

# St. Mary's Parish



## Our Mission:

*"To know Christ and to make Him known."*

### Mass Schedule:

Monday through Friday  
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

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Email Address: [St.marys1870@gmail.com](mailto:St.marys1870@gmail.com)

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

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:** Currently by appointment only due to the Pandemic.

**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. Congratulations!



**WE REMEMBER THEM.**

**WE PRAY FOR THEIR REPOSE.**

**WE PRAY FOR THE CONSOLATION  
OF THEIR LOVED ONES.**

**WE REAFFIRM OUR BELIEF THAT – WITHOUT  
EXCEPTION – ALL HUMAN LIFE IS SACRED  
FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH.**

**WE PLEDGE TO WORK UNTIL THAT TRUTH  
IS ENSHRINED IN LAW.**

**MARCH 16, 2021  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA**

Delaina Ashley Yaun, age 33  
Daoyou Feng, age 44  
Xiaojie Tan, age 49  
Hyun Jung Grant, age 51  
Paul Andre Michels, age 54  
Yong Yue, age 63  
Suncha Kim, age 69  
Soon Chung Park, age 74

**MARCH 22, 2021  
BOULDER, COLORADO**

Denny Stong, age 20  
Neven Stanisic, age 23  
Rikki Olds, age 25  
Tralona Bartkowiak, 49  
Suzanne Fountain, age 59  
Teri Leiker, age 51  
Officer Eric Talley, age 51  
Kevin Mahoney, age 61  
Lynn Murray, age 62  
Jody Waters, age 65



## 2021 CATHOLIC APPEAL ~ Living Our Faith Together

We want to thank everyone from St. Mary's who has so far participated in the 2021 Catholic Appeal.

**To date our parish has raised \$ 68,295.00 from 29% of St. Mary's active households, reaching 78% of our parish goal of \$87,486.**

These contributions support the many ministries of our Archdiocese and will improve the lives of so many vulnerable persons. The Appeal is to our Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish. If you have not yet made your gift, please consider making a pledge.



**(Option 1)** If you have given previously to the Catholic Appeal, then you should have received a 2021 Pledge Form in the mail. Mail it to St. Mary's or to the Archdiocese. You may also drop it off at St. Mary's, and we will mail it in. Any checks we receive made out to the 2021 Catholic Appeal will also be forwarded.

**(Option 2)** Scan the QR Code right.

**(Option 3)** Visit <https://bostoncatholicappeal.org/> and scroll to the bottom of the page to donate online. This website also offers you a video to watch and detailed information about the Catholic Appeal.



However you give, please be sure to indicate St. Mary's, Holliston as your parish so that your gift is applied to our parish goal. Thank you for doing your part – large or small according to your means – to support the good works of our Church. God bless you!

### PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Mark J. Coiro, Pastor  
The Xaverian Fathers, Weekend Assistance  
Deacon John D. Barry, Permanent Deacon  
Deacon Ronald A. Dowding, 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  
Mrs. Mary Beth Harris, Parish Secretary  
Mrs. Robin Rogers, Religious Education Secretary  
Ms. Mary Sanning, Business Manager  
Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan  
Mr. Billy Hanson, Parish Facilities  
R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care

### PARISH OFFERTORY LAST WEEKEND:

Automatic Giving:	\$ 3,256.50
WeShare:	\$ 2,715.17
Offertory Envelopes dropped off / mailed in:	\$ 6,699.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 12,670.67
Weekly Offertory Need:	\$ 15,000.00

### Offertory Shortfall

**Last Weekend: \$2,329.33**

### MASS INTENTIONS:

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 27</b>
5:00	Philip Meuse
7:30	Clarella Kiesgen, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anv.
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<b>March 28</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Ann Murphy
11:30	Bill Kreinsen
<b>Monday</b>	<b>March 29</b>
9:00	Robert Salemi
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>March 30</b>
9:00	Kenneth Brown, Jr.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>March 31</b>
9:00	Carmine Apuzzo

**EASTER SIGN-UPS:** To make sure no one was turned away, at Christmas we did a "By Sign-Up Only," approach. But then some people did not show up for the seats they reserved, causing others to miss out unnecessarily. So for Easter we will allow walk-ins if there are still unreserved seats at a Mass. If a Mass is fully reserved, but there are still empty seats once it begins, then those seats will go to any walk-ins present. Those who Sign-Up in advance will have a seat reserved for them only until Mass begins – so plan an early arrival if possible. Due to reduced seating we highly recommend Signing-Up for Mass.





