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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

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Religious Education Phone: (508) 429 - 6076

Fax: (508) 429 - 3324

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.

HAWAIIAN LUAU!

MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE

DATE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

TIME 7 PM – 10 PM

PLACE St. Mary's Parish Center
708 Washington St., Holliston.

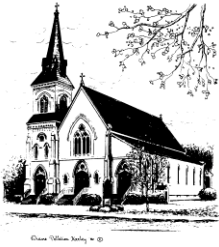
COST \$8 at the door. *Drinks & snacks will be on sale separately.*

WHO Any and all 6th, 7th, or 8th Grade Middle School Students are invited to attend. The dance is sponsored by St. Mary's Youth Ministry, but is open to all Middle School Students from anywhere. Invite a friend!

For safety, you must remain in the building until a parent walks inside to pick you up.

**GREAT DJ,
MUSIC, LIGHTS,
TROPICAL
ATMOSPHERE,
FROZEN DRINKS,
LIMBO CONTEST,
BEST BEACH
OUTFIT CONTEST,
& TOTAL FUN
IN THE SUN!**





Saint Mary's Parish

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

January 26, 2020
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

"Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." (MK 1:17) These words, taken from today's Gospel, are among the richest in all of Scripture. They remind us not only of what we are – but of what we can become in Christ Jesus. Simon and Andrew, lowly fishermen, were unlikely candidates to become Apostles of the Church. And yet by the grace of Jesus, they would lead multitudes to salvation. So if we are ever feeling unworthy in the sight of God. If we are ever disappointed in ourselves, because of things we have done – or things we have failed to do – then we can find encouragement, and hope in these words; *"Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."*

The best part is that Jesus' promise has nothing to do with our own abilities. *"I will make you fishers of men,"* the Savior says. It is Jesus who will accomplish our transformation – according to His grace, and the greatness of His love. All He asks is that we abandon our old ways of life and try to follow Him. We may stumble and fall in the attempt, but as long as we keep moving in His direction, Jesus will provide a way.

It is important to remember that Jesus calls us for a purpose, which is to become "fishers of men." Once we have been caught up in the net of Christ's love and hauled by Him out of the dark waters of sin, He intends for us to fish for others in His name. In a very real sense, the Christian who is not actively seeking to bring others to know the Lord, is only halfway formed. Such a one is not yet what the Lord intends – a "fisher of men."

It is not easy to be a fisherman. The fishermen are up at dawn. They continue fishing until late in the afternoon. They cast and draw in their nets on calloused hands until those hands have no strength left in them. The fishermen often have to go out in rough weather, risking themselves on stormy and unpredictable seas.

And so the Christian who fishes for souls has to expect risk. He will be bound to do or say things that are very unpopular; and that run contrary to the society and powers that surround him. The Christian these days who defends the sanctity of human life, may be called "anti-choice." The Christian who defends the sanctity of marriage, may be called a "bigot." The Christian who lives his life as Jesus did will most certainly be called by many "a fool."

In the end, it does not matter what the world calls us. But only what Jesus calls us; and calls us to be. Fishermen. Seekers of souls. Faithful imitators of the One who said, *"Come ... follow me."*

May the Lord of Our Journey continue to bless you and yours.

Under His Mercy,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark J. Coiro'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Rev. Mark J. Coiro
Pastor

P.S. This weekend Cardinal O'Malley has requested that all parishes share a recorded Pro-Life homily at our Masses. He has also requested that we employ the Church's Mass "For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life" at all the Vigil and Sunday Masses. A recorded homily is not an ideal form of communication, but it is the only way our Archbishop can address his entire flock at the same time. The Cardinal's message is timely as this past Wednesday we marked with prayer and fasting the sad anniversary of Roe vs. Wade; and as new legislation in our state attempts to widen the availability and occurrence of abortion. In a world that de-values human life more and more every day, we as Catholics are called to defend the sanctity of all human life – from the moment of conception in the womb, to the moment of natural death. In doing so, we imitate Jesus, who powerfully advocated for the poor, the weak and the vulnerable of His society.

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. 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

THE ROSE FOR LIFE: Is sponsored this week by the Daily Mass Community. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. If you wish to sponsor the Rose in 2020 please call the Rectory at 429-4427.

