



Holy Spirit Parish

MARCH 31, 2019

OUR PARISH CHURCHES

ST. MARY CHURCH

236 Eldridge Rd.
Wells, ME 04090
(207) 646-5605
FAX (207) 646-9437
Weekday Mass: 8 AM
Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM;
Sunday 9 & 11 AM

ST. MARTHA CHURCH

30 Portland Rd.
Kennebunk ME 04043
(207) 985-6252
FAX (207) 985-7740
Weekday Mass: 9 AM
Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM;
Sunday 8 & 10 AM

Confessions at both Churches
Saturdays 3-3:30 PM

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

45 School St.
Ogunquit, ME 03907
(Closed for the season)

Our PARISH STAFF

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Deacon Darrell Blackwell

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Mark Reeth

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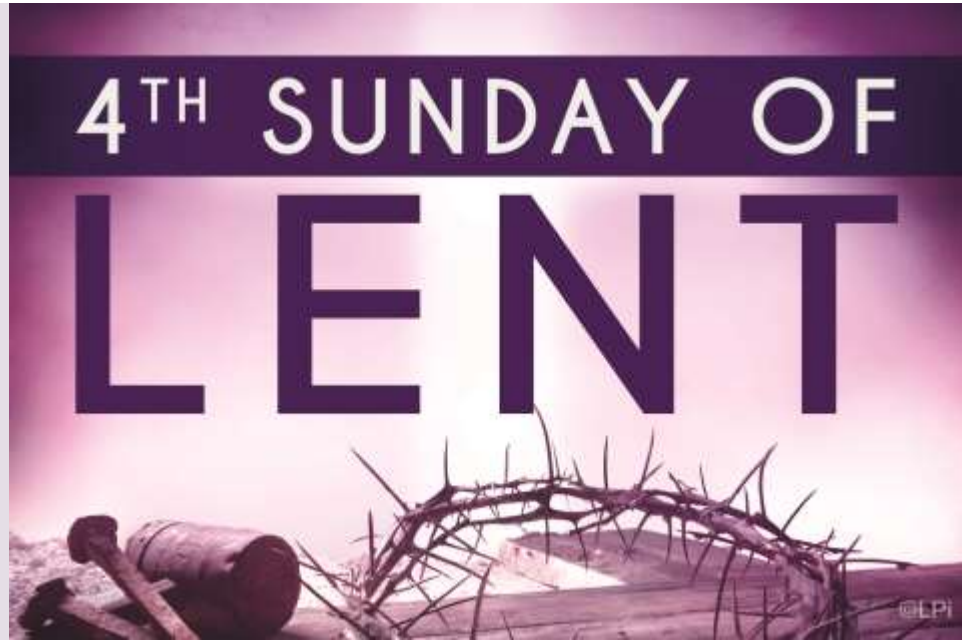
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Carolyn F. Houston, Director
Rosanne Smith, Adult Education

LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mark Reeth, Coordinator
Lisa White, Choir Director



WHAT ARE THE SCRUTINIES?

WHY DO THEY HAVE DIFFERENT READINGS?

THE SCRUTINIES, CELEBRATED ON THE THIRD, FOURTH, AND FIFTH SUNDAYS OF LENT, ARE SPECIAL RITES FOR THE ELECT (THOSE PREPARING FOR BAPTISM AT THE EASTER VIGIL) TO DELIVER THEM FROM THE POWER OF SIN, PROTECT THEM AGAINST TEMPTATION, AND STRENGTHEN THEM IN CHRIST. THESE RITES BEGIN WITH THE ENTIRE EUCHARISTIC ASSEMBLY SILENTLY PRAYING FOR THESE INTENTIONS. THE PARTICULAR READINGS



CORRELATE WITH THE INTENDED CONVERSION EXPERIENCE OF EACH SCRUTINY. THE FIRST SCRUTINY GOSPEL IS THE SAMARITAN WOMAN (CHRIST IS THE LIVING WATER), THE SECOND GOSPEL IS THE MAN BORN BLIND (CHRIST IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD), AND THE THIRD GOSPEL IS THE STORY OF LAZARUS (RESURRECTION AND LIFE).



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**GOSPEL MEDITATION
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**



"Jesus answered, 'Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him.'" At this point, Jesus' disciples were still subject to the prevailing idea that physical disabilities were a punishment for sin. When they saw the man blind from birth, they simply assumed his lack of sight was the result of sin; they only wondered whose sin was responsible. But Jesus cast the entire question in another

light. By telling his disciples that sin wasn't at work here, but that God was at work, Jesus must have shocked his hearers. How could God's work be made visible through a blind man?

It didn't take long to find out. Jesus used the opportunity to work a miracle. He anointed the man with mud, sent him to wash, and the man "came back able to see." This healing, of course, became a testament to the power of Christ for those who were willing to see it.

