



Holy Spirit Parish

Third Sunday of Easter — April 15, 2018

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3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." - Lk 24:45-46



We welcome Bishop Deeley to celebrate our Young People's Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist here in Holy Spirit Parish. The Sacraments will take place this year at St. Mary's Church next weekend, on Sunday, April 22 at 3 PM.





**GOSPEL MEDITATION
3rd Sunday of Easter**

"Why do questions arise in your hearts?" After the Resurrection, the Apostles experienced their fair share of incredulity. Jesus had died; John had been there, and now the tomb was empty. What should they believe? Was the Jesus before them truly real? And who was Jesus really? It's no surprise that the Apostles were initially "startled and terrified" to the extent that they "thought that they were seeing a ghost." Jesus has compassion on his confused friends. Once he affirms his non-ghostly identity--"look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself"--Jesus gets down to business. He has risen from the dead, but life would not continue as normal. Throughout Jesus' ministry, he spoke in parables and veiled prophetic language. His followers likely thought much of his words were metaphors, some symbolism for the person and their relation to God. Now Jesus has something else in mind. He "opened their minds to understand the scriptures," making known the connections between his own words and deeds and "everything written about [him] in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms."

Why now? Why this increased depth of understanding? The answer lies in the shifting role of the Apostles. "You are witnesses of these things." The treasury of truth is no longer Jesus' responsibility alone, but our own. Then and there, the Apostles are appointed to proclaim the death and resurrection of Jesus, the forgiveness of sins and the mercy of God. This message is no longer for only the Jewish people, but for "all the nations." This is our invitation! We have the rich heritage of the Church's teaching. By sacramental grace, God's "peace" is "with [us]." We, too, are sent to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and the hope that belongs to his call.



Centering Prayer Meetings

A new centering prayer group will meet at St. Martha's at 1:30 PM on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. Please notify the office if you are interested. The established group will continue to meet at 6 PM on the 2nd and 4th Mondays. The follow-up sessions will continue at 6 PM on Mondays, MAY 19, 26, and April 2. We welcome all!



St. Mary Church
Saturday, April 21, 2018
at 9 AM

If you wish to have your baby baptized, please call Diane O'Neil to register at 646-5605.

The Social Life Group at St. Martha will be hosting a pot luck dinner on April 28 at 5 PM in St. Martha's Hall. Sign up in the narthex with your favorite dish, and enjoy an evening of food, fun, and friendship!



DONATIONS are now being accepted for the Holy Spirit Parish Fair which will take place in November.

All items for any booths are to be **new or in good, clean condition.**

DISHES: Dish sets, glassware, candle holders, tea pots, utensils, pots & pans. We are accepting **small** knick-knacks .

JEWELRY: rings, necklaces, bracelets, pins, earrings, broken pieces of silver. Please bring jewelry to office.

LINENS: tablecloths, napkins, bedspreads, new or used/clean sheets & pillowcases, quilts, comforters. **NO TORN or BADLY STAINED** linens.

TOYS: All toy items are to be clean and not broken! Games, puzzles, stuffed animals, dolls, trucks, etc.

CHRISTMAS: tree skirts, ornaments, nativity sets, stockings, villages, etc.

BOOKS: Hard- and soft-cover books, **PLEASE NO MOLDY, DAMAGED, OR DIRTY BOOKS.**

Thank you for your support of this event!

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEKEND: April 14-15

Saturday: 4:00 PM (K) Will Fulford by Lynn Domaschko, Zander, & Katja Kosmala
 4:00 PM (W) Eleanor Gibbons by Dennis & Pamela Landry
Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus
 9:00 AM (W) Johnny Keefe by Cheryl Mastro
 10:00 AM (K) Claire Broughton by Irene Cyr
 11:00 AM (W) For our Parishioners

WEEKDAYS: April 16-20

Monday: 8:00 AM (W) Ron Cheney by Lucy & Tim Cilley
 9:00 AM (K) Leo Bourque by the Family
Tuesday: 8:00 AM (W) Andrew Ross by Bibiane Dacunha
 9:00 AM (K) Frank Butler by Rick & Jane Lisaiskas
 10:30 AM Mass at River Ridge
Wednesday: 8:00 AM (W) June Myers by the Wednesday Bible Study
 9:00 AM (K) Umberto Marcucci by the Kevin McDonnell Family
Thursday: 8:00 AM (W) Russ Fox by Mary Jane Grady
 9:00 AM (K) Barbara Hennessy by Carmine & Barbara Dolce
Friday: 8:00 AM (W) Rev. Sal Bonaccorsi by Bill & Ida Neistorowich
 9:00 AM (K) Mary Gallucci by Vince Gallucci

