

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him." MT 25:1-10



# St. Mary's Parish

### Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday 9:00 AM

Saturday Vigils 5:00 PM 7.30 PM

#### Sunday

7:30 AM 9:30 AM Family Mass (C.L.O.W. Sept. - May)11:30 AM Sung Mass

Holy Days: Announced

**Adoration Schedule:** First Fridays from 9:30-10:30 AM

## **Our Mission:**

"To know Christ and to make Him known."

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Dear Visitors: Welcome! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us this day. Please introduce yourself to the priest, and if you are interested in becoming a member of the parish then please call the rectory to register. Please also be aware that for generations it has been the custom at St. Mary's to kneel together for a silent Hail Mary at the end of Mass. Please join in!



**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from Noon - 12:45 PM in the church or anytime by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: Any time by appointment. Please call as soon as you are aware of a serious illness or upcoming surgery.

Baptism: The 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. To register for Baptism Preparation call 429-4427.

Marriage: Please call at least 6 months in advance of your desired wedding date.

### THIS WEEKEND ~ ST. MARY'S 2017

**GRAND ANNUAL:** The Grand Annual is the single most important collection for our parish each year. Combined with the weekly offertory, it allows St. Mary's to cover her operating costs. Please carefully review the Grand Annual information provided by the Finance Council, and return your <u>orange Grand</u>



<u>Annual envelope</u> this weekend or as soon thereafter as you can. Thank You!

\*The basket is passed only once this weekend. Please place your regular weekly support, plus your separate orange Grand Annual envelope, all in the same basket. Thank You!

### PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Mark J. Coiro, Pastor Rev. Jim Flynn, Weekend Assistance The Xaverian Fathers, Weekend Assistance Deacon John D. Barry, Permanent Deacon Deacon Martin Breinlinger, Senior Deacon Mrs. Fran Crespi, D.R.E., Grades K-7 Mr. Matthew Chick, D.R.E., Grades 8-12 Mr. Juan Mesa, Director of Music Mr. Leo Racine, Director of Contemporary Music Mrs. Mary Beth Harris, Parish Secretary Mrs. Kim Lisbon, Religious Education Secretary Ms. Mary Sanning, Business Manager Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan Mr. James Koval, Parish Facilities R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care

### SECOND COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND:

Campaign For Human Development: \$2,794.00. Thank you.

### **SECOND COLLECTION <u>NEXT</u> WEEKEND**:

For Retired Women Religious (nuns). Please give generously in recognition of the important role religious sisters have had in developing the ministries of education, healthcare and social service in the Archdiocese of Boston.

### LAST SUNDAY'S PARISH OFFERTORY:

Mass Collections:	\$ 10,156.00
Automatic Giving:	\$ 4,795.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 14,951.00

St. Mary's thanks all those who support their parish so faithfully each week. Please be sure to make up parish support for weekends you are away. Thank you!

### PRAYERS AND MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday	November 11			
5:00	Reece McGilvray			
7:30	Winifred M. Chase, 16 <sup>th</sup> Anv.			
Sunday	November 12			
7:30	People of St. Mary's			
9:30	Ralph Edwards, Sr. 💦 🥄 🥄			
11:30	Paul Meehan, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anv.			
Monday	November 13			
9:00	Dante, Carmela &			
	Crescenzo Camuso			
Tuesday	November 14			
9:00	Vincent Fiontella			
Wednesday	November 15			
9:00	Francis Doherty			
Thursday	November 16			
9:00	Thomas Joyce			
Friday	November 17			
9:00	Paul T. Shea			
Saturday	November 18			
9:00	Vincent Scaduto, 31 <sup>st</sup> Anv.			
5:00	Paul & Emma Jensen			
7:30	Thomas Fleming, 21 <sup>st</sup> Anv. 🔨 🔀 🔊			
Sunday	November 19			
7:30	Sadie Lou Marsto			
9:30	Gerald Roy 🧠			
11:30	John McHugh			

**THE ROSE FOR LIFE:** Is sponsored this week by the Joanne & John Dalton Family. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child.

**STUDENT JOB OPENING:** One facilities maintenance position is available immediately. Responsibilities include cleaning, function set-ups and light yard-work, 1 - 2 hours immediately after school each afternoon Monday through Friday, some flexibility. Applicants must be currently in High School and attend Mass weekly at St. Mary's. Email Jim Koval at <u>St.Marys1870@gmial.com</u>.

