



PARISH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

APRIL 26, 2020 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



DRIVE UP EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
HOLY MARTYRS CHURCH
MONDAYS 4:15PM-5:15PM

STAY 'CONNECTED'

(1) Drive Up Eucharistic Adoration at Holy Martyrs Church on Mondays, 4:15pm - 5:15pm beginning April 27th. Drivers must park in a spot facing the rear of Holy Martyrs as the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will happen through the windows of the kitchen. (The only location that can accommodate many drivers to view the Blessed Sacrament). Drivers must stay in their vehicles.

(2) POTHE Bulletins can be picked up outside of each of our churches

(3) Masses at Holy Martyrs will be live streamed only (no Face 2 Face attendance). Go to: pothe.org. and click on 'Watch Mass Live' or pothe.org/facebook. If you need assistance please contact Kim Palli at 207-553-9075. You may also watch prerecorded Mass on Channel 1303 on Sunday's 10:00am and 4:00pm.

(4) Drive through Confession at St Gregory: Saturday 10-11am, Holy Martyrs: Saturday 2:30pm-3:30pm, Sacred Heart: Saturday 2:30pm-4:30pm

(5) Act of Contrition:

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

(6) Spiritual Communion:

"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen."



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #15791

Tuesday May 5, 2020 - Monthly Business Meeting will be conducted via telecon - phone-in information will be sent to Council members.

April Birthdays:
Brother Ulrich M.C. Amoussou-Guenou
Brother Stephen A. Carrier
Brother Thomas J. Dean
Brother Joel P. Laufenberg
Brother Rinaldo B. Manago

BECOME A KNIGHT: For more information www.kofc.org/joinus

ASK JESUS TO REVEAL HIMSELF



This weekend we listen to the powerful story of Jesus meeting the disciples on the Road to Emmaus. As always, I am struggling to determine what I want to preach about so that I don't write about that aspect first, and then am left scrambling on Saturday evening to come up with plan B.

One of the fascinating points in Luke's story is the reaction of the two disciples after they recognize that it has been Jesus with them. In the middle of the night they retrace their steps back to Jerusalem to talk with the Apostles. They did not have halogen flashlights to illuminate their way. Darkness masked thieves and other nefarious individuals. They had already walked the seven miles that day. Every rational fiber in their bodies would practically scream to rest and wait until the daylight came to return to Jerusalem. What difference would a few extra hours mean to the Apostles in the face of great news?

For Luke, it is precisely the greatness and goodness of the news that compelled them to seek the Apostles. Jesus was Risen! Cleopas and his companion were likely not the most important or influential of the disciples, and yet Jesus had walked with them and opened their minds. They could not wait to inform the leaders of their group. Jesus the Light of the World has risen; there is no need to fear the dark. All their despair and sadness had evaporated, and they were energized in the power of the Spirit.

One of the truisms of our modern generation is that we tend to give up more quickly than our ancestors. When we find a task difficult, we complain and find reasons to stop doing it. I have seen friends return from shopping without a key ingredient and totally change a dinner menu rather than take literally five minutes to get in their car and pick it up. A parishioner from another parish added two years to her undergraduate studies because she kept changing majors. Instead of following her passion and putting in the work she was capable of doing, she bailed when requirements interfered with her preference of schedule and activities.

If we don't give up, many will procrastinate. We would accomplish most of the tasks in the time that it takes us to come with excuses or argue about the deadline and expectations upon us. The Disciples from Emmaus are compelled to respond. They recognized that others were leaving Jerusalem dejected as they had, perhaps to never hear the Good News. They realized that Jesus had given them hope, meaning to their lives, and a purpose in the gift of the Eucharist.

For you and me, the lesson is that God frequently comes into our lives in times of uncertainty and despair. He is present during these days of quarantine. Have you thought to yourself that this would be an opportune time to accomplish a certain task: learn a skill, start an overdue project, heal an old wound, etc? What are you waiting for, what excuses and reasons do you still hear yourself giving for this? Think about all the energy and time you are committing to NOT doing something and take those first steps. Secondly, how can this activity be part of God's plan for you? Allow his grace, mercy and love to flow through you. Your YES may be the very thing that your family, friend or co-worker needs to recommit themselves to the things of God. Instead of seeing this as one more onerous task to get done, see it as the very thing that God needs me to accomplish for the building of his kingdom.

