



# 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!



**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 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.

### **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. Jake Thiringer, D.R.E., Grades 8-12
Mr. Kevin Lyczak, Director of Music
Mr. Leo Racine, Director of Contemporary Music
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 <u>THIS</u> WEEKEND:

This week's second collection is for the care of our active and senior priests. The Mission of the Clergy Funds is to ensure healthcare and quality of life for our priests, especially when age or health dictates, and we need your help. Remember the priests who have made a difference in your life, and consider honoring them with a gift that helps care for them in their time of need, just as they have cared for us when we needed them. Thank you for your support.

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

## LAST SUNDAY'S PARISH OFFERTORY:

Mass Collections:	\$ 13,910.00
Automatic Giving:	\$ 2,363.00
WeShare:	\$ 890.26
Total Offertory:	\$17,163.26

**INCREASED WEEKLY GIVING FORMS:** Thank you to all who returned the pledge forms they received as part of our first Increased Weekly Giving Campaign in nine years. Those who returned the forms should have received a thank you letter. All others should have received a <u>second letter</u> with a <u>new pledge form</u>. Thank you for returning it as soon as possible by mail or in any collection basket. Thank you for doing your part to keep our parish vital and strong as we move towards our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year. God bless you.

### PRAYERS AND MASS INTENTIONS:

September 14
Anthony & Lena Mirabile
Walter "D" Robbins
September 15
People of St. Mary's
Patricia Skala
Paul & Emma Jensen 🛛 🏹
September 16
Joseph Campo, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Anv.
September 17
Ed L'Antigua
September 18
Paul T. Shea
September 19
Mary Johnson
September 20
Fr. Haley
September 21
Helen McClung
Ricardo Lachica
Edward Tynan, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anv.
September 22
People of St. Mary's
Thomas Tierney
James Phillips

**THE ROSE FOR LIFE:** Is sponsored this week by Vasco and Pauline Brovelli. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. If you would like to sponsor the Rose for Life please call 429-4427.



### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE:**

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## PANTRY SHELF BACK TO SCHOOL HELP:

Regular coffee, applesauce, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, sugar, ketchup, mayonnaise, Progresso Soup, cookies, toilet paper and snacks for kids' lunches. Drop off in the blue bin by the main parking lot entrance. Another way to help is to organize a neighborhood collection. It's easy for students and other people in the community to organize a neighborhood Donation Day. Just go to the Pantry web site at www.hollistonpantryshelf.org for a list of current needs. Make up a flyer for your neighbors and let them know when and what you will be collecting. Use the guidelines at the web site to contact a member of the Pantry Shelf to coordinate a drop-off or pick-up. A garage sale or a bake sale to benefit the Pantry is a great way to help out, too.



# Saint Mary's Parish

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September 15, 2019 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

This past Wednesday we marked the 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the tragic events of September 11, 2001. We commended to the hands of God all those who lost their lives that day, and we asked His strength and blessing upon their grieving loved ones. As a nation we continue to offer prayers of gratitude for the men and women who courageously responded to the disaster, many of them laying down their own lives as they tried to save the lives of others. Their sacrifice speaks to us of Christ's own love, a love so great that He died on the Cross to rescue us from destruction.

Whenever evil touches our lives, as individuals or as a nation, it is an opportunity to be strengthened in our own Christian identity. With contrast can come clarity. I remember reading, for instance, how as a young man Pope Benedict XVI observed firsthand the violence and hatred of the Nazi regime. He saw his own parish priest badly beaten by Nazi soldiers. He heard the rhetoric of intolerance proclaimed by Nazi propagandists. In stark contrast to all this, however, the future pope saw the Church standing up for the oppressed and proclaiming God's love for all people and the universal offer of salvation. This made on him a profound impression.

Just as Pope Benedict's experience of the evils of Nazism made him more determined to commit himself to the good work of Christ's Church, so our 9/11 experience of the evils of terrorism should make us more committed to the good of our Catholic faith. Central to that faith is the belief that all human life has an innate dignity, being created in the image and likeness of God. For this reason, Catholics consider all human life to be sacred – from the moment of conception, to the moment of natural death.

If there is one way above all that we should honor the memory of those whose lives were taken on 9/11, it is by reaffirming the value of all human life regardless of race, creed, politics, or even personal guilt or innocence. Every time we act to defend human life – especially where it is most vulnerable or threatened – that is when we offer worthy tribute to the victims of 9/11. In the end, it is our respect for the sanctity of all human life that forever separates us from those who took so many lives eighteen years ago.

God bless you.

Rev. Mark J. Coiro Pastor





## <u>ADULT VOLUNTEER MEETING</u> ~ MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:

Wednesday, September 25 at 7 PM in Father Haley Hall. Any adult parishioner who attends Mass weekly at St. Mary's, and who is living a life in harmony with the moral teachings of the Catholic faith, may volunteer to be part of this joyful ministry. With Monthly Meetings averaging 150 – 200 teens, and many trips of over 100 teens each, we need many adults to assure safety and to guide our young people into faith, friendship, service and fun. CORI & VIRTUS requirements apply. Please bring your calendar, as we will be having adult signups for all fall semester MSYG activities. \*\*\* Please RSVP to St.Marys1870@gmail.com if you are planning to attend. \*\*\*

"Although claiming my true identity as a child of God, I still live as though the God to whom I am returning demands an explanation. I still think about his love as conditional and about home as a place I am not yet fully sure of. While walking home, I keep entertaining doubts about whether I will be truly welcome when I get there. As I look at my spiritual journey, my long and fatiguing trip home, I see how full it is of guilt about the past and worries about the future. I realize my failures and know that I have lost the dignity of my sonship, but I am not yet able to fully believe that where my failings are great, 'grace is always greater.' Still clinging to my sense of worthlessness, I project for myself a place far below that which belongs to the son.."