**HEALING SERVICE:** Will be held at the Fatima Shrine, Wednesday, November 15, beginning at 6:45 PM with the Rosary, followed by Mass and Healing Prayer. Fr. Aniello Salicone, will preside. All are invited to come and experience the healing power of God's intercession. For any questions, please call Jean at 508-476-8115.

MUSIC	5:00 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Entrance	#573	#715	#715
Offertory	#596	-	-
Communion	#594	#682	#682
Recessional	#625	#575	#575

### PARTIAL GRAND ANNUAL BREAKDOWN

- \$19,800 Exterior Church Painting, completed during Summer of 2017.
- \$5,714 Exterior Church carpentry repairs, including rosettes.
- \$7,488 Heat out in Church and problems with heat in Classrooms 3-5. These expenses cover the cost of troubleshooting to find problems and 1) repair and replace defective low water cut off pump for the Church, 2) remove and replace gas valve on Church boiler, and 3) repair leaking relief valve on the Center boiler to fix problems with the classrooms.
- \$1,713 Sealcoating of the Main Parking Lot.
- \$1,200 Removal of dying trees and branches.
- \$1,200 Cost to repair Exhaust Fan on roof to fix AC problems with the offices in the Parish Center.
- \$2,000 New Parish Website Design old site is not well formatted for smart-phones / handheld devices.
- \$9,000 Cost of a new rubber roof between the Church and Parish Center.
- \$ 994 Purchase and Installation in rectory of four combo CO detectors/fire alarms (required by law).
- \$8,300 Cost of one HVAC roof compressor (replacement of damaged unit) to cool sections of the Parish Center and Church, includes installation.
- \$55,000 Staff Salaries: The eight men and women of St. Mary's Staff are hardworking, dedicated individuals. This portion of the Grand Annual will go toward their salaries.
- \$1,800 Repairs and repainting of the rear Annex Classroom Building Emergency Exit / Porch.
- \$3,960 Replacing the Annex area wooden walkways (now falling apart) with pavement.
- \$2,175 Replacement of one rectory door.
- \$20,000 Makeup of Sunday Offertory budget shortfalls this Fiscal Year to date.

### HOW TO MAKE YOUR 2017 GRAND ANNUAL GIFT

Please carefully review the Grand Annual information provided to you by the St. Mary's Finance Council in the mailing you will soon receive.

Pray about it, and **decide as a family** what gift you can make according to the means with which God has blessed you.

If you have children, make them aware of your Grand Annual support so that they can learn good stewardship by your example.

If possible, <u>please return your orange Grand Annual envelope at Mass this weekend - Nov. 11 & 12</u>. Extra Grand Annual envelopes will be provided at the doors, but for tax purposes the one coded for your family should be used. This will be in your mailing.

There is only one collection taken up the weekend of Nov. 11 & 12, so please place your orange Grand Annual envelope in the same basket as your weekly parish support.

Your 2017 Grand Annual gift may also be made <u>at any time</u> thereafter by mailing it in to 8 Church St., dropping it off at the Parish Office, or placing it in any future Mass collection basket.

If put in a Mass offertory basket, however, the orange envelope, or an envelope clearly marked "Grand Annual" must be used.

Thank you for doing your part to support this essential annual stewardship effort!

*"Every person shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you."* Deuteronomy 16:17



## Saint Mary's Parish

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November 12, 2017 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Members of the St. Mary's Parish Family,

As we honor and pray this month for all our beloved dead, we find ourselves now mourning the loss of yet more victims to senseless gun violence. Last Sunday twenty-six innocents, including an unborn child, had their lives taken by gunfire inside the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas. We pray for their repose in the arms of the Christ they had gathered to worship. We ask God's healing for the wounded. We ask the grace of His consolation upon the grieving. And we rededicate ourselves to a great truth that we deny or qualify at our peril – that every human life is sacred and inviolate – from the moment of conception, to the moment of natural death. Only when this truth is acknowledged, and all human life respected, will we be free of evils such as our nation keeps experiencing. I thank our Middle School Youth Group for making these twenty-six individuals part of their beautiful candlelight prayer service last Sunday night. The names of the slain are provided here for your personal prayer.