As we face trials and tribulations in our lives, we also face the challenge of seeing how "the works of God might be made visible" through them. Understanding that God's love and care are still at work even in the most troublesome situations of life is a challenge to be sure. It requires a kind of spiritual vision that comes with purity of heart. In other words, the more we overcome the blindness caused by our sins, the more we are able to truly "see" the way things are and the way God works.

Jesus tells us today, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind." Thus, we receive the same warning the Lord gave to the self-righteous Pharisees: we must humbly acknowledge our sins in order to clearly behold the way God is working in our lives.

NOTE:

The readings through the 5th Sunday of Lent will be from Cycle A.

They are the second set of readings in "Today's Missal" for this weekend and next.

**LAETARE
SUNDAY**

On the Fourth Sunday of Lent, the Church builds in a break from deep reflection and self-denial. Also called "Laetare Sunday" or "Rejoice Sunday", this Sunday is unique. Like the Third Sunday of Advent ("Gaudete Sunday"), the Fourth Sunday of Lent is a break in an otherwise penitential season. The vestments for this day may be rose, as they may be on Gaudete Sunday in Advent; flowers may or may not adorn the Altar. The name "Laetare" Sunday takes its name from the opening words of the Mass, the opening chant or antiphon, "Laetare, Jerusalem" or, in English, "Rejoice, O Jerusalem". The opening hymn this weekend reflects this shift in tone, as we rejoice in coming to "The Table of Plenty"!



THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

**During Lent, the
Sacrament of Reconciliation
will be offered as follows:**

Monday, April 8 - St. Martha, Kennebunk

Tuesday, April 9 - St. Mary, Wells

Wednesday, April 10 - St. Martha, Kennebunk

Thursday, April 11 - St. Mary, Wells

Reconciliation each evening

will be from 6 to 7 PM.

CHRISM MASS & GATHERING FOR DISCERNERS

~ TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2019 ~

4:30 PM - Evening Prayer Gathering at

St. Peter's Church, 72 Federal Street

5:45 PM - Chrism Mass at The Cathedral of the

Immaculate Conception

8:00 PM - Pizza Social at St. Peter's Church

The Chrism Mass is the largest gathering of the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Portland with our bishop each year. During the liturgy, the priests of the diocese renew the promises of their ordinations, and Bishop Deeley blesses and consecrates the holy oils that will be used for the celebration of the sacraments in the coming year. Special seating is reserved for those discerning a call to the priesthood and religious life so that they can attend this celebration of the Catholic faith in Maine. RSVP at <https://goo.gl/forms/C3kE960zgBVVn1fw1>.

MASS INTENTIONS
THIS WEEKEND: March 30 & 31

Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Mary Chenard by the family
 4:00 PM (W) Betty Putnam by Gordon Turpin
Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) Noah Roberts by the family
 9:00 AM (W) For our parishioners
 10:00 AM (K) Michael Meads by George Martin & family
 11:00 AM (W) Theodore Pricenski by Pam & Bill Sawyer

WEEKDAYS: April 1-5

Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Anita Naves by her daughter, Joanne Colley
 9:00 AM (K) Dorothy Kelleher by her son
Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) Betty Putnam by Rita McKinnon
 9:00 AM (K) Communion Service
 1:30 PM Communion Service at Huntington
Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) Communion Service
 9:00 AM (K) Rev. Claude Albert by Bill & Mary Barry
Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Denise Payeur Robinson & Helen Payeur
 by Dean Robinson
 9:00 AM (K) Communion Service
Friday: 8:00 AM (W) Communion Service
 9:00 AM (K) Hoang Nguyen by Phai Nguyen

NEXT WEEKEND: April 6 & 7

Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Paul Precourt by his sisters
 4:00 PM (W) John Casey by Ed & Kathleen DeFino
Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) For our parishioners
 9:00 AM (W) Pam Oliver by Marvin Oulette
 10:00 AM (K) Michael Tremblay by the family
 11:00 AM (W) Theodore Pricenski by Pam & Bill Sawyer



~REST IN PEACE~
Margo Grady
Richard Simoneau
Thelma Maling

Location Key: (K) St. Martha, Kennebunk
 (W) St. Mary, Wells



The sanctuary lamp at St. Mary's burns for health and blessings upon Dean Robinson by his mother and father.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent:

~ St. Mary Church in Wells at 12 Noon (followed by a Lenten soup & chowder luncheon).
 ~ St. Martha Church in Kennebunk at 6 PM.



CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

April 6 & 7

4:00 PM St. Mary's (W) Fr. Morse
4:00 PM St. Martha's (K) Fr. Manship

8:00 AM St. Martha's (K) Fr. Morse
9:00 AM St. Mary's (W) Msgr. Murphy
10:00 AM St. Martha's (K) Fr. Morse
11:00 AM St. Mary's (W) Fr. Mellone

Schedule subject to change.