- Henri J.M. Nouwen, The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming



"Many of my daily preoccupations suggest that I belong more to the world than to God. A little criticism makes me angry, and a little rejection makes me depressed. A little praise raises my spirits, and a little success excites me. It takes very little to raise me up or thrust me down. Often I am like a small boat on the ocean, completely at the mercy of its waves. All the time and energy I spend in keeping some kind of balance and preventing myself from being tipped over and drowning shows that my life is mostly a struggle for survival: not a holy struggle, but an anxious struggle resulting from the mistaken idea that it is the world that defines me."

- Henri J.M. Nouwen, Return of the Prodigal Son

"I now see that the hands that forgive, console, heal, and offer a festive meal must become my own."

- Henri J.M. Nouwen, Return of the Prodigal Son



## Fall 2019 Program "Seek first the kingdom of God..." Matthew 6:33 "Trusting God with all your Heart"

Closing Brunch – November 6, 2019



**September 25 – Kathy Stebbins:** *Learning from our Youth.* Kathy will share how her life's work as a Youth Minister influenced her faith and increased her trust in God. She will also share effective ways to help our youth grow in their relationship with God. Kathy is retired from the Archdiocese of Boston where she worked in Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Prior to that, she and her husband served as Youth Ministers at their home parish. She currently works at Our Lady of Good Voyage Shrine - it is the first new church built in the Archdiocese of Boston in over 60 years. She and her husband have five children and eleven grandchildren.



**October 2** – **Fr. Bill Brown, OMV**: *Following the Signs.* Fr. Brown will share how to read the signs of daily life as a way to grow in trust. As a member of the order of Oblates of the Virgin Mary, Fr. Brown holds the title of Advancement Director for Mission & Apostolate. He has been the Director of the St. Joseph Retreat House, Provincial as well as the Vocation Director and Rector for the order. Fr. Bill's education includes a Masters of Divinity, Spirituality at St. John's Seminary, Boston, MA. His early training was in accounting and business management from Santa Clara University, CA.



**October 9 – Fr. Austin Fleming:** *Trusting when things are difficult.* Fr. Fleming will share the importance of seeking a two-way relationship with God by turning away from the things of the world, which clutter our relationship with God. Fr. Fleming was the pastor of Holy Family parish in Concord for 25 years. A parish council member has said of Fr. Fleming, "The most important thing beyond what a gentle soul he is...What really stands out is his ability to engage everyone. He's funny in one moment and deeply sacred in the next. Everything about him is what we need in this world." Fr. Fleming is a musician, singer and a poet. He is the author of three small books.



**October 16 – Susan Abbott:** *God's Roadmap: Avoiding the Detours*. How can prayer lead us closer to God and trust Him more deeply? Susan will help us understand how to surrender our lives to God's capable hands. Susan is a longtime religious educator at both local and archdiocesan levels. In September 2018, she was part of a panel convened by Bishop Mark O'Connell, discussing the role of women in the Church. Susan holds a Masters of Education from the Institute of Religious Education and Pastoral Ministry at Boston College. She received a Bachelor of Arts (Russian) from Regis College, Weston. She is a widow, mother and grandmother.



**October 23 - Christina Valenzuela:** *Called to be Saints Together.* (cf 1 Cor 1:2) God has entrusted each of us, from the moment of existence, to the special care of some of His greatest friends. Christina will share how we can open ourselves to God's personal love by learning to pay attention to our unique team of Saintly intercessors and guides. Mrs. Christina Valenzuela, O.P., MTS is a wife and mother of four living children, plus two little saints. She holds a dual degree in Philosophy and Theology from the University of Notre Dame and a Masters in Theological Studies from Harvard. She is a life-professed member of the Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic and after over a decade of parish and

campus ministry, is now self-employed as a Natural Family Planning instructor and catechetical speaker. You can visit her website: www.summamomma.com



**October 30 – Mary Pat McCauley**: *Who's got your back?* Mary Pat will help us understand the gift of the Trinity with a particular focus on the transformative power of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives. Mary Pat recently completed a Master's Program in Theological Studies at Boston College's School of Theology in Ministry. She returned to Boston in 2000 to care for her mother. Before her return, she had worked for over twenty years as a management consultant in the healthcare telecommunications and financial services industries launching business plans for mobility services, Internet and online customer experience. Mary Pat is currently supporting several adult programs in

the South Region of the Archdiocese of Boston.



"When you sing you pray ty	<i>vice.</i> " - St. Augustine
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**ST. MARY'S CHOIRS NEED YOU:** Do you like to sing? Join St. Mary's Music Ministry! We are now recruiting choristers of all ages! Our Children's Choir welcomes children grades 4-7; our Youth Choir, grades 7-12, and our Adult Choir welcomes youth and adults of any age. For more information, contact Kevin Lyczak, Director of Music: 508-879-2322 ext. 24 or by email musicatstmarysholliston@gmail.com.

**FOLK GROUP:** The St. Mary's Folk Group, which leads the assembly's singing with contemporary liturgical music at the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturdays, welcomes new singers and instrumentalists. The group rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:45 to 9:00 PM in the Center Library beginning September 4. Please call Leo Racine at 429-7476 for more info.

