

Our Parish Churches

ST. MARY CHURCH

236 Eldridge Road Wells, ME 04090 (207) 646-5605 FAX (207) 646-9437 Weekday Mass: 8 AM (*Tuesday through Friday*) Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM Sunday 9 & 11 AM

St. Martha Church

30 Portland Road Kennebunk, ME 04043 (207) 985-6252 FAX (207) 985-7740 Weekday Mass: 9:15 AM (*Tuesday through Friday*) Weekend Masses: Saturday 4 PM Sunday 8 & 10 AM

<u>Confessions at Saints</u> <u>Mary & Martha Churches</u>

Saturdays 3-3:30 PM ALL SAINTS CHURCH

45 School Street Ogunquit, ME 03907 (closed for the season)

Our Parish Staff

Fr. Fred Morse, Pastor

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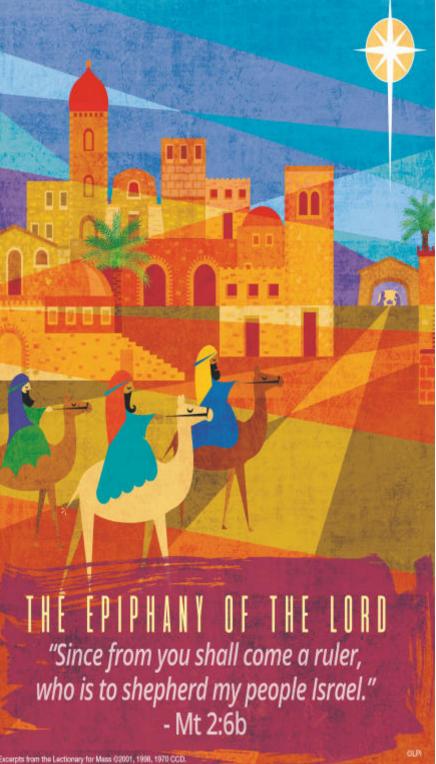
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<u>LITURGICAL MUSIC</u> Mark Reeth, Coordinator



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The Holy Spirit Parish Office of Lifelong Faith Formation has been bringing exciting faith community and education events to the parish, entitled Journey in Faith – adult formation with separate sessions for children. These events are geared toward *adult* faith formation, but involve parishioners of every age. They are for all parishioners. We gather together for an opening prayer before breaking into groups for age-appropriate faith formation. The adult session features the highly acclaimed program on The Sacraments with Bishop Robert Barron and is facilitated by an experienced adult catechist.

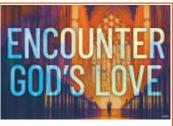
We are called to form our faith as well as our community. Our mission as Catholics is to grow closer to Jesus, and to share His story with others. The *Journey in Faith* sessions enable us to learn more while evangelizing one another as a faith family. They also assist us in recognizing how we are called to bring the love of Jesus to our wider community.

The next **Journey in Faith** event will take place **Sunday, January 23, from 3-5 PM, at St. Mary Church.** The event theme will be "Confirmation", facilitated by Dan Mahoney. Children will enjoy their own separate ageappropriate activities related to Confirmation.

For a schedule of *Journey in Faith* sessions, please visit the Formation page on the parish website at: <u>https://www.holyspiritme.org/formation</u> or contact the director of faith formation for the parish, Carolyn Houston, at 646 -5605, 985-6252, or carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org.

GOSPEL MEDITATION The Epiphany of the Lord

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI:



"Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved. ©LPi



The Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions

THIS WEEKEND: January 1 & 2

Saturday:	4 PM (K) Richard Graham by Bob & Marilyn Giles
	4 PM (W) Anthony Cusimano by Rachel & Jerry Juneau
Sunday:	8 AM (K) Rodney Mailhot by the family
	9 AM (W) Mr & Mrs Lourcella by Tom Oliver
	10 AM (K) Edna Gendreau by Mary Foster
	11 AM (W) For the Holy Spirit Parishioners
	THIS WEEK: January 4-7

Tuesday:8 AM (W) Charles Stetz by his wife, Jane9:15 AM (K)Bea Cuminale by the Kindler FamilyWednesday8 AM (W) David Robinson by Mary Cormier9:15 AM (K)Lois Stetson Root by Mary FosterThursday:8 AM (W) Carmine C Dolce by John & Bev
Bacon9:15 AM (K)Thomas Vahey by Carol BaraldiFriday:8 AM (W) David Robinson by Rita McKinnon9:15 AM (K)Norman Couture by Rick & Jane
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NEXT WEEKEND: January 8 & 9

Saturday:	: 4 PM (K) Fred Cialfi by Leona Blatt	
	4 PM (W) John Ciano by Emilia Ciano	
Sunday:	8 AM (K) For the Holy Spirit Parishioners	
	9 AM (W) James Cannon by Laura DuPont	
	10 AM (K) Jeanne McGrath by George & Bev Lynch	
	11 AM (W) David Robinson by the family	

Location Key: (K) Kennebunk; (W) Wells



 ST. MARTHA COMMUNITY PANTRY: muffin mix, mayonnaise, fruit juice, powdered milk, canned vegetables.
ST. MARY ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY: spaghetti sauce, canned tuna, pudding, instant coffee, toothpaste, dish detergent

THE ST. MARY FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN THURSDAYS, 2-4 PM.