This is not to suggest that a task will become magically easy to do. We still must take the steps and to face the risks, as the two disciples did on their return journey. However, when we have refined our motivations to include God, and diminished our excuses, we are usually surprised at what we can accomplish. We have the strength already. As you make an Act of Spiritual Communion this weekend, I invite you to spend a few moments asking Jesus to reveal himself to you in a clear way.



Third Sunday of Easter

Our Liturgical Color is White
This Week's Theme: Do we see ourselves in the Gospel story of two travelers on the Road to Emmaus?

Gospel of Luke 24: 13 - 35

Themes of this Sunday's Gospel:

Jesus has died in Jerusalem. Most of his followers have run away and are hiding in fear. The tomb that held Jesus is empty. There is a strong mix of emotions. Two discouraged disciples, with their eyes downcast, walk seven miles to a neighboring town called Emmaus. They are sad, discouraged and confused. A stranger joins them on the road to Emmaus and asks them what they are talking about. They wonder who this person is who has not heard of the extraordinary things that have happened just in Jerusalem. The one who accompanies them spends time with them and he listens to them. Then he comforts them by interpreting some of the Old Testament scriptures that refer to him. He brings meaning to them. The two travelers come to see that the Messiah was not to be a triumphant king, but a suffering servant. After a while, they ask the stranger to stay with them and while sharing a meal, they recognize the stranger when he "takes the bread, blesses it and gives to his disciples". He is the Risen Lord, Jesus. The two travelers return to Jerusalem to share the Good News to all the others. At each Mass, we are like those two travelers, who listen to Scripture and who recognize the Risen Christ in the community and in the breaking of the Eucharistic bread.

LET'S PRAY: "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Risen Jesus, we believe that you are always with us on this road of life. Let our eyes face you and not be downcast. Give us courage to share our thoughts, emotions, concerns and dreams with you. Help our patience. Heal our sick. Keep us safe and healthy. Amen. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

LET'S TALK: Look again at the Scripture Background above. Why are some particular words in bold print? How do all the bolded words come together to form a picture of Jesus' method of approaching people, us. Is this a good model for accompanying others in their faith journey? How would you feel if someone took so much time with you and was really interested in your faith in this way? Who, in your life, are those persons? Does your church do this for you or not?

LET'S ACT: If you have suggestions for our church clergy or staff, about ways to accompany you in your faith, please email Georgette Dionne at georgette.dionne@portlanddiocese.org.
(Adapted from Pflaum Publishing)

"Do you recognize Christ in your life and hope to make Him known to others? "

Perhaps you are being called to the priesthood or consecrated life. If you are considering this possibility, call Father Seamus Griesbach at (207) 773-6471 or write: seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org.

What's Going On Around the POTHE Neighborhood & Opportunities to Help Others:

Yarmouth Food Pantry The food pantry at First Parish Church has reduced its schedule to two mornings a week (Wed & Fri). The pantry is limiting donations to certain items since the plan is to prepare bags of food which can be given to people who come to the pantry on the designated days. <https://www.firstparishyarmouth.org/ya>

Gray Community Food Pantry At this time, we would prefer money donations in the form of checks written out to the Gray Community Food Pantry and mailed to me, Jan Nowinski at 55 Westwood Road, Gray, ME 04039. Food donations are still welcome and delivery would be by appointment by calling Donna at 671-4458.