**TIMMY CAKE FUNDRAISER:** Thank you to all who helped the Timothy O'Connell Foundation by purchasing Tim's favorite chocolate cakes last weekend. All proceeds from the sales of these cakes will go to the Foundation's charitable mission, including its Scholarship Fund. Any questions email joanneoconnell@comcast.net. Thank you!

**WINGS (Women in God's Spirit):** Please join us Wednesday, September 25 when WINGS begins its Fall Season: Trusting God with all your Heart. WINGS provides an opportunity for women of all ages to deepen their faith, no matter where they are on their spiritual journey. Our first speaker is Kathy Stebbins, Retired Coordinator of Youth Ministry in the Archdiocese of Boston. Kathy will share how her life's work as a Youth Minister influenced her faith and increased her trust in God. She will also share effective

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ways to help our youth grow in their relationship with God. Please join us whether you can attend each week or just some weeks. WINGS meets on Wed. mornings from 9:45 – 11:15 AM in Father Haley Hall. Nurturing childcare is available. For information call Jennifer Schiller 617-852-9632 or to sign-up: <u>betty.febo@gmail.com</u>.

**RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is for anyone interested in exploring the Catholic faith. This includes Christians of other faiths, non-Baptized persons, persons Baptized Catholic but who never received their First Communion, Confirmation or both. The first part of RCIA is called "Inquiry," an opportunity to learn about the faith and ask questions in an informal and supportive setting. At a certain point, individuals then decide if they wish to continue RCIA in preparation for receiving their Sacraments of Initiation at the great Easter Vigil. RCIA meets roughly twice a month with the schedule tailored to the needs of each year's candidate group. Catholic spouses or fiancés are more than welcome to attend, often coming as a couple. Those over eighteen years old who might be interested in RCIA Inquiry, should call 508-429-4427. Those under eighteen should call Fran at 508-429-6076. Do you have a friend or family member who might be interested in the faith? This is the time to invite and welcome them to RCIA!



Recessional

**PALLIATIVE CARE PRESENTATION:** Are you concerned about your aging parents? Have you or has someone you know been diagnosed with a serious illness? Come hear a presentation and join in a discussion about palliative care, a way for people to live better with serious illness that offers support for loved ones as well. Palliative care is often confused with hospice care and they are not the same thing. A Palliative Care/Advance Care Planning

presentation will take place on Monday, September 23, at 7:00 PM at St. Patrick Church hall in Watertown. Presented by the Archdiocese of Boston's Initiative for Palliative Care and Advance Care Planning.

**CHURCH CLOSED WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18:** Following the 9 AM Mass the church will be closed for a final floor resurfacing and touch up repairs. The church will be accessible again Thursday morning. Thank you.

## **ST. MARY'S MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF EVENT ~ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6!**



MSYG FALL 2019 KICK OFF MEETING: Sunday, October 6 from 6:30 – 8 PM in the Parish Center Hall. Open to any and all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders. There will be Youth Group Registrations for the new school year, a Giant Slideshow of all this summer's MSYG trips, an Ice Cream Sundae Bar, Sign Ups for the Celtics (Jan. 3), Sign Ups for our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Only Haunted Hayride Trip and 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Haunted Mansion Trip, and most importantly - opportunities for prayer, service and growing in our knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. Bring a friend! Above – Photo from last Fall's MSYG Kick Off!

> High School Youth Ministry Fall 2019 Calandar Faith, Friends, Food, Fun, Service, & More \$5 Dues General Meetings

Oct. 6 - Prayer + Planning Meeting 5 - 6 PM - Rooms 3+4 Oct. 20 - Kickoff General Meeting 7:15 - 8:45 PM - FHH Oct. 26 - Zipline/ Ropes Course Trip 9:45 AM - 3:00 PM - Sat. Nov. 3 - Prayer + Planning Meeting 5 - 6 PM - Rooms 3+4 Nov. 6 - Make Sleeping Mats for Homeless 7 - 8 PM - FHH - Wed. Nov. 10 - General Meeting 7:15 - 8:45 PM - FHH Nov. 17 - Indoor Mini Golf + Ice Cream Trip 5:30 - 9 PM Nov. 24 - General Meeting 7:15 - 8:45 PM - FHH Dec. 8 - General Meeting 7:15 - 8:45 PM - FHH Dec. 14 - X-mas Party - Doolittle Home 1:10 - 4:45 PM - Sat. **Endless Possibilities in Christ** 

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All High School Students are invited to join EPIC, St. Mary's High School Youth Ministry.

Our first event is Prayer and Planning on Sunday, October 6, which is geared toward teens who are already involved in EPIC who want to help plan and lead our General Meetings.

Our official Kickoff Meeting for the school year is on Sunday, October 20 and will feature games, fun, friends, faith, and a delicious nacho bar!

Details will come out as EPIC comes closer, but we have a jam-packed Fall full of meetings, service projects and social trips.

Those who want more information on EPIC or adults who would like to help lead and chaperone EPIC should contact St. Mary's Youth Minister, Jake Thiringer at stmarysym1870@gmail.com.

