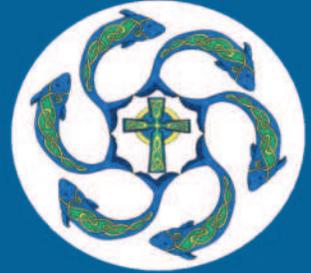


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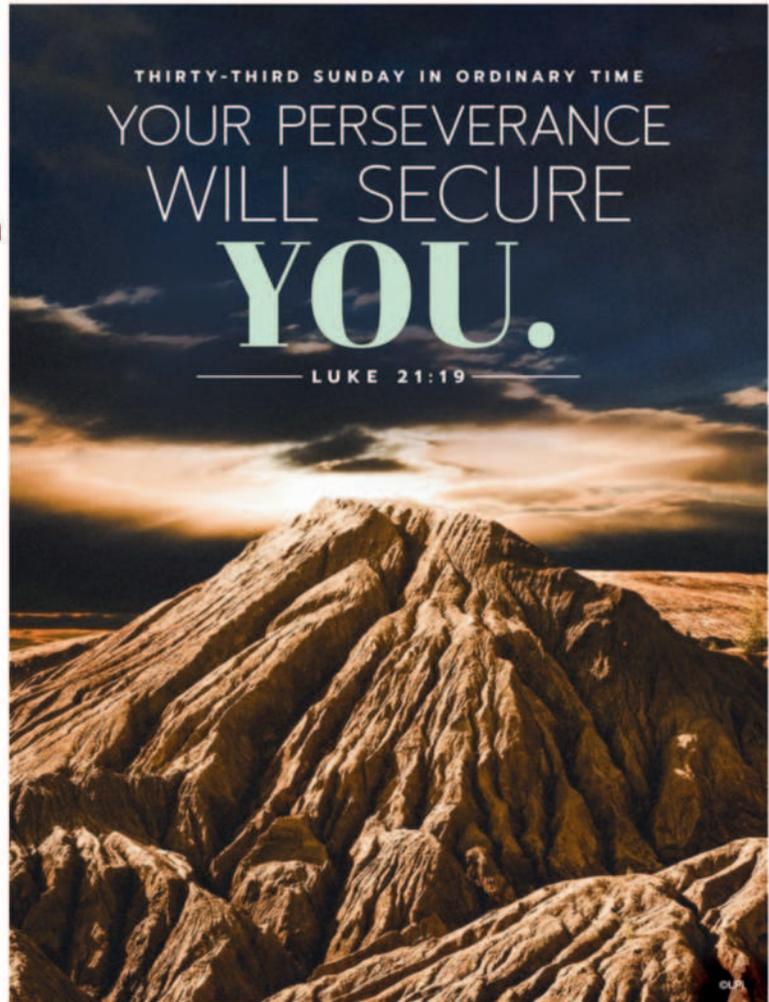
NOVEMBER 16, 2025 - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

St. Bernard
150 Broadway, Rockland, ME 04841
Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am
Tues 8am & Thurs 6:30pm
Adoration: Thurs. 5:30pm-6:30pm
Spanish Mass: 1:00 pm 3rd Sunday of the Month
(beginning November 16th)

Our Lady of Good Hope
7 Union Street, Camden, ME 04843
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 11:00am
Mon 6:30pm & Wed 8am
Adoration: Mon. 5:30pm-6:30pm

St. Francis of Assisi
81 Court Street, Belfast, ME 04915
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:30am
Wed 6:30pm & Fri 8am
Adoration: Wed. eves 5:30pm-6:30pm

St. Mary of the Isles & Island Masses
From July-Sept - Saturday: 9:00am
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Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamps

Contact the Parish Office to have a Mass or Sanctuary Lamp offered for a loved one.

Envelopes are also available in the vestibules of all church locations.

Saturday, November 15, 2025- (Vigil) 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

4pm	St. F	Fr. Jarvis	Rosario Michaud by Eric Harvey
4pm	OLGH (LS)	Fr. Anthonasius	Living Int. for Linda Roden by Maureen O'Donnell
6pm	St. B	Fr. Anthonasius	for parishioners

Sunday, November 16, 2025 - 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

8am	St. B	Fr. Anthonasius	Mark DuBay by Takoda Peasley
8:30am	St. F	Fr. Jarvis	Philip Stuart by Penny Wolfe
11am	OLGH (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	Mary Biju by Linda Roden
11am	St. B	Fr. Anthonasius	Kathey Dunbar by Rich & Anne Norman

