



Holy Spirit Parish

December 31, 2017

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New Years Day & Mary the Mother of God is a Holy Day with NO obligation.

Mass will be celebrated at 8 a.m. in Wells & 9 a.m. in Kennebunk.



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4 p.m. Kennebunk
4 p.m. Wells

Sunday

9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Wells
8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Kennebunk

Weekdays 8 a.m. Wells, 9 a.m. Kennebunk

St. Mary's Church—236 Eldridge Rd.
Wells, ME 04090

(207) 646-5605 — FAX (207) 646-9437

St. Martha's Church—30 Portland Rd.
Kennebunk ME 04043

(207) 985-6252 — FAX (207) 985-7740

All Saints' Church—45 School St.
Ogunquit, ME 03907

Closed for the Season

Rev. Frederick Morse, Pastor

Deacon Darrell Blackwell

Mrs. Diane W. O'Neil, Office Manager

Mrs. Carolyn F. Houston, Director of Faith Formation

Mrs. Rosanne Smith, Coordinator of Adult Ed.

Mr. Mark Reeth, Music/Communications Coordinator

Mrs. Lisa White, Choir Director

Mr. Timothy Cilley, Facilities Manager, Wells

Mr. Timothy Gallant, Facilities Manager, Kennebunk

Parish Registration/Update

Name (s) _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Phone (s) _____

Phone (s): _____

E-mail Address: _____

___ New Registration ___ Change of Address

___ Change of E-mail Address

___ Moving out of Parish ___ Want Envelopes

If you are new to the parish, or have a new address or phone number, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail to Holy Spirit Parish, 236 Eldridge Road, Wells, ME, 04090 or e-mail to stmarywells@myfairpoint.net

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

January 6/7

4:00 p.m. St. Martha's (K) Fr. Morse
4:00 p.m. St. Mary's (W) Msgr. Murphy

8:00 a.m. St. Martha's (K) Fr. Manship
9:00 a.m. St. Mary's (W) Fr. Morse
10:00 a.m. St. Martha's (K) Fr. Manship
11:00 a.m. St. Mary's (W) Fr. Morse

Schedule subject to change

Reconciliation on Saturdays
3:00—3:30 p.m. St. Martha's & St. Mary's

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

All inserts for the bulletin must be submitted by 12 noon Friday. All holidays change the deadline. Please call Diane O'Neil at 646-5605 or email stmarywells@myfairpoint.net

SACRAMENTS

Baptism — Please call for an appointment.

Reconciliation — Saturdays 3 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. at St. Martha's Church and Saturdays 3 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Anytime upon request—please call the office to make an appointment—(207) 646-5605.

Matrimony — Please contact the pastor six months prior to the desired 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.

Seeking to join the Church or would like to know more about the Catechism of the Catholic Church? FMI call Fr. Fred at 646-5605.

Prayer Line Requests: May be made to: Aline Saunders at alinesaunders@roadrunner.com or 985-9214.

Homebound Parishioners: Any homebound parishioner wishing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at home please call the office at 646-5605.

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND December 30/31

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	For our Parishioners (K)
	4:00 p.m.	Rose & Michael DaBiere by Marylou & Chuck Colvin (W)
Sunday:	8:00 a.m.	Claude Gobeil by his Wife & Family
	9:00 a.m.	Will Fulford by the Kevin McDonnell Family
	10:00 a.m.	William Faul by the Spas/Faul Family
	11:00 a.m.	Nora Walsh by Jean McAdoo

WEEKDAYS January 1-5

Monday:	8:00 a.m.	Sean Hogan by his Family
	9:00 a.m.	Paula France by Annie
Tuesday:	8:00 a.m.	Craig D'Allessandro by Paul Breen
	9:00 a.m.	Yen Nguyen by Chan Nguyen
	1:30 p.m.	Communion Service — Huntington
Wednesday:	8:00 a.m.	Dolores Callegari by Neighborhood Bible Study & Friends
	9:00 a.m.	Rev. Claude Albert by Royal & Rosanne Smith
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Helen & John Mayberry by their Daughter
	9:00 a.m.	Shelagh Nelson by Vince Gallucci
Friday:	8:00 a.m.	Rose DaBiere by MaryLou & Chuck Colvin
	9:00 a.m.	Elizabeth Wirtes by Priscilla Russell