NEXT WEEKEND: April 21-22

Saturday 4:00 PM (K) Julien & Rose Thibodeau by Robert & Rachel Thibodeau
 4:00 PM (W) Adele Franceschini by her Family
Sunday: 8:00 AM (K) For the People
 9:00 AM (W) Michael Paine by his wife Nicole
 10:00 AM (K) Shelagh Nelson by Bill & Mary Barry
 11:00 AM (W) Frank Comeau by Kathie & Ron Hansen

Rest in Peace

Donald Paradis

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

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat — April 27-29, 2018

It is normal to grieve a pregnancy loss, including a loss due to abortion, and it is okay not to feel okay about an abortion.

Come to the retreat, whether you are the mother, father, or relative of the baby. You'll have a private room for two nights and join others who want to move beyond the pain. Experience, through Scripture, God's profound mercy. Pre-registration is needed. For general information, visit www.portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel or www.rachelsvineyard.org. For registration, contact Annette Rioux at amrioux33@gmail.com or call (207) 774-2420 to leave a confidential voicemail, or contact Judy Shaw at jude23@outlook.com

stewardship

March 31-April 1

Collection	\$ 18,032.00
We Share (will report next week)	
Total Offertory	\$ 18,032.00
Tithe	\$ 1,262.00
Envelopes (389)	\$ 10,403.10
Loose	\$ 7,628.90

Clergy Benefit

Collection	\$ 6,368.00
Envelopes (264)	\$ 4,611.00
Loose	\$ 1,757.00

Church in the Holy Land

Collection	\$ 1,474.00
Envelopes (96)	\$ 1,459.15
Loose	\$ 14.85

In addition to your regular weekly offering, 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 to which you'd like to donate.
3. Click Recurring Donation; enter your donation amount and frequency.

Your account will be created & you'll be able to donate online. Questions? Please take a handout which is available in the Narthex, or call the office.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

THE WEEK AHEAD

April 15 - April 22

St. Martha's Church

- Sunday: No Faith Formation
S Anon - 7 PM
- Monday: Patriots' Day - Office Closed
Centering Prayer - 1:30 PM
- Tuesday: Blood Bank
Cursillo - 4 PM
- Wednesday: Weight Watchers - 5:30 PM
- Thursday: Faith Sharing - 7 PM
- Friday: Produce Pantry - 9 AM
- Saturday: Reconciliation - 3 PM
- Sunday: Faith Formation Classes - 9 AM
Coffee & donuts after both Masses
S Anon - 7 PM

St. Mary's Church

- Sunday: No Faith Formation
Coffee & donuts after both Masses
- Monday: Patriots' Day - Office Closed
- Tuesday: Bereavement Quilting - 9 AM
Red Cross Blood Drive - 12 noon
- Wednesday: Bible Study - 10 AM
Prayer Shawl Ministry - 11 AM
K of C Officers - 7 PM
- Thursday: Food Pantry - 1 PM
Choir Rehearsal - 6 PM
- Friday: AA - 7:30 PM
- Saturday: AA - 8 AM
Reconciliation - 3 PM
- Sunday: Faith Formation Classes - 10 AM
Coffee & donuts after both Masses
First Eucharist/Confirmation - 3 PM

Steppin' Out in Faith

Encourage someone to be of service to others.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE



Meghan Smith & Michael Tarajos
April 28, 2018 (Kennebunk)

Ashley Drake & Sean McCarthy
May 5, 2018 (Wells)



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

Elementary schools, **St. James in Biddeford** and **St. Thomas in Sanford**, have received institutional accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. During the accreditation process, both schools were commended on their self-study reports, as well as for their community service, commitment to students, implementation of differentiated learning practices, STREAM initiatives, and enrichment programs. Congratulations were received from Bishop Robert P. Deeley. For registration, or to take a tour of the schools, contact St. Thomas School in Sanford at 207-324-5832 or St. James School in Biddeford (which will also have an "open house" on Friday, April 27, 9-2) at 207-282-4084.

On April 27, Saint James School will also host live & silent auctions, featuring comedian Jimmy Dunn, at the *Nonantum Resort in Kennebunkport*, 6-9 PM. Please join us as we strive to raise funds to bring new technologies to Saint James School. You can follow our Face-

Holy Spirit Prayer Shawl Ministry

meets monthly to knit/crochet and offer prayers over the shawls, passing along personal petitions and intentions for the recipients. Join us on Wednesday, April 18, at 11 AM in the downstairs parlor at St. Mary's Church. FMI, or if you know of someone who would benefit from a shawl, call Sue at 646-8217 or Verna at 646-4543.