Monday, November 17, 2025 - Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

6:30pm	OLGH (LS)	Fr. Anthonasius	Katharina & Franz Pietsch by the family
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Tuesday, November 18, 2025

8am	St. B	Fr. Anthonasius	Irene Lynch by Robin Snow
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Wednesday, November 19, 2025

8am	OLGH	Fr. Jarvis	Living Int. for Klaus Pfeifer by Jane Spurrier
10am	NH - QH	Fr. Jarvis	Bill Deptula by Linda Roden
6:30pm	St. F	Fr. Anthonasius	Living Int. Rev. Oland Njoyir by the Clarks

Thursday, November 20, 2025

6:30pm	St. B (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	Irene O'Donnell by Marilyn & Mike Lustgarten
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Friday, November 21, 2025 - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8am	St. F (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	Kendall Jone by Michele Jones
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Saturday, November 22, 2025 - St. Cecilia

4pm	St. F	Fr. Anthonasius	Travis Heck by his daughter
4pm	OLGH (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	Elaine Weedon by Ken Gricus
6pm	St. B	Fr. Jarvis	Michael Allen Estes by his mother, Nohora

Sunday, November 23, 2025 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8am	St. B	Fr. Jarvis	Emery DuBay by Takoda Peasley
8:30am	St. F (LS)	Fr. Anthonasius	for parishioners
11am	OLGH	Fr. Anthonasius	Anne O. Mueller by her daughter, Georganne
11am	St. B	Fr. Jarvis	Deceased Daughters of St. Bernard by the Daughters of St. Bernard

LS indicates Mass is livestreamed at www.stbrendanparish.net/livestream

Spanish Mass at St. Bernard - 3rd Sunday of the Month, 1:00pm (beginning November 16th - no Spanish Mass in October)
Nursing Home Masses: BW - Breakwater (2nd and 4th Tues),
QH - Quarry Hill and WG - Windward Gardens (alternating Wed),
Mag - Magnolia (1st Thurs), HH - Harbor Hill (1st Mon.)

Sanctuary Candles are an indication that the Blessed Sacrament is present. Each week, the Sanctuary candle can be lit in honor of a loved one (living or deceased).

Suggested donation of \$10



Our Clergy

Fr. Anthonasius Wirsiy, Pastor
Fr. Jarvis Laban, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Bob Cleveland

Email: firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org

Thanksgiving Mass Schedule

Our Lady of Good Hope: Wed, Nov. 26th - 8am
St. Francis: Wed, Nov. 26th - 6:30pm
St. Bernard: Thursday, Nov. 27th - 9am



Giving

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Upcoming Second Collections

November 15th and 16th

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Today's special collection supports the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Nearly 38 million people in the United States live in poverty. CCHD supports those living in poverty by funding programs that empower local communities to address the challenges they face. It identifies and addresses the unique obstacles people confront as they work to lift themselves and their communities out of poverty. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. By supporting this collection, you are giving those on the margins a hand up, not a handout. Please be generous.

Please pray for the recently deceased of our parish, especially:
Teresa Perry, Tom McCarthy, & Claire McLean

Liturgical and Sacramental Life

Penny Wolfe, Pastoral Life Coordinator - penny.wolfe@portlanddiocese.org
Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Music, Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers

Baptisms

If you are planning to have a child baptized, please call the Parish Office, two months prior to the birth for preparation and scheduling purposes.

Weddings

All couples planning a wedding should contact the parish office at least one year prior to their planned wedding date so that the church or mission can be reserved and the necessary preparation can be discussed.

Funerals

The priests and parish staff are here to help, please call the parish office at (207) 236-4785 for funeral planning preparations for your loved one.

Daily Readings

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9)/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48

Sacrament of Reconciliation

A half hour before weekend Masses or by appointment. Priests are also available during Adoration (schedule on the front page of the bulletin).

Anointing, Communion to Homebound

Please reach out if you or a loved one is in need of Anointing of the Sick. Communion can also be brought on Sundays to those who can no longer attend the Celebration of the Mass in person.

Liturgical Music Coordinators

Joani Mitchell, Our Lady of Good Hope
Barbara Hendricks, St. Bernard
Elisabeth Parker, St. Francis



Parish News and Upcoming Events

Bulletin Submissions - jacqueline.biddle@portlanddiocese.org

Parish Weekly Email - penny.wolfe@portlanddiocese.org

Grief Ministry

St. Brendan the Navigator parish is taking initial steps to begin a grief support ministry for those in the parish suffering losses. We would like to know where the greatest needs are and have a brief survey available by QR code, on Flocknote or in paper form in the church halls. All information will be kept confidential. Thank you for completing the survey ASAP.



