

PARISH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

Aroostook County Maine: Ashland, Caribou, N. Caribou, Fort Fairfield, Limestone, Mars Hill, Portage, Presque Isle, Stockholm, Washburn

APRIL 26, 2026

PASTORS IN SOLIDUM

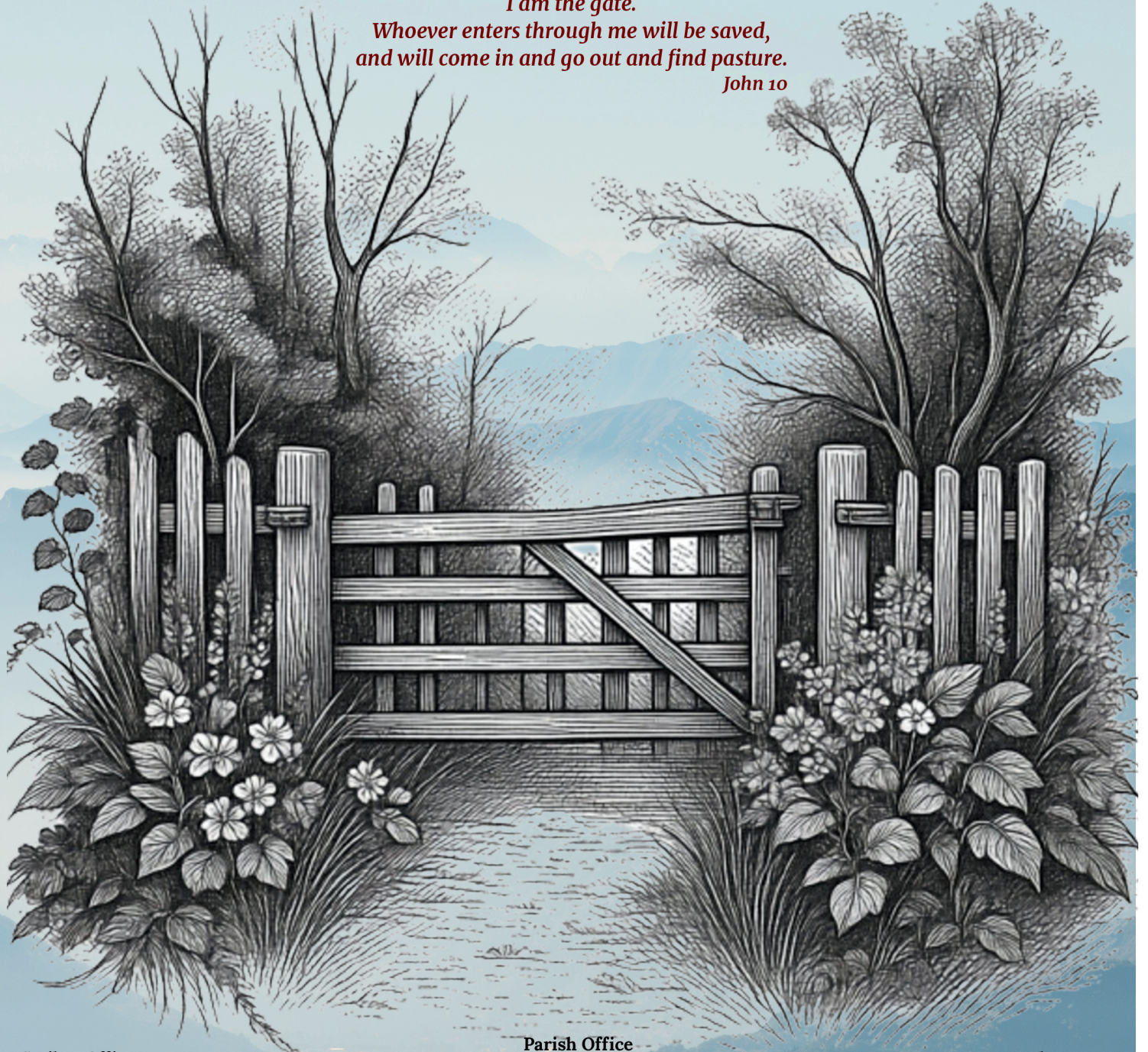
Fr. Anthony Korir, SMA “Fr. Tony”
Sacred Heart, St. Louis, St. Bruno,
St. Joseph (Hamlin)

