



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 Fa

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 2nd & 4th 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.

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

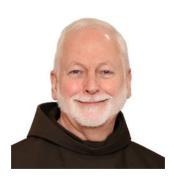
Mrs. Kim Lisbon, Religious Education Secretary

Ms. Mary Sanning, Business Manager

Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan

Mr. James Koval, Parish Facilities

R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care



VISITING PRIEST, FR. CHARLES SMIECH:

Fr. Charles Smiech will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in

the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. He is not taking up a collection, just educating us about this important ministry.



Saturda	y A	pril 14

5:00 Deceased Members of

the LaRoche and D'Aloia Families

7:30 Nicholas Rossini

Sunday April 15

7:30 People of St. Mary's 9:30 Sr. Mary Conlon

11:30 Robert & Millie Flynn

Monday April 16

9:00 Steven Jiencke

Tuesday April 17

9:00 Marilyn Jones

Wednesday April 18

9:00 Paul T. Shea, 4th Anv.

Thursday April 19

9:00 Alice Verme

Friday April 20

9:00 Larry Marsell, Jr. & Caroline Robbins

Saturday April 21

9:00 Rev. Joseph J. Svirskas

5:00 Barbara, Nate & Mark Trembath

7:30 Patrick Cuff

Sunday April 22

7:30 People of St. Mary's 9:30 Rev. Edward J. Caron

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2018 CATHOLIC APPEAL GOAL ACHIEVED!

We want to thank everyone from our parish who contributed to the 2018 Catholic Appeal. Our Parish Goal of \$87,486 has now been reached.

You did it!

Whether you gave \$10 or \$10,000, what matters is that *you did what you could* according to your means to support the good works of our Catholic Church.

Please know that your parish is proud of you. And may the blessings promised to the compassionate be yours in abundance. Amen.





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8 Church St. ~ Holliston, MA ~ 01746 ~ (508) 429-4427

April 15, 2018 3rd Sunday of Easter

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

Our Gospel verse today starts with the two disciples who met Jesus on the road to Emmaus hurrying back to share with the other disciples what had happened. As they are sharing about their encounter with Jesus, the Risen Lord appears in their midst. It is almost as if their sharing opens a spiritual space in which the Lord is then made manifest.

In this Easter Season, let us take time to share with others our own stories of faith – those times when the Lord touched our lives with His power, His presence, His love. Maybe it was in a difficult moment, as when Jesus came to walk with the two grieving, sorrowful disciples on the Emmaus road. Maybe it was in a joyful moment, when a new opportunity opened up for us, or a prayer was answered more awesomely than we had ever thought possible.

Let us in particular talk of our personal faith with our children and teens, who are still trying to recognize the Lord and find the life's path to which He is calling them. "While they were still speaking, Jesus appeared and stood in their midst," said our Gospel verse. And when we speak of the Lord, we not only bring Him to others, we receive Him anew ourselves. By sharing, we reflect on and come to better appreciate Who Jesus has been for us, and how He has blessed our journey home to God.

In His Service and Yours,

Rev. Mark J. Coiro Pastor

STAFF TRANSITION: As many of you know, our Youth Minister Matt Chick has been discerning a new career path for several years now. Last summer he began selectively interviewing for suitable positions and he has now accepted one in the field of Insurance. Matt will start his new job on Monday, April 23. He is a talented individual, and we anticipated the success of his search. Plans are therefore well in place for our Confirmation and Youth Ministry Programs to continue smoothly. Just this past week our new Youth Minister accepted the position, and he is excited to begin here in July.

St. Mary's will honor Matt Chick at the 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday, June 10, with refreshments to follow in Fr. Haley Hall. Matt is a man of tremendous faith and integrity, who started out at our parish as a single young man fourteen years ago, and who now goes forth as a loving husband and the father of two beautiful children. We wish him the very best as he makes this transition for his family, and we know that he will bring his love of the Lord with him to his new career. Good luck Matt. You will be missed!





