

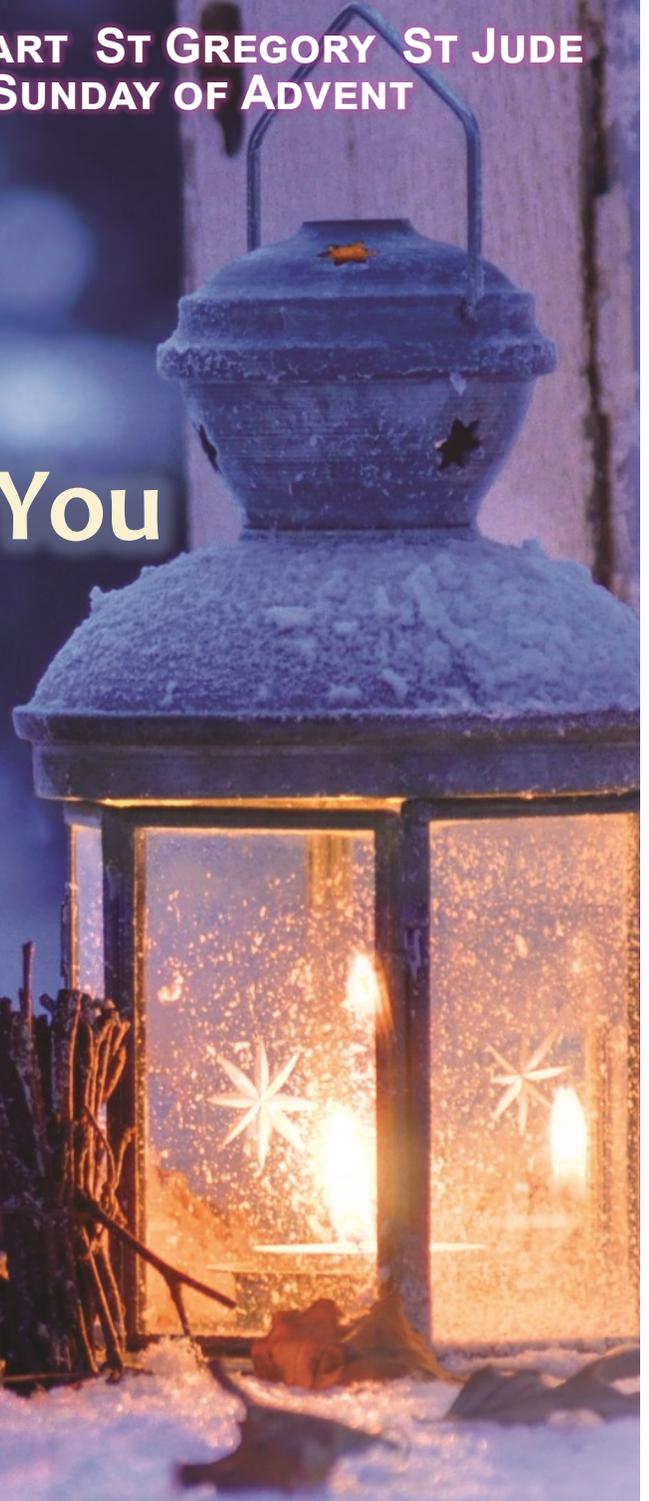


# PARISH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

HOLY MARTYRS SACRED HEART ST GREGORY ST JUDE  
DECEMBER 16, 2018 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## The Light is On For You

Special Advent  
Reconciliation Times  
this Week



**Saint Gregory**  
Monday  
December 17  
6:00 pm

**Sacred Heart**  
Tuesday  
December 18  
6:00 pm

**Saint Jude**  
Wednesday  
December 19  
6:00 pm

**Holy Martyrs**  
Thursday  
December 20  
6:00 pm

**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**

The season of Advent is a time of preparation for the celebration of Our Lord's birth. It is a time to celebrate the way in which the Lord comes into our lives every day, and it is a time to look forward in hope to the second coming of Jesus in his glory. Advent, like Lent, is also a time of heightened prayer, penance, and preparation so that we may be truly ready for the Lord's coming. It is why, each Advent, the Diocese of Portland offers the **Light is On**, a week of additional opportunities to receive the grace of the sacrament of reconciliation. Through the sacrament, we experience God's mercy, our sins are forgiven, and we are healed. The Light is On will be held this week, our parish times are listed below.

Before participating in the sacrament of reconciliation, it may be useful to reflect upon your thoughts and actions. See the accompanying resources on the opposite page to assist you if it's been a while since your last confession or just need a refresher.