## JOIN FR. MARK J. COIRO IN CELEBRATION OF THE **150TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. MARY'S PARISH, HOLLISTON**





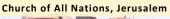
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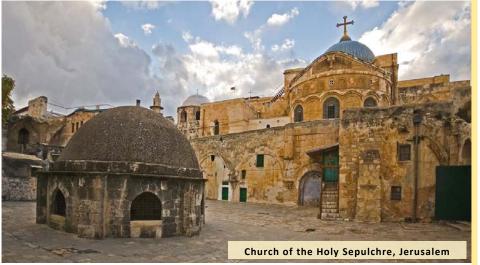


## Fr. Mark J. Coiro











#### Day 1, Fri, Mar 06: Depart for the Holy Land

Make your way to your local airport where you will board your overnight flight. Your meals are served on board.

#### Day 2, Sat, Mar 07: Arrive in Tel Aviv and continue to Tiberias

Upon arrival at Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv, make your way to the baggage claim area and collect your luggage. Proceed to the arrival's hall, where you will be greeted by your tour guide and/or driver. Transfer to your hotel in Tiberias in time to check-in. Enjoy dinner at the hotel before retiring for the evening.

#### Day 3, Sun, Mar 08: Caesarea - Stella Maris - Nazareth - Tiberias - Cana Theme: The Annunciation

Depart Tel Aviv to Caesarea Marítima, one of the three largest ports in the Roman world, next to Alexandria and Piraeus "Athens", which were built by Herod the Great between 21 B.C. and 9 B.C. It was in Caesarea where St. Peter baptized the first gentile convert Cornelius, and where St. Paul gave his defense of the church. From here, we will see the Roman Theater, Herod's Palace, view the Hippodrome, and the harbor from where St. Paul sailed on his journeys. Continue north to Haifa, located on Mt Carmel, where we will visit the Carmelite Shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Mt Carmel, and pray at the cave which Elijah the prophet took refuge. Continue on to Nazareth for lunch, and then visit the Church of the Annunciation. Visit the museum and archaeological garden where we can see the remains of Nazareth at time of Christ, as well as St. Joseph's workshop – which is now known as St. Joseph's Church. Within the Church of the Annunciation, you will make our way down to the Grotto to see the remains of the house of the Blessed Mother, and where the Angel of the Lord announced the good news to Mary. Celebrate Mass in this Church, and then continue on to Cana. It was here that Jesus performed His first miracle, changing water into wine. During your visit at the Wedding Church, married couples will have the chance to take part in the ceremony and renew their wedding vows. From there, we continue on to Tiberias, located on Sea of Galilee, for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 4, Mon, Mar 09: Tiberias: Sea of Galilee

#### Theme: The Ministry of Christ in the Galilee

Today begin this day with breakfast at the hotel, followed by a boat ride on the beautiful and scenic Sea of Galilee (Luke 5:1). Upon docking the boat, you will have the opportunity to view the remains of a boat that dates back to the time of Jesus. Following the Sea of Galilee, we continue to the Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus proclaimed His great Sermon on the Mount (Luke 6:20-49). Near the Mount, is Tabgha, one of Jesus' miracle sites. At Tabgha, Jesus fed the crowd of 5,000 people from five loaves of bread and two fish (Luke 9:10-17). Also, in Tabgha is St. Peter's Primacy where Jesus bestowed church leadership upon Peter (John 21:9). Continue to visit the birthplace of Mary Magdalene in Magdala. During the time of Jesus, this village was a prosperous fishing village that exported fish and garum (a fish sauce reduction; popular in Roman cooking). Your day concludes at Capernaum, the launching place of Jesus' ministry. In Capernaum, see the Synagogue where Jesus taught (Mark 1:21-29) and gave His sermon on the Bread of Life. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 5, Tue, Mar 10: Jordan River - Mt. Tabor – Jericho – Jordan River - Jerusalem

#### Theme: The Transfiguration

After breakfast, we will drive to the site of the Transfiguration, Mount Tabor (Matthew 17:1-50). At this site, you will have some time to reflect on Christ's Humanity and Divinity. Celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the Transfiguration. Continue south to the Jordan Valley to the oldest inhabited city in the world, Jericho (Joshua 6:12-25). In Jericho, you view the exact location, the Mount of Temptation, of where the Devil tempted Jesus during his forty-day fast (Luke 4:1). Following the visit to this mountain, continue to Jesus' baptismal site on the River Jordan (Matthew 3:13-17). After some time at the Jordan River, we will transfer to Jerusalem to check-in to your hotel and enjoy dinner and overnight.

#### Day 6, Wed, Mar 11: Jerusalem: Temple Model - Ein Karem - Bethlehem Theme: The Visitation and Nativity

This morning, enjoy breakfast before we start our day in Jerusalem, which houses the temple to which Jesus was Presented (Luke 2:22). Visit a model of the Second Temple as it was in the time of Jesus. Following this visit, we will take a short drive to the village of Ein Karem, the birthplace of John the Baptist. It is known that there are two churches in Ein Karem, both representing the two homes of Zechariah and Elizabeth. The first is in a valley where the birth of St. John the Baptist is commemorated (Luke 1:39-80) in the Church of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. The second is on a hill where Elizabeth spent five months in seclusion (Luke 1:24) at the Church of the Visitation. You will have a chance to visit both of these churches and have the opportunity to pray the Mystery of the Rosary as you walk up the hill to the Church of the Visitation. In the afternoon, transfer to Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus. In Bethlehem, you will have the opportunity to view the Shepherd's Fields (Luke 2:8). In the caves of these fields, you are still able to see the soot marks of fires that shepherds lit to

keep warm. The tour concludes at the Manger Square which stands in front of the Church of the Nativity. As you enter the Church, you will proceed down to the Grotto of the Nativity which marks the spot of Our Savior's birth (Matthew 2:1-18). Beneath the altar, there is a silver star and a Latin inscription that states: HIC DE VIRGINE MARIA JESUS CHRISTUS NATUS (Here Jesus Christ was born to the Virgin Mary). Following Mass in this Sacred space, return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 7, Thu, Mar 12: Bethany - Dead Sea

