries of word, sacrament and charity. Thank you for your many kindnesses, support and patience with this often-struggling deacon over the years. God has revealed his presence in this community in your generosity of heart and spirit.

Please be assured of my prayers for you and your families and know that I will be forever grateful for my years in Salem. And may you always hear God speaking to you in the "whispers" of compassion and peace – and that you continue to speak those whispers to others, as you have to me.

Take care and be well . . . Deacon Jay

Vocation Awareness: "I know that he is a holy man of God." Is the Lord inviting you to know, love and serve Him more closely in the priesthood or in the consecrated life? Call Father Matthew Mason 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.

"I invite you to pray for priests, so that through your prayer the Lord might strengthen their vocation, comfort them in their ministry, and help them always be joyful ministers of the Gospel for all people!"

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

Faith Formation 2020-2021

Because of the pandemic and not knowing how we may be impacted come Fall and Winter, the program has been restructured. Thank you so much to parents who offered their input and suggestions after last month's invite via email. Materials, schedules and registration forms are ready and are accessible on the parish website!!! Thank you for your patience and understanding!

We are planning to have all the physical meetings completed by the end of October... many options are scheduled in August. Because we want to keep the gatherings in small groups, space is VERY limited, so the sooner you submit your registration, the better chance you have of getting in!



Would your child(ren) in grades 3-5 be interested at all to meet online with each other and Sue, maybe weekly to check in, let them share how they are doing, share God-sightings, discuss a faith connection?

If so, let Sue know what days and times work best so she can group and schedule.

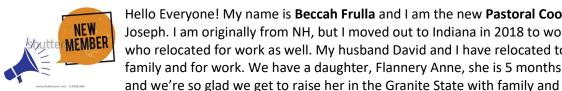
Children's Book suggestions for Social Justice

Sue has asked one of our favorite Faith Formation speakers, Leonard Tshitenge, to suggest some books for families.... Here



Something Happened in Our Town by Marianne Celano, Marietta Collins and Ann Hazzard When I Was 8 by Christy Jordan-Fenton and Margaret Pokiak-Fenton Happy in Our Skin by Fran Manushkin

Chocolate Milk Por Favor by Marion Dismondy



Hello Everyone! My name is Beccah Frulla and I am the new Pastoral Coordinator here at Sts. Mary and Joseph. I am originally from NH, but I moved out to Indiana in 2018 to work and be closer to my husband who relocated for work as well. My husband David and I have relocated to NH this May to be closer to family and for work. We have a daughter, Flannery Anne, she is 5 months old

friends close by.

I studied Theology at Franciscan University for my Bachelor's and Master's degrees and have been involved in ministry since I was in High School.

I am so happy to have the opportunity to work here at Sts. Mary and Joseph, and I look forward to getting to know all of you in the coming months and years!

Again, thank you all, I look forward to getting to know you. You are in my prayers! Beccah Frulla



We wish you a warm welcome as you begin your ministry at Saints Mary & Joseph Parish! Congratulations!!

Baptisms are currently being conducted privately, but livestreamed! Each Sunday afternoon in June and July, Deacon David will celebrate two Baptisms at Mary Queen of Peace Church. Parents, godparents and grandparents may attend while following all CDC guidelines. Baptism prep will be conducted using "lifesize"- an application like Zoom.

Updating the Parish Data System: IF you did not receive an email from the Parish Office this past week, please send an email to the office at officeadmin@saintsmaryandjoseph.org. It means that we do not have your correct email address, but by sending us an email we will be sure to get it correct for the next email distribution. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

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!!!

Parish Staff: 893-8661 Fr. Vincent Onunkwo......Administrator onunkwo2001@yahoo.com x106 Jay Cormier......Deacon jaycormier@comcast.net David Costello......Deacon greeleykid@msn.com Bonnie BarlowPastoral Minister pm@saintsmaryandjoseph.org x103 Rebeccah Frulla.....Pastoral Coordinator/ Youth Minister x109 Sue Levesque......Family Faith Formation ff@saintsmarvandjoseph.org x107 Carol Kater.....Finance Director ckatermqp@comcast.net Maryanne Murach...Bulletin/Admin x101 bulletin@saintsmaryandjoseph.org officeadmin@saintsmaryandjoseph.org

Upcoming Parish Activities

NH Knights of Columbus: "In service to one, In service to all."
SCTV #17: An appropriate topic

Airing 6/29-7/1/20 Mondays 8:00pm Tuesday & Wednesday 2:00pm

Walking with Purpose...the modern woman's guide to the Bible.

Although we are not sure exactly what our Bible Study will look like this Fall – we ARE going to be walking with purpose again this year!

Who is Walking with Purpose for?? For women stretched thin and would like a way to refuel and be refreshed while making authentic connections with others. For women who would like to have a better understanding of their faith and learn more about living a life with joy according to the scriptures. Walking with Purpose is here for women who have A LOT of Bible experience and for those with NO Bible experience!! Would you like to enjoy a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ, nurtured through personal Bible study and small group discussions? Call or text Justine Dufour for more information: 603.244.6218.