Parish of the Holy Eucharist  
the  
*Light*  
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**Celebrate the Sacrament of  
*Reconciliation***

In preparation for Christmas, confessions will be heard at each of our parish churches as follows:

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| <b>Monday, December 17 ~ 6 pm</b><br>Saint Gregory, Gray       |
| <b>Tuesday, December 18 ~ 6 pm</b><br>Sacred Heart ~ Yarmouth  |
| <b>Wednesday, December 19 ~ 6 pm</b><br>Saint Jude ~ Freeport  |
| <b>Thursday, December 20 ~ 6 pm</b><br>Holy Martyrs ~ Falmouth |

**O COME LET US ADORE HIM!**

Prepare your heart for Christmas by spending time with Christ in Adoration this Advent. The Holy Martyrs Adoration Chapel will be open Monday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. A special Holy Hour for Priests is at noon and a Holy Hour for the Sick at 3:00 pm. St. Gregory has Adoration Friday from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

There will be no adoration at Holy Martyrs on 12/24 or 12/31. Call Elizabeth (577.4285) for more information.

*Nativity of the Lord*

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve

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| <b>4:00 pm</b><br>Holy Martyrs, Sacred Heart,<br>St. Gregory | <b>6:00 pm</b><br>Holy Martyrs, Sacred Heart,<br>St. Jude |
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Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day

**8:30 am:** Saint Gregory  
**9:00 am:** Sacred Heart  
**10:30 am:** Holy Martyrs

**MARY,**  
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES**

Monday, December 31

**5:30 pm:** Holy Martyrs  
**6:30 pm:** Saint Jude

Tuesday, January 1

**8:30 am:** Saint Gregory  
**9:00 am:** Sacred Heart

**CONGRATULATIONS TO JENNIFER RUNGE AND THE PARISH YOUTH SCHOLA!**

for their recent write-up in the local paper, "The Forecaster". You can read all about them online at:

[theforecaster.net/falmouth-church-youth-choir-headed-to-regional-festival/](http://theforecaster.net/falmouth-church-youth-choir-headed-to-regional-festival/)



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**Falmouth church youth choir headed to regional festival**

**WEEKLY DEVOTIONALS**

**RECITATION OF ROSARY (SATURDAYS)**

7:45 am: Sacred Heart; 3:30 pm: Holy Martyrs, St. Gregory

**HOLY MARTYRS ADORATION**

*Mondays at Holy Martyrs Chapel, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm*  
Children's Adoration Hour (10:00 am)  
Holy Hour for Priests (12:00 pm)  
Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying (3:00 pm)

**ST. GREGORY ADORATION**

*Fridays at St. Gregory, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm*

# The Light is ON for You.

*Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation*

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Since many people have not gone to Confession in a very long time, we are providing this outline to show you the Order of the Sacrament. It is our hope that it will reduce the anxiety many have for going to Confession and instead allow you to feel the immense love Christ offers in this Sacrament. Feel free to tear this page from the bulletin, use the Examination of Conscience provided on the back side to help reflect on what you need to bring to the Sacrament, and take this sheet with you into the confessional. This way you will have the "Act of Contrition" with you and you need not memorize it. There will also be copies of the "Act of Contrition" in the confessional just in case. Our faith says a good confession begins with a good examination of conscience. May this season bring you many blessings through this Sacrament.

The Light is ON  for You.  
*Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation*

### Third Week of Advent

**Beginning at 6:00 pm**

**Monday, December 17**

**St. Gregory**

**Tuesday, December 18**

**Sacred Heart**

**Wednesday, December 19**

**St. Jude**

**Thursday, December 20**

**Holy Martyrs**

***Please consider going to  
Confession before  
Christmas.***

## Order of Penance

- 1) Greeting:** The priest welcomes the penitent warmly and greets him or her with kindness.
- 2) Sign of the Cross:** Then the penitent makes the Sign of the Cross, which the priest may also make.  
  
The penitent says: "*Father forgive me, it has been (length of time) since my last confession. These are my sins...*"
- 3) Confession of Sins:** The penitent confesses his or her sins.
- 4) Accepts the penance from the Priest and says the Act of Contrition (see below).**
- 5) The priest prays the prayer of Absolution:** At the conclusion of the prayer, the penitent responds: "Amen."

### Act of Contrition

*O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all my sins because of your just punishments; but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of your grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.*

## Examination of Conscience found in the Rite of Penance, Appendix III

What is my attitude to the sacrament of penance? Do I sincerely want to be set free from sin, to turn again to God, to begin a new life, and to enter into a deeper friendship with God? Or do I look on it as a burden, to be undertaken as seldom as possible? In past confessions, did I forget to mention, or deliberately conceal, any grave sins? Did I perform the penance I was given in my last confession? Did I make reparation for any injury to others? Have I tried to put into practice my resolution to lead a better life in keeping the Gospel?

### **Questions related to the greatest commandment: "You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart."**

Is my heart set on God, so that I really love him above all things and am faithful to his commandments, as a child loves and obeys parents? Or am I more concerned about the things of this world? Have I a right intention in what I do, seeking above all to fulfill the will of God? God spoke to us in his Son. Is my faith in God firm and secure? Am I wholehearted in accepting the Church's teaching? Have I been careful to grow in my understanding of the faith, to hear God's word, to study the doctrine of the Church, to avoid dangers to faith? Have I been strong and fearless in professing my faith in God and the Church? Am I consistent with the faith in public and private life? Have I prayed morning and evening? When I pray, do I really raise my mind and heart to God or is it a matter of words only? Do I offer God my difficulties, my joys, and my sorrows? Do I turn to God in time of temptation? Do I have love and reverence for God's name? Have I offended him by blasphemy, swearing falsely, or taking his name in vain? Have I shown disrespect for the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints? Have I missed Mass on Sundays or Holy Days--or caused others to do so--through my own fault? Have I participated in Mass with attention and devotion? Have I fulfilled the precept of annual confession and of communion during the Easter season? Are there "false gods" in my life: superstition, spiritism or other occult practices; money or other things, human ambitions or even persons that mean more to me than God does?

