





# Saint Mary's Parish

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

May 16, 2021  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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

Today we are honored to welcome our Archbishop, Sean Cardinal O'Malley, to St. Mary's in Holliston. Although our parish's "official" 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was on November 29, 2020, today His Eminence joins us personally in celebrating this milestone. His presence reminds us of our connection to the wider Catholic community of faith, an Archdiocese comprised of 288 parishes under his pastoral care.

How humbling to think that 150 years ago, our parish existed mostly just on paper and in the hearts of the Catholics here. The labor, sacrifice, and faith that followed laid the foundations of the St. Mary's we know today. Let us be thankful for what we have inherited from the men and women who came before us, and let us commit not only to preserve, but to grow what has been given us.

This weekend's bulletin contains a parish anniversary photo collage. The experience of assembling the pictures made me both grateful and sad – grateful that I have been privileged to serve in such a wonderful parish, but also sad that so many of our ministries, celebrations and traditions have lapsed due to the pandemic.

When this is all over, we will have a lot of rebuilding to do, strengthening and restoring the ties of community, worship and outreach that make St. Mary's such a special place. So much that was bright has dimmed. But God is ever faithful. And aided by His grace we will recover, heal, and resurrect. Thank you to all who have supported and stood by St. Mary's in these difficult times. And know that St. Mary's is always here for you.

God bless you.

Rev. Mark J. Coiro  
Pastor

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## **These special Prayers of the Faithful will be used at today's 11:30 Mass. We are grateful for so much!**

O God, our Father, today we thank You for everything You have been to us at St. Mary's Parish in the days that are past: for every time we have come to church depressed and discouraged, and have gone out again with the light of hope in our eyes; for every time we have come to church in sorrow, and found comfort for the wounds upon our heart; for every time we have come to church in temptation, and found the grace which alone can keep us clean.

For every sermon that has been preached from the pulpit; for every visit that has been made in the home of this congregation; for all those who in the day of darkness have been pointed to the light that never fades, and who in the days of sorrow have found the joy that no one takes from them; for every time when we have knelt at the altar table of Our Lord and taken the Host and the Chalice of His love in our hands and upon our lips.

For all who in this, Your church, have pledged their faith in marriage; for every baby born to one of our families; for all those who in childhood and youth were taught and trained here in the faith until they chose to be Confirmed.

For all who in this, Your church, have served You nobly and served You well and have gone to their rest; for the blessed dead who rest from their labors; for the unseen cloud of witnesses who compass us about.

O Lord, bless this, Your Church of St. Mary's, in her 150<sup>th</sup> year. Grant that this may always be a place where boys and girls find Jesus as their Friend; where young men and women glimpse the vision splendid; where those in their middle years find strength for the long haul and the steep climb; where those whose days are ending find light at eventide.

Grant that here the sorrowing may find comfort and the weary rest; that the doubting may find certainty and the tempted strength; that the seeker may find truth and the sinner forgiveness; that the lonely may find Your friendship and the friendship of their fellow human beings so that all loneliness may be taken away. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



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Reverend Mark J. Coiro  
Pastor, Saint Mary Parish  
8 Church Street  
Holliston, MA 01746

Dear Father Coiro:

Please allow me this opportunity to congratulate your parish community on its 150th anniversary. Our records indicate that Saint Mary Parish was canonically erected as a parish on November 29, 1870.

It is my hope that this anniversary serves as an opportunity to reflect in gratitude upon the graces that have come from the life of the parish, the Sacraments received at Saint Mary's, the abundant and varied contributions of the people of the parish, as well as the gifts and leadership of its pastors and parochial vicars. It is also my hope that this anniversary serves as an opportunity for the parish community to look to the future enthusiastically and with fervent hope, so that the mission of Saint Mary Parish continues and thrives, bringing God's love and salvation to all of its parishioners, those who are currently members and those who have yet to meet Christ through his bride, the Church.