#### Theme: Early Years in Jerusalem & the Wilderness

Following breakfast at your hotel, we will travel down the Jordan Valley to Qumran. Qumran is made up of 2,000 year old ruins from the days of the Second Temple and also the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were written and discovered (Ezekial 47:8-10). These writings have helped further the understanding of Jewish background in Christianity. Time and weather permitting, you will have the opportunity to take a float in the Dead Sea, the lowest and saltiest spot on Earth. Continue as you travel through the Judean wilderness, the site where Jesus spent His 40 days of fasting. The day of touring culminates with a transfer to Bethany. Bethany is the site where Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead which foreshadows His own Resurrection (John 11:38-44). Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

## Day 8, Fri, Mar 13: Jerusalem: Mt. Of Olives - Gethsemane - Mt. Zion (Upper Room) - Western Wall

#### Theme: Palm Sunday and the Agony in the Garden

After breakfast, we will make our way to the Mount of Olives where you will be able to take in the beautiful, panoramic view of Jerusalem. Historically, the Mount of Olives was a mandatory transit point for Jesus during many iconic moments. Visit the Pater Noster Shrine where Jesus taught His disciples the Lord's Prayer (Pater Noster) (Luke 11:1-4). You will have the opportunity to stop at Dominus Flevit which is a Church that commemorates where Jesus wept for Jerusalem (Luke 19:41). Continue on to Gethsemane, a garden at the foot of the Mount of Olives. Jesus brought His disciples here to pray the night before He was crucified (Luke 22:29-53). The Garden still contains trees with roots that date back to the time of Jesus. Your next stop, the Church of All Nations, built over the "Rock of Agony". This is where Jesus prayed alone on the night of His arrest. Throughout this time, you are invited to remain in prayer and to reflect on Christ's agony that He experienced. You will have the opportunity to visit the Western Wall, which is the last remnant of the lewish Temple after it was destroyed in 70 A.D. Continue with a visit to the house of the High Priest Caiaphas (Church of St. Peter in Gallicantu). This Church commemorates where Jesus was examined and eventually imprisoned before the Council in Jerusalem. It also commemorates Peter's Denial of Christ (John 18:15-18), Peters' repentance, and Jesus' forgiveness of Peter. You will also visit the Upper Room on Mt. Zion. The Upper Room is where Jesus and His disciples celebrated the Last Supper (Matthew 26:17-30) and where Jesus appeared to His disciples after His Death and Resurrection (Mark 16:14). In addition, visit the nearby Benedictine Church of the Dormition. Tradition tells us that this Church is where Mary, the Mother of Jesus, "fell asleep." At the end of this prayerful day, return to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

#### Day 9, Sat , Mar 14: Jerusalem: Via Dolorosa - Holy Sepulchre

#### Theme: The Way of the Cross, The Crucifixion, The Resurrection

This morning you will have a very early wake-up to begin the Via Dolorosa (The Way of the Cross) at the Antonia Fortress. This is the spot where Jesus was condemned to death by Pontius Pilate (John 18:28-19:16). Following His condemnation, He was taken (on the Road to Calvary) to His place of Crucifixion. Reflect upon the Stations of the Cross as you travel through the markets of the Old City to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher (Luke 23:26-33). This sacred destination is the site of Calvary (Jesus' crucifixion place) and His tomb (Luke 23: 50-55). Celebrate Mass at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Following Mass, we will return to the hotel to enjoy breakfast. We will continue our day with a visit to the Church of St. Anne's, the home of Jesus' maternal grandparents (Anne and Joachim); and the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the crippled man (John 5:1-9). This afternoon, enjoy a revisit to the Old City. Following this visit return to the hotel to enjoy dinner and overnight at your hotel.

#### Day 10, Sun, Mar 15: Return Flights Home

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, transfer to the Tel Aviv airport for return flights home.

#### \*206 Tours Disclaimer:

Though every effort will be made to follow the itinerary, it should be considered as an indication, rather than a contract of places to be visited. Occasionally local religious holidays, national days, weather, traffic conditions and other events may necessitate changes in the sequence of visits or the missing of certain visits.

## INCLUSIONS & RESERVATION APPLICATION

#### YOUR TRIP INCLUDES:

- + Round-trip air from Boston (BOS)
- + Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges
- \* 8 nights Holy Land at centrally located first class hotels: (or similar)
   ~ 3 nights: Mar 07 10: Leonardo Plaza, Tiberias
  - ~ 5 nights: Mar 10 15: Notre Dame, Jerusalem
- † Transfers as per itinerary
- + Breakfast and Dinner daily
- + Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- Wi-Fi on motor coach
- <sup>+</sup> Wireless headsets where needed
- + Assistance of a professional local guide(s)
- + Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- + Tips to Hotel Staff and Restaurants
- + Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- + Flight bag & Portfolio of all travel documents



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PASSPORTS, VISA & DOCUMENTS A valid US passport is required for US citizens. If you do not have a valid passport please contact your closest passport office or see Passport Information. Passports must be valid at least 6 months after return date. US or Canadian citizens do not need to obtain visas for most countries 206 Tours services. For all other nationalities please consult the country of's consulate. When and if visa is required it is preserver entrement of the country of the construction of the deformer of the country o passenger's responsibility to obtain one. Cancellations due to lack of appro-

practice of the second of the dates, times and other important information to insure their validity. Should your final documents have any errors it is the passenger's responsibility to contact 206 Tours immediately.

