

Saints Mary & Joseph Parish

December 12, 2021

Third Sunday of Advent

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 Livestreamed

Sat: 4:00pm

Sun: 9:30am & 11:00am

Mon-Thurs: 9:00am

Rosary following mass, except Wed.

RECONCILIATION:

Sat: 3:00pm—3:50pm

or by appointment

St. Joseph Church

40 Main Street

Salem, NH 03079

MASS:

Sat: 5:00pm

Sun: 7:30am & 10:00am

Mon-Fri: 7:15am

Rosary prior to daily mass 6:45am

RECONCILIATION:

Sat: 4:00pm—4:50pm

or by appointment

Parish Office

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3rd SUNDAY of Advent

John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming." - Lk 3:16a

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New Parish Initiative: Smile Amazon

The Saints Mary and Joseph Parish is now registered as a Smile Amazon charity. As we enter into the shopping season, please consider using the Smile Amazon charitable giving program instead of direct Amazon shopping. By shopping at smile.amazon.com they will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to your favorite charitable organization—with no fees and no extra cost for you. At Smile Amazon you get the same products at the same prices as Amazon direct. The only difference is, you have to order from Smile Amazon.

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Visit smile.amazon.com. 2. Choose a charity from the menu on the right. You can select from spotlight charities such as the American Red Cross and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or search for a charity by name or location. 3. Click "Select and Start Shopping."

To have an icon on your home screen: Tap the 'share' button on the bottom of the screen. Tap the '**Add to Home Screen**' icon. You may need to swipe to the left to see this. You will now have an Amazon Smile icon on your home screen which you can use in exactly the same way you used the Amazon App. Thank you for your participation!!

Hall Trust Scholarship Announcement

We are pleased to announce Bishop Libasci is making scholarships available to youth aged 6 to 15 to attend **Camps Fatima and Bernadette in 2022!** This is possible in accordance with the terms of a bequest received by the diocese.

The youth must be Catholic and residing in New Hampshire.

The full scholarships granted to those in financial need are based on the recommendation of the pastor of their parish.

Please contact your parish office to request a letter of recommendation and application. The deadline for submission of recommendations is March 11, 2022.

TAKE A STEP IN FAITH! The Lord has given us many references in the Bible regarding the various aspects of stewardship. They are: responsible stewardship, gratitude, prayer, participation, generosity, trust, materialism, and true treasure. Here are just a few examples from the many cited in the Bible!

Materialism: For we brought nothing into the world, just as we shall not be able to take anything out of it.

If we have food and clothing, we shall be content with that. Those who want to be rich are falling in to temptation and into a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires, which plunge them into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all evils and some people in their desire for it have strayed from the faith and have pierced themselves with many pains (1 Timothy 6:7-10)

True Treasure: Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and decay destroy, and thieves break in and steal. But store up treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor decay destroy, nor thieves break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. (Matthew 6:19-21)



Vocation Awareness: "All were questioning in their hearts." Are you considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (603) 663-0196 or email: mmason@rcbm.org



Christmas Pageant!

at the 4:00 Mass Christmas Eve at MQP
Families wanting to participate will meet
after the 9:30 Mass on Dec 19th
to decide on parts and costumes.

Rehearsal: Thursday, Dec 23 at 4:00

What should we do?? When John, the Baptist, began his ministry of preaching the Gospel, the Good News, people from all walks of life came to him asking that question; "What should we do?" They had heard John's words calling for repentance and conversion, inspiring words that called for a change of heart that would result in a new creation. John first gave them practical ways to change but his ultimate goal was to help them become the presence of Jesus by being baptized with "The Holy Spirit and Fire." By coming to know Jesus and receiving His Spirit in Baptism, we would provide numerous opportunities for others to encounter Jesus. A deacon friend of mine, Dick Cloutier, in his homilies used to tell his parishioners where he saw Jesus during the prior week; one person he encountered who was acting toward others as Jesus had or would.

That's the challenge God and our Church gives us during this period of Advent and beyond; to be transformed such that you become mistaken for Jesus. This is impossible you might say but in a right relationship with God **nothing is impossible!**

As Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini wrote: "A coin must have the image of the sovereign; otherwise it would not be worth anything in the marketplace. In the same way, the works of Christians cannot earn heaven because nothing pleases the Eternal Father if it does not display the image of His Son and does not, in some way, bear his likeness." Deacon David

Bereavement Support During the Holidays The Holidays can be a stressful time especially for those who have lost a loved one recently. The Bereavement Support Group is here for you, meeting every other Thursday at 7pm in St. Julie Hall, on the St. Joseph campus. The next meeting is on December 16th. The information shared is confidential and there is no charge to attend. Please contact Linda O'Reilly at 603 893-6061 for more information.

You are invited to a CHRISTMAS CONCERT at SAINT MATTHEW CHURCH with MARIE-LINE MORIN, soprano and LUCILLE FORTIN, pianist

When: January 2, at 2 pm Where: St. Matthew Church, Windham, NH, (2 Searles St.)

