

HAVE I NOT COMMANDED YOU?
BE STRONG AND OF GOOD COURAGE;
DO NOT BE AFRAID, NOR BE DISMAYED,
FOR THE LORD YOUR GOD IS WITH YOU
WHEREVER YOU GO.

- JOSHUA 1:9 -



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



St. Mary's Parish



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!

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

Confession: Saturdays from Noon to 12:45 PM, or by advance 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. 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

PARISH OFFERTORY LAST WEEKEND:

Automatic Giving:	\$ 3,152.00
WeShare:	\$ 4,641.54
Offertory Envelopes dropped off / mailed in:	\$ 7,272.05
Total Offertory:	\$ 15,065.59

May God bless you for your faithful stewardship.
 Thank you for making up any missed weekly
 offertory support.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND:

This week's second collection Promoting the Gospel supports the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Through the work of CCHD and CCC the Gospel is promoted by supporting those in poverty, providing grants to community based groups and using the entire array of media tools available today to evangelize and promote Gospel values. For more information please visit www.usccb.org/cchd or www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/catholiccommunication-campaign/index.cfm.

THE ROSE FOR LIFE: Is sponsored this week by a John and Maureen Klauser. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. To sponsor the Rose, please call 508-429-4427.

CONFESSIONS AT ST. MARY'S: The regular Confession Schedule of Saturdays from Noon to 12:45 PM has now resumed. May this Holy Sacrament cleanse us, forgive us, heal us, and strengthen us against temptation. Amen.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

I John Haas and Kelly Condon

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday	June 19
5:00	Vincent Mullen
7:30	Richard "Dick" and Joan Lanoue
Sunday	June 20
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Rose Marie Gallagher
11:30	Maryellen Miller
Monday	June 21
9:00	Rev. James Broderick
Tuesday	June 22
9:00	Gloria Sama
Wednesday	June 23
9:00	Mary Miley
Thursday	June 24
9:00	Margaret Woods
Friday	June 25
9:00	Italo Bomba
Saturday	June 26
5:00	Dominic Magrini, 4 th Anv.
7:30	John Alan Themeli
Sunday	June 27
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Peggy Palmer
11:30	Darlene Sandstrom Parker



PANTRY SHELF SUMMER HELP: Donations are accepted at anytime in the large black bin outside our Pantry at 73 Charles Street. We cannot accept any items that are refrigerated, frozen, expired or opened. We can only accept food items at this time, we cannot accept household goods. The items we need most are Clorox Wipes (or any other brand), Paper Towels, Juice Boxes, Canned Peaches, Canned Pears, Canned Fruit Cocktail, Ramen - Chicken flavor and Baked Beans. Thank you.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS OF METROWEST ~

WE ARE BACK: The Compassionate Friends is a nonprofit, nonsectarian, mutual assistance, self-help organization offering friendship and understanding to bereaved parents and siblings. Our primary purpose is to assist the bereaved in the positive resolution of the grief experienced upon the death of a child and to support their efforts to achieve physical and emotional health. The secondary purpose is to provide information and education about bereaved parents and siblings for those who wish to understand. Meetings are open to all bereaved parents, grandparents and siblings.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, July 20 at 7:45 PM in the Parish Library. For information please call Ed or Joan Motuzas at (508) 473-4239. God bless you.



**St. Mary's Congratulates
this Weekend's First Communicants
and Rejoices to Welcome Them
to the Table of the Lord!**



Morgan Charles Bailey
 Erik Mark Frauton
 Leo James Foster
 Emma Maureen Grady
 Thomas-Felix Herald
 Emily Rose Kiebish
 Timothy Walter Klaus
 Luke George Knup
 Patrick Daniel Lane
 Julia Gioioso Lozano
 Hope Clara MacEvoy
 Vivian Simone McCarter
 Cassandra Rose McErlean
 Alexandra Jane McLaren
 Chloe McShane
 Declan Michael McShane
 Andrew James Menard
 Cecilia Ann Mott
 Jaegger-James Kiernan Nicholas

