

Sunday,

May 11,

2025

PARISH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST



Holy Martyrs | St. Jude | St. Gregory the Great | Sacred Heart



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“My sheep hear My voice; I know them, and they follow Me.

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of My hand.”

—Jn 10: 27-28

**MOTHERS
DAY** Carnation Sale
SUNDAY, MAY 11



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MOTHER'S DAY CARNATIONS

This weekend!

Purchase a flower for
your mother after
Masses on Mother's
Day, May 10 and
11! Suggested price is
\$2.00 per carnation. The
carnation sale is being
sponsored by our ACTS
Ministry. Proceeds
benefit Maine Right to
Life.



On April 24, Bishop Ruggieri surprised the Men's ACTS Team Members and Retreatants with a visit!

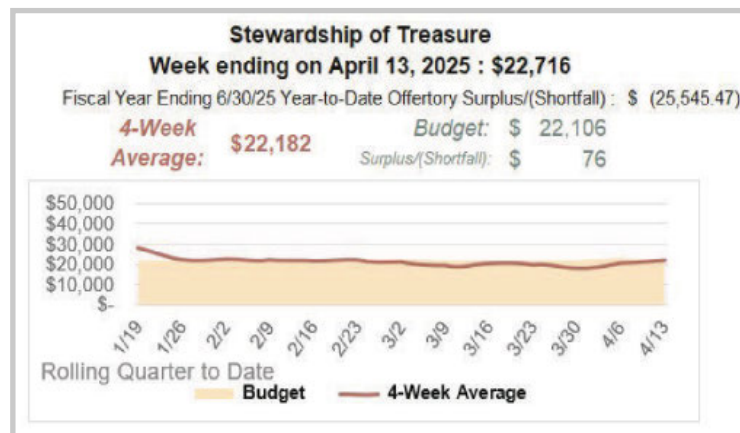
Parish Calendar ~ This Week and Upcoming

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday
10 St. Damien de Veuster St. John of Avila That Man is You 7 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Eucharistic Adoration & Confession 8:45 - 9:45 am <i>Sacred Heart</i>	11 4th Sunday of Easter Happy Mother's Day! Sanctuary Candle lit in Thanksgiving to St. Jude May 11 - 17 <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Choir Rehearsal 8 am <i>St. Jude</i> Sacramental Prep 9:30 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Calix 7 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i>	12 St. Pancras Sts. Nereus & Achileus AA Meeting 10:30 am - 12 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> Eucharistic Adoration 12 - 8 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Youth Schola 4:00 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> Cub Scout Meeting 5:30 pm Boy Scout Meeting 6:30 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i>	13 Our Lady of Fatima Centering Prayer Group 9:30 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Friends in Faith 10:30 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Sacramental Prep 4 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i>	14 St. Matthias Choir Rehearsal 4:45 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> 7:00 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> Troops of St. George 6 - 8 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> Together with Alzheimer's 7 - 8:30 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i>
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
15 St. Isadore Meals on Wheels 8 am - 12:30 pm <i>St. Jude</i> Senior Luncheon 11:30 am - 2 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> Grief Support Group 6 pm <i>St. Jude</i> Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> AA & Al-Anon Meetings 7 - 8:30 pm <i>St. Gregory the Great</i>	16 Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 - 9:30 am <i>St. Gregory the Great</i> 3 - 6 pm <i>St. Jude</i> John Peskovitz Funeral 10:30 am <i>St. Jude</i> Making Music, Praying Twice 10:30 - 11:30 am <i>Holy Martyrs</i>	Vespers for the Dead 6 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> Purgatorial Society Mass 6:30 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> AA Meeting 6:30 - 9:30 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i>	17 That Man is You 7 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Adoration & Confession 8:45 - 9:45 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Committal Service for Rita Doten 11:00 am <i>Calvary Cemetery</i> Men's ACTS Pentecost 2 - 8 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i> Altar Server Banquet 6 - 8 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i>	18 5th Sunday of Easter Choir Rehearsal 8 am <i>St. Jude</i> Sacramental Prep 9:30 am <i>Sacred Heart</i> Oratory 5 - 7 pm <i>Sacred Heart</i> Calix 7 pm <i>Holy Martyrs</i>

