St. Athanasius/St. John
126 Maine Avenue
Rumford, Maine
(207) 364-4556

Lord’s Day Masses
Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am

Weekday Mass
Mon., Tues., Thurs. & Fri. 8:15 am

Confessions
Saturday 3:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am

Our Lady of the Snows
Walker’s Mills Road
Bethel, ME

Lord’s Day Mass
Saturday 6:00 pm

Weekday Mass
Wednesday 6:00 pm

Confessions
Wednesday 5:30 pm

Parish Office
7 Brown Street | Mexico, ME 04257
(207) 364-4556
Monday—Thursday 8:00 am–noon
Closed Fridays & Holidays
“Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life.” (John 6:47)

Often, during the day, we place our trust in people around us. It may be the teacher who teaches our children, the doctor who treats us … We cannot live without trust, and trust is increased by knowing one another, through friendship, by a relationship deepened over time. In order to believe we have to trust. Much of what we believe has been handed on to us by others, by our parents, our religious educators, priests, sisters, and religious. It simply is not possible for us as individuals to do all the research and study that would be required for us to know and understand everything about what we profess to believe. Having to trust people can be scary. How do we know if someone is trustworthy? When it comes to faith, we have the assurance of the Holy Spirit. Ultimately, it is not the priest, or sister, or our parents we place all of our trust in—it is God. What we believe is what God has revealed to us, what God has spoken to us, about Himself and His great love for us. As we celebrate the season of Easter, we rejoice in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, the proof of God’s trustworthiness. By rising from the dead, Jesus has assured us that God can be trusted.

The Eucharist is the heart and summit of the Church’s life for in it, Christ associates his Church and all her members with his sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving offered once for all on the cross to His Father; by this sacrifice he pours out the grace of salvation on his Body which is the Church (CCC 1407). Last week we discussed how the bread and wine at Mass becomes the Body and Blood of Jesus, how they are “transubstantiated,” meaning the substance has changed and even though they may look like bread and wine, they are actually the body and blood of Jesus Christ. Jesus is truly present to us in the Blessed Sacrament. That is why after Mass, remaining consecrated hosts, are reserved in the tabernacle. They have a special place, because it is no longer ordinary bread but the Body of Christ. It is because the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the tabernacle that we genuflect at our pew. Have you ever heard the expression, “You are what you eat?” When we receive Holy Communion at Mass, we consume the Body and Blood of Jesus, and we become what we eat, we become the Body of Christ, the Church. After communion, our very bodies have become living tabernacles. It might seem silly, and impractical, but after Mass we should all genuflect to Christ in each other before leaving Mass, and someone should follow us around town the rest of the day with a candle.

IN GOD WE TRUST

VERSE: “Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life.” (John 6:47)

FOCUS: Belief requires trust.

ACT: This week, give everyone the benefit of the doubt.


“We shall not cease from exploration, and the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time.”
-T. S. Eliot
WEEKLY READINGS
Readings for the Week of April 15, 2018

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk
24:35-48


Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and
21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59


Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1
Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

FATHER, IT’S GOING TO TAKE AN ACT OF GOD FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE...

NOW YOU’RE GETTING THE IDEA!

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Did Jesus Really Rise From The Dead?
The Truth of the Resurrection

Using a popular question-and-answer format, Carl Olson examines the historical evidence concerning Jesus’s controversial fate. Whether you are a believer, a skeptic, or something in between, prepare to be challenged by the logical arguments in this provocative and insightful book.