Shaughnaessey-Lynnea Gianna Nicholas
 Thomas Frank Ogoreuc
 Andrea da Luz Ondrasek
 Cole Patrick Peterson
 Jack Garvin Phipps
 Christian Anthony Porciello
 Nolan Daniel Rediger
 Chloe Catherine Roche
 Clifford Chad Roberts
 Keira Harriet Roberts
 Annabel Schroder
 Joseph John Sgarano II
 Benjamin Sharma
 Maximillian Sharma
 Owen Charles Shaw
 Connor Richard Spilka
 Molly Ryan Starr
 Luke Jonthomas Torio
 Maeve McKenna Wilde



From the Pastor's Desk

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

Happy Father's Day! This weekend we remember in our prayers all fathers – both those living and those who have gone to God. We thank God for the blessing these men have been in our lives and remember also that by Baptism God has adopted us as His very own children, becoming forever our spiritual Father in whose home we hope one day to dwell.

When Jesus' disciples asked Him how to pray, Jesus told them to call God their "Father." Many have said that this was the greatest compliment that Jesus ever paid to Joseph, His step-father. In fact our relationship with our earthly fathers has a profound impact on our view of God, our Heavenly Father. If a father is overly critical then his child grows to see God as judgmental. If a father is neglectful then the child concludes that God does not care. If, on the other hand, a dad is supportive, loving and attentive, then the child more easily grows to see God as their compassionate and caring Heavenly Father. They learn truth by his good example.

Good Saint Joseph, Pray for us!



WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS: *“If Joseph was so engaged, heart and soul, in protecting and providing for that little family at Nazareth, don’t you think that now in heaven he is the same loving father and guardian of the whole Church, of all its members, as he was of its Head on earth?” - Ven. Pope Pius XII*

**CARDINAL LIFTS DISPENSATION ~
SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION RESUMES THIS WEEKEND:**

Brothers and Sisters, “Without the Lord’s day, we cannot live!” His Holiness, Pope Benedict, in his homily at the Cathedral of Saint Stephen in Vienna on September 9, 2007, quoted the Abitinian Martyrs, who during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian were arrested for celebrating Sunday Mass. The martyrs responded to the magistrate: “Sine dominico non possumus!” – without the Lord’s day, we cannot live! The Pope went on to say: “For these Christians, the Sunday Eucharist was not a commandment, but an inner necessity. Without him who sustains our lives, life itself is empty. To do without or to betray this focus would deprive life of its very foundation, would take away its inner dignity and beauty.”



Aware that the opportunity to participate in Sunday Mass is increasingly available and increasingly safe for our Catholic people, we are joining dioceses in the Boston Province (Boston, Fall River, Springfield, Manchester, and Portland) in lifting the dispensation of the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation, effective the weekend of June 19 and 20, 2021.

We are mindful of the Lord’s statement: “Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” (Mt 18:20). While we certainly can pray alone, there is both strength and blessedness in communal prayer.

We do also note that attendance at Mass is our way of following the Third Commandment of the Decalogue: “Remember the sabbath day – keep it holy. For six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.” (Ex. 20:8,11)

Read the rest of Cardinal O’Malley’s letter here:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/60393a2a701/56881256-6c4e-41bb-8c47-34650e394a4d.pdf>.



POPE FRANCIS ON FATHERHOOD: Every family needs a father. Today we shall reflect on the value of his role, and I would like to begin with a few expressions that we find in the Book of Proverbs, words that a father addresses to his own son, and it reads like this: “My son, if your heart is wise, my heart too will be glad. My soul will rejoice when your lips speak what is right” (Pr 23:15-16).

Nothing could better express the pride and emotion a father feels when he understands that he has handed down to his child what really matters in life, that is, a wise heart. This father does not say: “I am proud of you because you are the same as me, because you repeat the things I say and do”. No, he does not say anything so simple to him. He says something much more important, which we can understand in this way: “I will be happy every time I see you act with wisdom, and I will be moved every time that I hear you speak with rectitude. This is what I wanted to leave to you, that this one thing become yours: the attitude to feel and act, to speak and judge with wisdom and rectitude. And that you might be like this, I taught you the things you didn’t know, I corrected the errors you didn’t see. I made you feel a profound and at the same time discrete affection, which maybe you did not fully recognize when you were young and unsure. I gave you a testimony of rigour and steadfastness that perhaps you didn’t understand, when you would have liked only complicity and

protection. I had first to test myself in the wisdom of my heart, be vigilant of my excesses of sentiment and resentment, in order to carry the weight of the inevitable misunderstandings, to find the right words to make myself understood.”