Robert Scott Marshall, a 56-year-old male.	Therese Sagan Rodriguez, a 66-year-old female.
Karen Sue Marshall, a 56-year-old female.	Ricardo Cardona Rodriguez, a 64-year-old male.
Keith Allen Braden, a 62-year-old male.	Haley Krueger, a 16-year-old female.
Tara E. McNulty, a 33-year-old female.	Emily Garcia, a 7-year-old female. She died at a hospital.
Annabelle Renae Pomeroy, a 14-year-old female.	Emily Rose Hill, an 11-year-old female.
Peggy Lynn Warden, a 56-year-old female.	Gregory Lynn Hill, a 13-year-old male
Dennis Neil Johnson Sr., a 77-year-old male.	Megan Gail Hill, a 9-year-old female.
Sara Johns Johnson, a 68-year-old female.	Marc Daniel Holcombe, a 36-year-old male.
Lula Woicinski White, a 71-year-old female.	Noah Holcombe, a 1-year-old female.
Joann Lookingbill Ward, a 30-year-old female.	Karla Plain Holcombe, a 58-year-old female.
Brooke Bryanne Ward, a 5-year-old female.	John Bryan Holcombe, a 60-year-old male.
Robert Michael Corrigan, a 51-year-old male.	Crystal Marie Holcombe, a pregnant 36-year-old female.
Shani Louise Corrigan, a 51-year-old female.	Carlin Brite / Billy Bob Holcombe, the unborn baby of Crystal Holcombe, gender unknown.

This weekend we celebrate Veteran's Day, a time to remember the men and women who have laid down their lives in defense of our nation's freedom. As we honor their sacrifice, let us consider what sacrifices we ourselves are willing to make – not only for love of country, but also for love of the Lord. What are the signs that our hearts are set first on the good things promised us in heaven, rather than on the passing pleasures of earthly life? Are we quick to forgive, knowing that at the resurrection the mercy we have measured out to others will be exactly measured back to us by God? Are we generous to those in need, remembering that when raised up for judgment we can take with us nothing that we have accumulated, but only what we have given? Are we above all a "Resurrection people," buoyed by a love so great that not even death was able to restrain it?

May the Lord Jesus continue to bless you and your loved ones. And may the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Rev. Mark J. Coiro

P.S. We have now received permission to share with you that a dear St. Mary's Parishioner, Melissa Bachman, has been diagnosed with a very rare and very aggressive cancer - NUT midline carcinoma. Melissa is a faithful Communicant, and is known to many through her ministry at various times as a Religious Education Teacher, Youth Group Volunteer, and Special Needs Group Volunteer. Please pray for her healing, and please consider donating towards her health care costs at: <a href="https://www.youcaring.com/melissabachman-994573?utm\_source=mandrill&utm\_medium=email&utm\_content=ORG-FR-Live&utm\_campaign=Action-Based-Org-Trx">https://www.youcaring.com/melissabachman-994573?utm\_source=mandrill&utm\_medium=email&utm\_content=ORG-FR-Live&utm\_campaign=Action-Based-Org-Trx</a>. May the blessings promised to the compassionate be yours in abundance!

## Book of Remembrance

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** Through the month of November, traditionally referred to as the "Month of the Holy Souls" the Book of Remembrance will be in front of the Baptismal Font and Easter Candle in the church. You are invited to write the names of your own departed loved ones in the book. Their intentions will then be included in all the Masses celebrated at St. Mary's during November. May God welcome them into the light and perfect peace of His presence.

In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them; In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, we remember them; In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them; In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them; In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them; When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them; When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them; When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them; So as we live, they too shall live, for they are a part of us, and we remember them.



**WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS ON TODAY'S GOSPEL:** *"For, though nothing could be more merciful than those wise virgins, who for this very mercifulness were approved, yet would they not grant the prayer of the foolish virgins to give up some of their oil. Hence we learn that none of us shall be able in that day to stand forth as patron of those who are betrayed by their own works, not because we will not, but because we cannot." - St. John Chrysostom* 

"For these wise virgins do not answer thus out of covetousness, but out of fear. Wherefore, each man shall receive the recompense of his own works, and the virtues of one cannot atone for the vices of another in the day of judgment." - St. Jerome