## Holy Week Schedule

Sign-Up at <https://stmarysholliston.com/>

### **HOLY THURSDAY, April 1**

Mass of the Lord's Supper ~ 7:00 PM (Livestreamed & Attendance, Reservations End at Noon).

### **GOOD FRIDAY, April 2**

Live Children's Stations of the Cross ~ 12:00 Noon

(Children's Stations are Livestreamed Only - no in person attendance except actors with a parent).

Celebration of the Lord's Passion ~ 7:00 PM (Livestreamed & Attendance, Reservations End at Noon)

### **HOLY SATURDAY, April 3**

The Great Easter Vigil ~ 8:00 PM (Attendance, Reservations End at Noon).

### **EASTER SUNDAY, April 4 - *Reserved seats held only until Mass starts.***

7:30 AM ~ Church Mass (Attendance, Reservations End at Noon Saturday).

9:30 AM ~ Hall Mass (Attendance, Reservations End at Noon Saturday).

9:30 AM ~ Church Mass (Attendance, Reservations End at Noon Saturday).

11:30 AM ~ Church Mass (Livestreamed & Attendance, Reservations End at Noon Saturday).

\* All Holy Week Livestreams are to both Facebook and Cable: Verizon Fios Ch. 33 or Comcast Xfinity Ch. 96.

### **EASTER COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS:**

Due to the Pandemic's impact on in-person Mass attendance, St. Mary's 2020 Christmas Mass Collection for Retired Priests was down by 66% from the previous year. Please help us avoid a repeat of that drop by generously supporting the 2021 Easter Collection for Retired Priests. These good and holy men gave their whole lives in dedicated service to us. Now let us be there for them in their need.

Please mail in or drop off to St. Mary's the special Easter Envelope shown above left. Or you may contribute online at <https://clergytrust.org/>. WeShare and Automatic Giving gifts may also be designated for the Easter Collection. Thank you!

**CORRECTION:** Our Envelope Company mistakenly sent out both Easter and Special Monthly Offering Envelopes for April 4 – even though the Easter Collection is exclusively for the Clergy Fund. Please use the Easter envelope, not the green one. Thank you!





## From the Pastor's Desk

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

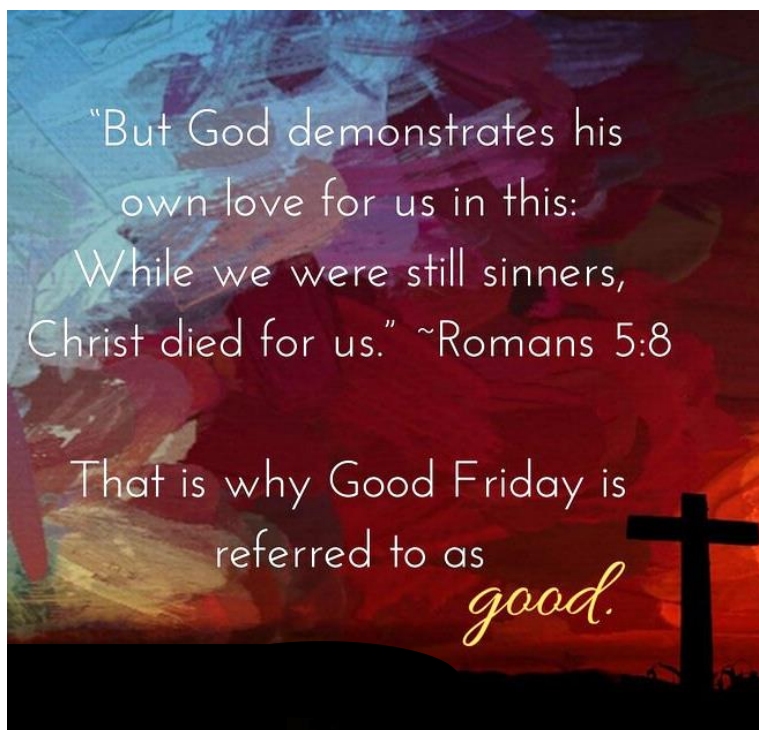
In today's bulletin I have listed the names of the eighteen men and women gunned down in Atlanta and Boulder over the past two weeks. I encourage you to go online and spend a few moments getting to know who they were. Look at their photos, read their stories, and give them and their families the gift of your prayers. It is so important that those whose lives are taken from them by violence be more than numbers and statistics to us. Rather, let us honor them as Children of God, each a unique and irreplaceable person with something to offer the world that no one else can.