Fr. Thomas Xavier, SAC, “Fr. Tom”
Holy Rosary, St. Catherine, St. Denis,
St. Theresa

Fr. Sahaya Remgius, SAC “Fr. Sahaya”
Our Lady of the Lake, St. Joseph, St. Mark,
St. Mary

Deacon Carl Joseph Gallagher ‘Deacon Carl’

*I am the gate.
Whoever enters through me will be saved,
and will come in and go out and find pasture.
John 10*



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Presque Isle Rectory
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Presque Isle, ME 04769

Bulletin Memorials

In Loving Memory of <u>Kenneth G. Murchison Sr.</u> By the Murchison Family	In Loving Memory of <u>Shawn Bernard</u> By His Dad Charles	In Loving Memory of <u>Wendi Voisine Leavitt</u> By The Voisine Family	<u>In Thanksgiving to God</u> By a Parishioner
In Loving Memory of <u>Maurice & Anita Soucy</u> By Their Loved Ones	In Loving Memory of <u>Deputy Sheriff Matthew Long</u> By Mom, Julia & Nieces	In Loving Memory of <u>Albert Powers</u> By Wife Lorraine & Family	In Loving Memory of <u>Brenda Thibodeau</u> By Husband Galen & Family
In Loving Memory of <u>Gilbert Guerrette</u> By His Loving Wife & Family	In Loving Memory of <u>Lawrence 'Larry' L. Shea, Jr.</u> By Christine Brown & Shea Family	In Loving Memory of <u>Linda Page</u> By Norman & Family	In Loving Memory of <u>Elaine Haines</u> By Her Husband, Neal
In Loving Memory of <u>Lionel, Doris & Raymond Blanchette</u> <u>Linda & Bert Ouellette</u> By The Family	In Loving Memory of <u>Sandra Beaupre</u> By Husband Gordon & Family	In Loving Memory of <u>Dale Corbin & Michael Poisson</u> By Sharon Corbin & Families	

In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters. In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest.

Requiescat in pace

Please pray for the recently deceased members of our parish family remembering especially:

Robert D. Nadeau (82)

David Stairs (70)

John D. Pelletier (94)

Barbara Violette (91)

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



JOB OPENING

The Parish has an immediate job opening for a Custodian/Sexton.

This is a part time position working at Holy Rosary in Caribou. For details, a full job description and application please visit the Parish Website at WWW.THEPPB.ORG

Upcoming 2nd Collections

April 26th - Catholic Home Missions

May 3rd - Monthly Maintenance Fund

May 10th - Monthly Energy Fund



It is all about your heart...

Everything we Have is a Gift from God that we Are to Use to Help Others.

Parish Financial Stewardship
OFFERTORY March 29, 2026
Collections by Cluster Year-to-Date

		Collected Offertory and Secondary			
Cluster	Paster in Solidum	1st	2nd	Total	
3	Fr. Tom:	\$ 244,459	\$ 33,415	\$	277,874
31	Fr. Tony:	\$ 211,301	\$ 12,832	\$	224,133
32	Fr. Sahaya:	\$ 217,240	\$ 31,039	\$	248,279
	PPB	\$ 5,809	\$ 16,491	\$	22,300
	Total (Actual)	\$ 678,809	\$ 93,777	\$	772,586
		Budgeted Amounts			
	Budget Offertory wk 40	\$ 556,500			
	2nd Collection wk 40	\$ 109,194			
	Total Budgeted	\$ 665,694			

Comparisons			
Collections (Budgeted - Actual)	+/-	\$	106,892

2026 Total Collections to Date:	\$	678,809
Current Parish Weekly Average:	\$	16,970.23

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



The Gate and the Abundant Life

Today, Jesus extends a wonderful promise to all who follow Him. He declares that He came so that we "might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). This is the heart of His mission. He is not speaking of a life free from hardship, but of a life filled with the very presence of God—eternal life beginning now, a life of deep peace, purpose, and joy that the world cannot give.

The Twenty-Third Psalm paints a beautiful picture of this abundant life. The Lord, our Shepherd, leads us to green pastures and still waters; He guides us along right paths. Yet the psalmist is honest: sometimes those right paths lead through the darkest valleys. The first letter of Peter acknowledges this too, speaking of the suffering that can come from doing what is right.