With all good wishes and assurance of a remembrance in my prayers, I am

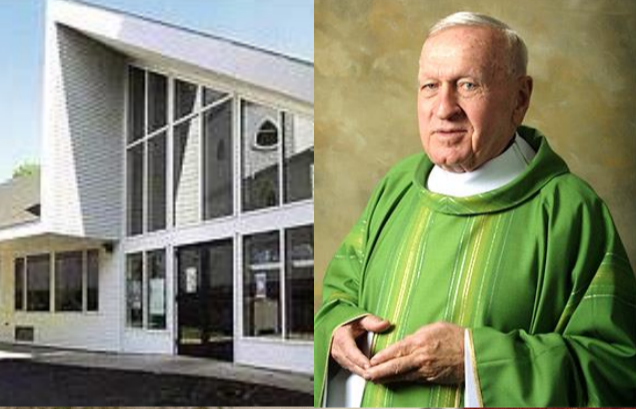
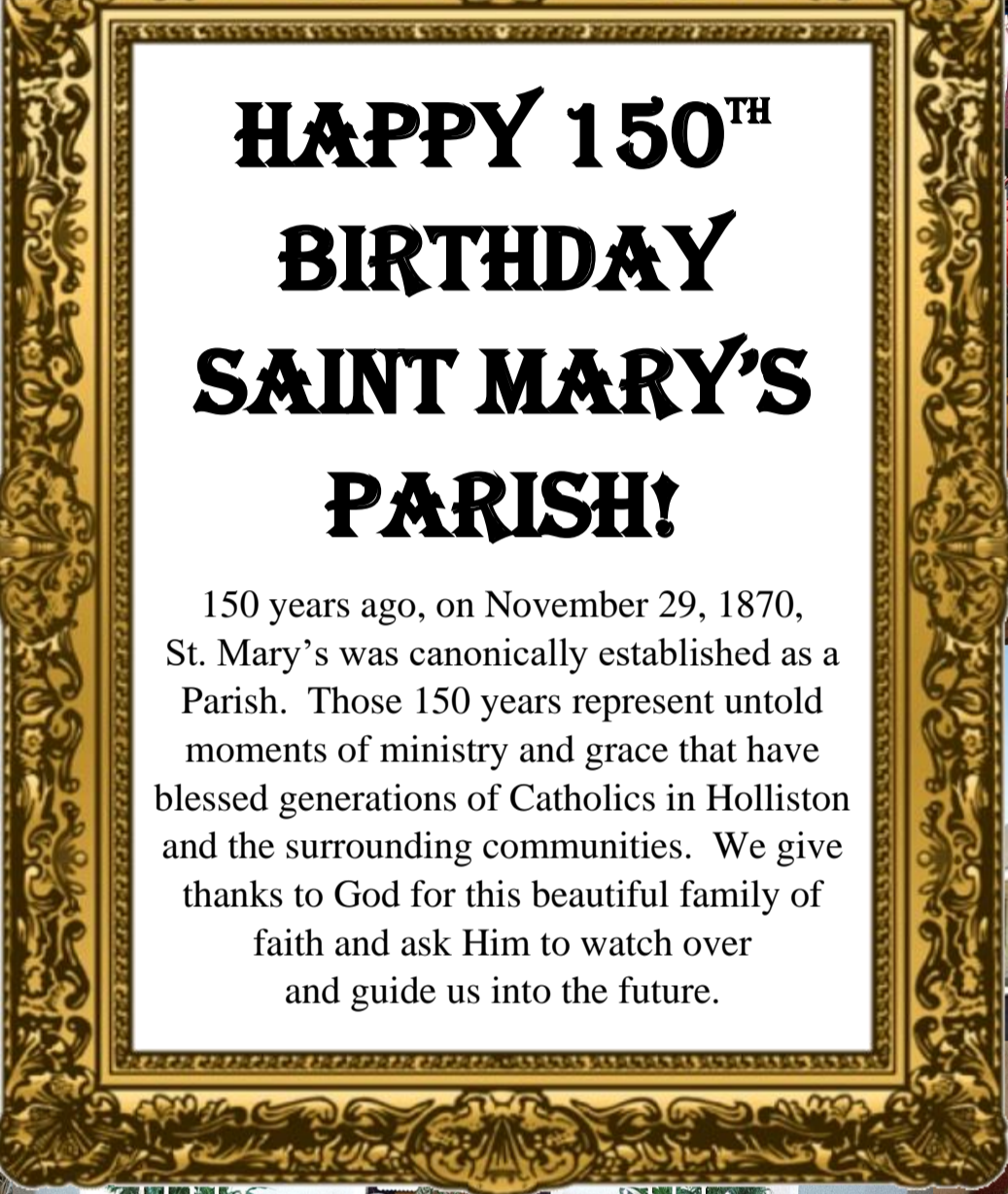
Fraternally yours in Christ,

*+ Sean, OFMcap*  
Archbishop of Boston



**HAPPY 150<sup>TH</sup>  
BIRTHDAY  
SAINT MARY'S  
PARISH!**

150 years ago, on November 29, 1870, St. Mary's was canonically established as a Parish. Those 150 years represent untold moments of ministry and grace that have blessed generations of Catholics in Holliston and the surrounding communities. We give thanks to God for this beautiful family of faith and ask Him to watch over and guide us into the future.