Mass Intentions for May 10 to May 18

Saturday, May 10				Wednesday, May 14			
8:15 am	SH	Fr. M	*Thanksgiving for the election of Sr. Mary Bede by the Bearse family	7:30 am	HM	Fr. C	*Special Intention for Allana by Mom & Dad
Thursday, May 15							
4:00 pm	HM	Fr. K	†Konrad Felipe Bartels by Estela Valle	8:00 am	SH	Fr. K	†Isadore & Rachel Houde by the Albert family
4:00 pm	SGTG	Fr. M	†Doris Mathew, OFS by Joseph Mathew, OFS & family	Friday, May 16			
4:00 pm	SH	VP	†Donald & Lea Fischer by Mark & Teresa Fischer	7:30 am	HM	Fr. K	†Michael R. Dilworth by Edward & Susan Dilworth
Sunday, May 11				8:00 am	SGTG	Fr. C	†Deceased members of the Dexter family by Timothy & Lorena Dexter
Happy Mother's Day!				6:30 pm	SH	Fr. C	†Enrolled Souls of the POTHE Purgatorial Society
8:00 am	SH	VP	†Carol Leahy by Nancy Leahy Martin	Saturday, May 17			
8:30 am	HM	Fr. K	†Joan Walsh by Robert Walsh	8:15 am	SH	Fr. M	†Patricia Ann Dillman by Regina & Simon des Rosiers
8:30 am	SGTG	Fr. M	†Deceased members of the Wilkenson & Austin families by Susan Austin	4:00 pm	HM	Fr. M	†Mary L. & Carleton Crowley by Donna Crowley
9:30 am	SJ	VP	*All POTHE Parishioners	4:00 pm	SGTG	Fr. K	†Richard Intravia by the Robichaud family
10:30 am	HM	Fr. K	†Jennifer Fatkin by Malcolm Holteen	4:00 pm	SH	Fr. C	†Ray Crowley by Pat Crowley
11:00 am	SH	Fr. M	†Alice Waylein by Sheila Anderson & family	Sunday, May 18			
5:30 pm	HM	Fr. K	†Marta Davila by Lydia Alberghini	8:00 am	SH	Fr. M	†Catherine DiDonna by Jerry & Brigid DiDonna
Monday, May 12				8:30 am	HM	Fr. C	*All POTHE Parishioners
7:30 am	HM	Fr. K	†Mr. & Mrs. John Gorman Sr. by Maureen Gorman	8:30 am	SGTG	Fr. K	†Robert Jordan by the Boulos family
8:00 am	SH	Fr. M	†Sue Fasulo by John & Jeanne Collins	9:30 am	SJ	Fr. M	†Helene LeHay by Chris LeHay
12:15 pm	SJ	Fr. M	†Rita Doten by Fr. Paul Marquis	10:30 am	HM	Fr. C	†Sheila Hennesey by Jack & Judy Fallon
Tuesday, May 13				11:00 am	SH	Fr. K	†Signa Milliken by James & Gail O'Connor
7:30 am	HM	Fr. C	†Fred Obar by his family	5:30 pm	HM	Fr. C	†Tommy Winger by Amelia Macleod
				NH—Nursing Home VP—Visiting Priest *Special Intention †Deceased			

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Welcome, Visitors!

Want to participate in our Offertory collection? If you'd like to make your offering online, please scan the QR code.



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

May 25—SEMINARIANS OF CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS: This collection supports the seminarians of Fr. Peter Kaseta's order.

June 1—POTHE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: This collection supports facility improvement projects with 100% of your donation directly funding these projects.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AWARD: Thank you for taking the time to join your Holy Martyrs Parish Knights with the Novena for Life Program for 2025. Your Parish Council was awarded the "B" Class Novena for Life Award at the Maine State Convention on April 24 - 27 in Auburn.



"This council joins forces with their Parish to participate in a Novena for Life, setting aside time to reflect on the quote of the day from Pope Francis, pray the Rosary for Life, and conclude with a prayer from St. John Paul II, for the duration of the Novena, during Pro-Life month."



Pictured left to right : Maine State Deputy Michael Giroux. Chancellor Chris Netherland from Council 15791. Maine State Pro-Life Team Brother Charles and Courtney Bougie. Maine State Faith in Action Director Brother Anthony Alfiero.