For the ultimate example of this, we look to the Good Shepherd Himself. Jesus, the innocent One, walked through the darkest valley imaginable, from the agony in the garden to the desolation of the cross. How did He endure? He trusted that the Father was by His side. That unwavering trust gave Him the courage to lay down His life for His sheep. May we bear our own sufferings with that same trust, knowing that God is always with us, even in our darkest moments.

In the ancient world, a shepherd would literally become the gate to the sheepfold at night, lying across the opening to protect his flock. Jesus takes this image and makes it personal: "I am the gate" (John 10:9). He not only provides protection; He is our protection. And He goes beyond any earthly shepherd by choosing to lay down His life to save us. His victory over death is the ultimate proof that He is the gate to eternal life.

Our world often tells us that an abundant life means accumulating more things. But the abundance Jesus offers is of a completely different order: it is the abundance of God's mercy, grace, and love. These spiritual goods are the only treasures that last. They cannot be destroyed by a storm, stolen by a thief, or lost in a market crash. And they have a unique quality: unlike material things, they multiply when we share them. Forgiving someone does not leave us with less forgiveness to give later. In fact, these acts inspire others to forgive and love more themselves.

To live life more abundantly is to recognize the incredible generosity of God and to become a conduit of that mercy and love. It is to trust the Shepherd who leads us, to rest in the safety of the Gate who died for us, and to share the inexhaustible gifts of grace with everyone we meet.

This is the abundant life He came to give.

*Fr Anthony K. Korir SMA.
With you a Christian, for you a Priest*



Readings for the week of April 26, 2026

Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/ Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18 (second choice)
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/ Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24-13:5a/ Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25/ Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/ Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday:	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Holy Rosary, St. Catherine, St. Denis, St. Theresa

Mass Schedule

Saturday, Apr 25:

4:00 PM St. Theresa ** Jeff Cote

by Gil & Jeanine Morneault

6:00 PM St. Catherine ** For the People

**Sunday, Apr 26: 4th Sunday of Easter, World Day of Prayer
for Vocations, Journeysongs #907**

8:30 AM St. Denis ** Wendell "Wendy" McKenney

by Mother Betty McKenney, Ben & Marie Cash

10:30 AM Holy Rosary ** Joyce & Steve Paquin

by Gordon Beaupre

Monday, Apr 27:

8:30 AM Holy Rosary ** John Walsh

by Tim & Donna Sturzl

Tuesday, Apr 28: St. Peter Chanel

8:30 AM St. Denis ** Blondie Beaulieu by Dale,
Stephanie & Sarah Beaulieu

Thursday, Apr 30: St. Pius V

6:00 PM Holy Rosary ** Deceased Family Members
by Madeline Guerrette

Friday, May 1: St. Joseph the Worker

10:30 AM Caribou Nursing Home ** Mary Ketch
by Doreen McCarthy

5:00 PM Holy Rosary ** Adoration & Confession

6:00 PM Holy Rosary ** Doris Ouellette Ware
by Holy Rosary Blanket Ministry

Saturday, May 2: St. Athanasius

4:00 PM St. Theresa ** Linda Woods by David Madore

6:00 PM St. Catherine ** For the People

Sunday, May 3: 5th Sunday of Easter, Journeysongs #910

8:30 AM St. Denis ** Gladys Walker by Mary Millard

10:30 AM Holy Rosary ** Mike Skonieczny
by Janis & Carl Gallagher

Sanctuary Lamp

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in our Church. This week our Lamp burns:

St. Theresa

For the Health & Healing of
Dustin Haines

By Don & Cindy Blanchette

St. Denis

In Prayerful Memory of
Scott & Priscilla Fields

By Dale, Stephanie &
Sarah Beaulieu

Holy Rosary

For the Health and Healing of
Freeman Wright, Jr.

By Don & Cindy Blanchette

Holy Rosary

Mother Mary Lamp

For the Health & Healing of
Jessica

By Debbie, Susie & Jane

Prayers and Devotions

Holy Rosary, Caribou

Monday

7:00 PM 1st & 3rd Mondays ~
Men's Faith Sharing

Thursday

7:00 PM Burning Bush Prayer
Group

7:00 PM That Man Is You-
Men's Group

1st Friday

5:00 PM Adoration &
Confession
6:00 PM Mass

1st Saturday

10:15 Holy Mass followed by
Followers of the Cross.