Cumberland Food Panty The Cumberland pantry is still open on Fridays. We are "shopping" for the clients and then delivering to homes or they come to the drive through. The pantry is accepting non perishable food donations as well as checks. Cumberland Food Pantry, 290 Tuttle Rd Cumberland, ME 04021

Falmouth Food Pantry The Pantry is not accepting donations of food at this time. Send a check to the Falmouth Food Pantry, at 279 Middle Road, Falmouth, ME 04105. Make the check out to the 'Falmouth Food Pantry'

Freeport Community Services Freeport Community Services is bagging groceries and putting out on loading dock Monday and Wednesdays. People can donate food items to the dock on those days as well and donations are being accepted at FCS for food pantry.

Easter Flowers in Memory of.....



Marion J Bergson, Tomasina & Sal Marzilli by Stephen Bergson

Margaret & William Donnelly, Sandi Donnelly by

William & Francine Bowden

Paul Gaillard by Jeannie Gaillard

Eleanor Hunt & Joan Waters by Stephen & Sally Hunt

Theresa McBrady by MaryJane McBrady

Boulos, Pelletier & McPhee Families by Karen B McPhee

Monahan & Monte Families by Joseph & Dorothea Monte

(Easter Flower notifications received after Bulletin deadline)

POTHE Mothers Day Bulletin

We would like to feature your favorite Mother's Day pictures in our May 10th Bulletin. Kindly send us your favorite picture with your Mom, your Grandmother, your Daughter & her children, your Wife and her children/grandchildren to: kim.palli@portlanddiocese.org or to pothe.portlanddiocese.org to be included in this Bulletin. Questions? Call Kim: 553-9075.

Preble Street Resource Center

Preble Street Resource Center, which serves more than 1,000 meals a day at its soup kitchen, is in need of volunteers. Interested people should sign up online before coming in for a shift, instead of just showing up at the kitchen. Learn more at preblestreet.org/volunteer. Questions can also be directed to volunteer@preblestreet.org.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is looking for people to deliver meals to seniors. People who are interested in helping can email volunteer@smaa.org or leave a message at 396-6595.

St Gregory Campground Community Bash

Once the State of Maine lifts the Stay at Home orders we would like to offer a few opportunities this Summer/Fall for our Parishioners & Friends to gather at St Gregory's with music/karaoke, a potluck & bon fire to give thanks that the Coronavirus has passed. If you would like to be involved with the planning of these gatherings please contact Kim Palli at 553-9075.



**Knights of Columbus
Council #15791**
Parish of the Holy Eucharist

Announcing 2020 Scholarships!

Knights of Columbus Council #15791 will award two \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors in the parish.

Scholarship application forms are now available at each of the parish churches, or can be downloaded from the quick links section of the POTHE website: [www.pothe.org].

For more information please contact the Council Youth Director at 517-0481 or email: griffinsm15@gmail.com.

COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Would you share your expressions of hope and faith with our parish and local communities during Holy Week, the Easter season and this time of COVID-19? Do you want to do this through your creative gift of music, visual arts, drama, math, history, prayer, videography, storytelling, poetry, dance, crafts?

Or, could we invite you to play a part in a parish-wide phone tree outreach to connect with those who are homebound, recovering from sickness, or seniors who would appreciate a weekly check-in? Please contact Georgette Dionne, Director of Lifelong Faith Formation, at georgette.dionne@portlanddiocese.org to share your thoughts on how you would like to share your message and concern.



Saturday, April 25

10:00am SG Outdoor Confession
 2:30pm HM,SH Outdoor Confession
 4:00pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Sunday, April 26

8:30am HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')
 10:30am HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')
 5:30pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Monday, April 27

4:15pm HM Drive Up Eucharistic Adoration
 5:30pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Tuesday, April 28

5:30pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Wednesday, April 29

7:30am HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Thursday, April 30

5:30pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Friday, May 1

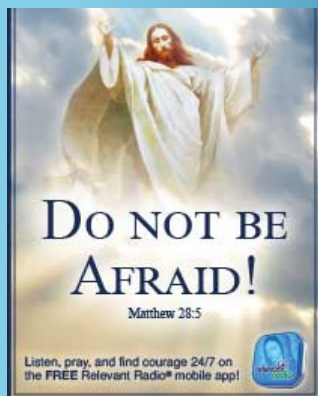
5:30pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Saturday, May 2