### **Questions related to the commandment of a right love of self and the love of neighbor: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."**

Where is my life leading me? Is the hope of eternal life my inspiration? Am I really trying to grow in a spiritual life through prayer, reading the word of God and meditating on it, receiving the sacraments, self-denial and acceptance of the sorrows and disappointments of life for the love of Christ? Have I kept the precept of fasting and abstinence? Have I strived to control my vices, my bad inclinations and passions, e.g. envy, love of food and drink? Have I fought especially against self-love or have I been proud and boastful, thinking myself better in the sight of God and despising others as less important than myself? Have I imposed my own will on others, without respecting their freedom and rights? What use have I made of time, of health and strength, of the gifts God has given me, like the talents of the Gospel? Do I use them for the glory of God and the good of others and my true good? Do I use them fully, or have I been lazy and too much given to leisure? Do I have a genuine love for my neighbors? Or do I use others for my own ends, or do to them what I would not want done to myself? Have I given grave scandal by my words or actions?

In my family life, have I contributed to the well-being and happiness of the others by patience and genuine love? Have I been obedient to parents, showing them proper respect and giving them help in their spiritual and material needs? Have I been careful to give a Christian upbringing to my children, and to help them by good example and by exercising authority as a parent? Have I been faithful to my husband (wife) in my heart and in my relations with others? Do I share my possessions with the less fortunate? Do I do my best to help the victims of oppression, misfortune, and poverty? Or do I look down on my neighbor, especially the poor, the sick, the elderly, strangers, and people of other races? Does my life reflect the mission I received in confirmation? Do I share in the apostolic and charitable works of the Church and in the life of my parish? Have I helped to meet the needs of the Church and of the world and prayed for them: for unity in the Church, for the spread of the Gospel among nations, for peace and justice, etc.?

Am I concerned for the good and prosperity of the human community in which I live, or do I spend my life caring only for myself? Do I share to the best of my ability in the work of promoting justice, morality, harmony, and love in human relations? Have I done my duty as a citizen? Have I paid my taxes? In my work or profession am I just, hardworking, honest, serving society out of love of others? Have I paid a fair wage to my employees? Have I been faithful to my promises and contracts? Have I obeyed legitimate authority and given it due respect? If I am in a position of responsibility or authority, do I use this for my own advantage or for the good of others, in a spirit of service? Have I done violence to others by damage to life or limb, reputation, honor or material possessions? Have I been responsible for advising an abortion or procuring one? Have I been involved in permitting or encouraging the breakdown of matrimony and its integrity through artificial fertilization? Have I kept up hatred for others? Am I estranged from others through quarrels, enmity, insults, anger? Have I been guilty of refusing to testify to the innocence of another because of selfishness?

Have I kept my senses and my whole body pure and chaste as a temple of the Holy Spirit, consecrated for resurrection and glory, and in order to have the self-mastery and selfless love required to live out my vocation in life? Have I dishonored my body by fornication, impurity, unworthy conversation or thoughts, evil desires, or actions? Have I given in to sensuality? Have I used the internet in ways that offend Christian decency? Have I indulged in reading, conversation, shows, and entertainments that offend against Christian and human decency? Have I encouraged others to sin by my own failure to maintain these standards? Have I been faithful to the moral law in my married life? Am I guilty of the sin of contraception? Have I been truthful and fair, or have I injured others by deceit, calumny, detraction, rash judgment, or violation of a secret? Have I stolen the property of others? Have I desired it unjustly and inordinately? Have I damaged it? Have I made restitution of other people's property and made good their loss? If I have been injured, have I been ready to make peace for the love of Christ and to forgive, or do I harbor hatred and the desire for revenge?

# THIS WEEK AT HOME

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Our liturgical season's color is **PURPLE**.

### WE REJOICE IN JUSTICE AND MERCY

**Scripture Background:** This 3rd Sunday of **ADVENT** is called "**GAUDETE**" — a Latin word which means "**REJOICE**". The priest's vestments can be rose-colored and the 3rd candle, which we light, is also rose or pink. It is a time for celebration! Christmas is not far and Jesus comes closer and closer to us. In the Gospel, the Prophet of the Most High, John the Baptist, continues to help us prepare for Jesus' coming. John preaches acts of justice so that all may receive a fair share of all the goodness God has given us. This includes forgiveness, inclusion, acceptance, and love. John also tells us that one mightier than him is coming.

### GOSPEL FOCUS: Excerpts from Luke 3:10-18

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages." John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming."