PRAYERS AND MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday	January 25
5:00	Joan Mullen
7:30	Charlotte Fortin, 7 th Anv.
Sunday	January 26
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Sr. Mary Conlon
11:30	Pamela Mulcahy, 5 th Anv.
Monday	January 27
9:00	William Short, 10 th Anv.
Tuesday	January 28
9:00	Mary Miley
Wednesday	January 29
9:00	Peter & Shirley Blair
Thursday	January 30
9:00	Daniel Gasti
Friday	January 31
9:00	Annette Cassidy, Month's Mind
Saturday	February 1
9:00	Michael Browne
5:00	Rita Devarakonda, 10 th Anv.
7:30	Greg Schmall
Sunday	February 2
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Boy Scout Sunday
11:30	Bernard Corsi


ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE THROATS: In honor of the Feast of St. Blaise, this devotion will be celebrated after all Masses next weekend. St. Blaise, Physician, Bishop and Martyr, is invoked against diseases of the throats and other ailments.

BOY SCOUT SUNDAY PANCAKE

BREAKFAST:
 Come Join Boy Scout Troop #14 for our Annual Pancake Breakfast



next Sunday, February 2, from 8:00 AM - 12:00 noon in Father Haley Hall serving unlimited pancakes and sausages with hot coffee and orange juice. The cost is \$5.00 per person (\$20max/family), and scouts in uniform eat free! This is one of two annual fundraising events for the troop, with proceeds going to support camping activities, badge and rank advancements, and community service projects. Troop 14 Scouts ages 11-17 meet Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM in the Lower Church Hall, along with several leaders. Any boy wishing to join the troop is asked to call Chris Baribeau at (508) 429-7947, or stop in the Lower Church on a Monday night.



STEWARDSHIP
Managing God's Gifts To Us

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

LAST SUNDAY'S PARISH OFFERTORY:

Mass Collections:	\$ 8,099.00
Automatic Giving:	\$ 4,351.50
WeShare:	\$ 1,237.21
Total Offertory:	\$ 13,687.71

Offertory Shortfall Last Weekend: \$1,312.29

Thank you for making up any missed weekly parish from weekends travelling or away.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY SUNDAY:
 Supports the Church in Latin America (CLA). The CLA provides support for pastoral projects in financially poorer dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. CLA funds catechetical and lay leadership programs, and formation programs for religious, priests and deacons. Please visit www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/index.cfm. For more information.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." MT 6:21

SURGE OF THE HEART

Parish Mission With Jon Leonetti

**Sunday, Monday & Tuesday
February 9, 10 & 11, 2020
7 PM in the church
All are welcome**

Jon is an international Catholic speaker, best-selling author and radio host who conveys a message of lasting fulfillment in Jesus Christ. Through Jon's Parish Missions, thousands of Catholics each year discover the freedom Christ offers by way of His life and love.

“One of the most inspiring Parish Missions available in America today.” - Matthew Kelly



SURGE OF THE HEART! Experience this LIVE three evening deep-dive into the truth and beauty of Catholicism with renowned speaker and author Jon Leonetti. Designed to create meaningful momentum in our Parish for Jesus Christ and His Catholic Church. Surge of the Heart is a series where you will laugh, grow, be inspired, and never forget!

EVENING ONE (SUNDAY, FEB. 9) WHO IS GOD AND WHY DOES THAT MATTER?

We cannot love someone we don't know. Therefore, in order to love God we have to first know God. So how do we come to know God? We examine the ways He's revealed Himself to us. And in understanding the ways He's revealed Himself to us, we better understand who we are and what our mission in life is all about. After all, selfishness, greed, resentment, ego make us miserable. It's the Cross of Jesus Christ and the power of the Gospel that can set us free.

EVENING TWO (MONDAY, FEB. 10) GOD'S DREAM FOR YOUR LIFE

God's dream is to make you a saint. On this second evening, Jon shares both powerful and humorous stories of Catholic men and women who revolutionized their generation, living and sharing the extraordinary love and mercy of God in the most ordinary of ways. They're stories that will make you laugh and stories that will make you cheer—and stories that will make you want to go and do likewise.

