



St. Mary's Parish



Our Mission:

"To know Christ and to make Him known."

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

8 Church St., Holliston, MA 01746

Website: www.stmarysholliston.com

Email Address: St.marys1870@gmail.com

Rectory Phone: (508) 429 - 4427 or (508) 879 - 2322

Religious Education Phone: (508) 429 - 6076

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!

Confession: 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
 Mr. Steven Booth, Seminarian
 Mrs. Fran Crespi, D.R.E., Grades K-7
 Mr. Jake Thiringer, D.R.E., Grades 8-12
 Mr. Kevin Lyczak, Director of Music
 Mr. Leo Racine, Director of Contemporary Music
 Mrs. Mary Beth Harris, Parish Secretary
 Mrs. Paula O'Brien, Religious Education Secretary
 Ms. Mary Sanning, Business Manager
 Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan
 Mr. Billy Hanson, Parish Facilities
 R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care

**STEWARDSHIP***Managing God's Gifts To Us***SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND:**

This week's second collection supports the formation and training of seminarians in the Archdiocese of Boston for future service as priests. We are blessed that many are responding to the call to serve as priests. For more information please visit

www.VocationBoston.org.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY NEEDED TO PAY OUR PARISH'S BILLS: \$15,000.**LAST SUNDAY'S PARISH OFFERTORY:**

Mass Collections: \$10,519.00
 Automatic Giving: \$ 2,599.00
 Total Offertory: \$13,118.00

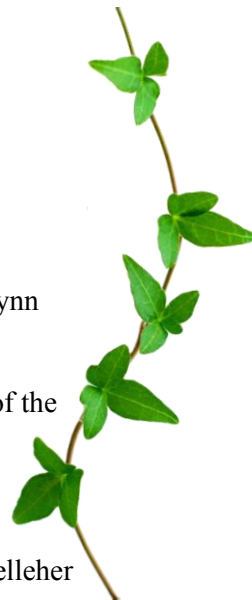
Offertory Shortfall Last Weekend: \$1,882.00**INCREASED WEEKLY GIVING PLEDGE FORMS:**

We have received commitments from **18%** of our regular weekly parishioners/families to increase their support. Thank you to all of those who have made a pledge!

If you have not yet had a chance to make a commitment, please help ensure stability and growth for St. Mary's. Return your Pledge Form in any collection basket, indicating an increase in your weekly offertory support if you are able.

PRAYERS AND MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday	June 8
5:00	Nicholas Rossini
7:30	Helen Fleming
Sunday	June 9
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Stephen Warren, 21 st Anv.
11:30	25 th Anniversary of Priesthood Mass for our Pastor, Fr. Mark. Congratulations!
Monday	June 10
9:00	Walter "D" Robbins
Tuesday	June 11
9:00	Mary N. Costello
Wednesday	June 12
9:00	José Saloio
Thursday	June 13
9:00	Charlie Crespi
Friday	June 14
9:00	Robert & Mildred Flynn
Saturday	June 15
9:00	Jerzy Zeglarski
5:00	Deceased Members of the Evans Family
7:30	Helen Shannahan
Sunday	June 16
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Raymond & Ellen Kelleher
11:30	Pat McDonald



SMWG: St. Mary's Women's Group will meet on Wednesday, June 12 in the Center Library at one o'clock for our Ice Cream Social. Ice cream can be put in the kitchen freezer in the Parish Kitchen. Any questions please call Pat Strozzi at 508-654-2723. Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun.

THE ROSE FOR LIFE: Is sponsored this week by Raymond and Carole Moloney. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child.

RECTORY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS: Please note that during the summer months of June, July and August the Rectory Office is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. On other weekdays it remains open the usual 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM hours. Mass Cards may also be obtained at the Religious Education Office. Have a safe and faith filled summer!

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit." Allow the Holy Spirit to fill your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are September 14-15, in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://www.mema.org/>.



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June 9, 2019
Feast of Pentecost

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Today is the Feast of Pentecost, often called the "Birthday of the Church." This was the day when Jesus took a group of frightened, unsure disciples and transformed them into fearless witnesses of His Gospel. This was accomplished by the Holy Spirit, which as described in today's Gospel Jesus sent upon His disciples with the sound of wind and the form of fire.