PARTICIPATION 206 Tours and suppliers contracted for services reserve the right to refuse to accept or retain any person whose behavior is deemed likely to affect the smooth operations of a tour, or adversely affect the enjoyment or safety of other passengers. 206 Tours, its agents, and suppliers shall be under no liability to any such person for refund, compensation CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS Once a deposit or partial/full

payment has been made, cancellations will only be accepted in writing. Cancellation terms will be applied based on the date that the written cancel-lation is received. In addition to a \$300 per person administration fee, the following charges apply: 60 - 46 days prior to departure 10%

- 45 21 days prior to departure 50%
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suggests the purchase of travel protection to protect you and your trip investment. Travel Insured International Insurance offers a waiver of the pre -existing medical condition exclusion if insurance is purchased within 21 days of initial trip deposit. Travel protection cannot be purchased after your trip is paid in full and protection plan premiums are non-refundable Please find plan rates below:

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\$3,001	-	\$3,500	\$210
\$3,501	-	\$4,000	\$225
\$4,001	-	\$4,500	\$240
\$4,501	-	\$5,000	\$253
\$5,001	-	\$5,500	\$280



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AIR TRANSPORTATION Air transportation is in economy class on IATA -approved carriers. Ticketing must be completed no later than 14 days prior to departure. Fares are based on levels in effect at the time of printing and prices and schedules are subject to change without notice. All is subject to the airlines terms of carriage. 206 Tours is not responsible for any cancellations, loss, delays, injury, illness, or expenses incurred due to actions made by the airlines. Business class is based upon availability and at additional cost for the Trans-Atlantic portions of your ticket. For any issues which arise in relation to airline service complaints and compensation should be ad-dressed to the specific carrier.

AIRPORT TAXES, FEES & FUEL CHARGES Airport taxes are included in our tour packages. Airport taxes are based on departure city an government fees (airport taxes include Federal Inspection Fees for the U.S Customs and Immigration; International Air Transportation Tax; Agricultur-al tax; security fees, and other airport related taxes).

SEAT ASSIGNMENT Random sets are assigned for all group partici-pants. If you would like to secure a specific seat, or sit with a companion please advise us of such request at the time of booking, we will make an effort to accommodate you, however we cannot guarantee. If you must have specific seat we recommend you to be at the airport at least three hours prior to departure and arrange the seat assignment with your airline's gate agent. Bulkhead and exit row seating can never be requested prior to the day of departure. 206 Tours can never guarantee specific seats, which are at the discretion of the airline & are pending availability, subject to aircraft/seat

LAND ONLY Transfers are NOT included in Land Only costs. From time to time, a tour may be canceled due to non-materialization. If you chose to purchase a Land Only package and arrange your own domestic or interna-tional flight independently of us, be advised that 206 Tours is not responsible for domestic or international flights or transfers of any kind. Booked or

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Hotel accommodations are based on twin-bedded or double rooms. 206 Tours reserves the right to substitute similar category hotels without prior

#### PRIVATE ROOMS and SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

A limited number of single rooms is available (on request basis only) at the supplement price. Single rooms provide privacy, but they are in some hotels smaller than twin or double rooms and sometimes may be poorly located, similar than the older hotels. As a general ratio we are able to confirm 10% of the total number of group participants in single rooms. If ratio is higher special supplements may be implemented for something referred to "single in double room" at an additional rate to the single supplement rate listed. If passengers are traveling alone and wish to have 206 Tours assign a roommate we will do our best, however, if we do not succeed in assigning a same sex roommate for you, you will be responsible for the additional Single pplement fees

TRIPLE ROOMS In most hotels (other than Paris) triple accommodation is possible, however, no reduction in cost is available. Due to pace of our pilgrimage schedule it's a challenge to open up all 3 suitcases and every-one's hand luggage; take showers and be on the move within appropriate time. First Class and Superior Tourist Class Hotels in general are not set up for triple rooms. Hotels usually either add a third bed which is like a fold up bed or a sofa bed. At times such as in Paris it is either impossible or worse it's the "Murphy bed". For that reason we discourage booking triple rooms. **MEALS** Most trips includes two meals per day (breakfast and dinners) which are served at your hotel or local restaurants. Beverages are not includ-ed with dinners where not indicated. In case you chose not to have a meal, there is no refund for unused meals. Although we cannot guarantee, we will try and accommodate each special meal request on flights as well as at hotels. Please advise of such a request at the time of booking. We can not

notes, rease acrise of such a request at the time of booking, we can not guarantee that special meal/diet requests can be met. **BAGGAGE** Each tour participant is permitted to bring one checked suit-case, one small carry on bag (8" x 14" x 22"), and one personal item (i.e. purse, laptop case). In general, the airlines permit 1 checked bag weighing up to 50 lbs (23 kg) and maximum dimensions of 62 in (158 cm) calculated by adding the length + the width + the height of the bag. Please check with your specific airline to verify the size and weight allowances. 206 Tours is not responsible for the loss of, theft of, delay, or damage to a participant's