NEXT WEEKEND January 6/7

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	James Brogginini by Susan Ryan (K)
	4:00 p.m.	Stephen Woodhead by Roger Mailhot (W)
Sunday:	8:00 a.m.	Rev. Claude Albert by Carmine & Barbara Dolce
	9:00 a.m.	Will Fulford by the Spas-Faul Family
	10:00 a.m.	Inez Mencaccini by the Family of Aldo Mencaccini
	11:00 a.m.	Nora Walsh by Jean McAdoo

Daily Mass Key: (W) 8 a.m. (K) 9:00 a.m.

Rest in Peace



December 16/17

Collection	\$ 13,769.00
We Share (17)	\$ 692.00
Total Offertory	\$ 14,461.00
Tithe	\$ 1,012.00
Envelopes (402)	\$ 8,621.55
Loose	\$ 5,147.45

Retired Religious

In addition	
Envelopes (14)	\$ 342.25

Thank you for your continued generosity!

You may also donate to special collections through WE SHARE. If you are registered in the parish your gift will be recorded for your tax receipt.



How to create your We Share account:

1. Visit holyspiritme.org and click Give Online
2. Click on the collection you wish to donate to.
3. Click Recurring Donation, enter your donation amount and frequency.

Your account will be created & you can start giving online. Questions? Please take a handout that is available in the Narthex, or call the office.



Food Pantry News

St. Martha's Community Pantry needs beef stew, canned tuna, canned chicken, spaghetti & macaroni & cheese.

St. Mary's Ecumenical Food Pantry needs tomato paste, baked beans, facial tissues, laundry detergent, tea bags and pancake syrup.

THE WEEK AHEAD

December 31 — January 7

St. Martha's Church

Sunday: NO Faith Formation
New Years Eve!

Monday: Healthy & Happy New Years!

Tuesday: Cursillo 4 p.m.

Wednesday: Ignatian Exercises
Weight Watchers 5:30 p.m.

Thursday: Faith Sharing 7 p.m.

Friday: First Friday Adoration 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Produce Pantry

Saturday: Reconciliation 3—3:30 p.m.

Sunday: K of C Breakfast 8:30 a.m.
Faith Formation 9 a.m.
S Anon 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Church

Sunday: NO Faith Formation
New Years Eve!

Monday: Healthy & Happy New Year!

Tuesday: Hope your week is good!

Wednesday: Bible Study 10 a.m.

Thursday: Food Pantry 1 p.m.

Friday: First Friday Adoration 8:30 a.m.—12 noon
Closing Benediction 12 noon
AA 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: AA 8 a.m.
Reconciliation 3—3:30 p.m.

Sunday: Faith Formation 10 a.m.
Coffee & Donuts after Masses

 **Schedule**

New Year's Day

The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year because it falls on a Monday.

We will have our usual weekday Masses

St. Martha's, Kennebunk: 9 a.m.

St. Mary's, Wells: 8 a.m.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday.

At St. Mary's, after the 8 a.m. Mass in the Chapel until Benediction at 12 noon.
At St. Martha's after the 9 a.m. Mass in the Church until 4 p.m..

Please sign-up on sheets in Narthexes for a particular private prayer time.

From Amanda Morris & Family... In June our family was fortunate to be able to travel to Fond Blanc Haiti where we spent a week in an orphanage. On January 14 in St. Martha's Parish Hall, following both Masses, we look forward to sharing with you about the missions work, ongoing projects and ways that people can get involved. Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. Despite the extreme poverty the children with whom we spent a week were extremely faithful and filled with the love of Jesus. We were inspired, touched and want to share about how others can get involved.



How to Become a Catholic

The R.C.I.A.

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The parish welcomes those seeking fuller participation in the life of the Church. RCIA is a program offered each year for the following people:

- ◆ Individuals who have never been baptized and who wish to be baptized and welcomed into the Catholic faith.
- ◆ Individuals who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and who wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.
- ◆ Individuals who were baptized in the Catholic Church but never received first Holy Communion.

The first eleven weeks are considered an inquiry period with no formal commitment required, so all are welcome to register and come and see. If you or someone you know might be interested, please email Rosanne at

Rosanne.smith@portlanddiocese.org or call 207-985-6252.