Reconciliation on Saturdays
3-3:30 PM at St. Martha's & St. Mary's

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: To register, call Diane O'Neil at (207) 646-5605.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays, 3-3:30 PM (or upon request), at both St. Martha and St. Mary Churches.

MATRIMONY: Please contact the pastor six months prior to the desired wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call anytime. If you know that you will be admitted to the hospital, please call the office to make arrangements to receive the Sacrament after a daily or Sunday Mass. Please advise the office when a parishioner is hospitalized.

For more information, or to make an appointment for any sacrament, please call the office at 207-646-5605.



From Wednesday, March 6, through Sunday, April 14, you are invited to join other Christians for "40 Days for Life", a period

of 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and pray peacefully during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside of Maine Family Planning in Augusta. FMI, contact Judy Icenogle at 207-872-6558 or ricejuice@twc.com. You can also visit www.40daysforlife.com/augusta-maine.

THE WEEK AHEAD

March 31-April 7

St. Martha Church

Sunday: Faith Formation - 9 AM
S Anon - 7 PM
Monday: Centering Prayer - 9:45 AM
Tuesday: Cursillo - 4 PM
Wednesday: Old Timers' Luncheon - 12 Noon
Ignatian Exercises
Weight Watchers
Thursday: "No Greater Love" Lenten Program - 6 PM
Faith Sharing - 7 PM
Friday: First Friday Adoration - 9:30 AM-4 PM
Produce Pantry
Stations of the Cross - 6 PM
Saturday: Reconciliation - 3 PM
Sunday: K of C breakfast after Masses
Faith Formation - 9 AM
S Anon - 7 PM

St. Mary Church

Sunday: Faith Formation - 10 AM
Coffee & Donuts after Masses
Monday: Faith Formation - 3:45 PM
Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM
"No Greater Love" Lenten Program - 1 PM
Wednesday: Bible Study (Proverbs) - 10 AM
K of C General - 7 PM
Spiritual Study Group - 7 PM
Thursday: Food Pantry - 1 PM
Friday: First Friday Adoration - 8:30 AM-12 Noon
Closing Benediction - 12 Noon
Stations of the Cross - 12 PM
(followed by luncheon)
AA - 7:30 PM
Saturday: AA - 8 AM
Reconciliation - 3 PM
Sunday: Faith Formation - 10 AM
Coffee & Donuts after Masses



**ST. MARTHA'S
COMMUNITY PANTRY NEEDS:**
mayonnaise, canned chicken, muffin mix, fruit juice, powdered milk.

**ST. MARY'S ECUMENICAL
FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:**
small mayonnaise, instant coffee, jello, pudding, laundry detergent, dish detergent.

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

March 16 & 17

Collection	\$ 10,995.60
We Share (32)	\$ 1,128.50
Total Offertory	\$ 12,124.10
Tithe	\$ 848.69
Envelopes (327)	\$ 7,060.20
Loose	\$ 3,935.40

Second Collection
Floor Fund

Collection	\$ 3,572.00
Envelopes (195)	\$ 2,373.00
Loose	\$ 1,199.00

This weekend's second collection will be for
Catholic Relief Services.

If any parishioner would like a tax receipt for 2018 donations, contact Rosanne Smith at rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org or 207-985-6252.



In addition to your regular weekly offering, you may donate to *special collections* through **WE SHARE.**

How to create your We Share account:

1. Visit holyspiritme.org and click Give Online.
2. Click on the collection to which you'd like to donate.
3. Click Recurring Donation; enter your donation amount and frequency.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity!



**STAFF CHANGES
FOR THE PARISH**

Our sexton/custodian in Wells, Dean Robinson, has decided to return to full-time retirement at the end of the month. We wish Dean well! We will still be seeing him around the Parish as a Minister and volunteer. God Bless Dean! We have hired Jesse Ouellette to replace Dean. He is already with us, training for the position. Please welcome Jesse!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

FRIDAY, APRIL 5



- ~ St. Mary Chapel after the 8 AM Mass until Benediction at 12 Noon.
- ~ St. Martha Church after the 9 AM Mass until 4 PM.

No Greater Love ~A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion~

Join us for this five-part series that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author, Edward Sri, guides us through the last hours of Christ's life in this biblical pilgrimage. While taking this study, we will walk step by step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary. Every step of the way, biblical experts reveal how Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. The next session will take place on:

- Tuesday, April 2, at 1 PM at St. Mary's
- Thursday, April 4 at 6 PM at St. Martha's

FMI, please call Rosanne at 207-985-6252.



THE RECOVERY PRAYER GROUP FOR THE OPIATE CRISIS

~ meets at St. Mary's, 5:30-6:30 PM, the 1st & 3rd Mondays of every month. FMI: Cornelia Stockman at 207-468-4586 or Leona Regan-Dolan at 508-308-4819.