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conditions beyond its control, including defects in vehicles, breakdown in equipment, thefts, delay or cancellation of or changes in itinerary for any act, mission, or event during the time you are on board the aircraft. Neither 206 Tours and/or agents of the airlines concerned are to be held responsible for the late arrival of passengers at airports or hotels due to inclement weather, nor are they to be held liable for payment or any refund for transfers or unused hotel accommodations or meals occasioned by such late arrivals at the hotels holding rooms as confirmed itineraries. Passengers must bear all such losses or expenses. To guard against unforeseen health or other circumsuch asses of expenses. To guad against unioreseen nearly of other circum-stances, we recommend you purchase our optional insurance. 200 Fours is not responsible for circumstances beyond its control. In circumstances where trip cancellations resulting from the inability for trip to depart as scheduled, such as cancellations due to acts of war and/or terrorism, war, God, or nature takes place, 206 Tours is not liable for restitution. Though every effort will be made to follow the itinerary, it should be considered as an indication of the tour, rather than a contract of places to be visited. Occasionally local religious holidays, national days, traffic conditions and other events may necessitate changes in the sequence of visits or the missing of certain visits. We will have daily Mass and strive to be in places as indicated. However, sometimes this is not possible as the site may not be available for Mass or itinerary changes are forced upon us. In this case an alternative site for Mass will be arranged

SPECIAL MEDICAL CONDITIONS THOSE WHO NEED SPECIAL **ASSISTANCE** You must report any disability requiring special attention to 206 Tours at the time of registration for any tour. We make every effort to accommodate disabled passengers by reserving for them wheelchair assis-tance at airports and handicap accessible rooms where available, however, we cannot guarantee and are not responsible for any denial of services by carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other independent suppliers. Be aware that all of our tours are operated outside the U.S. where the Americans with Disabil-ities Act is not applicable and facilities for disabled individuals are limited. Most transportation services, including the touring motor coaches, are not equipped with wheelchair ramps or lifts. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance to any tour participant for walking, dining, while in their room, on flight, getting on and off motor coaches and other vehicles, or other personal needs. A qualified and physically able companion(s) must accompany passengers who need special assistance. It is the passenger Traveler's responsibility to arrange for such assistance prior to making their reservations. Motorized scooters are unsuitable and impossible to accommo-date. 206 Tours is not responsible for any medical condition that occurs prior, during or after the tour. Additionally, airlines are not able to guarantee r provide assistance for disabled passengers including special seating. Pregnancy, Breast-Feeding, and Pregnant women considering international should be advised to evaluate the potential problems associated with interna-tional as well as the quality of medical care available at the destination and during transit. A pregnant woman is advised to travel with at least one companion; during her pregnancy, her level of comfort may be adversely affected by traveling.

YOUNG TRAVELERS Travelers who are less than 18 years old on the departure date must be accompanied by an adult. Due to heightened security, many countries have adopted practices to prevent international abductions of children. If a child will be traveling with adults other than the parents or with only one parent, it is recommended that a notarized letter be written by the only one parent, it is recommended that a notarized letter be written by the parents or non-traveling parent granting authorization to including the dates of. We also suggest that you contact the appropriate consulate and airlines because they may have additional requirements. For the purposes of 206 Tours trips an infant is defined as anyone who is under the age of 24 months for the entire duration of their trip. A child is defined as any one between the ages of 24 months and 11 years for the entire duration of their trip. **SAFETY** Please be aware that during your participation on tours operated by 206 Tours, certain risks and dancer may arise havend our control includ.

by 206 Tours, certain risks and dangers may arise beyond our control includ-ing, but not limited to, the hazards of being in undeveloped areas; by boat, train, automobile, aircraft or other means of transportation; the forces of nature, political unrest and accident or illness in remote regions without means of rapid evacuation or medical facilities. 206 Tours does not have liability regarding provisions of medical care or the adequacy of any care that may be rendered. 206 Tours is not responsible for compensation for cities/sites omitted from the itinerary due to circumstances beyond it's ontrol

PHYSICALITY OF OUR TOURS Please note that almost all destinations serviced by 206 Tours require physical fitness and a lot of walking, some-times up/or down the hills and at times very rough terrain. You may certainly stay behind for certain parts of the journey, however, it is suggested that 3 to 4 weeks before your departure one should begin preparing physically begin walking "briskly" 1-2 times a day; build up to 2-3 miles with no discomfort. SERVICE INQUIRIES AFTER THE TRIP If upon returning from your trip, you wish to inquire about any services provided, please ensure that all correspondence is received by 206 Tours, 333 Marcus Blvd - Hauppauge, NV 12000 and the first section of the transmission of transmission of the transmission of the transmissio NY 11788, within 45 days of the tour completion date. This will enable us to

make a timely investigation. TOUR CANCELLATION BY OPERATOR Be clearly advised that from time to time a tour departure may be cancelled due to lack of participation. In such case, the operator's sole responsibility is to provide a full refund. 206 Tours in not responsible and does not assume responsibility for any additional costs or any fees relating to the issuance and /or cancellation of air tickets or other arrangements not made through 206 Tours. Cancellations due to state advisories and/or state warnings, Acts of War, War, Terrorism, Acts of God, Natural Disaster or any other circumstance outside the control of 206 Tours, are not the fault of 206 Tours. Great effort will be made to accommo date er to another trip or to revise itinerary, however, cancellation for any of these reasons will not be eligible for refund.

PRINTING DISCLAIMER 206 Tours is not responsible for typographical or print Traveler's errors including errors in trip cost. We reserve the right to re invoice or correct billing at any time.