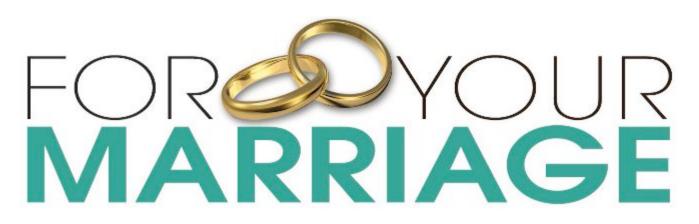
ADVENT MINI-RETREAT **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26,** 3:30 – 4:30 PM: Come and prepare your hearts to experience the fullness of this joyful Advent season by spending one hour in prayer and reflection with our Lord Jesus lead by the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. The Feast of Christ the King on November 26 precedes the First Sunday of Advent celebrated on December 3. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during this Holy Hour. The Sisters will offer a book table of gifts. Following the hour, refreshments will be served in Fr. Haley Hall.

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit) "Peace I leave with You, My Peace I give to You." (John 14:27) We hope that you will join us for our Winter season which begins Wednesday, January 10, 2018. WINGS provides loving childcare and encourages women with young children to attend. For more information on our beautiful WINGS ministry, please call Linda Calabrese at (508) 893-7919. God bless you!

**EPIC HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY:** Our next EPIC nights are this Wednesday, November 15 and next Sunday, November 19. Our next EPIC event is the Christmas Party at Bethany House on December 16. Details to follow! Please join us for faith, fun and fellowship in 2017-2018. Open to students in grade 9 to 12. Please contact Matthew Chick at <a href="https://www.stmarysym1870@gmail.com">stmarysym1870@gmail.com</a> with questions. Details to follow! \* Membership in EPIC, including participation in at least 6 of the 8 monthly meetings this school year (Oct. – May), and at least one EPIC Service Event, is a prerequisite for participation in our St. Mary's 2018 Summer Mission Trip to do Hurricane Harvey Relief. Just as for years our parish teens have reached out doing Hurricane Katrina and Superstorm Sandy Relief, now we will respond to those impacted by the single greatest flooding event in our nation's history.



**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:** Our BINGO trip is scheduled for Monday, November 20 departing at 5:00 PM and returning around 9:00 PM (eat an early supper at home before coming). Our next Meeting is Sunday, December 3 from 6:30 - 8 PM in the Parish Center. There will be faith, friendship, fun and signups for the December 15 Caroling, Pizza Party, Christmas Lights trip, as well as for our Snow Tubing trip to Nashoba in January. Celtics payments are also due tonight. Any and all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders are invited. Bring a friend!



**ST. MARY'S MARRIAGE FELLOWSHIP:** This is a parish ministry that provides opportunities for married couples to connect and grow together spiritually. The ministry meets monthly for fellowship and a brief reflection on topics related to marriage, raising children, faith formation, and service. Whether you are newly married or have been together for many years, we'd love to meet you! Our next gathering is on Thursday, November 16 from 6:30 - 7:45 PM in the Parish Annex. Free onsite childcare will be provided by teen volunteers from St. Mary's confirmation program for couples who have young children. Please plan to bring an appetizer or dessert to share and be certain children have already eaten dinner. We hope you can join us! For questions or comments, please contact Heather Nunes at: <a href="mailto:stmarriagefellowship@gmail.com">stmarriagefellowship@gmail.com</a>.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** The Transformed in Love Marriage Preparation Program will be offered at St. Mary's Parish in Holliston on Saturday, February 10, 2018 from 9 AM -5 PM and on Saturday, February 17, 2018 from 9 AM - 5 PM. Learn the latest in researched practical skills for great communication, gain a deeper understanding of marriage as a Sacrament and vocation, learn fertility awareness and its application in family planning, consider how differences in personality can be used as a source of strength in your relationship, and more! To register please visit: http://conta.cc/2uQ1W2w.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** "When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls." Spouses, find value in one another by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are January 19-21, 2018 in South Kingstown, RI and March 9-11, 2018 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <a href="https://wwmema.org/">https://wwmema.org/</a>.

**CLOW- CHILDREN K-6:** Today, Sunday, November 12, the children will be dismissed and led to the lower church hall for the Gospel. **Please note:** Younger children are welcome **but must be accompanied by a parent** and be able to sit and engage in the lesson. Older children are welcome as assistants to the adult leaders.