<https://stbrendanthenavigatorpar.flocknote.com/signup/232884>

Christmas Wreath Sale

All proceeds go to our fund for needy families. Our fresh, beautiful, decorated Maine wreaths are \$28 and will be available to pick up after the Masses on Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 29-30.

"Season's Greetings" gift shipping boxes are \$7; includes packing the wreaths—they make great gifts! To order: sign up in church hall or the back of church at St. Francis or by contacting below.

Helpers Needed - We are looking for help to decorate the wreaths on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, Nov. 29th, in the afternoon and/or after Mass. We'll have snacks, Christmas music and dinner! Families are welcome! Reminder slips for your fridge are by the wreath order sheets in the church hall and the back of the church!



Contact: Mary Ruoff (207) 577-5329 or 1maryruoff@gmail.com

Parish Giving Trees

The **Giving Tree at Our Lady of Good Hope** is collecting names of local families who would like some support this Christmas with gifts for children up to 18 years old. Please call the office at (207) 236.4785 no later than **November 21st**. The tags will be available in Cote Hall on the first weekend of Advent.



The **Giving Tree at St. Francis** will be raising funds for **The Mission Fund** - which helps local people in our parish area with winter emergency needs, such as fuel assistance. You can give by making a donation in person at the Giving Tree or taking an envelope on the table near the tree and return your donation in the collection. No amount is too small! Thank you for your generosity!

Make an Advent Wreath

Sign up to make an Advent Wreath at **St. Bernard** on **November 30th** after the 8am Mass and Knight's breakfast. Bring some ribbon or decorations to share. Suggested donation of \$12 for wreath form and candles. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus and Daughters of St. Bernard.

Contact: Rachel Vallance (207) 691-1367

Please contact jennifer.parker@portlanddiocese.org for information on making an Advent Wreath at **St. Francis**.



Office of Faith Formation

Jacqueline Biddle, Parish Catechetical Leader - jacqueline.biddle@portlanddiocese.org

Faith Formation: Youth and Adult, OCIA, Sacrament Prep

Jennifer Parker - St. Francis' Faith Formation Coordinator

Advent Retreat



**Saturday, December 6th (8am-12pm)
at Our Lady of Good Hope**

Join Deacon Bob and Peter Piconi in exploring hope. What is hope? Has it become for you little more than a nice idea, something you wish would give your life the direction and meaning you long for?

Come join us for a morning exploration of the beauty and power of the Theological Virtue of Hope in our Catholic Tradition. We will explore the nature of hope as a theological virtue, the nature of our lives as "people on the way", the habits of mind that either enable or imperil hope in our lives and share some practices to keep hope a vibrant force in your life. **Please sign up by**

<https://stbrendanthenavigatorpar.flocknote.com/signup/234335>



or use this QR code

Vocations

World Day of Cloistered Life – November 21st "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." (Luke 21:19)
Consider the hidden yet powerful witness of those in cloistered religious life. Is God calling you to a life of prayer and contemplation? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (207) 613-1091 or via email: vocations@portlanddiocese.org.

Franciscan Catechetical Institute

Franciscan Catechetical Institute Trainings - The Diocese of Portland has subscribed to a new outreach by the Catechetical Institute at Franciscan University of Steubenville.



We are now able to offer online formation for every person in ministry – clergy, catechists, teachers, youth ministers, adult group leaders, volunteers, even (and especially) parents. It is **free** to all, with unlimited access. This program provides the most in-depth and faithful array of formative workshops ever created. With over 200 workshops available, we are now able to thoroughly train and spiritually nurture you in passing on the faith. To register, visit: <https://franciscanathome.com/diocese-portland-maine>

OCIA - How to become Catholic



SECOND AND THIRD SUNDAYS OF EACH MONTH
Our Lady of Good Hope (Camden) - Meet after the 11am Mass for an optional potluck (second Sundays only) with our Faith Formation families, followed by a gathering. Around 12:30-2pm, we will meet to learn more about the faith.

Take the first step on your Catholic journey. Explore what it means to be Catholic. What steps do I take to make it official? Find friendship amongst the community of believers.

Adult Faith Formation

That Man is You

Saturdays at 8:30am - OLGH - Upper Room.
Looking forward to seeing you then!