EVENING THREE (TUESDAY, FEB. 11) LIVING GOD'S DREAM

Every saint had a mission. Every saint had a plan. We should, too. On this third evening, Jon shares the three things every saint had in common, and how we can implement them into our lives as well. There may not be any more important thing we will ever do. Let's get to work. Let's be saints!

3 Nights, 1 Mission, All Catholic!

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MATTHEW KELLY, Founder of Dynamic Catholic

SURGE OF THE HEART
A CATHOLIC PARISH MISSION



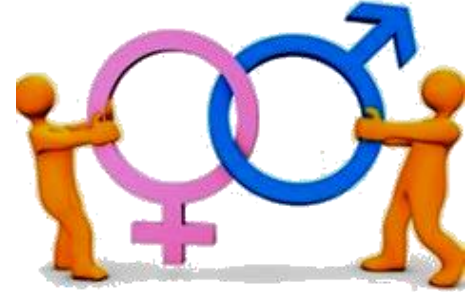
High School Youth Ministry
St. Mary's EPIC
Mission Trip
Gulfport, Mississippi
July 26 - Aug 1, 2020

Meet & Greet
Info Night With
Jake Thiringer - Youth Minister
Jess Keefe - Trip Organizer
Repair and Replenish Missions
Wednesday, January 29
7PM - Lower Church Hall



**All are welcome – Prospective Participants, Parents,
Prospective Chaperones**

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: Our next Meeting is tonight, Sunday, January 26 from 6:30 – 8:30 PM, a half hour longer because of the *13th Annual Battle of the Sexes*. There will be faith, friendship, fun and signups for the February 18 Vacation week trips to Coco Key and Boda Borg! Also, see details for our awesome January 31 LUAU Dance in this Bulletin. All 6th, 7th and 8th Graders are welcome!



ST. MARY'S EPIC – HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: There will be a Mission Trip Information Session this coming Wednesday, January 29 in the Lower Church at 7 PM. This will give the chance for prospective teens, parents and chaperones to learn more about the trip and ask questions. The information session will be lead by Jake Thiringer, St. Mary's Youth Minister, and Jess Keefe, Co-Leader of Repair & Replenish Retreat Missions, who will be coordinating our camp and work sites.

The St. Mary's Summer Mission Trip will be July 26 to August 1 to Gulfport, Mississippi. Right on the Gulf Coast, Gulfport has still not fully recovered from Hurricane Katrina. The community remains stricken by poverty and needs our help. Mission Trip Paperwork can be picked up from the Religious Ed. Office, or during Confirmation Prep Classes and needs to be submitted to the St. Mary's Youth Ministry office by Friday, February 7. Teens must attend 5 EPIC Meetings and 1 EPIC Service Project before participation in the Mission Trip. (There are still 5 Meetings left and we could schedule an extra one if needed.)

Adults who chaperoned the 2019 Mission Trip can submit sign up paperwork as normal. Adults who were not on the 2019 Trip should speak to EPIC Adult Leaders Kim Latifi or Kathleen Larche to discuss expectations and skillsets needed from trip chaperones. Adult Chaperones are expected to be involved with EPIC meetings and events leading up to the mission trip.

Remaining EPIC Winter/ Spring Events:

General Meetings - February 12 (Wednesday), March 1, March 29, May 3 and May 31 from 7:15 – 8:45 PM in FHH, \$5 Dues.

Teen Mass - 6:00 PM on Sunday, March 29 followed by a General Meeting from 7:00 – 8:30 PM in FHH.

Prayer and Planning Meeting on March 22 from 7:15 – 8:15 PM in Classrooms 3 and 4.

Service Project, Blessings Bags on Sunday, March 8 at 7:15 PM in FHH.



TAX STATEMENTS: Tax statements for fiscal year 2019 are currently being prepared and will be mailed out in the coming weeks. If you have any questions regarding your statement please call the rectory at 429-4427. St. Mary's is grateful to both those who faithfully use Our Sunday Visitor envelopes and those who use direct banking. If using envelopes, please remember to write the enclosed amount on the outside. If this is done, the money counters only have to verify the contents. If it is not done, then they also have to write the amount for you, which adds substantially to the time needed to count the collection for deposit. If they do not notate the unwritten amount, it may be recorded as "0". Thank you for helping our volunteers!