Charismatic Prayer Group

St. Martha Church, Kennebunk, 9:45 AM, the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. FYI, contact Dan Mahoney @ 207-317-7646.



CURSILLO is for Catholics who desire a closer walk with Christ with the help & fellowship of like-minded Christians. Please join this monthly gathering of encouragement for the journey: Ul-treya, St. Martha Church, 10 AM, in the education wing on the second Saturday of each month. For more information, please contact Kat Boucher at 207-216-7839 or lkmb@roadrunner.com, or go to www.maine cursillo.org.

CENTERING PRAYER

The Centering Prayer groups meet at St. Martha Church in Kennebunk on the first & third Mondays of every month at 9:45 AM, and the second & fourth Mondays of every month at 6 PM. FMI, contact Deacon Darrell at 207-467-0957 or doxieduo@maine.rr.com.



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



meets in the downstairs parlor at St. Mary Church. The next meeting will be held on *Wednesday, April 17 at 11 AM*. FMI, or if you know of someone who would benefit from a shawl, please call Sue at 646-8217, or Verna at 646-4543.

BEREAVEMENT QUILTING GROUP

~ Meets on Tuesdays at 9 AM upstairs at St. Mary's. Newcomers are welcome, as are beginner quilters. For more information, contact Carol Varano at (508) 801-2054, or just show up!



THE PARISH FAIR IS BACK!

~ NOVEMBER 9 & 10 ~

We have started collecting items for the parish fair for the following booths:

Books, Christmas, Crafts, Dishes, Jewelry, Linens, Toys.

ALL ITEMS ARE TO BE NEW OR IN GOOD, CLEAN CONDITION.

Items being submitted for bulletin approval must be provided by Friday at noon (*seven days prior to the weekend being requested*). Please email Mark Reeth at mark_reeth@portlanddiocese.org.



**COME JOIN OUR
FAMILY BREAKFAST**

ST. MARTHA CHURCH HALL



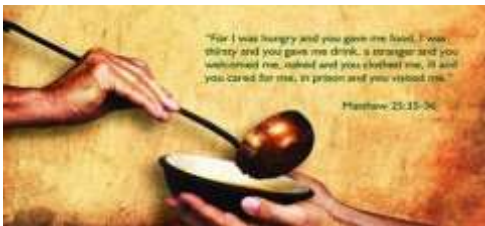
**SUNDAY, APRIL 7
8:30 - 11:15 AM**

**Adults: \$8
Ages 13-17: \$5
Ages 12 & under: Free**

**Youth Ministry
Matthew 25:35 Meal**

The Matthew 25:35 Meals put on by the youth ministries of both Holy Spirit and St. Therese of Liseux Parishes are served monthly, every second Tuesday, at St. Ignatius Church Hall in Sanford, 5:30-6:30 PM. To support this community meal project, gift cards to Hannaford, Walmart, or Shield's Meats in Kennebunk, are welcome. All donations should be labeled "youth ministry" and dropped off at either church site. Prayers for volunteers and guests are also appreciated! If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Houston at 985-6252, 646-5605 or at carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org.

See article in current March/April issue of "Harvest" magazine (pages 4 & 5) or go to portlanddiocese.org.



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Christ is present in the world in Eucharistic Adoration unites us to Him in a special way. The chapel on Thornton Avenue in Saco is open 24/7 for individual prayer. You can drop in at any time. For this chapel to continue, regularly scheduled adorers are urgently needed. You can sign up for a time and day of your choice, committing to fill an hour a week for a month at a time, for six months, for a year, etc. We also need substitutes willing to fill in when needed. FMI, call Virginia at 432-1151 or Steve at 283-0782.



THOSE SEEKING TO JOIN THE CHURCH OR WANTING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, call Rosanne Smith at 207-985-6252.

Prayer Line Requests

may be made to Aline Saunders at 207-985-9214 or alinesaunders@roadrunner.com

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS wishing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at home, please call the office at 646-5605.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH MISSION STATEMENT



Holy Spirit Parish is a welcoming and caring Roman Catholic community, grounded in Eucharistic faith, and which enthusiastically lives and embraces the values modeled by Jesus Christ. As a community of believers, Holy Spirit Parish is committed to:

- Ongoing faith formation
- Life-long spiritual growth
- Nurturing and sharing our gifts for the common good.

PARISH REGISTRATION/UPDATE

Name (s): _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

New registration Change of address

Change of e-mail address

Moving out of parish Request envelopes

If you are new to the parish, or you have a new address or phone number, please complete this form and place it in the collection basket, or mail to:

Holy Spirit Parish,

236 Eldridge Road, Wells, ME, 04090,

or e-mail to stmarywells@myfairpoint.net