**WE PRAY:** "Lord Jesus, open our eyes, ears, hearts and minds to receive your guidance, your peace, and your love. We ask the holy saints and angels to pray for and with us to you, O Lord. We thank you for your prophets on earth. Help us to bring you to those around us, in thought, word, and deed.

**WE TALK:** As Christmas comes closer, am I moving closer to Christ? What steps am I taking? Do those steps affect those around me in a positive and loving way?

**WE ACT:** Our family will light the third (pink) candle of our Advent wreath when we are together at home this week. We will celebrate GAUDETE Sunday in a special way!

## FAITH FORMATION BUZZ

### KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Deadline is December 21. Submit all entries to our faith formation office at Holy Martyrs Church or to your church leader:

Annie Smith - Holy Martyrs      Deacon Dennis - St. Gregory  
Kim Lovett - Sacred Heart      Georgette Donne - St. Jude

### THERE WILL BE NO FAITH FORMATION

sessions on the following dates due to Christmas vacation:  
Sunday, December 23 through Tuesday, January 1.  
Sessions resume on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

### THE LIGHT IS ON

Advent Confessions for Kids, Teens, Parents/Guardians  
Check out the front page of this bulletin for churches & times.

## MAKE TIME FOR ADVENT SMALL GROUPS!

This season in our small groups, we will be exploring "Opening the Word" hosted on [formed.org](http://formed.org). Each group has guided journaling, short videos, and most importantly, prompted discussion questions. These methods of reflection will help you uncover the new hope, salvation, joy, and peace of the season! Sign up at [pothe.org](http://pothe.org), or contact me to get started! —Annie, 553.7159, [annie.smith@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:annie.smith@portlanddiocese.org)



## PARISH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST PRESENTS "ARTS & FAITH"

St. Jude, Thursday, December 20, 1:00 pm

Join Georgette Dionne for the final visual prayer experience of Advent through Arts & Faith as we explore works of sacred art, which have been inspired by scripture. Scripture readings, prayer exercises, and faith-sharing will be featured. No cost. Please register with Georgette at 553.9076 or by emailing [georgette.dionne@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:georgette.dionne@portlanddiocese.org).

## FORMED KIDS' KORNER

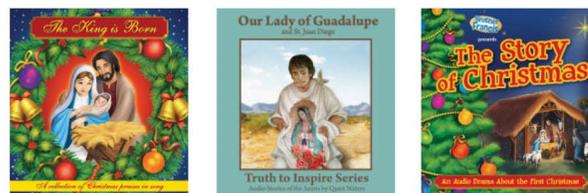


## Juan Diego Messenger of Guadalupe

Also in Spanish

Watch the Blessed Mother choose a hero for a key role in a miracle that would unite diverse peoples and change the course of history.

### More Kids' Content



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### Women's Retreat

May 30 - June 2

Contact: Joann Segovia, 740.4074

[jrsegovia@roadrunner.com](mailto:jrsegovia@roadrunner.com)

## SAVE THE DATE: 2019 ACTS

### Men's Retreat

November 14-17

Contact: Peter Mullaney, 329.5889

[mullco4@maine.rr.com](mailto:mullco4@maine.rr.com)



Sunday, December 16 Coffee and Pastry Socials following the Sunday Masses. Serving and set-up help appreciated.

Wednesday, December 19 Monthly First Degree or practice at Holy Martyrs in our meeting room at 7:00 pm.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Per Diem Receptionist — The Chancery office is looking for a per diem receptionist. This position would fill in when the regular receptionists are unable to work. There are no set hours though the shifts are usually 9:00 am to 12:45 pm, or 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm. The responsibilities include: answering the phones, greeting visitors and assisting with various projects for the departments. If interested, please send your resume and cover letter to Liz Allen, Diocesan Human Resources Director, at [hr@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:hr@portlanddiocese.org)



### MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TO WASHINGTON, D.C. THIS JANUARY!

*January 17 to 19*, Every year on the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, thousands of people peacefully march in protest of abortion and in memory of the lives lost and wounded since the Supreme Court decision in 1972. The diocese of Portland is organizing a bus for high school students and a second bus for adults to go to D.C. from January 17th to January 19th. For more information or to register, contact seminarian Joe Moreshead at [joseph.moreshead@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:joseph.moreshead@portlanddiocese.org)

### TOGETHER WITH ALZHEIMER'S

*Sacred Heart Rectory, Wednesdays 7:00 pm*  
New and experienced caregivers are welcome to our meetings.

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

*Sacred Heart, Thursday, December 20, 6:00 pm*

### PARISH GAME NIGHT

*Holy Martyrs, Friday, December 21, 6:30 pm*

### CONNECTED CATHOLICS

*Friday, January 4, 2019, 12:00 pm, 20 Inverness Road, Falmouth*  
We will be discussing *The Word is Murder* by Anthony Horowitz. Don't forget to bring something (ideas / pot luck) to share. No shellfish please! Call Grace (878.6459) for info / directions.

*Sunday, January 13, 1:00 pm, Panda Garden Restaurant, 1041 Brighton Avenue, Portland* General Meeting / Dining Out. Call Pat LaClair (802.748.9688) for info / directions.