HOLLISTON PANTRY SHELF SOUPER BOWL 2020: Will be held on Saturday, February 1 from 5 – 7:30 PM at Christ the King Lutheran Church, located at 600 Central Street in Holliston, MA. The SOUPer Bowl is celebrating its 13th year and is the single largest fundraising event for the Holliston Pantry Shelf. The SOUPer Bowl dinner features gourmet soups donated by local businesses. Fresh breads, beverages and desserts are also included in the meal. Guests will also have a chance to win exciting prizes in a raffle drawing that features goods and services donated by local businesses and individual families. Tickets are being sold at Coffee Haven, Holliston Superette and Town Clerk's Office. Adults 12 and older are \$15, Seniors 65+ and children 6 to 11 are \$10, and admission is free for children up to 5 years. The Holliston Pantry Shelf is located at 73 Charles Street. Donations are always welcome. Pantry Hours are Monday – Friday 10am – 2 pm, and evening hours are Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 – 7:30 pm. If closed, donations can be placed in the large box directly outside the Pantry entrance.



ST. MARY'S 150th ANNIVERSARY GALA SILENT AUCTION: Interested in donating to the St. Mary's 150th Anniversary Gala Silent Auction? We are looking for donations of all kinds. Perhaps you are a season ticket holder, a business owner, someone who owns a vacation house who can offer a weekend getaway, or maybe you have a special talent or service you could donate (culinary professional, massage therapist, painter, musician, personal health instructor). This would be a great opportunity to help make St. Mary's Anniversary celebration a great success! We would love to hear from you! Please contact Paula Watt at 401-256-8341 or Paula.Watt@ymail.com.

COMING SOON TO A LOBBY NEAR YOU! Coming February 1 to a lobby near you! We are putting the finishing touches on The Parish History segment of our Anniversary Video Series to be shown in the Religious Education Center lobby. Come see 150 years of history in 20 minutes! I am still looking for photographs. Specifically, the 125th anniversary in 1995, St. Mary's CYO activities, Quinlan Congress, and anything else you'd like to see on the screen. Contact Betty Febo at 508-429-7190 or betty.febo@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL LONG-TIME AND NEW PARISHIONERS: The St. Mary's 150th Anniversary Committee wishes to hear from those parishioners who have been members of St. Mary's for over 50 years. Do you have any photos or memorabilia we could use? We are also interested in hearing what brought new parishioners (5 years or less) to St. Mary's. Was there a particular parish program or ministry that interested you, or is our welcoming reputation just well-known far and wide! Please send any comments/anecdotes to betty.febo@gmail.com or if you would like to share a story in person, contact Sandy Liro at 508.429.6098. Your comments may be included in our new parish history, but no comments will be directly attributed without express permission.

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit): Please join us this Wednesday, January 29, when WINGS continues its Winter 2020 Season on Great Themes of the Old Testament presented by Sr. Agnes Therrien. Session 2, on January 29, will be "Surrendering to God and His Power to Save." We are all called to make our own Exodus journey where we learn to trust God, say yes to Him, and put our lives in His hands. WINGS will not meet if Holliston schools are canceled due to bad weather.

The WINGS ministry provides an opportunity for women to deepen their faith, no matter where they are on their spiritual journey. Please join us whether you can attend each week or just some weeks.

WINGS meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:45 – 11:15 AM in Father Haley Hall. Nurturing childcare is available. For more information call Jennifer Schiller 617-852-9632 or to sign-up: betty.febo@gmail.com.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS ON MARY:
"O sinner, be not discouraged, but have recourse to Mary in all your necessities. Call her to your assistance, for such is the divine Will that she should help in every kind of necessity." - Saint Basil the Great

"If you ever feel distressed during your day, call upon our Lady, just say this simple prayer: 'Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now.' I must admit, this prayer has never failed me." - Saint Mother Teresa

MUSIC	5:00 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Entrance	#516	#548	#548
Offertory	#629	-	-
Communion	#502	#327	#366
Recessional	#389	#476	#476



CLOW- CHILDREN K-6: CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Today, Sunday, January 26, 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 assist the adult leaders.