Read on formed.org

“This book argues convincingly that the Resurrection actually occurred and that all the arguments against its historicity have fallen flat.”
—Karl Keating, Catholic Answers

Register and create your FREE account by entering Parish Code: QRMMG7 www.formed.org

Monday, April 16th
Mass: St. Athanasius/St. John 8:15am
Marilyn “Susie” Fournier (1st Anniversary) by Roger & Family

Tuesday, April 17th
Mass: St. Athanasius/St. John 8:15am
Wendall MacDonald by a Friend

Wednesday, April 18th
Mass: Our Lady of the Snows 6:00pm
Helen Lowe Kraul by the Helen Kraul Estate

Thursday, April 19th
Mass: St. Athanasius/St. John 8:15am
Victor Collette by Doris Bourret

Friday, April 20th
Mass: St. Athanasius/St. John 8:15am
Doris Martineau by Bill & Linda Petrie

Saturday, April 21st
Mass: St. Athanasius/St. John 4:00pm
Alphonse Poirier(30th Anniversary) by Wife, Irene

Mass: Our Lady of the Snows 6:00pm
All Parishioners

Sunday, April 22nd
Mass: St. Athanasius/St. John 9:30am
Arthur “Buddy” Gallant by Donald & Beverly Jasud

Sanctuary Candle for the
Women’s Welcome Retreat
April 21 & 22, 2018

Please pray for the participants in the upcoming Women’s retreat on the weekend of April 21 & 22 that they may deepen their relationship with Christ and find new fulfillment and a new purpose to their lives. Pray also for those who have planned the Retreat as they share fellowship with those attending.
There were no additional donations made to the matching fund last week. Our total remains at $12,974.91 against the goal of $25,000.00.

**COLLECTIONS APRIL 7 & 8, 2018**

- **St. A/St. J’s Offertory** .................................................. $5,442
- **OLS Offertory** ................................................................. $792
- **WeShare Online giving** .................................................. $398
- **Fuel** ................................................................................. $55
- **Renovation** ..................................................................... $145
- **Catholic Relief Services Collection** .................................. $3
- **Church in Central & Eastern Europe** ................................ $3
- **Priest Pension Fund** ........................................................... $176
- **Holy Land** ....................................................................... $40

Total ........................................................................... $7,054

**Budgeted Offertory** ............................................................. $6,438

**Actual Offertory** ................................................................. $6,632

**Difference** ....................................................................... +$194

Thank you for your generosity!

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

**Monday, April 16th**
10:30 am  Communion Service at Rumford Community Home
6:00 pm  Mystagogia in the Kuhl Home
6:30 pm  Breaking Open the Word in St. A & J Church Hall

**Tuesday, April 17th**
6:30 pm  Women’s Welcome Meeting in St. A & J Church Hall

**Friday, April 20th**
12:00 pm  Prep for Women’s Welcome Meeting in St. A & J Church Hall

**Saturday, April 21st**
8:00 am  Women’s Welcome Retreat in St. A & J Church Hall

**Sunday, April 22nd**
Continuation of Women’s Welcome Retreat in St. A & J Church Hall

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**Bishop Deeley Coming to Rumford for Confirmations**

At the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, April 29th, Bishop Deeley will be confirming 4 children at St. Athanasius and St. John Church. Please join us for Mass in support of these children and join us for refreshments after in the Church Hall.

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**Parish Financials for the end of March 2018**

**Holy Savior Parish**

**Statement of Financial Position**
As of March 31, 2018

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**INVESTMENTS**

- Holy Savior- Sale of St Theresa Church | 126,599
- Rumford-OLS Conrad Parent Estate | 20,246

**INVESTMENTS**

- Holy Savior- Sale of St Theresa Church | 116,775
- Rumford-OLS Conrad Parent Estate | 13,776

**TOTAL ASSETS** ................................................................. $602,714

**LIABILITIES** ................................................................. $14,968

**NET ASSETS** ................................................................. $587,746

**Holy Savior Parish**

**Parish Statement of Activities**
As of March 31, 2018

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Do you sense that something’s missing in your life?
Do you feel that if you weren’t so busy you would be happier, healthier, more effective, more fulfilled, and maybe even a better person?

Come to the next Welcome Weekend! It’s an incredible experience that will help you discover what’s missing in your life and what to do about it. Whether you want to connect with others in the parish, improve your prayer life, or just take a break from the craziness of your everyday life to have fun and not have to cook or clean, you will find what you are looking for — and more.

