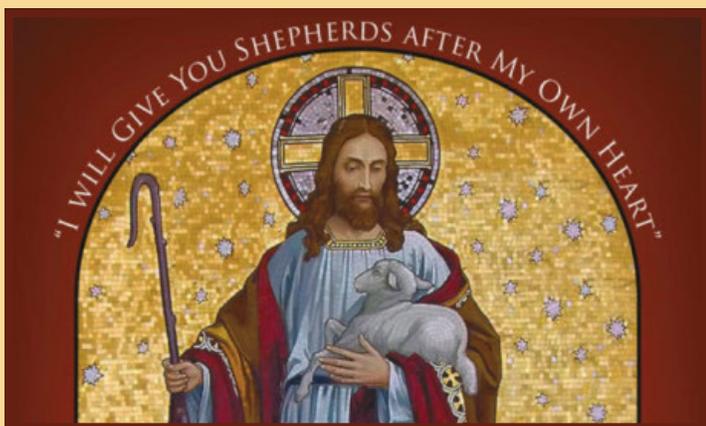


**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH  
and IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**  
*September 24, 2023*



Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the US Council of Serra International and will be celebrated on September 24th. Please be sure to make your priest feel special, loved and appreciated on Celebrate Priesthood Sunday!

### **PARISH STAFF**

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### **PARISH MISSION**

*Our Lady of Fatima and Immaculate Conception Parish is a Catholic faith community called by God to holiness. Our calling is realized in a spirit of love, unity and hospitality. As a faith community, we will deepen our knowledge and love of God in Christ. We will seek to contribute our time, talent and other resources in a spirit of service based on our Baptismal commitment, founded on the Word of God and celebrated in sacramental life, especially Eucharist.*

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### **SACRAMENTAL/PRAYER LIFE**

#### **Our Lady of Fatima**

##### **Mass Schedule:**

8:30 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

5:30 p.m. Wednesday

5:00 p.m. Saturday

10:30 a.m. Sunday

#### **Immaculate Conception**

##### **Mass Schedule**

8:30 a.m. Sunday

**Church Visits:** Open daily - OLF

**Reconciliation/Confession - OLF**

4:00 p.m. Saturday

**Anointing the Sick & Baptism:** Please contact the Rectory to make arrangements.

**Marriage:** Please contact the Rectory at least 6 months in advance.

**Homebound / Hospitalized:** Communion brought to anyone unable to attend Mass. Call Paul Gorman 603-526-4353

**Visits to Homebound:** Call Betsy Anderson 603-568-3511

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, September 23, 5:00 PM**

Tom Guterl *by* Gay Sheary

**Sunday, September 24, 8:30 AM**

John Matthews (liv) *by* Joan Broom

**Sunday, September 24, 10:30 AM**

Andrew Small *by* Friends

**Monday, September 25, 8:30 AM**

NO MASS TODAY

**Tuesday, September 26, 8:30 AM**

Thomas Guterl *by* The Thayer Family

**Wednesday, September 27, 5:30 PM**

Timothy Jackson

**Thursday, September 28, 8:30 AM**

Frank Prial *by* Marge & Ken Muller

**Friday, September 29 8:30 AM**

Fr. Edward Broom *by* Joan Broom

**Saturday, September 30, 5:00 PM**

*by*

**Sunday, October 1, 8:30 AM**

James Heili (liv) *by* Joan Broom

**Sunday, October 1, 10:30 AM**

Andrew Small *by* Friends

## TAKE FIVE

### *AT HOME IN THE WORLD*

Free to leave, free to stay. Liberty of movement is a right most of us take for granted. Have you mresided in more than one place? On this 109<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants and Refugees, Pope Francis asks us to imagine a world in which everyone has the option to stay or go as they please. It necessitates a world in which staying is safe: free from discrimination, violence, and dire poverty. All would have the protection of equal rights and respect, and could reach their potential in their present circumstances. Until that day, welcoming the stranger is our sacred obligation.

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**September 10, 2023**

|            |          |
|------------|----------|
| E-Giving   | \$ 3,000 |
| Envelopes  | \$ 1,025 |
| Loose Cash | \$ 3,959 |
| Total      | \$ 7,984 |
| Target     | \$ 7,525 |

Thank you for your generosity!