These tragic shooting events remind us that the darkness of evil, violence, suffering and death is still very much with us. It was this very evil that Jesus allowed Himself to be subjected to on the Cross – gathering it to Himself by a perfect sacrifice of love and defeating it by His Resurrection on Easter Day. For those who had placed their hope in Jesus, those hours between Good Friday and Easter Morning were dark ones - full of doubt, anger, and grief. But Easter showed that hope in Our Lord is never misplaced. Light will overcome darkness. Life will triumph over death.

The crowds who welcomed Jesus joyfully into Jerusalem, quickly turned against Him once the way became difficult and the Cross inevitable. But like the Blessed Mother and the Beloved Disciple, we strive to follow Christ wherever He leads. We see His sacrifice and we realize how precious is the gift of life. And never do we honor Him more than when we respect and defend the sanctity of life for all.

God bless you.

Rev. Mark J. Coiro  
Pastor



**GOOD FRIDAY:** This coming Friday, April 2, is a day of solemn reflection, prayer, fasting, and abstinence from meat. It is customary to also abstain from social activities. Anything we would not do on the actual day a close family member that we love just died, we also avoid doing on the day that Jesus died. For Catholics, Good Friday is the single most solemn day of the year, as we consider the suffering and death that Jesus endured to save us from our sins. Let us respect and honor His perfect sacrifice of love.

### WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS:

*"No one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the Cross. No one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ. His prayer brought benefit to the multitude that raged against Him. How much more does it bring to those who turn to Him in repentance."* - St. Leo the Great



**THE ROSE FOR LIFE:** Is sponsored this week by Mary Nolan and family. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. If you wish to sponsor the Rose in 2021 please call the Rectory at 429-4427.

**WINGS (Women in God's Spirit):** Please join WINGS on Wednesday, March 31 at 10 AM via Zoom when Jess McGuire will share with us "There is Light Amidst the Darkness." Jessica's journey of faith shows that, through the healing power of God's amazing grace, we can offer mercy to those who have deeply offended us. Jess is a mother of two children and a survivor of sexual abuse. She will share her struggles to heal and her journey back to faith. She will be joined by Xaverian Father Carl Chudy, her spiritual director. For additional information about the WINGS ministry, please call Jen Schiller at 617-852-9632. To register for WINGS, email [stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com).