POT LUCK SUPPER Once again, it is the first Wednesday of the month! Since we are still unable to gather, why not plan a cook-out with your family . Your menu could include potato salad, burgers, hot dogs, lemonade & watermelon. Eat it outdoors and pray for all those who would normally share the meal in the Family Room..

First Friday Adoration Take an hour in the afternoon to pray the Rosary and meditate while livestreaming the Tabernacle at Mary Queen of Peace. Go to the parish website, click on Liturgy, then Livestream. First Saturday Devotion Examine your conscience, recite five decades of the Rosary; and keep the Virgin Mary company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary. Livestream the Mass at 4:00pm

Www.saintsmaryandjoseph.org

Food Pantry Items Needed: Boxed Potatoes, beef stew, crackers, maple syrup, jello/ pudding, juice and toiletries like shampoo, soap & toothpaste. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness to those who have less than we do!

Due to the partial re-opening of Houses of Worship **funerals** are now being celebrated in church! We are following all of the Bishop's, President's and CDC guidelines of limiting the number of people gathering at one time. Both churches have the benches marked off. Families can sit together in a bench as well as couples, but everyone must wear a mask for the entire funeral. Communion is distributed at the end of the mass, and people must keep 6 feet apart. Please keep all the faithful departed and their loved ones in your prayers. This is an especially difficult time for those grieving.

CHECK THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE FOR A RECORDED WEBINAR REGARDING THE MASS CHANGES DUE TO COVID-19. BISHOP LIBASCI OFFERED EXPLANATIONS AND ANSWERED QUESTIONS REGARDING HIS DECISIONS DURING THE CRISIS! WWW.CATHOLICNH.ORG

<u>Channel 17 on Comcast</u> will broadcast the parish mass, with a one week delay, on **Sunday at 9:00am and 5:00pm**, and on **Tuesday at 8:00am**. If you were unable to livestream the Sunday Mass, then you can view it on TV, but be advised that it is always one week behind the actual date. It is definitely worth watching!!

Mass Intentions Father Vincent will be celebrating Masses via LIVESTREAM (saintsmaryandjoseph.org) from Mary Queen of Peace **Church . PUBLIC MASSES NOW Offered at BOTH CHURCHES.**

St. Joseph

Sunday, June 28

7:30a Pro Populo-People of the Parish

5:00p Dorothy Morris r/b David & Melanie Costello; Nezo Silva r/b David & Melanie Costello

Monday, June 29

7:15a Rodney Richardson r/b Family

Tuesday, June 30

7:15a Bob Neill r/b Maryanne Murach

Thursday, July 2

7:15a All Soul's Intentions

Friday, July 3

7:15a All Soul's Intentions

Sunday, July 5

7:30a Constance Nugent r/b Joe & Martha Lessard; Marty McDonough r/b Klecan Family **5:00p** Pro Populo—People of the Parish

Pray for the protection of our Religious Freedoms as a special intention during week of June 22-29.

Parish Giving

June 20 & June 21, 2020 (*Our goal is \$11,000.00 each week.)

Envelopes \$ 5,929.00 On-Line \$ 2,085.00 Total \$ 8.014.00

2nd Collections for June

6/21 Summer Catch-up **\$412.00** 6/28 Peters Pence

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

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

Mary Queen of Peace

Saturday, June 27

4:00p Norman & Clare Minkle r/b Donna Laliberte

Sunday, June 28

9:30a Francisco Isidro r/b Pura Cayabyab

11:00a John Zavisza r/b Family

Monday, June 29

9:00a Julianna Morawski r/b Lavin Family

Tuesday, June 30

9:00a Lin Budlong r/b Jim Eaton

Thursday, July 2

9:00a All Soul's Intentions

Friday, July 3

9:00a All Soul's Intentions

Saturday, July 4

4:00p Julianna Morawski r/b Carol Kater

Sunday, July 5

9:30a All Soul's Intentions

11:00a William Guay r/b Melanie & David Costello; David Harris r/b Caires Family

Vigilance is necessary regarding the Coronavirus: Wash your hands often & wear a facial mask/covering when out!

Rest in Peace

We pray for Tyler R. Carter, Louis Terramagra & Nancy Williams who died recently. May their families be comforted by loving memories of them and by hope in Christ's promise of the resurrection.

Parish Events

Out of an abundance of Caution regarding the highly contagious **COVID-19 virus:**

> June 28 Sunday

KidsChurch, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Faith Formation classes and

Sunday & Monday youth ministry programs are being suspended until further notice.

Monday June 29 Choirs, Choruses, multiple musicians are suspended at all Masses till further Notice.

> Tuesday June 30

All non-essential programs & activities are suspended.

> Wednesday July 1

All non-essential programs & activities are suspended.

> Thursday July 2

All non-essential programs & activities are suspended.

> **Friday** July 3

All non-essential programs & activities are suspended. Saturday July 4

8:00am Bible Study/Virtual meeting via computer/online

All non-essential programs & activities are suspended.





Eternal Light/Sanctuary Candle is burning this week at St. Joseph for the Intentions of Father Marc by Parish Staff and

at Mary Queen of Peace for the Intentions of Father Vincent by the Parish Staff.

The candle burns for one week. If you would like to specify an intention, call the office.

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.