Now, continues the father, “I see that you strive to be this way with your own children, and with everyone, and it moves me. I am happy to be your father”. This is what a wise father, a mature father, says. A father knows all too well what it costs to hand down this heritage: how close, how gentle and how firm to be. But what consolation and what recompense he receives when the children honour this legacy! It is a joy that rewards all the toil, that overcomes every misunderstanding and heals every wound.

The first need, then, is precisely this: that a father be present in the family. That he be close to his wife, to share everything, joy and sorrow, hope and hardship. And that he be close to his children as they grow: when they play and when they strive, when they are carefree and when they are distressed, when they are talkative and when they are silent, when they are daring and when they are afraid, when they take a wrong step and when they find their path again; a father who is always present. To say “present” is not to say “controlling”! Fathers who are too controlling cancel out their children, they don’t let them develop.

The Gospel speaks to us about the exemplarity of the Father who is in Heaven — who alone, Jesus says, can be truly called the “good Father” (cf. Mk 10:18). Everyone knows that extraordinary parable of the “prodigal son”, or better yet of the “merciful father”, which we find in the Gospel of Luke in chapter 15 (cf. 15:11-32). What dignity and what tenderness there is in the expectation of that father, who stands at the door of the house waiting for his son to return! Fathers must be patient. Often there is nothing else to do but wait; pray and wait with patience, gentleness, magnanimity and mercy.

A good father knows how to wait and knows how to forgive from the depths of his heart. Certainly, he also knows how to correct with firmness: he is not a weak father, submissive and sentimental. The father who knows how to correct without humiliating is the one who knows how to protect without sparing himself...

If, then, there is someone who can fully explain the prayer of the “Our Father”, taught by Jesus, it is the one who lives out paternity in the first person. Without the grace that comes from the Father who is in Heaven, fathers lose courage, and abandon camp. But children need to find a father waiting for them when they come home after failing. They will do everything not to admit it, not to show it, but they need it; and not to find it opens wounds in them that are difficult to heal.



The Church, our mother, is committed to supporting with all her strength the good and generous presence of fathers in families, for they are the irreplaceable guardians and mediators of faith in goodness, of faith in justice and in God’s protection, like St Joseph.

– Pope Francis General Audience
http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2015/documents/papa-francesco_20150204_udienza-generale.html

THE PARISH CENTER IS NOW OPEN FROM 9 AM TO 5 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

Please sanitize your hands upon entering and kindly wear a mask if unvaccinated. Thank you and welcome back!

VIRTUAL CLOW: The Children's Liturgy of the Word has ended for this year. Your children can always go back and review this year's prerecorded weekly lessons. Just click on the following link and then once on the web page, click on prerecorded lessons.

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

SEEKING A CLOW COORDINATOR: Our CLOW Coordinator, Pat Campo-LeBlanc has stepped down after several years as our CLOW Coordinator. We will need a new CLOW Coordinator and 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 for more information.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR 2021-2022: Registrations are now past due. Please send your registration today.

The registration can be accessed through St. Mary's website at www.stmarysholliston.com under Register / Parish Forms. 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.



R.E. TEACHERS AND MONITORS ARE NEEDED FOR 2021-2022: Please prayerfully consider teaching a class or volunteering as a Monitor. Teachers will be needed for Grades K through 10. Just contact us at 508-429-6076 or by email at st.marysre1870@gmail.com. A volunteer form will be sent to you by email. God bless you for helping us share the precious gift of faith with the children and youth!

VACATION BIBLE

SCHOOL ~ 2021: Registration is extended to June 25. St. Mary's VBS Team is getting ready to welcome the children for a great VBS adventure. Please send in the VBS registration if you want your child to participate this summer. Save the date for Monday, July 19 – Thursday, July 22 (with Friday, July 23 as a rain date). We will have a waitlist available for families. Watch your email for notices from our VBS team!