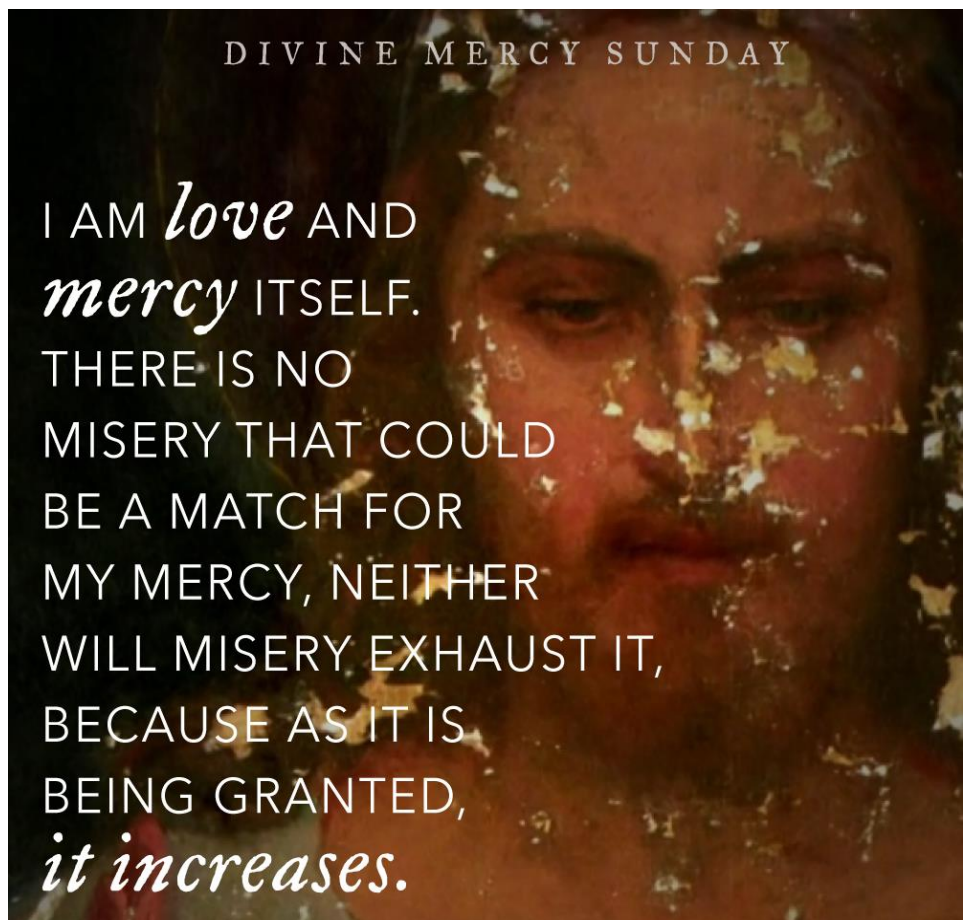


**BLESSED MOTHER SCHOLARSHIP:** Scholarship Applications are now available at <https://stmarysholliston.com/> under REGISTER / PARISH FORMS. This \$2,000 scholarship is granted in recognition of exceptional service to the St. Mary's Parish Family. Applicants must meet the following criteria: Graduating from High School in the Spring of 2021; Accepted to a four-year college or university to commence classes in the Fall of 2021; Family registered at St. Mary's Parish for at least two full years; Completed Religious Education and received the Sacrament of Confirmation; Attend Mass weekly at St. Mary's (virtually or in person); and are otherwise living out their Catholic faith. Applications are due to the Scholarship Committee by Easter Sunday, April 4. The Scholarship will be presented at St. Mary's Mass for the Graduating Class of 2021, Sunday, May 23 at 11:30 AM.

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 11 ~

##### **DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:**

Immediately following the 11:30 AM Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Knights of Columbus will lead the praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. We will gather in Fr. Haley Hall and will simultaneously live-cast the chaplet on Facebook. The chaplet is a beautiful prayer and is quite easy to learn. The prayer service will last only ten minutes. All parishioners are welcome to join us in-person or virtually. You can join virtually by connecting to the St. Mary's Facebook page – <https://www.facebook.com/MusicAtStMarysHolliston/>. Questions about the service can be directed to Deacon Ron Dowding at: [ronald.dowding@verizon.net](mailto:ronald.dowding@verizon.net). Additional information about the chaplet can be found on the web at: <https://rb.gy/guwqms>.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

I AM *love* AND  
*mercy* ITSELF.  
THERE IS NO  
MISERY THAT COULD  
BE A MATCH FOR  
MY MERCY, NEITHER  
WILL MISERY EXHAUST IT,  
BECAUSE AS IT IS  
BEING GRANTED,  
*it increases.*



## SAFETY PROCEDURES TO ATTEND WEEKEND MASS ~

(Daily Mass is exactly the same, except that there is no preregistration or sign in upon arrival. To save cleaning, only nave seating will be used on weekdays. To allow deep cleaning, the Saturday 9 AM Mass is suspended).