PASTOR'S PONDEROSA

Dear Parishioners,



A very happy Mother's Day to all the mothers and grandmothers in the parish. May God bless you for all your sacrifices and devotion! May God reward your dedication to your family.

This past week was I think a first for me as a priest, I presided over two weddings in less than a week. Last Saturday, I traveled to St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish in Acton, MA to offer the Nuptial Mass of John Giberti and Julia Centola. John and Julia are both parishioners of our parish who worship at St. Gregory the Great. John came into the Church at the Easter Vigil 3 weeks ago and serves on our parish finance council. Liam Scott and Kate McGrath-Holmquist were united in Holy Matrimony this past Thursday at the Cathedral. Liam and Kate are both on our dedicated POTHE staff and serve our parish faithfully. Please join me in thanking God for their witness and praying that many young couples in our parish will discover the beautiful Sacrament of Matrimony.

Many of you have already received the news that Fr. Paul Marquis will continue serving as a hospital chaplain as well as being assigned a part-time parochial vicar for the Portland Peninsula and Island Parishes, as of July 1. That will be a blessing for the people of Portland, but it is a source of sadness for us. Fr. Marquis has devoted himself to service in our parish for close to 7 ½ years. I am very grateful for his involvement shown with the ACTS community, for the attention he has shown to the sick and dying of our parish, and his faithful presence to our parishioners. We will have an opportunity to publicly express our gratitude to him before he leaves. Those details have not been decided yet.

Some parishioners have already received in the mail the invitation to participate in the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. The Annual Appeal funds the operations of the Diocese much like the weekly collections funds the operations of the parish. You have shown yourselves to be very generous each year in support of this appeal. In fact, last year the average gift was about \$950 per family! That is amazingly impressive! We were also ninth in the whole state in terms of the total number of families making gifts. That also is very good. The Catholic Appeal helps in numerous ways: funding chaplaincy services to Catholics in Mercy Hospital and Maine Medical Center; supporting our schools by funding the Office of Catholic Schools; covering the cost of lay teacher pensions, and providing rebates to parishes with schools; making it possible for you to receive *Harvest* magazine in your home at no charge, and more. Please begin to consider what your gift this year will be. This weekend we will be hearing more about the work of the Catholic Appeal throughout our state. We will ask for your participation and commitment next weekend May 16-17. Every gift matters!

—Fr. Cartwright

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PURGATORIAL SOCIETY: The next POTHE Purgatorial Society Mass will be **Friday, May 16 at 6:30 pm** at **Sacred Heart**, with Vespers for the Dead (Evening Prayer) at 6:00 pm. The Purgatorial Society at POTHE aims to assist the poor souls in purgatory on their way to heaven. Deceased loved ones enrolled in the Society are remembered and prayed for at the Society's Masses for a year. FMI or to enroll your loved one, visit pothe.org/purgatorialsociety, or call the Parish office at (207) 847-6890.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS | COUNCIL #15791 | BROTHER JAMES O. HARRIS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: This year two \$1,000 Scholarship will be awarded to fund two college students. For a copy of the guidelines and application, please visit pothe.org/knights-of-columbus. If you wish to pick up an application, there will be some at the rear of each church. If you can't find them, please call Stephen, (207) 517-0481. Applications received by **May 16** will be considered. Announcement of awards will be made in July and presented accordingly.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CASH CALENDARS: The Knights of Columbus will be selling calendars after Masses every weekend in May. Buy yours for a chance to win! Proceeds to benefit the Knights of Columbus Scholarship program.



RETURNING MID-MAY! GRIEF MINISTRY: The process of grieving doesn't happen quickly. It takes time and effort. It also takes patience and tolerance—with yourself. The death of a loved one changes your life forever, but you are not alone. We invite you to join us the first and third Thursdays of the month at 6 pm in St. Jude hall. Meetings begin on May 15. FMI: Gretchen, (508) 935-6395.