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.

FIRST COMMUNION: This weekend on Saturday, June 19, thirty eight children received Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Their names are posted in this Sunday's bulletin. May their hearts be open to the graces and blessings Jesus offers them every week with St. Mary's community at Mass.

HELP! GRADE COORDINATORS NEEDED FOR GRADES 1, 5, 8 AND 9: Our program needs people of good faith to volunteer as Grade Coordinators for Grades 1, 5, 8 and 9. We are thankful to Bobby Skerry for his many years of service to St. Mary's parish coordinating the Grade 9 youth. 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.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.

IMPORTANT CORI AND PGC INFORMATION: The Archdiocese of Boston has just issued the 2022 CORI Form to be used as of July 1, 2021. As of this date 2021 CORI forms will not be accepted or cleared for any volunteer. If you need to complete a CORI Form before July 1, please stop by the Religious Education Office Monday through Friday any time from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. A driver's license or picture I.D. must be presented to complete the form. *Thank you!*

POPE FRANCIS ISSUES APOSTOLIC LETTER "ANTIQUUM MINISTERIUM" INSTITUTING THE MINISTRY OF CATECHIST



The Pope's Apostolic Letter on the Ministry of the Catechist will be outlined over a few weeks so that we as laity can understand our role as teachers in proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ.

1. The ministry of Catechist in the Church is an ancient one. Theologians commonly hold that the first examples are already present in the writings of the New Testament. The service of catechesis may be traced back to those "teachers" mentioned by the Apostle in writing to the community of Corinth: "Some people God has designated in the Church to be, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers; then, mighty deeds; then, gifts of healing, assistance, administration, and varieties of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work mighty deeds? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts. But I shall show you a still more excellent way" (*1Cor. 12:28-31*). Saint Luke begins his Gospel by stating: "I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence . . . , so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received" (*Lk 1:3-4*). The evangelist seems to be well aware that his writings offer a specific form of instruction that can give firm assurance to those already baptized. The Apostle Paul, for his part, tells the Galatians that: "one who is being instructed in the Word should share all good things with his instructor" (*Gal 6:6*) . . . it speaks of the communion of life as a sign of the fruitfulness of an authentic catechesis.

2. The Apostle Paul authoritatively attests to this when he states that "there are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit [To be continued]

WHAT DOES A GRADE COORDINATOR DO?

Grade Level Coordinators have been an essential part and resource to the success of our Religious Education program at St. Mary's over the years. This year we are in need of several Grade Coordinators to assist the DRE with many tasks that will keep us connected with the teachers and families. The list of tasks for a Grade Level Coordinator are listed below:

- Coordinates the curriculum for your grade level in conjunction with the DRE and fiscal year Master Calendar.
- Assists in preparing for opening day the classroom teacher boxes and materials for the students
- Works closely with the DRE in planning meetings and workshops for the teachers.
- Provides the syllabus and any project materials Necessary for the teachers.
- Assigns students to classes once registrations have been received.
- Follows up with phone calls and email messages to the parents and DRE.
- Assists and supports the teachers by providing specific directions, materials, suggestions and ideas during teacher meetings as well as throughout the year through personal contact..
- Attends two DRE / Coordinator Meetings during the year.
- Attends two Grade Level Coordinator / Teacher Meetings during the year.
- Works with the Religious Education staff and volunteers to plan and implement General Sessions or other large group student activities that will clearly communicate the degree of involvement needed from staff and volunteers. These sessions are scheduled by the DRE for the benefit of the students.
- Studies and participates in personal ongoing faith formation to support your efforts as a Catholic and a coordinator;
- Encourages teachers to pursue their own ongoing faith formation for personal development as well as for classroom benefit such as Certification as a Catechist (TINE– St. John's Seminary – newly located at 66 Brooks Dr., Braintree, MA).
- Maintains contact with teachers throughout the program year with email, phone calls and classroom visits.
- Presence at scheduled General Sessions during the year.