Please note that these rules have been mandated for all churches for health safety compliance. We did not devise them, but we must follow them in order to reopen. For their protection, the elderly and those with underlying health vulnerabilities are discouraged from attending in Phase One. Anyone with a fever or other symptoms of illness should also not attend.

- 1) Pre-sign up for a Mass via Sign Up Genius. After taping the church pews apart by 6 feet, our allowed capacity is now 140 people per Mass (usually 600). Sign Ups are here: <https://stmarysholliston.com/>
- 2) Bring hand sanitizer with you and wear a mask at all times. Children under the age of two should not wear masks. Parents should judge for children between the ages of two and five whether they should wear a mask.
- 3) Bring a printout of the Mass Bible Readings if desired. To avoid possible cross-contamination, we are not permitted to provide missals or handouts. You may find the readings easily at: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/> by calendar date. You can also access these on your smartphone, but please shut that ringer off for Mass! :)
- 4) Enter the church through the front center door facing the Town Hall, or the elevator if handicapped. Only these entrances will be accessible. If using the elevator, PLEASE hand sanitize before touching the glass entry door handles and elevator push buttons.
- 5) Sanitize your hands immediately upon entering the church. We have a limited supply of sanitizer for anyone who forgets to bring some, but please try to bring your own.
- 6) Sign in with the door volunteers at the Mass for which you preregistered.
- 7) Upon entering the church proper, keep your mask on at all times and follow 6 foot social distancing - except for families who may sit together as a group. Every other pew is taped off, and blue tape in each pew center marks out a 6 foot area between opposite ends of the same pew.
- 8) At this time please refrain from singing the Hymns and Responsorial Psalm. The Mass parts may be sung with mask on.
- 9) For Holy Communion, follow the blue arrows which are spaced 6 feet apart. Receive with your mask on, in the hands only. Then step away from the Communion table. Once 6 feet from the priest or minister, standing on the double arrows, remove your mask, place the Host in your mouth, and then immediately put your mask back in place.
- 10) Participants at Mass are asked to leave the church when their pew is dismissed at the end of the Mass so as to allow time for cleaning the church before the next Mass. No social gatherings are permitted after Mass.
- 12) Please remove any papers or trash from your pew when you exit and place it in the receptacles provided at the church entrances. Please do not leave anything in the pew where a cleaner would have to touch it.
- 13) Shared collection baskets are not permitted, so no collection can be taken up at Mass. Please continue to make your weekly offertory support via Automatic Giving, WeShare, or by mailing in or dropping off your envelope via the rectory mail-slot. Thank you!

A good video to help you visualize the procedures is here: <https://vimeo.com/421142581>.



## WELCOME HOME





## WORSHIPING VIRTUALLY WITH ST. MARY'S

**PREPARING A PLACE TO PRAY:** Pick a place where you will be as free from as many distractions as you can. A TV or Radio in the background will never let you listen to the service, or God. So do your best to arrange a spot and be sure to shut off your cellphone entirely.

Set your laptop, iPad or phone into a good position on a table. Clear everything else off.

If you have a candle, put that near you. An Icon, Cross, or Statue of Mary is great, too.

Print out and have handy the Mass Readings:  
<https://bible.usccb.org/>.

When ready, have your family pray together the following prayer of preparation:

*Throughout time, Almighty God has moved people to set apart places to pray, to worship, and to meet with*

*God. Almighty God, we thank you for making us in Your image, for making Your presence known, and for calling us to know You. We set apart this time and this place for Your worship. Sanctify it all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. May all we do here be to Your glory. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen. At this time, light your candle.*

**COMMUNION TIME:** Make an Act of Spiritual Communion at Communion time. See Prayer Below.

**SUNDAY MASS:** Every Sunday, the 11:30 AM Mass is being live-streamed from our beautiful St. Mary's Church. You may watch this Mass live on Holliston Cable: Verizon Fios Ch. 33 or Comcast Xfinity Ch. 96.