*Connected Catholics is a group of single, widowed, separated, and divorced Catholic men and women, who gather to share their faith journey and celebrate life, who want to participate in their church, grow in faith, and build a better life in their community. The purpose of Connected Catholics is to offer a variety of programs, experiences and opportunities that enrich members socially, educationally and spiritually.*

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES REFUGEE & IMMIGRATION SERVICES

is in need of winter clothing! Please help our newly resettled families be prepared for a Maine winter! We're seeking boots, coats, hats, scarves & mittens for all ages & sizes. Donations can be dropped off at our offices 9a-5p: 80 Sherman St. in Portland; 27 Pine St. in Lewiston. Thank you!

### CHRISTMAS GIFT BAGS FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In December, the St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen will provide Christmas gift bags to our clients. They will include new or used backpacks or canvas bags. We will place small blankets, socks, underwear, hats, gloves, & toiletries inside the bags. We would appreciate any of the above items you can donate. Call Evelyn Pierce (899.1789) for more info.

### NEWS FROM HAITI

With this Christmas season, our parish has offered a gift to the Sisters who maintain a community program at our sister parish of Sacre-Coeur de Meyer, Haiti. Four nuns of the Congregational of Our Lady of Perpetual Help work at Cyvadier, a neighborhood of Meyer. They support the community with programs teaching nutrition, cooking and health. Their Center also provides meals to the local children, religious training and healthy social interaction. Three Sisters are from the Dominican Republic and guidance comes from the motherhouse in the neighboring country. The fourth Sister is from Africa. Sister Margarita is the superior and has served her religious order in other Latin American countries. She thanks our parish for continuing support — in her words, "We plan for good preparation in Advent...*que el Niño Dios encuentre una posada en nuestros corazones...* that the Divine Child will find an inn in our hearts."

### THANKS FROM FRIENDSHIP HOUSE!

Many, many thanks to parishioners who provided such a large amount of items for our Friendship House meal in early December. There were about eight main dishes, several with chicken, others featuring beef, cheese, pasta, potatoes or a Tex-Mex approach. Other donations were homemade Swedish tea ring, gingerbread, fresh vegetables and eggs, and a big bag of toiletries. The kitchen assistant welcomed these things joyfully as the kitchen's been temporarily short-handed, and the men urged me to thank you all for these generous, very timely gifts.

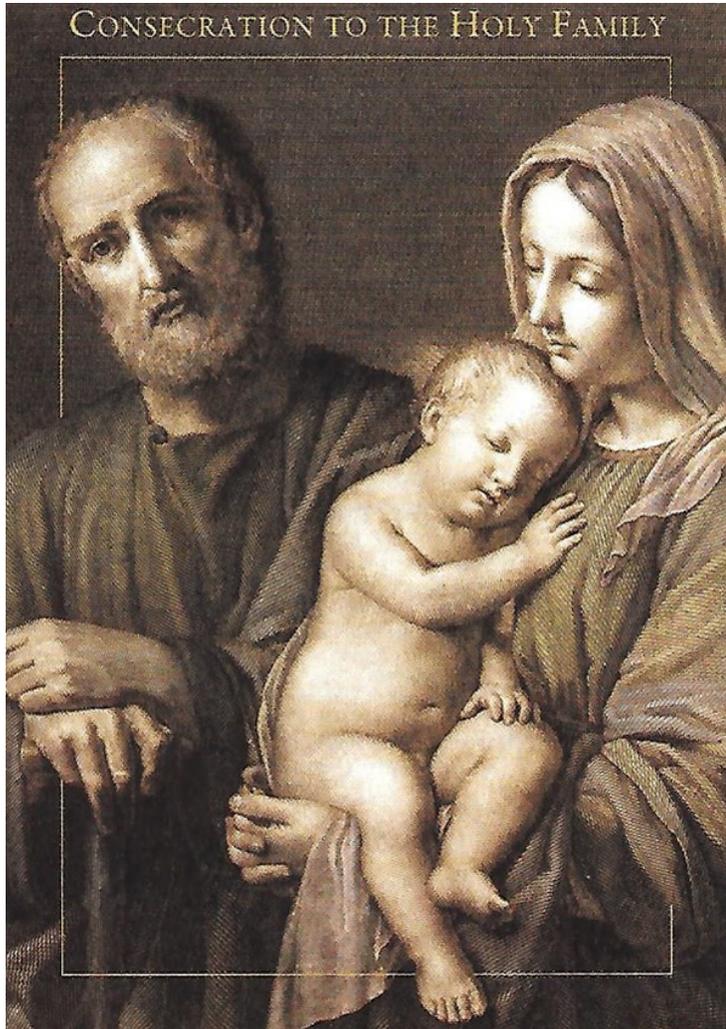
— Deborah Nicklas, [dpnicklas@gmail.com](mailto:dpnicklas@gmail.com)

### DECK THE HALLS SING-A-LONG!

*Holy Martyrs, Sunday, December 16, after the 10:30 am Mass.*

We will begin with our typical fellowship in the hall with coffee and pastries. At noon, prepare for a "Deck the Halls" experience as your parish choir members and faith formation kiddos unite in singing the classic Christmas carols. All are welcome!