December 31, 2017 The Holy Family

"When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned ... to their own town of Nazareth." Mary and Joseph were faithful Jews who followed the norms of their religion. Today's Gospel describes the event we call "The Presentation." Jesus' parents, like every Jewish family, presented their infant son to the Lord in a formal ceremony at the temple in Jerusalem. Having done what their religious rites required (and having heard the prophetic words of Simeon and Anna), Mary and Joseph returned home. It was back in their native region of Galilee, amidst the daily routine of domestic life, that Jesus "grew and became strong, filled with wisdom."

As Christians, we too consecrate our children to the Lord when we have them baptized in the Church. Seeing our children receive this sacrament of initiation is always a moment of great joy and hope as we anticipate the life that lies ahead for them, both on earth and in eternity. But the baptism of a baby is only the beginning of this journey towards heaven.

In truth, the little daily details, the simple living of family life in our own home paves the way for our children to reach their eternal home.

And so it was with the Holy Family. Jesus' childhood, his formation and development took place not primarily amidst the public drama of the temple, but in the quiet privacy of his home. How important this home was, where his parents raised him in their faith and helped him live in such a way that "the favor of God was upon him." May we too, in our homes and our families, remember that although our mission may be lived out in very small moments, taken together they have an eternal significance.



January 1, New Year's Day, has a number of liturgical names celebrating a variety of events. Could you sort some of this out?

January 1, New Year's Day, celebrates newness. Exactly eight days after Christmas, traditionally it celebrates Mary as the Mother of God. The Greek word for

Mary's motherhood is Theotokos, meaning "God-bearer." Becoming official church teaching at the Council of Ephesus in 381, this is one of the most ancient and important titles given to Mary. Chapter VIII of the Vatican II document, *Lumen Gentium*, which addresses Mary's role in Christian life, refers to her by that title no less than twelve times.

Eight days after the birth of a Jewish male, circumcision was demanded by Jewish law. January 1 also commemorates the circumcision of Jesus. The Gospel reading for the day from Luke recounts the shepherds' visit, the completion of the eight days leading to circumcision, and naming the baby Jesus, according to the angel's direction previous to his conception.

Beginning in 1967, Pope Paul VI requested that this day be set aside as a day of prayer for world peace. For over forty years popes have issued a message encouraging prayer as well as action toward the establishment of world peace.

If we used today to be as loving to others as mothers are to their children, this might be the year that peace becomes a reality. That reality may move us all to renew our commitment to God symbolized by Jesus' circumcision. So maybe these various celebrations do link together. Happy New Year!



Our Christmas Flowers have been donated in loving memory of.....