# 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

8 Church St., Holliston, MA 01746

Website: [www.stmarysholliston.com](http://www.stmarysholliston.com)

Email Address: [St.Marys1870@gmail.com](mailto:St.Marys1870@gmail.com)

Rectory Phone: 429 - 4427

Religious Education Phone: 429 - 6076

**Dear Visitors:** Welcome! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us this day. Please introduce yourself to the priest, and if you are interested in becoming a member of the parish then please call the rectory to register. Please also be aware that for generations it has been the custom at St. Mary's to kneel together for a silent Hail Mary at the end of Mass. Please join in!

**Confession:** 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!

## 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. 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

## MAY 23, MASS FOR THE CLASS OF 2021:

On Sunday, May 23, at 11:30 AM, St. Mary's will offer her 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass for Graduates. This year our parish has teens graduating from six different schools. The Mass will include:

- 2021 Student Class Speaker, Ryan Stanwood,
- A Special Blessing of All Graduates,
- Presentation of the Blessed Mother Scholarship,
- Individual Graduate Photographs (after Mass),
- Members of the Class of 2021 will also serve in various ministries at this Mass. Congratulations!



## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 15</b>
5:00	Bill Tobin
7:30	John McNeice
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 16</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Fr. Haley
11:30	150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 17</b>
9:00	Joseph Patrick Harney
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 18</b>
9:00	Paul T. Shea
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 19</b>
9:00	Rev. George Vartzelis
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 20</b>
9:00	Msgr. Dennis Sheehan
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 21</b>
9:00	Michael Eden
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 22</b>
5:00	Patricia Clancy
7:30	Nancy Mercurio, 15 <sup>th</sup> Anv.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 23</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Catherine Martha Whalen
<b>11:30</b>	<b>Class of 2021~ Graduates</b>

are reminded to remain after Mass for individual, outdoor (mask-less) photos of each participant. These will accompany your post-graduation plans in the Newsletter.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
& CONFESSION  
ALL THURSDAY EVENINGS IN MAY**

As part of our ongoing celebration of the Year of the Eucharist, St. Mary's has been offering special Evening Adoration Celebrations once a month. This is in addition to our First Friday Morning Adoration.

In honor of Mary's Month of May, Adoration will be expanded to once a week, with Confession available during the Holy Hour. The time will be from 7 – 8 PM in the church. The Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary and a special Litany to Mary will be prayed at each Adoration Service. Please enter the church as for Mass, doors open at 6:45 PM.

**O MARY, OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
**Make us comprehend the most precious Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ on the holy Altar. Inspire us to often visit the God of Love in the Sacrament in which He abides to receive the homage that He deserves by so many titles and to guide, protect and console us in this exile!**

**THE ROSE FOR LIFE:** Is sponsored this week by the Carver Family. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. If you wish to sponsor the Rose, please call the Rectory at 429-4427. We especially invite those who have not done so before to become part of this beautiful ministry.

**WINGS:** WINGS has concluded our successful and inspiring 2020-2021 year via Zoom. It has been challenging for all of us to learn to use this new technology proficiently, but WINGS is grateful to have been able to gather virtually if not in person. You can still access all our 2020-2021 presentations on our web site <https://stmarysholliston.com/women-in-gods-spirit-w-i-n-g-s/> (scroll down to the bottom). They will be available there only until June. Soon we will begin planning for our offerings this Fall; suggested speakers and topics are always welcome. The WINGS ministry provides an opportunity for women of all ages to grow in faith wherever they are on their spiritual journey. All women are welcome. For additional information about the WINGS ministry, please call Jen Schiller at 617-852-9632 or email [stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com).

**PARISH OFFERTORY LAST WEEKEND:**

Automatic Giving:	\$ 2,410.00
WeShare:	\$ 3,194.97
Offertory Envelopes dropped off / mailed in:	\$ 8,813.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 14,417.97
Weekly Need:	\$ 15,000.00
<b>Offertory Shortfall:</b>	<b>\$ - 582.03</b>

Thank you for making up any missed weekly offertory support.

May God bless you for your faithful stewardship. We urge all parishioners to please make the switch to Automatic Giving or WeShare. Learn how to do so at: <https://stmarysholliston.com/how-to-give/>.