## DON'T MISS THE CONSECRATION OF THE HOLY FAMILY

*During all Masses on December 29 & 30, 2018*

To help families live out the joy of Christ, your Pastor and your Parish Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a "Consecration to the Holy Family" prayer at each of the weekend Masses during December 29 and 30, 2018. In this prayer, we ask for the aid or intercession of the perfect son Jesus Christ, Mary the perfect mother, and Joseph who is a model for every father. Please consider attending Mass on the above weekend and join us with your family, to offer up this important and impactful prayer. Participating in the Consecration to the Holy Family is not a single event. It is choosing a way of life for your family. Through this Consecration, each participant is consciously choosing to be a beacon of God's love through one's Church.

Today's families are diverse, but the one element which is sacred to all families is the call to love. Strong and faith-filled families are the foundation for a healthy and holy community. May we all model ourselves after the Holy Family and ask for their intercession for holiness.

We will also be conducting the Rosary of Mary at Saint Gregory on Saturday December 29 at 3:30 pm, and Holy Martyrs in the Chapel on Sunday December 30, 2018 at 10:00 am as part of this event. God Bless.

*"I wish to invoke the protection of the Holy Family of Nazareth...it is therefore the prototype and example for all Christian families...St. Joseph was a "just man"... May he always guard, protect and enlighten families. May the Virgin Mary, who is the Mother of the Church, also be the Mother of "the Church of the home"... May Christ the Lord, the Universal King, the King of Families, be present in every Christian home as He was at Cana, bestowing light, joy, serenity, and strength."*

*(Pope St. John Paul II)*



Fr. Greenleaf and your Parish Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a "Consecration to the Holy Family Prayer" at each of the Masses December 29 and 30 to help families live out the joy of Christ.

As part of this consecration, please join us to pray the Rosary before Mass:

**SAINT GREGORY CHURCH, GRAY  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29 AT 3:30 PM**

**HOLY MARTYRS CHAPEL, FALMOUTH  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 AT 10 AM**

# Parish of the Holy Eucharist — Parish Survey Goals

After many hours of deliberation, hard work and countless hours spent by the parish planning team members and with feedback and approval from Bishop Deeley, the document below is the result of our discerned Priorities and Goals derived from our Parish Survey. In order to keep us focused on working towards and achieving these goals, there will be a large banner with this information displayed in each of our churches. It is our hope that this visual will be a reminder for all of us to use our resources of time, treasure, and talent to achieve these goals over the course of the next three years. Even though you may have some wonderful ideas and thoughts about what we should do as a parish, if they don't fall within these established goals, we will have to put them on hold for another time to consider. We will keep you posted and updated on how things are going along the way. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us and help us to stay focused.

— Deacon Dennis Popadak  
(Parish Survey Coordinator)

## Parish Mission Statement

We are the Parish of the Holy Eucharist, a Catholic Community called to discipleship seeking deeper communion with God, each other, and our neighbors by celebrating the Sacraments, sharing God's word, and serving all in need.

## Purpose Statement

Our parish nurtures each person's faith journey toward the Father, through the Son, in the Holy Spirit.

### Values

- Welcoming
- Community
- Catholic
- Communion

### 2017 DMI Survey Illustrated Our Desire for:

- Community
- Having a welcoming environment
- Understanding basic Catholic beliefs
- Spiritual Growth

## Vision Statement

We will be a deeply spiritual community of Catholics who fully engage our faith in all aspects of our lives.

### Priority #1

Foster a Catholic culture to discover and weave the rich traditions of our faith into our lives.

#### SMART GOALS

1. Create an annual theme-based calendar integrating the ministry activities of each for the promotion & education of Catholic life. (September 2018)
2. Develop a guide of traditions and opportunities for each family to live a Catholic life at home — the domestic church.

### Priority #2

Engage parishioners to share their faith and participate in parish life.

#### SMART GOALS

1. Recruit, train and support 25 new catechists to meet current and increasing faith formation needs. (June 2019)
2. Establish and grow 50 small groups for faith sharing experiences in the parish. (September 2019)
3. Evaluate all existing parish & outreach ministries to align them with our parish mission, purpose, vision, priorities, and goals. (June 2019)

### Priority #3

Revive our liturgical awareness and practice so that we might have full, conscious and active participation in the Mass.