SAVE THE DATE ~ ST. MARY'S SPRING BBQ:

St. Mary's Annual Spring Barbecue is <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 12 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in Father Haley Hall</u>. Join us as Tennessee BBQ fires up the grill for BBQ chicken, pulled pork, cheeseburgers, hotdogs, baked beans, corn on the cob and much more. Bring the kids and experience a fun filled evening of good food, friendship and live musical entertainment. Come meet your neighbors! Tickets: \$7 for kids 12 and under, \$10 for adults. Tickets go on sale after all Masses April 28/29, & May 5/6, and may also be purchased through the Religious Education Office starting May 1. There are no tickets at the door.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP ~ END OF YEAR CLOSING CEREMONY & POT LUCK: Sunday, May 20, 6:30 – 8:30 PM. All MSYG moms & dads are invited to join their teen/s for this annual End of Year Celebration. The night will include: Delicious Pot Luck Supper (Please bring your potluck item as assigned in the next mailing, except for 8th Grade parents & teens who are our special guests); Prayer & Closing Ceremony; Awards & Honoring of MSYG 8th Graders as they go forth to High School; Brownstone Quarry and Scavenger Hunt Sign Ups; Summer raft team sign ups; and a Giant Slideshow Movie of all this past Year's events.

EPIC: Our next EPIC night will be on Sunday, April 29. If your son/daughter is interested in joining please contact Matt Chick at stmarysym1870@gmail.com.

PLEASE HELP US HELP YOU BY LETTING US SPREAD YOUR MULCH! St. Mary's Mission Trip teams will be traveling to Houston this summer to help communities still trying to recover from the devastating effects of Hurricane Harvey. By letting us spread mulch at your home, you can help too. Money you spend on our labor will help fund our trips this year – bringing the mission of St. Mary's to families who need it most. WHEN: Saturdays, April 14 - May 26, and school break April 16 - 20. HOW MUCH: \$35 per yard of mulch (labor only). WHAT YOU NEED TO DO: Buy the mulch, have it delivered, do your Spring cleanup and prep the beds. CONTACT: Ellen Kennedy at 508.498.4285, gebmkennedy@comcast.net. Clients are on a first come, first served basis. Spots fill up quickly.

THE ROSE FOR LIFE: Is sponsored this week by John and Judy Cruz. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. To sponsor the Rose for Life for 2018 please call the Rectory at 429-4427.

LAST SUNDAY'S PARISH OFFERTORY:

Mass Collections: \$11,738.00 Automatic Giving: \$2,573.00 Total Offertory: \$14,311.00

St. Mary's thanks all those who support their

Parish so faithfully each week.



MUSIC	5:00 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Entrance	#83	#570	#570
Offertory	#410	-	-
Communion	#322	#410	-
Recessional	#376	#83	#83

ST. MARY'S MARRIAGE FELLOWSHIP: The St. Mary's Marriage Fellowship provides married couples a chance to connect, network, and grow together spiritually. Whether you are newly married, engaged, or have been together for many years we would love to meet you! The next Fellowship meeting is this Thursday, April 19 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Annex. Please join us for an evening of faith, family, and fellowship in a kid-friendly environment. For information on this and other events, please email stmarysmarriagefellowship@gmail.com.



WINGS (Women in God's Spirit): Is a ministry of encouragement and enrichment for women who seek to deepen their faith and grow in relationship with God and one another. There will be no Wings meeting this Wednesday, April 18 due to school vacation. Please join us Wednesday, April 25 from 9:30-11:15 AM when Sister Agnes Therrien will be offering a reflection on "Enlarging the Space Under Our Tents." Please join us on Wednesday, May 2 when we welcome Rev. Oscar J. Pratt, II, Administrator of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Dorchester, MA. He will be speaking on the topic "Ministry in the Church! A Duty and Privilege to be Shared by All". All

women are welcome whether they can just drop in once or attend each week. For additional information about the WINGS ministry, please call Linda Calabrese at (508) 893-7919 or Lisa Dufault at (774)-286-1844.



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ENJOY A DELICIOUS MEAL AND GIVE TO A GREAT CAUSE

Bertucci's of Holliston

Tuesday, April 24, 2018 (11:00am - 9 pm) and Wednesday, April 25, 2018 (11:00am - 9 pm)

When you present this flyer, Bertucci's of Holliston will donate up to 25% of what you spend to the Holliston Knights of Columbus. Dine In, or Carry Out



414 Washington Street Holliston, MA 01746 (508) 429-4571

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TENTH ANNUAL CHARITY RAFFLE: Knights will be selling raffle tickets after each Mass this weekend. One raffle ticket costs \$5 and a book of five tickets sell for \$20. Grand prize is \$1000! Proceeds from this fund raiser have benefitted local charities such as the Holliston Pantry Shelf, Holliston Senior Center, as well as our St. Mary's Parish. Various Veterans charities such as Homes for our Troops, IPODS for Veterans, and Habitat for Humanity have been given donations. Drawing will be held on June 20. Thanks for your support.