Walking with Purpose

Tuesdays, 6pm at Our Lady of Good Hope
Thursdays, 10am at St. Bernard
Contact: Carol Brownawell (410) 714.4549
Anne Norman (207) 691-6401

Faith Sharing Cell Groups: "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Learn and practice how to talk about your faith and your religious experiences in a small group. Our clergy are providing monthly teachings for the groups. "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." **Get ready to bring your faith into your neighborhoods and to your every-day life neighbors.**

Rockland, at the Sacred Heart Center

1st and 3rd Wednesday of a month at 6:30pm
Contact: Ann Norman, ranorman18@gmail.com

St. George/Spruce Head, In-home and Zoom

1st Tuesday of a month at 6:30pm
Contact: Anja & Georg Haubs
georg.haubs@gmail.com

Camden, at Our Lady of Good Hope

Next meeting: 11/24 at 10am
Contact: Paula Williamson
paula.williamson@portland-diocese.org

Belfast, In-home

2nd Monday of the month at 9am
Contact: Sue Woehler, woehlersm@gmail.com

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- Enter your name and email and follow the prompts.
- From then on you will just have to click the SIGN IN button in upper right, and you'll likely have to enter your email.

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Get Involved - Parish Ministries

Contact information for each ministry can be found below.
If you would like your ministry featured, please contact the Parish Office.

St. Brendan Pro-Life Ministry



BEHOLD Children are a Gift of the Lord,
the Fruit of the Womb is a Reward
Psalm 127 3:4

Pray a Rosary for Life

The Rosary for Life continues weekly at each church.

Weekly Event: Peaceful Prayer Vigil

Fridays @ Belfast Family Planning

Your support and presence are needed to pray for all pregnant women - especially for those who are considering abortion and those who are hurting in the aftermath of abortion.

Contact: Edward Jones - mgtdocean@gmail.com
Paulette Spera - paulette.spera@gmail.com

Walking with Moms in Need brochures coming soon!

A Valuable Resource: There is Healing After Abortion

Visit <https://portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel> New Rachel's Vineyard brochures will be available at each church soon.

Did you know? Part 16 - A 12th state to see legalization of Physician-Assisted Suicide (PAS)?

- **Expansion:** Early on October 31, just two weeks ago, Illinois state senators passed Senate Bill 1950 30-27 at 2:54am.
- **Name of Bill:** End-of-Life Options for Terminally Ill Patients Act
- **Slated to become law in 9 months if . . .** signed by Gov. JB Pritzker
- **Can such laws work to drive people to PAS?**
- Conceivably. According to debt.org, studies indicate that medical problems are cited as a primary factor in a majority of personal bankruptcy filings. Insurance companies are allowed to deny life-prolonging and life-saving treatments for a variety of reasons even when a physician deems them medically necessary. This often drives people to continue with treatments while appeals are pending. When appeals fail, the bills arrive in the mail. Is it not conceivable that an ill person might fear putting his/her family in financial straits and consider PAS as a "viable" alternative?

Pregnant?



We can help.
Please ask.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us and an increase in respect for the sanctity of all human life.

St. Bernard Soup Kitchen

For the week of October 27th, we provided the following:
M - 54 , T - 70 , W - 60 , T - 42 , F - 55
We want to sincerely thank Hannaford and the Good Shepherd Food Bank for their support of food to our kitchen. We could not do the work we do without their support. - Rich Norman (207) 691.6400

Job Openings: Soup Kitchen

We are seeking two Part-Time Assistants.
This role will help manage the daily activities when the regular team is unavailable.
Contact: laura.gibson@portlanddiocese.org



Knights of Columbus

Our parish is blessed to be served by two primary Knights of Columbus Councils.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, BELFAST:

The William S. Brannagan Council #3942 Monthly Breakfast: Every third Sunday of the month after the 8:30am Mass
Contact: Brian Beaulieu 542-8967, bbeaulieu@allenfg.com
Joseph Mathieu 323-1436, painterjo56@gmail.com

ST. BERNARD, ROCKLAND: The Limerock Council #136 meets the 3rd Thursday at 7pm in Grispi Hall, at St. Bernard's Church, Rockland. Monthly Breakfast: Last Sunday of the month after the 8:00am Mass.

www.stbrendanparish.net/knight-of-columbus-rockland
Contact: Kevin Bailey (978) 404-1594, kfb723@verizon.net

KOFC 4TH DEGREE: The KOC 4th Degree meets every other month rotating the meeting place among all three churches.
Contact: Faithful Navigator Gregg Turley at (702) 408-5996.

KNIGHTS HELPING NEIGHBORS: The Knights of Columbus in Rockland and Belfast have a new program for members, widows of members, and parishioners of our parish. We will donate labor to help those that need help around their homes and are either physically or financially unable to do the work. This will be for smaller inside projects or yard projects.