*Please use the offertory boxes as you enter church.*

## LIVESTREAM MASS

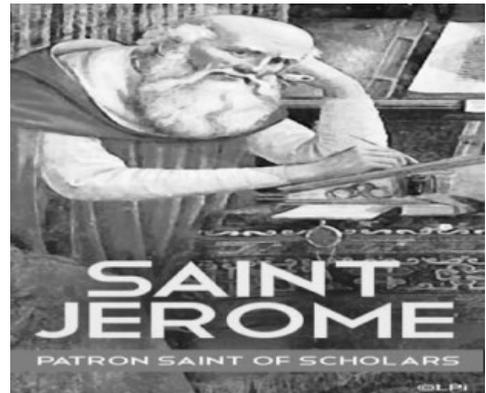
To access the Livestreamed Mass go to: *olfic.org*, scroll to LIVESTREAM and press enter.

## PLEASE NOTE

There will be NO MASS  
Monday, September 25th at 8:30 AM

## Readings for the week of September 24, 2023

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| Sunday:    | Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)<br>Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a |
| Monday:    | Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6<br>Lk 8:16-18                     |
| Tuesday:   | Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20<br>Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21             |
| Wednesday: | Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8<br>Lk 9:1-6                        |
| Thursday:  | Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b<br>Lk 9:7-9                       |
| Friday:    | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a<br>Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51  |
| Saturday:  | Zec 2:5-9,14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab,<br>13Lk 9:43b-45                    |



*Who is St. Jerome and why is he so significant that we honored him with a feast on September 30?*

St. Jerome (345–420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin.

Much of Jerome's correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that he was. Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people.

Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholic. In 1943 Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.

**COLLECTING FOR THE HOLIDAY FAIR**



We are collecting jewelry, scarves, evening bags, gloves, etc. for the Holiday Fair to be held on **November 18<sup>th</sup>**. Place your donations in the designated basket at the entrance of OLF. Contact Norma Gosselin, 603-763-4459 with questions.

**PARISH WEEK AT A GLANCE**

- Sun Sep 24,** 9-10:15am Family Faith Formation
- Mon Sep 25,** No Mass  
3pm Rosary - IC  
4:30 Intercessory Prayer Grp. - IC  
5:30-7:30 Crafters - Hall
- Tue Sep 26,** 7:15 St Francis Scripture Grp.-Hall  
Rosary After Mass
- Thu Sep 28,** Rosary After Mass  
2:30-4pm Bible & The Mass-LMR
- Sun Oct 1,** 9-10:15am FF Parents Only - Hall

**Themed Baskets Coming to the Parish Holiday Fair**

Enter into the holiday spirit by helping create themed baskets to be raffled off. Make it a family project or connect with friends and have fun! Next weekend the various themes will be presented (example: coffee basket, wine and crackers, sports themed basket). 25+ themes to choose from with a minimum \$50 value. Join together with other parishioners and have fun shopping for items in the theme you choose. Your items will become enticing delights for the lucky winners, Details will be given next week. Let's join together to make this fundraiser a fun-filled community experience. Please contact Liz Stewart: [stewart.lizbo@gmail.com](mailto:stewart.lizbo@gmail.com) or 201-572-3868 for more information.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

- Joey DeVito
- Cailyn Dezotell
- Amy Leonard
- Judy Lafond
- Bill Connors
- Linda Poire
- Marianne Rissolo
- Les Hawthorne
- Donna Bates
- Alice Rogers Connolly
- Pat & Jack Murphy
- Paula Valentino
- Sr. Maeve McDermott
- Margaret Marschner
- Carol Conforti-Adams
- Kathleen Anderson
- M.P. McEnrue
- Joan Trabucchi
- Eileen Finn
- Lisa Currier
- Jordan Currier
- Sue Reel.
- Cori White
- Felicity Wallace.