Bereavement Quilting Group

meets weekly 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!

BULLETIN DEADLINE: All inserts for the bulletin must be submitted by 12 noon on Fridays. Holidays change the deadline. Contact Mark Reeth at mark.reeth@portlanddiocese.org or 646-5605.



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

St. Mary's Ecumenical Food Pantry
needs pancake syrup, tomato paste, jelly, pudding, ground coffee, dish detergent.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4 PM Kennebunk
4 PM Wells

Sunday

9 AM & 11 AM Wells
8 AM & 10 AM Kennebunk

Weekdays 8 AM Wells, 9 AM 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

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.

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

April 14/15

4:00 PM	St. Mary's (W)	Fr. Morse
4:00 PM	St. Martha (K)	Msgr. Murphy
8:00 AM	St. Martha's (K)	Fr. Murphy
9:00 AM	St. Mary's (W)	Fr. Morse
10:00 AM	St. Martha's (K)	Fr. Manship
11:00 AM	St. Mary's (W)	Fr. Morse

Schedule subject to change

Reconciliation on Saturdays
3:00-3:30 PM at St. Martha's & St. Mary's

Parish Registration/Update

Name(s): _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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 drop it in the collection basket, mail to

**Holy Spirit Parish,
236 Eldridge Road, Wells, ME, 04090,
or e-mail to stmarywells@myfairpoint.net**



Retreat at Marie Joseph Spiritual Center in Biddeford Pool
~Experiencing the Peace and Freedom of Forgiveness~

May 4-6, 2018 with Michele DeSimone

Cost: \$200 - shared room
\$220 - private room

FMI and to register, call 207-284-5671 or visit www.mariejosephspiritual.org



The Fr. Kelly Council Knights of Columbus of Wells are celebrating their 30th anniversary with a dinner on Friday, April 20th at 6 PM. All Knights and their wives are welcome!

For those wishing to join the Knights of Columbus, The Fr. Kelly Knights of Columbus of Wells will be conducting an Initiation (1st Degree) on Wednesday, April 25 at 7 PM at St. Mary's Church in the upstairs meeting room.

Those who currently have a Form 100 application and want to attend the degree, please submit them to Steve Koeninger. For those who do not have an application, or for more information, please call Steve at (207) 850-6488 or Phil Lizotte at (207) 838-8738.

CHOOSE LIFE

The Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus Councils of Wells #9782 and Kenne-



bunk #12033 will begin their annual baby bottle drive the weekend of April 28/29. Bottles will be available for pick-up in the narthexes of both churches. Fill the bottles with change, bills, or checks (made out to K of C) and return them before Mass to the drop-off boxes. Empty bottles will be available to continue the process. All proceeds will be given to the Alpha Pregnancy Resource Center located in Sanford. The organization is a non-profit corporation of volunteers who want to help solve the problems of an unplanned pregnancy and plan a meaningful life. For the past 25 years, Alpha PRC has helped many women through these difficult times in their lives. Their services are free, confidential, and given with love and care.

K of C SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

St. Martha Council 12033 &
St. Mary Council 9782

Application Deadline:
May 14, 2018



The Holy Spirit K of C Council Scholarships, based upon need, academics, and service, are given to graduating students who are members of Holy Spirit Parish and who attend and support the Church. Recipients must be entering their freshman year at an institution of higher learning at a technical college, a junior college, or a college offering a baccalaureate degree program. Scholarships will be paid after successful completion of a first semester/trimester, a commitment to continued enrollment, and receipt of a college transcript of the student's first-semester grades. Applications can be picked up in the church offices in Kennebunk or Wells.

READING RESOURCES

The Knights of Columbus at St. Mary's and St. Martha's have placed kiosks in the narthex of each church. They contain booklets published by Catholic Information Service (CIS) for "Building the Domestic Church - While Strengthening our Parish". There are 15 different booklets with topics that include parenting, fatherhood, and family prayer life, as well as two of St. John Paul II's famous messages for the family - Letter to Families and The Family in the Modern World. The booklets are free of charge, but can be used as a "lending library". If you take them and do not intend to use them for future reference or review, please return them to the kiosk for another person or group to use. These booklets can be used by any parish spiritual study group to enhance spiritual formation. As the supply of booklets diminishes, they will be replaced. Questions concerning the booklets may be addressed to any Knight of Columbus.