#### SMART GOALS

1. Evaluate each church's subjective Mass experience and develop a plan for parishioners to encounter the sacredness of the liturgy.
2. Evaluate each church site & create recommendations to enhance parish life and the Mass experience. (Advent 2018)

There will be four special opportunities for confession this week in keeping with our diocesan custom, **The Light is On:**

12/17 6:00 pm - St. Gregory      12/19 6:00 pm - St. Jude  
 12/18 6:00 pm - Sacred Heart    12/20 6:00 pm - Holy Martyrs

**Saturday, December 15**

6:30am **SH** Men's Faith Formation  
 7:45am **SH** Rosary  
 10:00am **HM** Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 10:00am **HM** Making Music, Praying Twice Fun Day  
 1:00pm **SH** Wedding Jacob Jandreau & Haylee Munson  
 2:00pm **HM** Maine Catholic Deaf Association Meeting  
 3:15pm **HM, SH, SG** Confessions  
 3:30pm **HM, SG** Rosary

**Sunday, December 16**

8:00am **SJ** Choir Practice  
 8:50am **SJ** Faith Formation  
 9:30am **HM,SG** Faith Formation  
 10:00am **SH** Choir Practice, Faith Formation  
 4:15pm **HM** Youth Ministry

**Monday, December 17**

8:00am **HM** Adoration (until 8:00pm)  
 10:00am **HM** Children's Adoration Hour  
 12:00pm **HM** Holy Hour for Priests  
 3:00pm **HM** Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying  
 4:15pm **HM** Faith Formation  
 5:30pm **HM** Ministry Leader Meeting  
 6:00pm **SG** The Light is On (Confessions)  
 6:30pm **SH** Boy Scouts  
 6:30pm **SJ** RCIA

**Tuesday, December 18**

9:30am **HM** Centering Prayer  
 6:00pm **SH** The Light is On (Confessions)  
 6:00pm **SJ** Faith Formation  
 6:30pm **SH** Faith Formation

**Wednesday, December 19**

3:00pm **SH** Youth Schola  
 4:00pm **SH** Jubilate Schola  
 6:00pm **SJ** Faith Formation  
 6:00pm **SJ** The Light is On (Confessions)  
 6:30pm **SH** Choir Practice  
 7:00pm **HM** Knights of Columbus Firsts Degree Meeting  
 7:00pm **SG** Choir Practice  
 7:00pm **SH** Together With Alzheimer's  
 8:15pm **SH** Adult Schola

**Thursday, December 20**

10:30am **HM** Making Music, Praying Twice  
 4:15pm **SH** Cherub Schola  
 6:00pm **HM** The Light is On (Confessions)  
 6:00pm **SH** Grief Support Group

**Friday, December 21**

8:30am **SG** Adoration (Until 12:30pm)  
 9:00am **SG** Christmas gifts drop-off  
 12:15pm **HM** Making Music, Praying Twice  
 5:00pm **HM** Christmas Baskets  
 6:30pm **HM** Advent Holy Hour  
 6:30pm **HM** Game Night

**Saturday, December 22**

7:45am **SH** Rosary  
 10:00am **SG** Gifts Pick Up  
 3:15pm **HM, SH, SG** Confessions  
 3:30pm **HM, SG** Rosary

**Sunday, December 23**

8:00am **SJ** Choir Practice  
 8:50am **SJ** Faith Formation  
 9:30am **HM,SG** Faith Formation  
 10:00am **SH** Choir Practice  
 10:30am **SJ** Baptisms:  
 Chloe Lemay & Penelope Petropoulos  
 4:15pm **HM** Youth Ministry

**Saturday, December 15**

8:15am **SH** Fr. M Deceased Members of the Sakmar & Casey Families by Frances Casey  
 4:00pm **HM** Fr. M John McDonald by Mary McDonald  
 4:00pm **SH** Fr. K Deceased Family & Friends of Michael & Claudia Crowley  
 4:00pm **SG** Fr. G Deceased Members of the Allen Family by Paul & Paula Young

**Sunday, December 16**

8:00am **SH** Fr. K Katie Powers by Mark & Cathleen Bowen  
 8:30am **HM** Fr. M Philip B. Hatch Jr. by Lisa & Dan Hatch  
 8:30am **SG** Fr. G Parishioners  
 9:30am **SJ** Fr. K Sheila Healy by Lawrence & Janet Nowinski  
 10:30am **HM** Fr. M Susan Mary Conroy by Tom & Mary Mardas  
 11:00am **SH** Fr. G Mary DelloStritto  
 by John DelloStritto & Jill Velazquez & Family  
 Deceased Family & Friends of Denise Tibbetts

**Monday, December 17**

7:30am **HM** Fr. G Deceased Family & Friends of Jo Anne Durant  
 8:00am **SG** Fr. K Henry Tanguay by Rita & Children

**Tuesday, December 18**

8:15am **SH** Fr. G All Souls by Jackie Royles

**Wednesday, December 19**

7:30am **HM** Fr. G Deceased Family & Friends of John & Pauline Flood  
 8:15am **SH** Fr. K Tammilyn Stokes by Gina & David Stokes & Family

**Thursday, December 20**

8:15am **SH** Fr. K Teresa Young by Will & Sally Young

**Friday, December 21**

7:30am **HM** Fr. G Deceased Family & Friends of Joan Havens  
 8:00am **SG** Fr. K Special Intention

**Saturday, December 22**

8:15am **SH** Fr. M Lionel P. Morency by the Chapman Family  
 4:00pm **HM** Fr. K David Finnegan by Carolyn Ray  
 4:00pm **SH** Fr. G George Dressel Jr. by Karen Dressel  
 4:00pm **SG** Fr. M Cote & Dugas Family Parents by Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Dugas