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR SEMINARIES NEXT WEEKEND:** Supports the formation and training of seminarians in the Archdiocese of Boston for service, we pray, as future priests. We are blessed that many are responding to the call to serve as priests. Please be generous and support these seminarians on their journey toward their ordination to the priesthood. For more information, please visit [www.VocationsBoston.org](http://www.VocationsBoston.org).



Over the last few months, the Adult Choir, Youth Choir and Children's Choir have been preparing the choral anthem *Lord Thou Hast Been Our Refuge* by Ralph Vaughan Williams, in the form of a virtual choir project. Thirty two choir members each recorded their part separately at home. This audio was then edited together professionally. The final recording will be presented during the Holy Communion at the 11:30 AM 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass today.

The anthem is based exclusively on the text of Psalm 90, and the hymn "O God Our Help in Ages Past", which is itself a paraphrase of Psalm 90. The text of this beloved hymn was written by Isaac Watts in 1708, and summarizes the message of the psalm in strophic form. O God Our Help in Ages Past is most commonly set to the hymn tune "St. Anne." This tune was written by William Croft and was named after the church where he worked, St. Anne's in Soho, London.

Psalm 90 reflects on the eternal nature of God, stating, "*Lord Thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever the earth and world were made, Thou art God from everlasting.*"

The psalm then compares this to our earthly mortality,

*"The years of our age are three score years and ten, and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, yet is their strength but labor and sorrow, so passeth it away and we are gone."*

The psalm concludes by asking for mercy, and implores God to bless the work of our hands, in order that the will of God might be done here on earth, as it is in heaven,

*"Be gracious unto thy servants. O satisfy us with Thy mercy. So shall we rejoice and be glad, all the days of our life. Let the glorious Majesty of the Lord be upon us. Prosper Thou our handiwork."*

In the anthem, Vaughan Williams uses this chorale brilliantly, superimposing the verbatim text of Psalm 90 over the hymn that paraphrases it. Vaughan Williams concludes the piece with a magnificent and exciting imitative section, with a single trumpet recalling the 'St. Anne' tune over the intertwining vocal lines.

The postlude at the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass will be J.S. Bach's Fugue in E-flat major, BWV 552. Bach, who was deeply religious, uses symbolism in the piece to represent the Holy Trinity. The piece's key, E-flat major, has three flats. Most notable, the work is a triple fugue, with three distinct sections. Each section has music elements which illustrate characteristics of the corresponding person of the Trinity.

BWV 552 is commonly referred to as the 'St. Anne Fugue.' This is because the first seven notes of the fugue subject are identical to the melody of the hymn tune, "St. Anne," the tune to which "O God Our Help in Ages Past" is set.



As St. Mary's celebrates her 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary and we think of all those who have worshipped in Holliston over the last two centuries, we remember that from "one generation to another" God has been our help and refuge. The psalm's message is especially relevant given the COVID-19 pandemic. Whether it was disease, war, or natural disaster, people have turned to God during every difficult period throughout history. Psalm 90 reminds that throughout all tribulations, God has been our shelter. He has been our help not just over the last 150 years, but before the mountains were brought forth, and will continue to be our rock for all of eternity.



## 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.

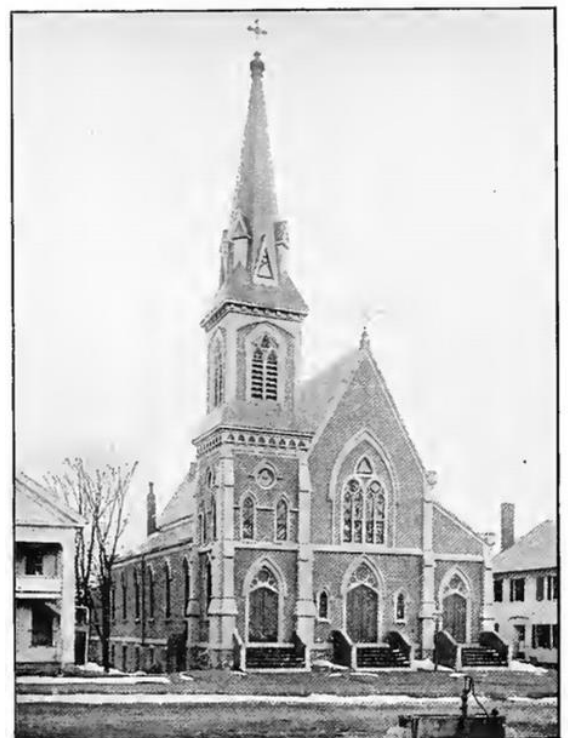
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

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.



ST. MARY'S CHURCH, HOLLISTON.