## **CLOW- CHILDREN K-6: CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** CLOW will begin on Sunday, September 22 at the 9:30 AM Mass. **There is a need for** <u>Adult Leaders</u>. If you can assist please contact Pat

Campo-LeBlanc at: <u>olordyimforty@aol.com</u>. Pat will train you. High School teens are welcome to become leaders.



## TITHING OUR TIME, GIFTS AND TALENTS

**FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD:** We depend on you to help our families, children and youth to live out their faith actively. Christ calls us to spread the Good News. Contact us at 508-429-6076 if you can volunteer.

## **TEACHES ARS NEEDED:**

GR-1: 1 Teacher on alt. Sundays, 8:10 - 9:20 AM. GR-2: 1 Teacher on alt. Sundays, 8:10 - 9:25 AM GR-2: 1 Teacher on alt. Wednesdays, 4:15 - 5:30 PM. GR-3: 2 Teachers on alt. Sundays, 10:45AM - 12:15 PM. GR-3: 2 Teachers on alt. Mondays, 3:00 - 4:30 PM. GR-4: 2 Teacher on alt. Mondays, 3:00 - 4:30 PM. GR-5: 1 Teacher on alt. Sundays, 10:45AM - 12:15 PM GR-5: 2 Teachers on alt. Mondays, 3:00 - 4:30 PM. GR-5: 2 Teachers on alt. Mondays, 3:00 - 4:30 PM. GR-6: 1 Teacher on alt. Sundays, 4:00 - 5:30 PM. GR-6: 2 Teachers on alt. Tuesdays, 4:30 - 5:30 PM. GR-7: 1 Teacher on alt. Sundays. 5:00 - 6:30 PM. GR-7: 1 Teacher on alt. Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 PM. GR-8: 4 Teachers on alt. Mondays, 6:00 - 7:30 PM. GR-8: 1 Teachers on alt. Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 PM.

**GRADE 2 PARENT MEETINGS:** The first Parent meeting for children preparing for the Sacraments of First Penance and First Communion will take place on Sunday, September 22 at 8:15 AM and 10:45 AM in Fr. Haley Hall while the children are attending classes. The Monday Parent meeting is scheduled **September 23** at 7:00 PM. Sign-up for First Penance will take place at this meeting.

**GRADE 4 TOURS OF THE CHURCH:** Today, Sunday, Sept. 15 from 3 to 4:30 PM for Sunday classes and Monday, Sept. 16 for Monday classes from 3-4:30 PM. Alter Server and Children's Choir sign-ups will be availabe at this time

**GRADE 2 MINI-TOURS OF THE CHURCH:** Grade 2 children will have their 45 minute tours on September 23. October 2 and October 3 from 4:30 to

5:15 PM in the church. Teachers are to attend.

**CONFIRMATION-GRADE 11:** On Saturday, September 28, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held at the 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM Masses. Rehearsal for the 10:30 AM Mass will be on Tuesday, September 24, and for the 1:30 PM Mass on Thursday, September 26 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM with sponsors. Rehearsals begin in Fr. Haley Hall.

**GR-9 AND 10 TEACHER MEETING:** Wednesday, September 18 at 7:00 PM in Fr. Haley Hall.

### **GRADES 5, 7 AND 8 COORDINATORS ARE**

**NEEDED:** We are in need of Coordinators, for Grade 5, 7 and 8 for the fall program. Grade 5 covers the Seven Sacraments and meets on alternate Sunday mornings and alternate Monday afternoons. Grade 7 meets on alternate Sunday and Wednesday evenings and has a lively hybrid curriculum on Discipleship. Grade 8 meets on alternate Monday and Wednesday and covers the Church and Morality. Training is provided by the DRE for Grades 5 and 7 and by the youth Minister, Jake Thiringer for Grade 8. Please call 508-429-6076 or email Fran at st.marysdre@gmail.com if you can inspire and lead our volunteer teachers to become ambassadors for Christ. *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.

## **PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOPS:**

The workshop is scheduled for Saturday, October 19 from 9 -11 AM. Please call or email the R.E. Office to register for a workshop if you need to fulfill this requirement.

## **OPENING DAY FOR R.E. CLASSES:**

- GR-4: Sunday, Sept. 15 at 3:00 PM in the church.
- GR-5: Sunday, Sept. 15 at 7:55 and 10:45 AM.
- GR-6: Sunday, Sept. 15 at 4:00 PM.
- GR-3, 5: Monday, Sept. 16 at 3:00 PM.
- **GR-4:** Monday, Sept. 16 at 3:00 PM in the church.
- GR-2: Sunday, Sept. 22 at 8:10 and 10:45 AM.
- GR-3: Sunday, Sept. 22 at 7:55 and 10:45 AM.
- GR-6: Mon., Sept. 23 at 5 PM/Tue., Sept. 24 at 4:30 PM
- GR-2: Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 4:15 PM.
- GR-1: Sunday, Sept. 29 at 8:10 AM.
- GR-7: Sun., Sept. 29 at 5 PM /Wed. Oct. 2 at 6 PM
- GR-K: Sunday, Sept. 29 at 9:15 AM.
- GR-9: Tues. Oct 1 and Thur., Oct 3 at 6;30 PM
- GR-8: Wed., Oct. 2 at 6 PM & Mon. Oct. 7 at 6 PM
- PRE-K: Sunday, Oct. 6 at 9:15 AM
- GR-10: Tues. Oct. 8 and Thur., Oct. 10 at 6:30 PM.

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