Why: Inviting Christ back into Christmas

Elementary Classroom Teacher – Immediate Opening

St. Joseph Regional Catholic School has an immediate opening for an elementary classroom teacher, grades 3-5. The ideal candidate would be a practicing Catholic with a NH teaching certificate for elementary (or be eligible for certification). All individuals who work with students will be required to complete Safe Haven Online Training as well as a criminal background check. Interested applicants must complete a Diocesan Teacher Application and forward it along with a letter of interest, resume, college transcripts and 3 letters of reference to Principal Mary Croteau, St. Joseph Regional

The Holiness of God and Adoration In order to draw on these resources of infinite wisdom and power, available in the Eucharist, we must believe. In the words of the *Adoro Te*, we can say: "I believe everything that the Son of God has said, and nothing can be truer than this word of the Truth. Only the Godhead was hidden on the cross, but here the humanity is hidden as well. Yet I believe and acknowledge them both." Those who can thus speak to Christ in the Eucharist will learn from experience what the Church means when she tells us that the Real Presence is a Sacrament. It is the same Savior Who assumed our human nature to die for us on Calvary and who now dispenses through that same humanity, now glorified, the blessings of salvation. <http://www.therealpresence.org/eucharst/pea/history.html>



First Friday Adoration

St. Joseph Church
12:00 Noon-4:00 PM
Divine Mercy 3:00 PM,
Litany of the Precious
Blood and Rosary

Men's Adoration

8:00pm—9:00pm
St. Joseph Church

Third Friday Adoration

St. Joseph Church
3:00pm—10:00pm
December 17

Daily Adoration

St. Joseph Church
One hour, following the
7:15am mass

First Saturday Devotion

Mary Queen of Peace
3:00PM Rosary,
confession followed
by the Mass at 4:00PM

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

Faith Formation Upcoming Dates

Saturday, Dec 11	Family Faith Formation 4:00 Mass-6:30
Sunday Dec 12	Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9:30 Mass Family Faith Formation 9:30 Mass-Noon
Monday, Dec 13	youth group gr K-2 4:30-5:30 and gr 3-5, 6-7pm Middle School youth ministry 7-8pm
Sunday Dec 19	Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9:30 Mass Christmas Pageant Meeting at 10:30
Monday, Dec 20	youth group gr K-2 4:30-5:30 and gr 3-5, 6-7pm Middle School youth ministry 7-8pm
Thursday, Dec 23	Christmas Pageant rehearsal at 4:00 at MQP

Try our pre-school Kidschurch!

Preschoolers are dropped off in the Kidschurch room before the 9:30am

Mass where they experience church designed for their understanding: through play, simple prayer, story-telling and crafts.

For more information, contact Sue at the office 603-893-8661 x107





Join us for our Children's Ministry
CHRISTMAS PARTY
MONDAY, December 20th
Grades K-2 4:30-5:30
Grades 3-5: 6-7pm
Youth Center (entrance behind St Julie Hall)
laughter, games, friends, craft and faith!
Feel free to invite a friend to come!!!
What to bring:
a wrapped gift suitable for boy or girl
(gift not to exceed \$5)
*If inviting a friend,
be sure he/she brings wrapped gift as well!*

One more week!
Help our
Children's Ministry

keep the homeless

warm this winter!!!

Thank You for your
support & generosity!



Spread the Warmth
**NEW BLANKET
& GLOVE DRIVE**
December 5-19
Collection boxes will be available
at both Mary Queen of Peace and
St Joseph churches
All will be donated to local
agencies serving the homeless
Sponsored by
The Jesus Kids Leadership Team
and Saints Mary and Joseph Children's Ministry

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 603-893-8661 x103.

Communion or Sick Calls A Priest or Eucharistic Minister will be happy to arrange a visit at your home or hospital. Please call Maryanne at the Office at 603-893-8661.

Marriages Couples please call the parish office at 603-893-8661 x101 for an appointment at least six months prior to the date of your marriage.

Food Pantry 603-893-8661 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!!!

Moving/Change of Address??
Please contact the parish office with new contact information.

Parish Staff: 603-893-8661

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Upcoming Parish Activities

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

SCTV #17: An appropriate topic

Airing 12/13– 12/15/21 Mondays 8:00pm Tuesday & Wednesday 2:00pm

Parish Giving

December 4 & 5

Envelopes & Cash \$11,259.00

On-line \$ 2,919.00

Total \$14,178.00

Special Collections in December:

12/5 Development Fund \$3,021.00

12/8 Immaculate Conception

12/12 Religious Retirement

12/25 Christmas \$1672.00

Flowers \$1,001.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Treasures of the Church: Sacred Relics

Approximately 300 people attended the presentation on the **Sacred Relics in Saint Joseph Church** before going to the auditorium to see the relics. There were 165 relics on display, and all but 8 were available to be held and looked at in detail. Each relic had an accompanying information sheet containing specific details.



Prayer Shawl Group will be taking a break until after the New Year. There is **NO December meeting**. Merry Christmas!

"Let us ask for the grace to believe that with God things really do change, that he will banish our fears, heal our wounds, turn our arid places into springs of water. Let us ask for the grace of that hope, that revives our faith and rekindles our charity."