Perhaps take a moment today to look at the Holy Spirit window in the St. Mary transept of our own church (photo on this bulletin cover). In it the Holy Spirit is shown as a dove, surrounded by the very tongues of flame that descended on the disciples on Pentecost. Like candles touched by fire, the disciples were set ablaze – powered now by the Spirit's sevenfold gifts to bring light to a darkened world.

The gifts of the Holy Spirit, also depicted on our window, are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude (strength), knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. They were poured out on each of us in the Sacrament of Confirmation through the ministry of the bishop, who prayed the following words:

"All powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their helper and guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen." Then the bishop, making the sign of the cross with Holy Chrism upon our forehead, said, *"Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."*

Once Confirmed, the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are ever present and accessible to us by prayer. They are God's own gifts, meant to empower us for Christian living and for the work of sharing with others the Gospel of Christ's love. I invite you on this Feast of Pentecost to reflect on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and to consider which one you feel the greatest need for at this moment of your journey home to God. Then by prayer ask God to breathe upon the embers of that gift already glowing within your soul, that it might burst into new flame and power in your life.

Pentecost is special to me because it was on this very Feast twenty-five years ago that I celebrated my First Mass as a newly ordained priest at St. Clément's Parish in Somerville. Today at our 11:30 AM Mass I am blessed to celebrate my Silver Anniversary of Ordination with you – the good people of St. Mary's Parish. I thank my brother priests who join me this day, Bishop Mark O'Connell who is here representing the Cardinal, and all others who offer the gift of their prayers and presence. Special thanks to our amazing secretary Mary Beth Harris who took the lead in planning today's celebration (including when I dragged my feet), ably assisted by parishioner Joanne O'Connell and many others.

Special thanks to the Choir who at the 11:30 AM Mass will be "re-creating" the exact music from my first Mass twenty-five years ago. Every year on my anniversary my parents have sent me a red rose for each year of priesthood. The magnificent flowers, with twenty-five red roses, in front of the altar today are their gift. I thank them and all my family for their loving support during my priestly ministry. Above all, I thank every parishioner who has ever shown me kindness, patience or Christian love. In you I truly see the face of Our Lord.

God bless you!

Rev. Mark J. Coiro
Pastor

P.S. I am happy to announce that on June 22 & 23, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, we will resume distribution of the Precious Blood at all Masses. The record long, double flu season has finally begun to wane.

**REGISTER FOR FALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BY JUNE**

14: The deadline to register your child / children for Religious Education Classes in Fall of 2019 is Friday, June 14. Class time choices are on a first come first served basis. Be sure to get your preferred time and day by registering on time. The Registration Form is now available on the St. Mary's Website:

stmarysholliston.com, under Register / Parish Forms on the main page. Forms should be accompanied by full payment made out to St. Mary's Parish. Scholarships or payment plans are available. Open to families with children entering Pre-K through Grade 10.

Registrations have been mailed to current students. If you are new to Holliston and want to register your children please contact us at 508-429-6076 or at st.marysre1870@gmail.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 11th ANNUAL CHARITY RAFFLE: One raffle ticket costs \$5 and a book of five tickets sell for \$20. Grand prize is \$1,000! Proceeds from this fundraiser 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. Tickets will be sold on weekends this Spring at downtown Holliston stores and grocery stores in Medway, Ashland, Bellingham, and Milford.

FATIMA SHRINE HEALING SERVICE: Will be held on Wednesday, June 12. The Rosary will begin at 6:55 PM with mass at 7:15 PM followed by prayer for emotional and physical healing. Rev. Robert Perron, Pastor of St. Michael's Parish, Providence RI will preside. The evening is sponsored by the Vision of Peace Prayer Group. If you have any questions, call Ron Whinnem at (508) 655-1463.