Or you can visit: <https://www.facebook.com/MusicAtStMarysHolliston/> and scroll down. You do not need a Facebook account to access this page. If early, you may need to hit "refresh." Welcome!

### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION ~

**My Jesus, I believe that You are present  
in the Most Holy Sacrament.**

**I love You above all things,**

**and I desire to receive You into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment receive You  
sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.**

**Never permit me to be separated from You.**

**Amen.**





## THE PARISH CENTER IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO THE PANDEMIC.

**VIRTUAL CLOW:** The Children's Liturgy of the Word is offering prerecorded weekly lessons online until we can meet again in person. These are engaging and enriching lessons for parents and children to participate in together. Click on the following link and then once on the web page, click on prerecorded lessons. Thank you, Pat Campo-Leblanc/Coordinator

<https://stmarysholliston.com/st-marys-childrens-liturgy-of-the-word/>.



# Religious Education

**IMPORTANT COVID NOTICE:** Please note that if the Town of Holliston is classified in the RED ZONE due to COVID-19, then in-person classes will not be in session. This is in line with the Archdiocesan Guidelines and do not reflect what the public school guidelines are for health and safety during the pandemic.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES 2021:** Classes will continue remotely until the Archdiocese of Boston states that it is safe to allow small group gatherings.

**GRADE K-7 NOTICE:** Families must check their child's grade level LINKS for updated sessions weekly as sessions for each grade are in constant development. Since families have expressed difficulty keeping up with the lessons, it is important to remember that your children can self-pace the lessons according to your schedule to avoid stress in completing the sessions. However, the sessions should be completed by June 30, 2021.

### THE FAMILY ROSARY MISSION:

The Family Rosary Mission is an initiative to invite families to pray the Rosary together. Join us again on **Sunday, March 28**, at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Norwood at 4:00 PM for the Rosary. The Rosary will be live-streamed. Families anywhere can pray with families from other parishes by going to:



[www.stcatherinenorwood.org](http://www.stcatherinenorwood.org)

**CONFIRMATION I AND II:** Please see the chart below for Grades 9 and 10. Classes for Grades 9 and 10 are ninety minutes and for Grade 8, one hour and fifteen minutes.

DATE	GRADE	MODEL
Sun., March 28	GR-K at 10:00 AM	Remote - Zoom
	GR-9 at 6:30 PM	Remote - Zoom
Tues., March 30	NO SESSION	
Thur., April 01	NO SESSION	Holy Thursday
Sun., April 04	NO SESSION	EASTER

**FIRST COMMUNION:** The dates for First Holy Communion Masses have been set for Saturday, June 12, at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM and Saturday, June 19, at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM. Questions regarding the Grade 2 program can be directed to Fran at: [st.marysdre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysdre1870@gmail.com) or to our GR-2 Coordinator, Derri Cole at: [colederr@hotmail.com](mailto:colederr@hotmail.com).

**WINGS (Women in God's Spirit):** WINGS has a Facebook page and would love to have folks (not just members) access it and respond to posts. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/WingsHolliston>.

**CHILDREN'S NOON STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY~ LIVE STREAMED:** This coming Friday, April 2, at noon the Stations of the Cross for Children in **Grades K through 5** will be broadcast live-streamed to Facebook and through Holliston Cable Access (HCAT). Parents are encouraged to have their children participate in the prayers during this solemn walk with Jesus to Calvary to learn of Jesus' love for them in the here and now. Please **download and print** out these prayers in advance at: <https://stmarysholliston.com/> under REGISTER / PARISH FORMS.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS FOR 2021-2022:** Registrations will be sent out by April 15 with a return deadline of June 15, 2021. We are planning for a normal opening of classes in late September or early October with the condition that if any Archdiocesan or state restrictions are imposed again due to the pandemic with social distance limitations, our program will have to adapt to any safety mandates which may require using a virtual model for classes once again. If any family is new to Holliston or has children entering Grades K or 1 in September, go to the parish website at [www.stmarysholliston.com](http://www.stmarysholliston.com) after April 15 and download a copy of the 2021-2022 registration form under Register / Parish Forms.