SIGN UP TO JOIN US
Women’s Welcome Retreat
April 21/22
Contact Marie Curato 364-6010
All are welcome!!

CATCH OUR OWN MICK SOUZA!

CATHOLICS COME HOME
On EWTN Channel 58
Sunday April 22 8:30pm

MR. UNIVERSE RETURNS TO THE FAITH
Mick Souza, "Mr. Universe 1992," lead a life of carnal passion before returning to his Catholic roots, and now serves as a Sunday school teacher and Eucharistic minister. Rebroadcasted: Monday, Apr 23 6:30 PM and Saturday, Apr 28 5:30 AM

The Knights of Columbus, local council 2091, 2018 Scholarship applications are now available. The Knight’s scholarship was developed to support college education by providing financial assistance to dependent children and grandchildren of the Knights of Columbus Council 2091 members as well as members of the Parish of the Holy Savior (St. A&J, Rumford and Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel). The scholarship is supported by the activities of our local Knights council and your donations at the Knight’s breakfasts. Eligible students can find more information about eligibility and the application process by contacting Peter Koch at pjk477@gmail.com, or by going to the Parish website www.parishofthoholy.sav.com or the Parish Facebook page to obtain the scholarship application. Completed applications are due by May 1, 2018

SCRIP CARDS STILL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
We still have a variety of Scrip cards available for purchase. They are in the Parish Office. The following cards are still available:

1—$50 VISA card
1—$25 Amazon card
4—$10 Pizza Hut cards
1—$50 Target card
2—$25 ITunes cards
3—$25 TJ Maxx cards
2—$25 Michael’s cards
1—$100 Sheetz card
1—$25 Ninety Nine card
1—$100 Walmart cards
2—$10 Pizza Hut cards
1—$100 LL Bean card

Holy Savior School Auction
Thanks to everyone involved in this year’s Holy Savior School Auction. It couldn’t have been the success it was without all of you, those who generously donated the items auctioned, and those who bid on and bought them. We will share the results of the auction in a future bulletin, once the final numbers are tallied. Thanks again!

If you participated in Operation Rice Bowl this year, please return your rice bowl contributions to the Parish Office or leave them in the Sacristy at Church.
If you have items to be included in the Bulletin, please send to Cheryl no later than Monday morning. Send submissions to:

cheryl.cox@portlanddiocese.org

There is a Baptismal Preparation class offered the second Sunday of each month at St. A & St. John Church after the 9:30am Mass with pre-registration. All parents arranging for their child’s baptism must contact the Parish Office at 364-4556.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Before making your reception plans, please contact the Parish Office to see if the church is available. Make arrangements six months in advance by calling the parish office.

RECONCILIATION
The sacrament of Reconciliation is offered every Saturday at St. A & St. John Church from 3:00pm to 3:45pm and Sundays from 8:45am to 9:15am; at Our Lady of the Snows in Bethel on Wednesdays from 5:30pm to 6:00pm.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS
Please contact the funeral homes and they will work with our office to help you make arrangements.

PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND
Please call the Parish Office with the name, condition, address and phone number of the person who needs a home visit.

MINISTRY TO THOSE IN NEED
Please contact the Parish Office and they will do what they can to provide assistance or help finding appropriate resources in our area.

PARISH MASS AND PRAYER REQUESTS
Please contact the Parish Office to arrange to have a Mass offered for a loved one. For prayers in general call for our Prayer Line.

THINKING ABOUT A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE?
Please speak with our Pastor, Fr. Nathan March, or contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 773-6471.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, OR RETURNING TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH AFTER A TIME AWAY?
Please call our Pastoral Life Coordinator or our Pastor to arrange an appointment, have your questions answered, and be welcomed home.

BULLETIN
Did you know that you can access the electronic version of the Bulletin online at www.parishoftheholysavior.com?
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