DEVOTIONS AT FATIMA SHRINE: All are invited to join in the Marian Devotions at Fatima Shrine, Holliston, commemorating the apparitions at Fatima in Portugal which will take place on June 13. People are welcomed to an evening of prayer and song culminating with the candlelight procession and Rosary outdoors. This year's theme is Women of Salvation History. The evening begins with sacred song at 6:30 PM. Mass is at 7:00 PM and the candlelight procession and Rosary is at 8:00 PM followed by fellowship in Xavier Hall. All are welcome. For more information call 508-429-2144.

SAVE THE DATE ~ A NIGHT 4 LIFE: Join us on Wednesday, June 19 at 6 PM at Veterans Memorial Stadium, 850 Hancock Street, Quincy for a Celebration of Life! The program will include a keynote speaker, personal witness, praise music and a time for prayer in Adoration with the offering of the Holy Rosary for LIFE! Sponsored by the Flatley Foundation, the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth and the Sacred Heart Men's Prayer Group. For more information go to www.Night4Life.com.



ONLINE GIVING is now available for St. Mary's Parishioners through **WeShare**, an easy and convenient way to save time and support your Parish. Donating is simple and completely secure. With **WeShare**, you can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account.

The benefits of online giving with **WeShare** include web access at all times, the ability to schedule your payments to

coincide with your pay period, and the ease of adjusting your contributions at any time. You can allocate different amounts for different collections and make your donations one-time or recurring. You can setup **WeShare** yourself using their secure web site, which will give you the ability to look at your giving history whenever you wish.

If you would like to enroll in **WeShare** Online Giving, please visit <https://stmarysholliston.weshareonline.org>. If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our Parish Secretary Mary Beth at 508-429-4427.

Parish BBQ!



TICKET SALES START THIS WEEKEND ~ ST. MARY'S SPRING BBQ:

St. Mary's Annual
Spring Barbecue is
Saturday, June 22 from
6:00 to 8:00 PM in Father Haley Hall.



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 this weekend June 8/9, and June 15/16, and may also be purchased through the Religious Education Office starting June 10. There are no tickets at the door.



LIVE MUSIC! The Creek River Bluegrass Band will be performing, photo left.

PANTRY SHELF SUMMER HELP: Regular coffee, applesauce, peanut butter, jelly, sugar, ketchup, mayonnaise, Chunky Soup, cookies, canned turkey/chicken, canned fruits, pasta sauce, canned tomatoes, toilet paper and cake and brownie mixes. Donations may be dropped off in the blue bin by the main parking lot entrance.

ST. MARY'S EPIC HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: You should have received a mailing with information regarding the St. Mary's Mission Trip Raffle, which will benefit a group of 55 teens and adults from St. Mary's EPIC who will spend a week this summer serving those in need in Gainesville, Florida. To enter the raffle, please mail or return the included tickets to the St. Mary's Religious Education Office. Be on the lookout for car washes to benefit the mission trip. Details will be announced soon. Teens and Chaperones who did not yet turn in the final round of mission trip paperwork with final payments should do so to the Religious Education Office as soon as possible. We will have an EPIC meeting next week on Father's Day, June 16 in FHH from 7:30 – 8:45 PM. This meeting was not on our original schedule. This will allow teens to get the last of their 5 EPIC meeting attendances to go on the Mission Trip, and will be a lot of fun. We will have a pre Mission Trip BBQ for Mission Trip Participants and their families on Sunday, June 30 in Father Haley Hall following the 11:30 AM Mass. Please email our youth minister Jake Thiringer with questions at stmarysym1870@gmail.com.

UPCOMING MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP SUMMER EVENTS:

Kennebec Rafting: Sunday, June 23 - Monday, June 24

Brownstone Quarry Park, CT: Tuesday, July 30

Deerfield Rafting: Friday, August 16

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS:

"How can we not give thanks to God for the wonders the Spirit has never ceased to accomplish in these two millennia of Christian life? Indeed, the event of grace at Pentecost has continued to bear its marvelous fruits, everywhere instilling apostolic zeal, a desire for contemplation, the commitment to live and serve God and our brothers and sisters with complete dedication."