**Sunday, December 23**

8:00am **SH** Fr. G Deceased Family & Friends of Maria Ramos  
 8:30am **HM** Fr. K Norine Winchuk & Family  
 8:30am **SG** Fr. M Deceased Family & Friends of Jennifer Sherwood  
 9:30am **SJ** Fr. G Parishioners  
 10:30am **HM** Fr. K John Bonnell by Natalie Bonnell & Family  
 11:00am **SH** Fr. M Deceased Family & Friends of Andrzez & Beata Bajgierowicz  
 Deceased Family of Patricia LaClair

**APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS OF THE PORTLAND DIOCESE**

Saturday, December 15 Rev. Dominic Savio, HGN; Rev. Raymond Lagace, OFM  
 Sunday, December 16 Bishop Joseph J. Gerry, OSB  
 Monday, December 17 Rev. Robert Levens, SJ; Rev. Edward Clifford  
 Tuesday, December 18 Rev. Robert Paskey, SJ; Rev. Hilary Cameron  
 Wednesday, December 19 Rev. C. James Martel; Rev. Aurelijus Gričius, OFM  
 Thursday, December 20 Rev. Harold Moreshead; Rev. John d'Anjou, SJ  
 Friday, December 21 Msgr. J. Joseph Ford; Rev. Donald Jaques  
 Saturday, December 22 Rev. Richard MacDonough, SS; Rev. Francis Morin  
 Sunday, December 23 Msgr. Rene Mathieu; Rev. Antony Mullaney

**TAKE THE TIME TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

*Those who are ill or recovering from surgery...* Beverly Wyse, Jackie Royles, Happy Copley, Catherine Heck (daughter of John and Natalie Bonnell), John V., Helen Roberge, Betty Mullin, Bonnie LaChance (wife of Paul LaChance), John Flood, Dee Schmitt, David Smith, Richard Carter, Sr.

*Our seminarians...* Matt Valles, Joshua Maloney, Liam Gallagher, Joseph Moreshead, Alex Boucher, Joshua Guillemette, Than Pham, Hoa Nguyen  
*Let us continue to keep in our healing prayers...* Brother Donald Hamalainen, Brother Gary & Diane Potvin, Cynthia, sister-in-law of Brother Chris Madden, Luke Roy, son of Brother Mark Roy, Brother Paul Metevier, Father Ray Picard, Anne Theriault, sister-in-law of Brother George Spino, Laurene, wife of Brother Dennis Dempsey, Brother Manen Clements and wife Pat, Brother Mark Bastey, Michael A. Stone, brother-in-law of Brother Frank Lemanski, Brother Gerald Doucette, Nancy, wife of Brother John Walkenford, Yvonne, wife of Brother Chuck Devine

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Parochial Vicar



Deacon Popadak



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### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are the Parish of the Holy Eucharist, a Catholic Community called to discipleship seeking deeper communion with God, each other, and our neighbors by celebrating the Sacraments, sharing God's word, and serving all in need.

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Monday 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm  
Tuesday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm  
Thursday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

### OUR CHURCHES

Please check calendar on page 5 for last minute changes to Mass times.

#### Holy Martyrs Church

266 Foreside Rd. Falmouth

##### Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday

8:30am, 10:30am & 5:30pm

Daily Mass 7:30am, M, W, F

**Adoration** Monday 8am - 8pm

**Confession** Saturday 3:15pm

**Rosary** Saturday 3:30pm

#### Sacred Heart Church

326 Main St. Yarmouth

##### Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am

Tu. Wed. Th. Sat. 8:15am

**Confession** Saturday 3:15pm

#### St. Gregory Church

24 North Raymond Rd. Gray

##### Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:30am

Monday & Friday 8:00am

##### Adoration

Friday 8:30am -12:30pm

**Confession** Saturday 3:15pm

**Rosary** Saturday 3:30pm

#### St. Jude Church

134 Main St. Freeport

##### Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:30am

#### Holy Martyrs Masses and

**Adoration** are streamed live to our website and on

Facebook Live

**Watch Sunday Mass on TV**

Channel 1303 10am, 4pm

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Bulletin and Website

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### Sacrament of Baptism for Infants

Please contact Deacon Dennis as soon as you give birth to your child.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance of the desired date of your wedding.

### Sacrament of Confession

Held every Saturday in HM, SH, & SG at 3:15 pm or at any time by appointment with the priest.

### Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Pastoral Care to the Sick and Homebound

Please call the parish office with the name, condition, address, and phone number of the person who is in need.

### Adult Confirmation

Please contact Georgette in the Lifelong Faith Formation Office.

### Vocations to the Priesthood or Religious Life

Contact the Pastor, Fr. Daniel Greenleaf.

### Making Funeral Arrangements

Please contact the funeral home, and they will assist you in making arrangements for the church.

### Mass Intentions

Call the office or fill out an envelope found in the narthex.

### Wishing to Register in the Parish

Please contact the parish office or fill out the form on our website.

### Wishing to Become Catholic

Please contact the parish office and ask for the Lifelong Faith Formation Office.

### Ministry to Those in Need

Please contact the parish office and we will refer you to our Social Justice Commission.