Sanctuary Candle Lit
HOLY MARTYRS
May 11 – 17
In thanksgiving to
Saint Jude

PRAYER CORNER

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Saturday, May 10	Our Holy Father
Sunday, May 11	Bishop Emeritus Robert P. Deeley, JCD
Monday, May 12	Rev. Elaiyareja Thaniyel, HGN Rev. Divine Fossoh
Tuesday, May 13	Rev. Thanh Van Nguyen Rev. Richard C. Malo
Wednesday, May 14	Msgr. Andrew Dubois Rev. Brad Morin
Thursday, May 15	Rev. Robert D. Lariviere All Deceased Priests
Friday, May 16	Rev. Prabuu T.P. Antony Raj, HGN Rev. Joseph Lukong
Saturday, May 17	Very Rev. Philip A. Tracy Rev. Matthew Valles
Sunday, May 18	Our Holy Father

WHY WE ASK FOR PRAYERS: We know God hears all our prayers. Many of us have known the power of His answers. As a faith community, we are called to pray for each other, which is why we publish a list of people in need of healing in the bulletin. Please call our parish office at (207) 847-6890 to include yourself on the list. If you want to add someone else, please ask permission from that person first.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: Vin Nguyen, Ezekiel Banla, Evans B. Yongyee, Joseph Beale, Nick Hershbine, Deacons: Erin Donlon, Thanh Duc Pham, Hoa Tien Nguyen.

PRAY FOR THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND FAMILY: Brother Chip Metevier; Laurene, wife of Brother Dennis Dempsey; Nancy, wife of Brother John Walkenford; Brother Gerald Bose; Brother Charles Thurston; Luke Roy, son of Brother Mark Roy; Art Crowley, brother of Brother Mike Crowley; Brother Manen Clements and wife Pat; Brother James King; Cindy Carrier, wife of Brother Steve Carrier; Brother Paul Tracy; Mark Mullaney, brother of Brother Peter Mullaney.

PLEASE KEEP IN HEALING PRAYER: Marianne McNally-Purda, Gretchen Sayward, Edward Hartnett, Peter Allen Longley, Marie McCann, Dolores Hartnett, Keith Stackpole, Ann Marie Branigan, Ryan Holden, Denise Tibbetts, Bob Pigeon, Nancy Crouch, Doris Charest, Charlie Miller, Jack Laibinis, Sr., Tiffany Eaton, Gilman Michaud, Kelly Dupont, Jean Bissonnette, Tanya Ziegler, Michael Connolly, Charles Pinette, Michaela McGee, Hannah Robinson, Pat Rideout, Joe Slattery, Dennis Chick, Michael Connolly.

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FROM OUR FAITH FORMATION DIRECTOR

LIFE VIEWED FROM YOUR DEATHBED PART 1

In the *Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius* (of Loyola) suggests that when making an important decision, it can be helpful to consider what you would have wished you had done if you were looking back at that decision on your deathbed.

It puts things in a different light pretty quickly. There is no more putting things off until tomorrow. Some details that seemed so important a moment ago, don't seem that important at all. Other things (like the salvation of your soul) become all important.

In my own short life, I have only had a couple of real scares that way. One was when I was 9 years old and jumped off the back of our family's boat into the lake. The life jacket flipped up over my head and pinned my arms to my ears. After some vigorous treading water, realizing that no one was noticing me and that I wasn't going to be able to keep my mouth above water anymore, I reflected on the course of my 9 years of living and simply said to myself, "Well, that was fast." Fortunately, about that time someone did notice me and fished me out. That was the first time I became seriously aware of my own mortality.

There wasn't much profundity in that moment. I did surprise myself with the degree to which I was resigned to my situation, but apart from that, it wasn't the conversion story that most people expect from these kinds of close shaves. Frankly, at age 9 there wasn't much to convert from. I had lived a fairly innocent life until that point, my soul was right with God, I was happy with the life I was living and so had no chance to consider things I might have regretted. I simply shrugged my shoulders and considered how life turned out to be shorter than I expected.

When people are older and realize their own mortality, it can be a major wakeup call. For some people, it is simply a matter of realizing that tomorrow is not guaranteed to them. They put together a bucket list and decide to go on the trip to Azerbaijan they had always dreamed of and harness themselves to a parachute in order to jump out of a perfectly good plane while their health will permit it. But for someone even vaguely Christian, the big lesson is that eternity is closer than we think. Whether you get to go skydiving is small potatoes relative to whether you are right with God and served Him faithfully. The former will be forgotten after you are dead; the latter will pay dividends forever.

In my own life, there was a close shave with death (or what I thought might be) that affected my vocational discernment in a serious way. I would like to share it with you next week. It illustrates how looking at things from our deathbed changes the way in which we make decisions.