10:00am SG Outdoor Confession
 2:30pm HM,SH Outdoor Confession
 4:00pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

Sunday, May 3

8:30am HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')
 10:30am HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')
 5:30pm HM Mass (live streaming on pothe.org/facebook or pothe.org and click 'Watch Mass Live')

**Mass Schedule & Prayer Intentions (pg 5)****Saturday, April 25**

4:00pm HM Fr. K Marie Higgins Grady by The Ewald Family

Sunday, April 26

8:30am HM Fr. T Michael Steinchfield by Arlene, Sue & Ron
 10:30am HM Fr. M Giuseppe (Joseph) LaVopa by Karen & George Spino and Family
 5:30pm HM Fr. T Edward J Twomey by His Family

Monday, April 27

5:30pm HM Fr. T Daniel Ziegler by the Ziegler Family

Tuesday, April 28

5:30pm HM Fr. T Lydia Napolitano by Jack Napolitano

Wednesday, April 29

7:30am HM Fr. T Judith A Lee by Wilfred & Wendy Joy

Thursday, April 30

5:30pm HM Fr. T Lorelle Pelletier by The Boulos Family

Friday, May 1

5:30pm HM Fr. T Tony Peverada by Pat Dunn & Family

Saturday, May 2

4:00pm HM Fr. K Dorothy Fredriksen by Patti & Nancy

Sunday, May 3

8:30am HM Fr. T Fran Casey by Cathy & Peter Mullaney
 10:30am HM Fr. M Andre Casavant by His Family
 5:30pm HM Fr. T Gerald Hegarty by John & Eileen Munroe

PARISH INFORMATION

BULLETIN ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN ARE DUE 10 DAYS PRIOR TO PUBLICATION. PLEASE SUBMIT INFORMATION TO: KIM.PALLI@PORTLANDDIOCESE.ORG

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 LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR INFANTS PLEASE CONTACT DEACON DENNIS AS SOON AS YOU GIVE BIRTH TO YOUR CHILD

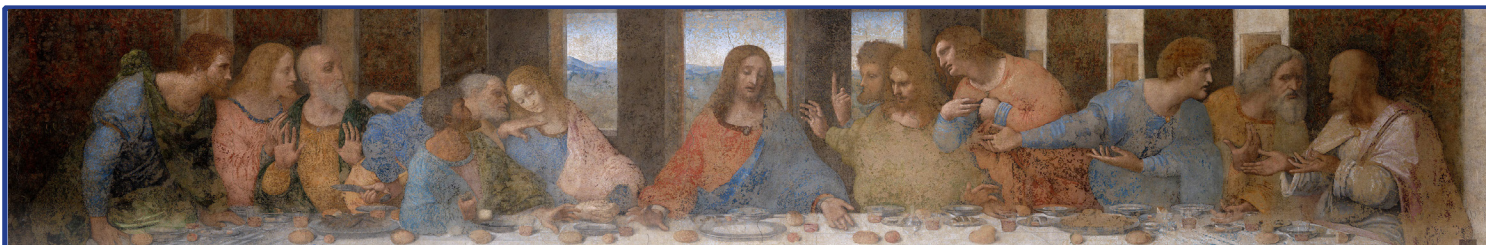
ADULT CONFIRMATION PLEASE CONTACT GEORGETTE IN THE LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

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 3:00PM OR AT ANY TIME BY APPOINTMENT WITH THE PRIEST

MASS INTENTIONS CALL THE PARISH OFFICE OR FILL OUT AN ENVELOPE FOUND IN THE NARTHEX

MAKING FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS PLEASE CONTACT THE FUNERAL HOME, AND THEY WILL ASSIST YOU IN MAKING MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CHURCH



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.