Donald Maurice, James & Anne Baker, Florence & Omer Maurice, Robert & Patricia Baker, Muriel & Raymond Pruneau, Rice Family, Lothrop Family, Gautreau/Hodgdon Family, M/M Harold Meader, M/M Andrew Tartre, Adele Franceschini, Ray & Julie Paiva, Bob & Ginny Thommos, Antonio & Palma DiFillipo, Charles & Vera Reublinger, Juan Jose Davis, Paul & Beth Harris, Fred & Peg Caruso, Mary Hoarty, Freeman & Worsnopp Families, Pietro Costa, Ernesta Costa, Robert McCarthy, Jill McCarthy, Marcel Dubreuil, Jeanne & Bill Milikowski, Delia & George McDonald, Maripat Russell, Ben Tarnauskas, Joseph Petralia, Anne Petralia, Joseph Petralia, Carmel Olden, Jacqueline Olden, St. Pierre & Martel Families, Ryan & Zanker Families, Timothy Keegan, Roy & Erdean Lauritsen, John & Ruby Keegan, Ken Cunningham, Louis Perillo, Patrick Keegan, Mary Keegan, George Hambach, Jr., Julia Hambach, Emil Masi, Bob Theriault, Laurence Smart, Eugene Jarvis, Sr., Laurence Averiy, Hebert & Geofrey Families, Jo-Ann Bourque, M/M Leo Bourque, Gerald Verville, M/M Roland Hebert, Sameon & Dionne Families, Carol Lougie, Joseph Lizotte, Eleanor Lizotte, Robert Lizotte, Emma Mackiewicz, M/M Charles Mullen, M/M George Bassett, M/M James Mullen, Stephen Woodhead, Dunigan Family, Peter Gray, Art Dooley, Tom Rooney, Ruth, Anna, George Mange, Kathy, Andy Slockis, Herb Kowal, M/M James Skinner, Grover & Beltrame Families, Walker Noyes, Alice Stacey, Fowler & Stacey Families, James Rogers, Alan Sartorelli, Christopher DesJardens, John & Jeannette Healey, Anthony & Irene DesJardins, Carol Scanlata, Gerry Easter, Leroy Lane, M/M William Kerr, M/M Hugh Nawn, Jr., William Dickinson, Murphy Dore, Jr., Dan McKinnon, Jack & Rita Bowdren, McGonagle & Bowdren Families, William & Marilyn O'Neil, Jack & Audrey Carragher, Joan & Stu MacNeill, Daniel & Catherine Murdock, M/M John Allen, M/M Arthur Guilbault, Fr. James Morrisette, Normand Savard, Beaulieu Family, Daniel Dela Rosa, David Dela Rosa, Clard Cincd, Gina Alonzo, Stella LePage, Barbara Kirwin, Jason McIntyre, George & Rosalma Lynch, Walter & Eleanor Murray, Callahan & Stanton Families, Curt & Lucieann Jacques, Suzanna Jacques, Ernie Goun, Daisy Glover, Cormier Family, Osgood Family, O'Leary & Pare Families, Francis McGarr, Joan Stanley, Martha McDonough, Margaret Fitzgerald, Charlotte Simpson, Frank & Cecilia Smullen, Joseph McCoy, Susan Smullen, Geraldine Smullen, Squillace & Soucy Families, Thomas & Anna Cleary, Timothy & Esther Healy, Stephen Donahur, Brian & Shaun Ruth, Michael & Louise Cangiano, Eugene & Mary McSweeney, Joseph & Alexandra Haney, Stephen DeAngelis, Catherine & Andy Pilla, Elna & James Barrett, Penelope Stillman, David Coon, Vincent Ryan, Gendreau & Boucher Families, Anthony Nardone, Joseph Rafferty, Sr., Gerry Benullo, Dad Fuessel, Mom & Dad Ruel, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, Friends, Mary V. Convery, Mary E. Convery, John Convery, Margaret & John Dwyer, Barbara Burns, Kelly Cerone, Kevin Connors, Theresa & Stanley Roberts, Pauline & Steve Hallozuk, Nicholas Garrity, Tricia Hallczuk, Edward Reilly, Helen Saucier, Ethel Lavigne, Maxium Landry, Raymond Lavigne, Megan Goodbout, Harry Magalski, Joe & Lillian Kuczynski, Martin Fitzgerald, Russell Thornton, Ecolino Sarcione, Celeste Sarcione, James Sarcione, Theodore Pricenski, Catherine Sawyer, William Sawyer, Gwenn Giles Hoyt, Roger & Marie Bouvens, Wesley & Isabelle Jackling, Gerard Thibodeau, Rose Thibodeau, Juliene Thibodeau, John Godlewski, Sr., Prefontaine & Bouffard Families, Michael Weeks, Aline Croteau, Burnham & Merrill Families, Arnei Mohn, Frank Garlej, Simonne Bourque, Shawn Bourque, Yvette Grenier, Leo Bourque, Ney Family, Anthoine Family, Margaret Rizzo, Leo Wilson, Casimir & Eugenia Kolosowski, Eleanor Sulllivan, Harold Anderse, Thomas Armstrong, Virginia Knight, Beaudoin & Scarfarotti Families, M/M Hector Huard, Elizabeth Wirtes, Richard Boudreau, Michael Wirtes, Henry Bucci, Sandra Moy, Carl Phillip, Fillmore Family, Lillian Pavelonis, George Pavelonis, Russ Fox, Virginia Fox, Richard Fox, Marian Keene, Kathy Lambert's father, Lionel & Rolande Lachance, Denise Payeur Robinson, Rev. Claude Albert, Rev. Patrick Irwin, Rev. Brendan Harnett, Kevin O'Neil, David & Patricia Walsh, Helen & Bernard O'Neil, Anne & John O'Melia, Diane Tenny, and Fred Tenny.