WEEK'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

DAY	GRADE	GRADE
Sun., Jan. 26	GR-2 at 8:10 AM	GR-2 at 10:45 AM
	GR-3 at 7:55 AM	GR-3 at 10:45 AM
Mon., Jan. 27	GR-3 at 3:00 PM	GR-6 at 5:00 PM
	GR-8 at 6:00 PM	
Tues., Jan. 28	GR-6 at 4:30 PM	GR-9 at 6:30 PM
Wed., Jan. 29	GR-8 at 6:00 PM	
Thur. Jan. 30	GR-9 at 6:30 PM	
Sun., Feb. 02	PRE-K at 9:15 AM	GR-1 at 8:10 AM
	GR-4 at 7:55 AM	GR-4 at 10:45 AM
	GR-5 at 10:45 AM	

HELP - MONITORS ARE NEEDED: For details and training please call 508-429-6076.

GR-4/5: MONITOR: - Alt Sundays 10:45AM-12:15 PM.

GR-6: 1 MONITOR - Tuesdays, 4:30-5:30 PM.

GR-8: 1 MONITOR - Alt Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 PM.

GR-9: 1 MONITOR - Alt Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM.

GR-2 PARENT MEETING: Parents with Grade 2 children will meet in Fr. Haley Hall on Sunday, January 26 for one of two meetings at 8:15 AM or 10:45 AM, while their children attend classes, for a presentation on the Eucharist and discussion. Coffee, tea and breakfast refreshments will be served. Teachers who have their children in Grade 2 can attend the Monday, January 27 meeting at 7:00 PM or one of the Sunday meetings before or after their class session.

CHRISTIAN SEXUALITY WORKSHOP PREVIEWS FOR PARENTS WHO HAVE GR-5 CHILDREN: Parents who were not able to attend the scheduled parent workshops and would like their child to attend the student workshop on Saturday, March 21 may contact Fran and schedule a viewing. No child will be allowed to attend the student Christian Sexuality Workshop without a parent previewing the program or by submitting a signed Previously Previewed Permission Form to the R. E. Office by March 8.

GRADE 5 SPONSORED HEALING MASS: The Healing Mass sponsored by the Grade 5 children will take place on Sunday, February 23 at the 11:30 AM Mass. Please mark your calendars for this date.

CONFIRMATION I: Grade 9 is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, January 28 and Thursday, January 30 at 6:30 PM in Fr. Haley Hall.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2020: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Bishop Reed on Saturday, September 26 at the 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM Masses this year.

GRADES 5 COORDINATOR IS STILL NEEDED: Our Grade Coordinators are vital to our R.E. program and assist the DRE in planning, scheduling and contacting families during the year regarding class reminders and assist with events. Please contact Fran Crespi for information if you are interested and able to help. Training will be provided. Please call 508-429-6076 or email: st.marysdre1870@gmail.com.

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.

ADULT FAITH SERIES: On Tuesday, January 28, 2020, the "The Bible and the Virgin Mary" series will continue from 10:00 AM to Noon in Room 3 – 4. All are welcome!



R.E. CLASS SNOW CANCELLATION: When Holliston public schools are closed due to inclement weather for full or half day, then R. E. classes will not be held. Cancellations will be aired on Channel 5 and Channel 7 during the week day and on Channel 4 on Saturday & Sunday only. You can also call the R.E. Office at 508-429-6076 and press ext. 28 for cancellation notices.

PARENT NOTICE REGARDING PICKING UP CHILDREN FROM THE CENTER: A signed note is required from a parent if their child is going to be picked-up from the center by another designated person. This policy is in place to protect your child. **ALSO:** Parents must come into the center to pick-up their child at the end of class. This policy is for students through Grade 8.

GRADE 3 PARENT ROSARY WORKSHOP: On Saturday, February 8 there will be a Rosary making workshop from 10 – 11 AM in Room 3 and 4 to string and prepare kits for the Grade 3 children's Rosary workshop scheduled on Sunday, March 8 from 2 – 4 PM. Grade 3 teachers and parents with Grade 3 children are asked to volunteer their time to make the Rosary kits. This is a morning filled with great conversation and fun...