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Augustine Institute Introduces FREE App

The Augustine Institute is proud to introduce AMEN, its latest offering. Amen is the free Catholic app that brings you daily Mass readings, beautiful prayers, faithful meditations, and nourishing Scripture to draw your mind, body and soul to rest in God. Install and use the APP in 3 Easy Steps: 1. Download the APP by going to www.amenapp.org/signup 2. Open the APP on your phone 3. Enjoy the content you want

COMMON SENSE IS NECESSARY regarding the Coronavirus & it's Variants: Please be respectful of people's choices: to wear a mask or not; to get vaccinated or not! When possible, continue to social distance. Wash your hands often and cover your nose & mouth when coughing or sneezing. Always be kind!

Mass Intentions: Masses will be celebrated via LIVE STREAM
(saintsmaryandjoseph.org) from Mary Queen of Peace Church.

St. Joseph

Saturday, December 11

5:00p Shawn & Judy Day r/b Wes
& Marilyn Suszek

Sunday, December 12

7:30a Pro Populo –People of Parish
10:00a Norman & Claire Minkle;
Raymond & Janice Laliberte r/b
Ray & Donna Laliberte

Monday, December 13

7:15a Leona Skehan r/b Martha
& Joe Lessard

Tuesday, December 14

7:15a Stanley Augevich r/b
Family & Friends

Wednesday, December 15

7:15a Anna Willis r/b Pat Kulesz

Thursday, December 16

7:15am Claire Lawlor r/b the
Family

Friday, December 17

7:15a Jose Dutra r/b his Wife,
Maria & Family

Saturday, December 18

5:00p Daniel Blaine r/b Wife
Mary

Sunday, December 19

7:30a Friends & Family of Marty
& MaryAnn McDonough r/b
Cathy & Shawn McDonough
10:00a Pro Populo - People of
the Parish

Mary Queen of Peace

Saturday, December 11

4:00pm Deceased members of Liwa-
nag Family r/b Pura Cayabyab

Sunday, December 12

9:30a Huebner & Taplin Families r/b
Family
11:00a Joyce Lehane r/b husband ,
Mike

Monday, December 13

9:00a Lorraine Marotte r/b the
Family

Tuesday, December 14

9:00a All Soul's Intentions r/b Joan
Raymond

Wednesday, December 15

9:00a In Thanksgiving to St Joseph
for favors & protection r/b Evelyn
Friel

Thursday, December 16

9:00a Annette McHale r/b Mary
Keronski

Saturday, December 18

4:00p Pearl Rivard r/b Buddy & Pam

Sunday, December 19

9:30a Marguerite Bruno r/b Deborah
Sarnie
11:00a Mike & Gerry Fillipon r/b Mr
& Mrs Jerry Fillipon & Mr & Mrs Tom
Vitale

Eternal Light/Sanctuary Candle is burn-
ing this week at St. Joseph for



Mr & Mrs Clovis Michaud by
Michaud Family and at Mary
Queen of Peace for **the Inten-
tions of William Ferguson** by
St. Joseph Mass Coordinators.

Parish Events

Please use common sense
regarding the highly contagious
COVID-19 virus:

Sunday December 12
9:30am KidsChurch/MQP—Kids
Room
9:30am Children's Liturgy of Word/
MQP-Emmaus Room
9:30am Family Faith Formation/
MQP-All Rooms
12:30pm Baptism/SJ-Church
6:00pm Survivors of Incest Anony-
mous (SIA) Virtual Meeting,
nhpromises.sia@gmail.com
Monday December 13
4:30pm Fun in the Son Gr. K-2 Youth
Group/SJ-Youth Center
6:00pm Jesus Kids Youth Group Gr.
3-5/SJ-Youth Center
6:30pm Choir rehearsal/MQP-
Church
Tuesday December 14
10:00am Bible Study/MQP-Emmaus
Room
11:30am Quilters/SJ-St. Julie Hall
6:00pm Respect Life Meeting/SJ-
Family Room
7:00pm Baptism Class/MQP-Hall
Wednesday December 15
9:00am Men's Cursillo Group/SJ-St
Julie Hall
9:30am Theology over coffee/MQP-
Main Hall
1:00pm Prayer Shawl Meeting
Cancelled
5:00pm General Confession/MQP-
Church
Thursday, December 16
10:00am Renew Group/SJ-St Julie Hall
6:00pm Atonement Band rehearsal/
MQP-Church
7:00pm Bereavement Support/SJ-St
Julie Hall
Friday, December 17
3:00pm Adoration/SJ-Church
Saturday, December 18
6:00am Candle light Mass/SJ-Church
7:30am Men's Group/SJ-Family
Room
8:00am Bible Study/Virtual meeting
via computer/online
8:30am Men's Breakfast/SJ-K of C
Hall
All will be asked to use common sense
regarding social distancing & wearing
masks for scheduled events. Youth
ministry will be following the same
guidelines.

Did you know? If you are 72 or older
and need to take a "required mini-
mum 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.

Rest in Peace

We pray for **David C. Thompson, Jr. & Mary Louise Ruffen** who died recently.
May their families be comforted by loving memories of them and by hope in
Christ's promise of the resurrection.