HOLY WEEK BLESSINGS TO ALL OUR FAMILIES, GRADE COORDINATORS AND VOLUNTEERS.

## GUARDIAN OF THE REDEEMER



Continued from last week: Pope John Paul II's (JPII) Apostolic Exhortation "Guardian of the Redeemer", the person and Mission of Saint Joseph in the Life of Christ.

**The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple:** This rite to which Luke refers (Lk 2:22), includes the ransom of the first-born and sheds light on the subsequent stay of Jesus in the Temple at the age of twelve.

The ransoming of the first-born is another obligation of the father and it is fulfilled by Joseph. Represented in the first-born is the people of the Covenant, ransomed from slavery in order to belong to God. Here too, Jesus—Who is the true "price" of ransom not only "fulfills" the Old Testament rite, but at the same time transcends it, since He is not a subject to be redeemed, but the very author of redemption (cf. 1 Cor 6:20; 7:23 1 Pt 1:19).

The Gospel writer notes that "His father and His mother marveled at what was said about Him" (Lk 2:23), in particular at what Simon said in his canticle to God, when he referred to Jesus as the "Salvation which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel" and as a "sign that is spoken against."

**The Flight into Egypt:** After the presentation in the Temple, Luke notes: "And when they had performed everything according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. And the Child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon Him" (Lk 2:39-40). But according to Matthew's text, a very important event took place before the return to Galilee, an event in which divine providence once again had recourse to Joseph. "Now when the magi had departed, behold an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'rise, take the Child and His mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there till I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the Child, to destroy Him'" (Mt 2:13). For Herod had learned from the magi who came from the East about the birth of the "King of the Jews." *Continued next week.*

## IMPORTANT CORI AND PGC INFORMATION

### FY2021 CORI VOLUNTEER RENEWAL ALERT:

Ministry Leaders must make sure that **all** their active volunteers (18 years and older) renew and complete a **FY 2021 CORI**. If you are planning to volunteer in any ministry, you must complete a **2021 CORI** form. You can scan in your license and completed 2021 CORI form and send it to [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com). Please call the Religious Education Office at 508-429-6076 if you need a **2021 CORI** Form. Everyone must fill in all sections of the CORI form marked with an asterisk where it pertains to important information. Incomplete CORI forms may result in processing delays for volunteers who serve in various ministries at St. Mary's.

**NOTICE:** Due to the current restrictions and health concerns presented by the pandemic, the office of Risk Management at the Archdiocese has made the following **temporary adjustments** to their adult child protection training requirements. All employees and all volunteers who may have contact with children are required to complete Protecting God's Children training. However, due to our current inability to gather together for live trainings, volunteers can currently meet this requirement through participation in two online trainings: VIRTUS online PGC training and Massachusetts online Mandated Reporter training.

**To complete the online PGC training, volunteers should go to [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org).**

Click on "First time registrant."

On the next page click on "Begin the registration process."

Select "Boston" from the drop down list of dioceses and complete the registration process.

Once the registration is complete, you will be directed to an online PGC training through VIRTUS. Upon completion of that training, individuals will be directed to a link to an additional online training on mandated reporting in Massachusetts. Both online trainings must be completed to be in compliance with child protection requirements.

The mandated reporter training can be found at: <http://51a.middlesexac.org/>. Copies of the mandated reported certificates should be sent to Michelle Gee at [MGee@rcab.org](mailto:MGee@rcab.org). It is not necessary to submit a copy of the PGC certificate. Anyone with questions can contact Vivian Soper at [VSoper@rcab.org](mailto:VSoper@rcab.org) or at 617-746-5995. While staff are working from home, email and phone messages are checked at least hourly during normal work hours.