# 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!

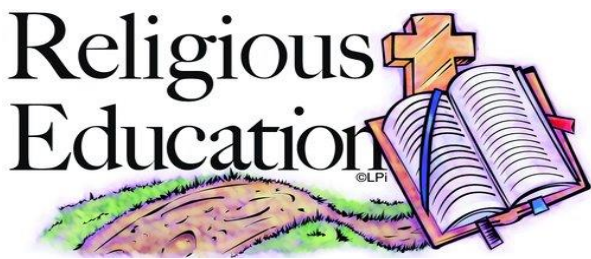
**THE PARISH CENTER IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO THE PANDEMIC.**

**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.

Pat Campo-Leblanc/Coordinator,

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

**SEEKING A CLOW COORDINATOR:** Our CLOW Coordinator, Pat Campo-LeBlanc will be stepping down at the end of our CLOW season. Pat has worked so hard over the past few years with the leaders to provide the young children the opportunity to understand how we are all dependent on God and His love. If you have an interest in taking on this position please contact Pat at: [olordyimforty@aol.com](mailto:olordyimforty@aol.com) for more information.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS FOR 2021-2022:** Registrations for the 2021-2022 school year have been mailed and can be accessed through St. Mary's website at [www.stmarysholliston.com](http://www.stmarysholliston.com) under Register / Parish Forms. The deadline for returning the Registration Form is Friday, June 18, 2021. Our program is planning on in-person classes in late September and early October unless otherwise specified by the Archdiocese of Boston for the safety and well-being of the children, staff and volunteers. We will have a better understanding of the status of the pandemic by August.



**TEACHERS FOR 2021-2022:** Please prayerfully consider teaching a class or volunteering as a Monitor. Teachers will be needed for Grades K through 10. Contact us at 508-429-6076 or by email at [st.marysre1870@vgmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@vgmail.com). A Volunteer Form will be sent to you by email.



**Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs.**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ~ 2021:**

St. Mary's VBS Team is working hard on planning a safe and fun outdoor summer program for VBS. So save the date for Monday, July 19 – Thursday, July 22 (with Friday, July 23 as a rain date). Registration will open on May 15, with a limit of 50 children to St. Mary's registered families on a "first come, first serve" basis. We will have a waitlist available for families. Watch your mail for registration forms and information!

**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. Please direct any questions to Fran at [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com) or to our GR-2 Coordinator, Derri Cole at: [colederr@hotmail.com](mailto:colederr@hotmail.com).

**HELP! GRADE COORDINATORS NEEDED FOR GRADES 1 AND 5:** Our program needs people of good faith to volunteer to Coordinate Grade 1 and another volunteer to Coordinate Grade 5 for the upcoming school year in our program. Training will be provided by the DRE. Contact Fran if you can take one of these roles as a coordinator at 508-429-6076 or [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@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.*

**WNGS (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 at <https://www.facebook.com/WingsHolliston>.

**THE FAMILY ROSARY MISSION:**

Join us today, **Sunday, May 16** at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Norwood at 4:00 PM for the Rosary. The Rosary will be live-streamed. Go to: [www.stcatherinenorwood.org](http://www.stcatherinenorwood.org).



## 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.

**Work as an Expression of Love:** Work was a daily expression of love in the life of the Family of Nazareth. The Gospel specifies the kind of work Joseph did in order to support his family: he was a carpenter. This simple word sums up Joseph's entire life. For Jesus, these were hidden years, the years to which Luke refers after recounting the episode that occurred in the Temple: "And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them" (LK 2:51). This "submission" or obedience of Jesus in the House of Nazareth should be understood as a sharing in the work of Joseph. Having learned the work of His father, He was known as "the carpenter's son." If the Family of Nazareth is an example and model for human families, in the order of salvation and holiness, so too, by analogy, is Jesus' work at the side of Joseph the carpenter. In our own day, the Church has emphasized this by instituting the liturgical memorial of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1. Human work, and especially manual labor, receive special prominence in the Gospel. Along with the humanity of the Son of God, work to has been taken up in the mystery of the Incarnation, and also has been redeemed in a special way. At the work-bench where he plied his trade together with Jesus, Joseph brought human work closer to the mystery of the Redemption.

In the human growth of Jesus "in wisdom, age and grace," the vine of industriousness played a notable role, since "work is a human good" which "transforms nature" and makes man "in a sense, more human."

The importance of work in human life demands that its meaning be known and assimilated in order to "help all people to come closer to God, the Creator and Redeemer, to participate in His salvific plan for man and the world . . ."

[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.middlesexcac.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.