Rockland Contact: John Redden (207) 720-0246
Rich Norman (207) 691-6400

Belfast Contact: Brian Beaulieu (207) 542-8967
Joseph Mathieu (207) 323-1436

GBAM Food Cupboard - Belfast

St. Francis of Assisi has a bin for collecting canned and boxed food donations for the GBAM Food Cupboard. Thank you for donations of cereal, canned meats, soups, peanut butter & jelly, as well as adult diapers.



Camden Area Christian Food Pantry



The Camden Area Christian Food Pantry will continue collecting **gravy, cranberry sauce/jelly and stuffing** for the month of November. Please place your donation items in the bin at the entrance of Cote Hall at Our Lady of Good Hope.

Daughters of St. Bernard

The Daughters of St. Bernard meet at the Sacred Heart Center the first Friday of each month, 1pm. We warmly welcome all women of St. Bernard to join as we help with various parish activities, such as funeral receptions, scholarships, and more.

Contact: Claire Redden (207) 208.0584

OLGH - Women's Club



The Women's Club at Our Lady of Good Hope meets in Cote Hall at 1:00pm on the 2nd Wed. of the month from April to December. All the women of the parish are invited to come to our meetings as we plan fundraisers for scholarships, have social activities, guest speakers, and demonstrations of crafts.

Contact: Pat Gibbons - (207) 785-6149



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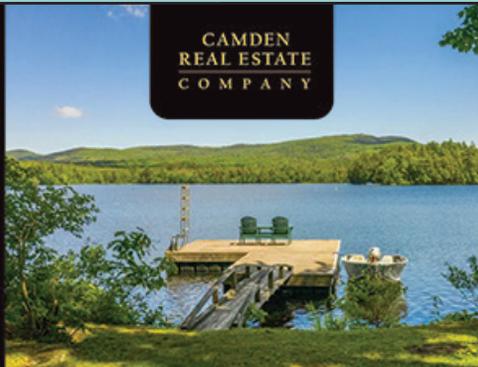
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Choral Concert - Festival of Gratitude

November 22 - 3pm at Searsport First Congregational Church (8 Church Street, Searsport)

Songs of joy and thanksgiving presented by the choirs of Belfast, North Searsport, and Searsport United Methodist Churches; Belfast Unitarian Universalist Church; Brooks Congregational Church; Sandy Point Congregational Church; Searsport Congregational Church.

Admission by free-will donation - The funds raised will aid Waldo County residents with fuel costs this winter.



Penbay Singers at St. Francis

Save the Date! Sunday - December 14th, 3pm-6pm
Refreshments and gathering in the hall after.

Laudato Si' - Care of Creation Series

Please join the **November 22nd** workshop "A Catholic Response to the Climate Crisis". Time to be announced. Learn about the Catholic Church's teaching on environmental stewardship and see how various climate policy solutions impact sustainability, justice, trade, energy and income disparity.

This workshop will be hosted by Peter Dugas. Using MIT's EN-ROADS Climate Policy Simulator we will explore our current climate trajectory, how recent legislation has improved our long-term outlook, and how Maine is uniquely positioned to lead the nation and world in advocating a stabilized climate and a sustainable future.

We will meet at Our Lady of Good Hope's Parish Hall.

Contact: mfhaining@gmail.com



Garden of Peace
Isaiah 32:14-18

Advent by Candlelight

Thank you to all who attended! A special thank you to our speaker, Lisa Brenninkmeyer, as well as the young women of the parish who helped serve. We'd also like to thank Jennifer Parker and Carol Brownawell for their efforts planning the evening. Many are already looking forward to next year!



March for Life - Jan. 23, 2026

Deadline to register for the Diocese overnight bus trip to the National March for Life in Washington DC on January 22-23, 2026 is Friday, November 14th.



Reduced rates of \$100 for students and clergy, \$300 for adults — due to Diocese financial support..

For more information email or call:
marchforlifeinfo@portlanddiocese.org - 207.321.7813

Apostolate of Prayer for Priests

Please join us in prayer for the priests of the Portland Diocese.

"O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervant priests; Your priests laboring at home, and abroad in distant mission fields.



This week, we pray for:

Our Holy Father, Rev. Jacques Dolbec, Rev. Anthony Lawir, Rev. David Raymond, Rev. Aurelijus Gricus, Rev. William Modlin, Rev. Luc Tougouma, Rev. Paul Coughlin, Rev. Robert Pecoraro, Rev. Paul Marquis, Rev. Joel Cyr.

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- Monday** - 8:30-3:30
- Tuesday** - 8:30-3:30
- Wednesday** - 8:30-12:00
- Thursday** - 8:30-3:30
- Friday** - closed

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