GRIEF SUPPORT FOR WIDOWS

In his encyclical, Amoris Laetitia (Joy of Love), Pope Francis writes, "Mourning the loss of a spouse has its challenges, but we Catholics believe Jesus never judges or abandons us as we struggle with our grief while journeving into a new life. Pope Francis continues to say that pastoral care is necessary to help the grieving person to realize that, after the loss of a loved one, they still have a mission to carry *out.*" Holy Spirit Parish has a grief support group for widows on Thursdays at 2 PM at St. Martha Church. COVID-19 protocols are in effect (masks and distancing). The facilitator is Linda Pearson, a recent widow who completed a certified grief educator certification. For more information, please call Rosanne at 985-6252 or Linda at 423-3158.

BEREAVEMENT QUILTING

The group meets on Tuesdays at 9 AM, upstairs at St. Mary's. All are welcome! For more information, contact Carol Varano at (508) 801-2054 or just show up!







WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT December 18 & 192

Collection	\$ 7,266.00
We Share (70)	\$ 2,443.50
Total Offertory	\$ 9,709.50
Tithe	\$ 679.67
Envelopes (202)	



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

How to create a WeShare 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!

Thank you to all who continue to help us sustain our parish, and to those who continue to mail in their offering envelopes to both church offices. We are truly grateful!

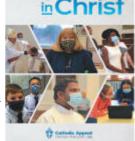






2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal

For those who have not yet pledged to the annual appeal, please prayerfully consider a gift which will support and benefit our diocese and parish in countless ways. Thank you to all who have already made a commitment!



Together



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH AS OF DECEMBER 16:

Total - \$ 126,535 Goal - \$ 129,619 % Goal - 98 %

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

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

"Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts." Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as priest, deacon, religious brother or sister?



Contact Fr. Greg Dube, Director of Vocations, at (207) 773-6471 or e-mail vocations@portlanddiocese.org.

Bulletin insert requests are due by Friday at noon (8 days prior to the weekend for which being requested. Earlier deadlines are required based on holidays).

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM:

To register, contact Rosanne Smith at (207) 985-6252 or rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays, 3-3:30 PM, at St Martha & St. Mary Churches.

(Appointments may also be made for the by calling the office of either church)

MATRIMONY:

Pastor must be contacted six months prior to the desired wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Call at any time. If you know that you will be admitted to the hospital, please call the office to make arrangements to receive the sacrament.

Also, please notify the office if you're aware of a parishioner being hospitalized.

For more information, Please call 207-646-5605 or 207-985-6252.

Those seeking to join the Church or wanting to learn more about the Catechism of the Catholic Church, call Rosanne Smith at (207) 985-6252.

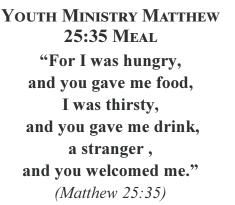


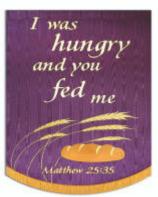
For Prayer Line Requests:

Contact Judy Hyotte at (508) 641-4109 or <u>jhyotte@twc.com</u>

Homebound Parishioners:

Those wishing to receive Holy Communion, please call (207) 646-5605.





The youth ministries of Holy Spirit and St. Therese of Liseux Parishes provide monthly Matthew Meals. They take place at the St. Ignatius gym at **25 Riverside Avenue in Sanford every second Tuesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 PM** (*next on January 11*). To support this project, gift cards to Hannaford are welcome and are used to purchase supplies for this endeavor. Donations of pre-packaged, individual-sized cookies, and fruit cups are also requested. The fruit cups must be "no sugar added." Donations should be labeled "Matthew Meal" and dropped off at either St. Martha or St. Mary Church. Prayers for volunteers and guests are also appreciated!

FMI, contact Carolyn Houston at: 985-6252, 646-5605, or carolyn.houston@portlanddiocese.org.

Thank you!

PARISH REGISTRATION/UPDATE
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City: Zip:
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New registration Change of e-mail address Moving out of parish Change of address Request envelopes Change of address
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 <i>or</i> e-mail rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

~ St. Mary's after the 8 AM Mass until 12:30 PM~ St. Martha's after the 9:15 AM Mass until 10:30 AM





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