ALSO

K OF C BERTUCCI'S FUNDRAISER: Come to Bertucci's in Holliston for lunch or dinner on Tuesday, April 24 or Wednesday April 25 from 11AM to 9 PM, and Bertucci's will donate up to 25% of your purchase to the Holliston Knights of Columbus when you present this coupon whether you Dine In or Carry Out.



BLESSED MOTHER SCHOLARSHIP: Scholarship Applications are now available in the Religious Education Office. This scholarship is granted in recognition of exceptional service to the St. Mary's Parish Family. Applicants must meet the following criteria: Graduating from High School in the Spring of 2018; Accepted to a four-year college or university to commence classes in the Fall of 2018; Family registered at St. Mary's Parish for at least two full years; Completed Religious Education and received the Sacrament of Confirmation; Attend Mass weekly at St. Mary's and are otherwise living out their Catholic faith. Applications are due to the Scholarship Committee by Sunday, April 15.

CLOW- CHILDREN K-6: Today, Sunday, April 15, the children will be dismissed from the main assembly and led to the Lower Church Hall to hear what Jesus has to tell them in the Gospel. **Please note:** Younger children are welcome **but must be accompanied by their parents** and be able to sit and engage in the lesson. Older children are welcome to CLOW as assistants to the adult leaders.

FORMED - PICK OF THE WEEK: Did Jesus really rise from the dead? 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 his provocative and insightful book. "Carl's book argues convincingly that the Resurrection actually occurred and that all the arguments against it historicity have fallen flat." - Karl Keating, Catholic Answers.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS FOR 2018-2019: Registrations will be sent out after the April vacation to all families having children and youth in the R.E. program. If you have a child entering Pre-K or Kindergarten for the first time please call the R.E. Office and a registration form will be mailed out to you. Please note that children entering Grade 1 are required to complete First Grade as part of their Sacramental Preparation before entering Grade 2. Once you receive the Registration Form please review it carefully and make any changes necessary in order to keep our database up to date. Please mail or return the completed form to the R.E. Office before the deadline of Friday, June 15 to ensure your child's placement.

GRADES 3 - 5: During the month of April parents who have home schooled their child must contact Fran Crespi and make an appointment for their child's end of year grade assessment. Home base families have signed a Covenant to ensure that their child fulfills this requirement. This final assessment is necessary before entering the next grade level. To schedule an appointment

FAMILY BASE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION –

send an Email to: st.marysdre1870@gmail.com.

GRADE 2 GENERAL SESSIONS: All Grade 2 children **MUST attend** their General Sessions scheduled during their class time on Wednesday, April 25 at 4:15 PM and on Sunday, April 29 at 8:10 and 10:45 AM. Teachers must also be present to assist the children in practicing how to receive Holy Communion.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS: Tuesday, April 17 in the Library at 7:45 PM.

CONFIRMATION I AND II: Grade 10 meets on Tuesday, April 24 and Thursday, April 26 at 6:30 PM in Fr. Haley Hall.

CONFIRMATION MASSES: Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday, September 22, for the 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM Masses. Families must notify the R.E. Office for their son or daughters Confirmation Mass <u>and Certificate Mass</u> choice by contacting Kim at <u>st.marysre1870@gmail.com</u> or by calling 508-429-6076.

GRADE 9 RETREAT: On Monday, April 30, Grade 9 students will report to Fr. Haley Hall by 4:45 PM for their retreat. The retreat ends at 9:00 PM

GRADES 9 - 10 STUDENT VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED: Our **Grade 2** program needs volunteers for the First Communion Masses on Saturday, May 5 at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM and on May 12 at 10: 30 AM. Please contact us at 508-429-6076 or send an email to: st.marysdre1870@gmail.com.

WEEK'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE APRIL VACATION IS APRIL 15 - 20

DAY	GRADE	GRADE
Sun., April 15	NO CLASSES	
Mon., April 16	NO CLASSES	
Tues., April 17	NO CLASSES	
Wed., April 18	NO CLASSES	
Thu., April 19	NO CLASSES	
Sun., April 22	GR-1 at 8:10 AM	GR-4 at 10:45 AM
	GR-5 at 10:45 AM	GR-7 at 5:30 PM

CREATING A CULTURE OF PROTECTION: April is Child Abuse Prevention month. Please take the time to read the policies and learn how you can help create a culture of protection at: www.bostoncatholic.org



At Shipwrecked kids will learn Bible points each day through songs, snacks and hands on activities. Space is limited to 150 children so register now! We provide child care for children under age 5 whose parents are volunteering the entire week at VBS.

Teen volunteers must be in Grade 7 or above.