- Paul Nagy
- Jack Miller
- Kristen Arigoni
- Richard Reed
- Isaac Walsh
- Jean Wallace
- Jordan Currier
- Chelsea Cascio
- Janice White
- Michele Noyer
- Neil Hatch
- Margaret Henneberry
- Michael Holt
- James Mitchell
- Matt Ezovski
- Barbara Whited
- Kathy Quinlan
- Lois Giblin
- Ken Celmer
- Randy Currier
- Mark Licitra
- Mary Hilo
- Margaret Cheevers
- Vinny Politano

**CROP WALK**



Join the churches in our area on a Crop Walk at Elkins Beach on **Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>** at 1 p.m. Since 1969, Crop Hunger Walks have supported the global mission of Church World Service to combat hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster; 25% of the money we raise will go to the Kearsarge Lake Sunapee Community Food Pantry. *If you are unable to walk, perhaps you would consider a donation.*

SPiritUAL LIFE

# Who Are the Archangels?

Dr. Tim Gray & Dr. Elizabeth Klein

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**Who Are the Archangels?**

Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein discuss archangels and what role they have in our lives.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTION

Please consider supporting our parish outreach ministry - Loaves and Fishes - during this time of special collection and focus. Loaves and Fishes offers financial support for those in need in our immediate area. Assistance may come in the form of utility assistance, food and clothing needs, car repair and other requests. *In a typical year, about 150 families are assisted.*

Consider giving through our egiving program - register online at [www.olfic.org/giving/](http://www.olfic.org/giving/). Checks may be written to Loaves and Fishes and deposited in the collection box where you will find special envelopes. Thank you for your prayers/support.

## FINANCE CHAIR NEEDED

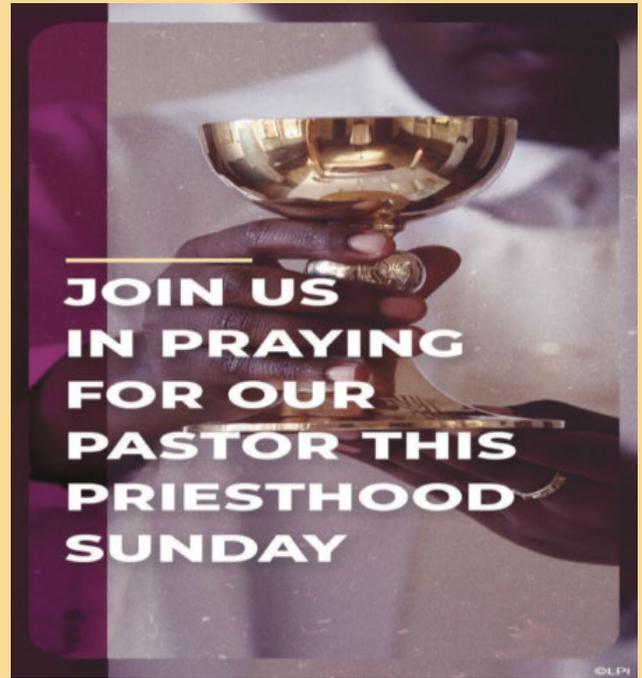
Fr. Don and the Finance Board are looking for a new chairperson. The job entails preparing the annual finance budget for the parish and submitting it to the Diocese. This person will also prepare monthly and quarterly financial statements, to guide the Finance Board. The internal controls suggested by the auditors recently, must be periodically reviewed to protect money-counters and staff. This person will assist Fr. Don and the Board in making investment strategies and assessing capital project needs. The Chair also gives the annual financial picture to the parish. Chair publishes along with charts and graphs our financial report to the people of the parish. The Committee meets quarterly.

Our most esteemed thank you to Ron Koran who served so faithfully for decades. We would also like to thank David Grinsell for serving this past year.

### 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



September 24, 2023



**A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

Lord God, most holy, we approach you in gratitude for your holy ordained priesthood. You have called these men to be set apart and to shepherd your people, as you shepherd your entire church. We pray for them in their daily work. Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace, so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand. Lead them not into temptation and protect them from the grasp of the evil one. It is through the sacraments they confer that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way. May your church never lose sight of these, your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ, never fail to cherish the gift of their lives, which they have freely given to you and your holy church. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son. Amen.

**VOCATIONS**

“Seek the Lord while He may be found...” While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Could it be you are being called by Jesus to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think He may be offering you this grace, contact the Vocation Office at (603) 663-0196 or by email at: [mmason@rcbm.org](mailto:mmason@rcbm.org)



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