- Pope Saint John Paul II

MUSIC	5:00 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Entrance	#453	#444	#718
Offertory	#418	#382	-
Communion	#346	#326	#364
Recessional	#375	#86	#557

MANY BLESSINGS TO YOU FATHER MARK:

Our grade Coordinators, Teachers and Monitors extend to you best wishes as you celebrate your Silver Jubilee!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS FOR 2019-2020 ARE DUE BY JUNE 14:

All it takes is a **\$50.00 deposit and a payment plan.** Scholarships are also available so please register now so we can recruit and train the teachers needed for our children and youth.

PRE-K, KINDERGARTEN, GRADE 1 AND NEW FAMILIES:

If you are a new family to St. Mary's Parish and have children entering Pre-K, Kindergarten, or Grade 1 through 10 and would like to be a part of our faith formation program for 2019-2020, please call the R.E. Office at 508-429-6076 and ask for a registration form. Registrations are also on the parish website at www.stmarysholliston.com under "Faith Education /Youth Religious Education/Registration." Please note that children must complete Grade 1 before entering our Grade 2 Program.

**TITHING OUR TIME, GIFTS AND TALENTS**

FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD: Our wonderful faith formation programs depend on volunteers like you to help our families, children and youth to live out their faith actively. Christ calls us to spread the Good News. Join the many volunteers who build up the community of faith by tithing your time to serve Christ and His Church. Contact the R.E. Office for a volunteer form at 508-429-6076. We will be needing faith filled **Teachers** and **Monitors** for 2019 – 2020 at all grade levels.

GRADE 2 TEACHERS ARE NEEDED: Our second grade children will be preparing to receive Christ's mercy and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and receive the Living Christ in Holy Communion. Please consider team teaching a Grade 2 class. This is a wonderful way to guide the children to know how Jesus shares His divine life with us in these Sacraments. There are two required teacher meetings during the year. Class selections are offered on alternate Sundays at 7:55 AM or 10:45 AM and Wednesdays at 4:15 PM. Classes meet for seventy-five minutes. Contact the RE Office and request a volunteer form. Training and support will be provided by the DRE and Grade 2 Coordinators.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS: Tuesday, June 18 at 7:45 PM in the Library.

CONFIRMATION MASSES: Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM. Our Youth Minister Jake Thiringer and GR-10 Coordinator, Gustavo Bachman, will be conducting the interviews with the students over the next two weeks. Students must submit their Confirmation Information Sheet along with the Service Project Reflection Sheet and Bishop's letter when they meet for their interview. The Night of Reflection is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 22 from 6 – 8 PM. Contact Jake with any questions at 508-429-6076 or by email: stmarysym1870@gmail.com.

A GRADE 7 COORDINATOR IS NEEDED: We are in need for one or two good faithful people to Coordinate Grade 7. Training will be provided by Mike Roberto and we have a lively and integrated curriculum. Call 508-429-6076 or email Fran at st.marysdre@gmail.com if you can inspire and lead our GR-7 students to be disciples for Christ. Classes run on alternate Sundays from 5 to 6:30 PM and on Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 PM.

Please note that R.E. Coordinators are responsible for guiding and assisting both teachers and students in growing in their relationship with Christ and His Church. Since this is done best by example, all parish coordinators are required to be regularly practicing members of the St. Mary's Worshipping Community.

TO ALL VOLUNTEER MINISTRIES: If you are planning on chaperoning any summer events such as VBS, an EPIC trip with St. Mary's teens or with MSYG and the youth, please make sure that your CORI is up to date with the R.E. Office. All volunteers (18 years and older) must have a 2019 CORI on file and have taken a **PGC Workshop**. If you are unsure if your CORI is up to date, please contact Paula at 508-429-6076 or by email at st.marysre1870@gmail.com. A picture ID, passbook or driver's license is needed to complete or update a CORI.

VBS 2019 July 22 - 26



Get ready for **ROAR!**

This African adventure engages the whole herd. Kids will explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. A single Bible point is presented at each station daily. This is a five day experience where kids learn *life is wild* and *God is Good*. Registrations is open. The deadline has been extended to June 14.