Sunday

6:00 PM 2nd & 4th Sundays~
Parish Moms' Group at
Parish Center

St. Denis, Fort Fairfield

Rosary

8:00 AM prior to Daily
Mass
7:45 AM on Sundays

Tuesday

9:00 AM. Faith Sharing

Thursday

9:15 AM. Cenacle of the
Marian Movement of
Priests.

Parish Prayer Line

Contacts

Holy Rosary ~
Gail Hjort 492-7901
St. Denis ~
Stephanie Beaulieu
551-5835



The Daughters of Isabella at Holy Rosary invite you to support our local Pregnancy Care Center. This center helps provide important supplies for families during the first weeks after a baby's arrival.

Please bring newborn and baby items to church on **May 10th and May 17th**. We are set-up at a changing table in the Narthex. Any gift you can offer is truly appreciated.

ATTENTION!
PLEASE

Holy Rosary Parishioners: Please visit the Parish Picnic Sign-Up Sheet in the Narthex. Your support is appreciated.



Mother's Day Coffee Social

Celebrate Mother's Day with us at St. Denis. Following the 8:30AM Mass all are invited for fresh coffee and good company! Join us Sunday, May 10th.

Mother's Day Lunch Buffet

Knights of Columbus Council #1870 invites you to a delicious ham lunch buffet fundraiser on May 10 from 11:00 to 1:00 at the KofC Hall in Caribou. The menu includes ham, potatoes, peas, carrots, rolls, dessert, and a beverage.
Adults \$15.00, children \$8.00.



Sacred Heart, St. Louis

Mass Schedule

Saturday, April 25:

4:00pm Sacred Heart**For the People

6:00pm St. Louis**Joseph Bernier by his wife Paula
and son Chris

Sunday, April 26: 4th Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Journeysongs #907

8:00am St. Joseph**John Zenzius Thomas 1st Anniversary
4/24 by Papa & Nana

10:00am St. Bruno-St. Remi**Bulletin Memorial Mass

Monday, April 27:

6:00pm St. Bruno-St. Remi**Herman Lajoie
by Carol, Bob & Family

Tuesday, April 28: St. Peter Chanel

8:30am Sacred Heart**Roland Guerrette
by Betty & Galen Thompson

2:00pm Borderview**Tess Labbe by Marilyn & Steve Lajoie

Wednesday, April 29:

9:00am St. Louis**Douglas Beahm by Sue Beahm

6:00pm St. Bruno-St. Remi**Intentions of Julianne Belanger
by Jim & Sandy Belanger

Friday, May 1:

9:00am St. Louis**Bob Deschaine
by Dale, Stephanie & Sarah Beaulieu

9:30am St. Louis**Adoration & Confession

6:00pm St. Bruno-St. Remi**Jason Cormier
by Ken & Linda Ouellette

Saturday, May 2:

4:00pm Sacred Heart**Irvin Damboise by Maxine Thibodeau

6:00pm St. Louis**Lucille Bell by Her Son

Sunday, May 3: 5th Sunday of Easter, Journeysongs #910

8:00am St. Joseph: Norman Duprey by Roland Duprey

10:00am St. Bruno-St. Remi: Alfreda Lausier by Kelsey &
Family

O' Sacrament most holy.

O' Sacrament divine!

All praise and all thanksgiving

Be every moment thine.



The Parish-wide Vacation Bible
Camp is coming!

Join us June 22-26 for "Jesus is
My Superhero." Free for all ages
—save the date and watch for
registration details soon.

Sanctuary Lamp

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually in the presence of the
Blessed Sacrament in our Church. This week our Lamp burns:

Sacred Heart

In Memory of
Nancy Morneault
By O'Neil & Yvette

St. Louis

In Memory of
Scott & Priscilla Fields
By Dale, Stephanie &
Sarah Beaulieu

Prayers and Devotions

Sacred Heart, N. Caribou

Saturday

3:30 PM Rosary before Mass

1st Tuesday

8:30 AM Mass

9:00 AM Adoration & Confession

St. Louis, Limestone

1st Friday

9:00 AM Mass

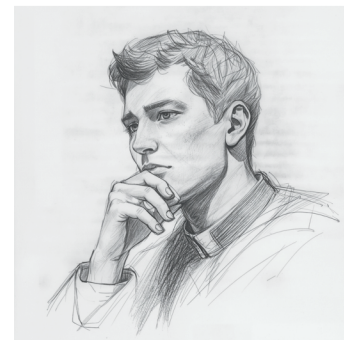
9:30 AM Adoration

Parish Prayer Line Contacts

St. Louis ~ Gail Hjort 492-7901

Sacred Heart ~ Sandy Levesque Staples 493-4425

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



Today is Good Shepherd Sunday

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations
encourages the faithful to pray for young men
and women to discern their calling in the
Church, whether to the priesthood, diaconate,
consecrated life, or missionary work. It fulfills
Jesus' instruction to "Pray the Lord of the
harvest to send laborers into his harvest"

LET US PRAY...

Our Lady of the Lake, St. Joseph, St. Mark, St. Mary

Mass Schedule

Saturday, Apr 25:

4:00 PM St. Mary ** Nancy Stoops (3rd Anniversary)
Mother of Martha Letasz
6:00 PM St. Joseph ** For the People

Sunday, Apr 26: 4th Sunday of Easter

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Journeysongs #907**

9:00 AM St. Mark ** Alcide (Coon) Bouchard
by Sis Laveway & Family
11:00 AM St. Mary ** Claudette Bois (10th Anniversary)
by Her Daughter, Stella Carlstrom

Saturday, May 2: St. Athanasius

4:00 PM St. Mary ** Eva Cyr
by Victor & Claudette Deeves
6:00 PM St. Joseph ** For the People

Sunday, May 3: 5th Sunday of Easter, Journeysongs #910

9:00 AM Our Lady ** Tony Scelza Jr. by Lisa Bromiley
11:00 AM St. Mary ** Lucille Grivois
by York & Wanda Glovins



Father Sahaya is currently away visiting his family and friends. We keep him in prayer for a safe and blessed trip. He will be back with us on May 13 and will be away to take part in the Priest Institute from May 18–22.

Parish Picnic



On June 7th, the Annual Parish Picnic will be hosted by Holy Rosary. Before the picnic, Mass will be celebrated followed by an Eucharistic Procession. There will be time for fellowship, games for the children and, of course, a delicious meal. This is the last picnic for all ten churches so please plan to attend the Parish Picnic on June 7th. Look for more information about the day's events in the coming weeks.

Here to Lend a Caring Hand

The Funeral Luncheon Committee creates a caring space for families to share a meal after a funeral. We handle setup, serving, and clean-up. Extra help is welcome, and there's no need to attend every funeral. To learn more or join, contact Mary Ann Raymond at 207-768-0455.

Prayers and Devotions

St. Mary, Presque Isle

Confession is offered after Daily Mass
Confession is offered before Sat. & Sun. Mass

Tuesday

Holy Rosary Making Team—
Contact Diane at 207-492-4261

Faith Sharing Group 6:30pm Tuesday Evenings in Church Basement

1st Friday – Resumes in June

5:00 PM Adoration & Confession
6:00 PM Mass

Sunday

10:30AM Rosary before Mass

St. Mark, Ashland

1st Thursday – Resumes in June

5:00 PM Adoration & Confession
6:00 PM Mass

Tuesday

9:00 AM Rosary

Sunday

8:30 AM Rosary before Mass in April

St. Joseph, Mars Hill

2nd Friday – Resumes in June

5:30 PM Adoration & Confession
6:00 PM Mass

Our Lady of the Lake

Sunday

8:30 AM Rosary before Mass in May

Please refer to this weekly bulletin schedule in the absence of Fr. Sahaya.



It is that time of year and the Presque Isle Knights of Columbus will be holding its monthly Chicken BBQ take out event. The first one will be **Saturday, May 16th.**

Chicken will be available beginning at 11:00 a.m. until sold out. The price is \$15 and consists of a half of a chicken, a side dish, and extra bbq sauce. Our monthly BBQs are significant to our charitable work. We greatly appreciate your support!

Parish Prayer Line Contacts

St. Mary's ~ Marilyn Peary 762-0401
St. Joseph ~ (Volunteer Needed)
St. Mark & Our Lady ~ Joan Goodblood 435-6017