Weekend Mass Schedule (suspended at SG, SJ & SH, Holy) **Daily Mass Schedule** (Live-streamed: go to: pothe.org)

Martyrs, Live Streamed: Go to: pothe.org

Saturday Holy Martyrs, Sacred Heart, St. Gregory: 4:00pm

Sunday Holy Martyrs: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:30pm

Sacred Heart: 8:00am, 11:00am

St. Gregory: 8:30am; St. Jude: 9:30am

Eucharistic Adoration (Drive Up at Holy Martyrs)

Mondays 4:15-5:15pm Holy Martyrs

Holy Martyrs 5:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 7:30am Wednesday

Weekly Rosary (on Saturdays) (cancelled until April 30th)

7:45am-Sacred Heart; 3:25pm-St. Gregory; 3:30pm-Holy Martyrs

Drive Through Confession (on Saturdays or by appointment)

2:30pm-3:30pm at Holy Martyrs, 2:30pm-4:30pm at Sacred Heart, 10-11:00am at St Gregory



Fr. Tracy
Pastor



Fr. Kaseta, OFM Cap
Parochial Vicar



Fr. Marquis
Parochial Vicar



Deacon
Dennis Popadak



Melissa Bagdon
Business Manager



Kim Palli
Communication Director



Georgette Dionne
Faith Formation Dir.



Kim Lovett
Faith Formation



Jen Runge
Music Ministry Dir.

All staff may be reached by emailing: pothe@portlanddiocese.org or calling the parish office (207.847.6890).

Bulletin item submissions are due 10 days prior to publication. Submit items to kim.palli@portlanddiocese.org.

Holy Martyrs Masses & Adoration are streamed live to our website and Facebook Live. Watch Sunday Mass on TV Channel 1303 at 10am & 4pm.

Find us online: pothe.org & on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram.

Parish of the Holy Eucharist Offices (Hours - Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm), 266 Foreside Rd., Falmouth, ME, 04105, 207.847.6890

Holy Martyrs Church: 266 Foreside Rd., Falmouth

Sacred Heart Church: 326 Main St., Yarmouth

St. Gregory Church: 24 North Raymond Rd., Gray

St. Jude Church: 134 Main St., Freeport

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS OF THE PORTLAND DIOCESE

Saturday, 4/25 Rev. Aurelijus Gričius & Rev. Albin A Andrus

Sunday, 4/26 Rev. Nathan D March & Gregory P Dube

Monday, 4/27 Rev. Costanzo Piselli & Rev. Gabriel Mutero

Tuesday, 4/28 All Priests

Wednesday, 4/29 Rev. Jacques D Dolbec SOLT & Rev. Brad Morin

Thursday, 4/30 Rev. Timothy J Nadeau & Rev. Richard P Rice

Friday, 5/1 Rev. Kent R Ouellette & Rev. James Doran

Saturday, 5/2 Rev. David R Raymond & V Rev. Richard C Malo

Sunday, 5/3 Bishop Robert P Deeley, JCD

Pray for those who are ill or recovering from surgery...

Roena Zink, Ellie Peters, John Lambert, Tom O'Connor, Mary Collins, Charlie Pinette, David Maurice, Liz Chandler, Dave Toulouse, Helen Roberge, Bonnie LaChance, John Flood, Maryhelen Rice, Gretchen Sayward, Michael & Timothy Rice, Joan Hatt, Esther Sedzia, William Palli, Sr., Alisson Hincks, Mark Gaudet, Maureen Perkins, Fran Ober, Peter Coffin, Nancy March, Don Gove, Bill Stanbro

Pray for 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... Cindy, wife of Brother Steve Carrier, Cynthia, sister-in-law of Brother Chris Madden, Brother Paul Metevier, Father Ray Picard, Anne Theriault, sister-in-law of Brother George Spino, Laurene, wife of Brother Dennis Dempsey, Brother Mark Bastey, Michael A. Stone, brother-in-law of Brother Frank Lemanski, Brother Gerald Bosse, Nancy, wife of Brother John Walkenford, Yvonne, wife of Brother Chuck Devine, Brother Gary Potvin, Kristine, wife of Brother Peter Rogers

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

**** THROUGH APRIL 16, 2020**

\$11,193.50

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