—Joe Moreshead

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES FOR YOUNG ADULTS: Young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to a 5-week introduction to the *Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius* of Loyola. Each session will include an introduction to the principles St. Ignatius lays down in the *Exercises*, a guided meditation from the *Exercises*, and time for faith sharing and discussion afterwards. We will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm at Holy Martyrs Church. Please RSVP to Joe Moreshead on our website, pothe.org/youngadults. Class meetings and topics follow. Please join us even if you missed the first two classes! Classes are as follows: May 20 – The Incarnation, May 27 – The Birth of the Savior, June 3 – The Two Standards

MAKING MUSIC, PRAYING TWICE—MUSIC AND MOVEMENT IN MAY: Join us for *Making Music* sessions during the Easter Season! These are inspiring, fun, lively, faith-filled music classes for little ones under 5 (older children welcome) and their caregivers! Fridays in May, 10:30 am at Holy Martyrs. FMI and to register, pothe.org/makingmusic.



VACATION BIBLE CAMP: Join our parish at Vacation Bible Camp this year, July 14-18, 9 am-noon. This year's theme is Wilderness Adventure. This program was created to help children explore, learn, and grow in their Catholic faith. The goal of this program is to help children better understand the seven sacraments and deepen their love for Jesus. We are looking for campers in rising grades K-5. We are also in need of adult and teen volunteers. Camp will take place at Holy Martyrs this year! Registration is open now on our website, pothe.org/vacation-bible-camp.



MINI—RETREAT FOR HOMESCHOOLERS: All parents who homeschool are invited to attend a mini-retreat on June 1 at Holy Martyrs Church from 2:30-5:30 pm. In community, there will be time for inspiration, prayer, workshop, and curriculum swap! For more details and to purchase the \$5 ticket, please visit our website www.poth.org/homeschool.



MAY SENIOR LUNCHEON: Our next Senior Luncheon will be held on May 15 at Sacred Heart beginning with fellowship at 11:30 am and lunch served at noon. Bring a friend! FMI, email or call Kim Lovett kim.lovett@portlanddiocese.org or (207) 553-7042.





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Our Churches

Holy Martyrs: 266 Foreside Road, Falmouth

Sacred Heart: 326 Main Street, Yarmouth

St. Gregory the Great: 24 N. Raymond Road, Gray

St. Jude: 134 Main Street, Freeport

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Our Eucharistic Adoration Schedule

Monday:

12:00 pm - 8:00 pm Holy Martyrs (except holidays)

Friday:

8:30 am - 9:30 am St. Gregory the Great

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm St. Jude

Saturday:

8:45 am - 9:45 am Sacred Heart

Our Confession Schedule

Tuesday:

5:30-6:30 pm St. Gregory the Great

Saturday:

8:00 am Holy Martyrs, 1st Saturday of the month

8:45-9:45 am Sacred Heart

2:30-3:30 pm Sacred Heart, St. Gregory the Great,
and Holy Martyrs

Or by appointment

Our Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday (Anticipatory):

4:00 pm Holy Martyrs

4:00 pm St. Gregory the Great

4:00 pm Sacred Heart

Sunday:

8:00 am Sacred Heart

8:30 am Holy Martyrs

8:30 am St. Gregory the Great

9:30 am St. Jude

10:30 am Holy Martyrs

11:00 am Sacred Heart

5:30 pm Holy Martyrs (quiet Mass)

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:

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Daily Masses

Monday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

8:00 am Sacred Heart

12:15 pm Saint Jude

Tuesday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

Wednesday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

Thursday:

8:00 am Sacred Heart

Friday:

7:30 am Holy Martyrs

8:00 am St. Gregory the Great

Saturday:

8:15 am Sacred Heart

9:00 am Holy Martyrs 1st Sat.
of the month

Sacramental and Pastoral Care

Becoming Catholic: Please contact

pothe.faithformation@portlanddiocese.org

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office with the name, condition, address, and phone number of the person who is in need. **If calling after hours**, when voicemail message begins, press 7 to leave a message for the on-call priest.

Communion to the Homebound: Please email Regina Prince,
regina.prince@portlanddiocese.org.

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants: Please contact our parish office to begin the process.

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