DAY	GRADE	GRADE
Sun., Nov. 12	GR-K at 9:15 PM	GR-1 at 8:10 AM
	GR-4 at 10:45 AM	GR-5 at 10:45 AM
	GR-6 at 1:00 PM	GR-7 at 5:30 PM
Mon., Nov. 13	GR-3 at 3:00 PM	GR-4 at 3:00 PM
	Mrs. Butler's Class	
	GR-6 at 6:00 PM	
Tues., Nov. 14	GR-4 at 4:00 PM	GR-6 at 4:30 PM
	GR-10 at 6:30 PM	
Wed., Nov. 15	GR-2 at 4:15 PM	GR-6 at 4:00 PM
	GR-7 at 6:00 PM	
Thu., Nov. 16	GR-10 at 6:30 PM	

#### WEEK'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

### **MONITORS ARE STILL NEEDED:**

**Sunday:** 1:00 to 2:00 PM, GR-6 – weekly. **Monday:** 3:00 to 4:30 PM, GR-3, 4 and 5 on Alt. weeks. **Monday:** 6:00 to 7:00 PM, GR-6 – weekly.

**CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS NATIVITY:** Please mail your child's completed form to Debra Frey, 615 Winter Street, Holliston, MA 01746 or scan the completed application form and email it to <u>debrafrey@hotmail.com</u>. Forms must be in on or before Wed., Nov. 15. Families will be notified by Email if their child is chosen for a role.

**GRADE 4 SAINT SHIELDS:** Take the time to stop and look at the Saint Shields the Grade 4 children have created located in the entrance corridor of the religious education center. These shields will be on display during the month of November.

**GRADE 2 PARENT MEETINGS:** On Wednesday, November 15 at 4:15 PM and Sunday, November 19 at 8:15 AM and 10:45 AM parents are to meet in Fr. Haley Hall while their children attend classes. These meetings are valuable for parents and their children preparing for the Sacraments. Coffee, tea and refreshments will be served. Come just as you are and meet the other parents.

**COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS:** Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 7:45 PM in the Library.

**ADULT FORMATION:** *EPIC* continues on Tuesday, November 14 in Room 3 – 4 from 10:00 AM to Noon. **CONFIRMATION I AND II:** Grade 10 meets on Tuesday, November 14 and Thursday, November 16 at 6:30 PM in Fr. Haley Hall.

### **BETHANY HOUSE SOAP COLLECTION: Sister**

Katherine has asked St. Mary's to help provide the prison ministry at Bethany House with a soap collection. Please bars or multi-packages of soap only. Soap donations are **due by Dec. 12**. There is a plastic bin outside the Library for soap donations. We are asking all families to help in any way they can this year. *Thank you for your support!* 

HOLLISTON NEWCOMERS ANNUAL THANKS-GIVING BASKET PROJECT: All non-perishable donations from Grades K through 10 are due by November 13. There are 160 needy families who will receive a Thanksgiving Basket this year. Monetary donations are welcome for the fresh perishable items. Make checks payable to the Holliston Newcomers Club and mail it to: Lisa Egnitz, 43 Oak St. Holliston, MA 01746. Questions: lisame529@gmail.com.

### GET FORMED ON THE GO! OUR CATHOLIC

**FAITH ON DEMAND!** St. Mary's has been blessed to receive a two year Grant by the Archdiocese of Boston in partnership with St. Augustine Institute to offer the new evangelization tool **FORMED** for our parish family. This tool can be used to discover the treasures of our faith in various digital formats. The website is amazing with something for all ages.

### HOW TO REGISTER FOR FORMED:

Go to: <u>https://www.formed.org</u>.

- 1. Once you are on the FORMED page you will see "LOGIN". **DO NOT use LOGIN to register**.
- 2. Scroll down the FORMED page and you will see across the page "LEARN", SUBSCRIBE" and "REGISTER"
- 3. Click **"REGISTER".** The page will change and you are in a new window.
- 4. Enter the Parish Code: NW3N3Q (all caps).
- 5. Enter your personal Email address.
- 6. Another window opens and you will be asked to enter your First and Last Name, Job (Parishioner), Address, State, and Zip Code.
- 7. Enter your <u>Password</u> (twice for verification)
  \*please write this down.
- 8. You will then be asked to verify your Email.
- 9. Go and check your Email box and verify.
- 10. Once you verify your Email You be in the FORMED page.
- 11. Now LOGIN: Enter your Email Address and Password. Enjoy the various programs!