



# 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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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 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 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

**STEWARDSHIP***Managing God's Gifts To Us***SECOND COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND -**

Mission Appeal for Diocese of Galle, Sri Lanka:  
 \$3,251.00. Thank you!

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

Automatic Giving:	\$ 2,476.50
WeShare:	\$ 3,106.00
Offertory Envelopes dropped off / mailed in:	\$ 6,317.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 11,899.50

**SHORTFALL LAST  
 WEEKEND: \$3,100.50**


Please make the switch. Parishioners not currently using Automatic Giving or WeShare, are urged to please sign up for one of those services. These help prevent shortfalls like the one last weekend. Full details on how to do so are provided on the St. Mary's Website under the HOW TO GIVE tab:

<https://stmarysholliston.com/how-to-give/>.

We recommend setting up the WeShare option, which can be done right now on your computer by clicking here: <https://stmarysholliston.weshareonline.org/>.

If you are unable to do Automatic Giving or WeShare, then please drop off or mail in any missed parish offertory support for weeks you are away. The financial health of your parish depends on it. Thank you.

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 31</b>
5:00	Earl and Lorraine King
7:30	Rita Anne Horgan, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anv.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 1</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Linda Grady
11:30	Gerald A. Roy, 4 <sup>th</sup> Anv.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>August 2</b>
9:00	Dianne Gootman
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>August 3</b>
9:00	Ann Feeney
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>August 4</b>
9:00	Timothy Finn
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>August 5</b>
9:00	David Baker
<b>Friday</b>	<b>August 6</b>
9:00	Fr. Issa & the People of our Sister Parish, Our Lady of Fatima, Beit Sahour
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>August 7</b>
5:00	Gabriel Parmese
7:30	David Harris
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 8</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Richard Moore
11:30	Timothy McGuinness

**ROSARY WALK:** Join the St. Martin de Porres chapter of Lay Dominicans for a rosary walk at the Fatima Shrine in Holliston at 2:30 PM on Sunday, August 8. Refreshments will be served after the walk. For more information go to [www.boston3op.com](http://www.boston3op.com).

**PANTRY SHELF SUMMER HELP:** Donations are accepted at anytime in the large black bin outside our Pantry at 73 Charles Street. 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, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Baked Beans, Cake and Brownie mixes. May the blessings promised to the compassionate be yours in abundance!

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

**RECTORY OFFICE AUGUST HOURS:** Please note that during the month of August the Rectory Office is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. On other weekdays it remains open the usual 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM hours.





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August 1, 2021  
18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

When confronted by the hunger, and grumbling, of the Israelites, God sends them the gift of manna. This heavenly bread comes to them through the morning dew. We read in today's Mass:

*"In the morning a dew lay all about the camp, and when the dew evaporated, there on the surface of the desert were fine flakes like hoarfrost on the ground. On seeing it, the Israelites asked one another, 'What is this?' for they did not know what it was. But Moses told them, 'This is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.'"*

In the Second Eucharistic Prayer (which I use more often than not), one of the lines in the Missal reads:

*"Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ."*

By using the phrase *"like the dewfall,"* the new translation invokes the events of Exodus, where through the dewfall God provided bread to the Israelites, even as at Mass He provides the Eucharistic Bread to His people. The manna in the desert fed the Israelites' stomachs. But in today's Gospel, Jesus challenges the people to *"not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life."* He then identifies Himself as the Bread of Life.

Each week then, when we hear the phrase *"like the dewfall,"* we are being invited to remember the ways that in the past God has supported us by sending graces and blessings into our lives. For truly every good thing has its source in Him. We should also consider our priorities – whether we are placing more value on earthly, material things that will fade – or on spiritual goods that endure unto eternal life. In the end we can only take with us from this world the love we have shown to others; our goodness, our kindness, our generosity, our willingness to forgive. Like dew when the warming sun rises, all earthly illusion will evaporate before the light of God's face. Only that which is real and holy, that which is of Christ, will then remain.

In His Service and Yours,

Rev. Mark J. Coiro  
Pastor



This month, St. Mary's is excited to welcome our new Youth Minister – Theresa Virzi. A native of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, Theresa graduated from the Franciscan University of Steubenville in Ohio, (Class of 2019). There she studied Psychology and was a member of SENT Ministries - Student Evangelization Networking Team. Theresa has a strong background in evangelization, having coordinated Parish Confirmation Retreats, Mission Trips to Haiti and the Bronx, and other Youth Ministry activities.

Before joining St. Mary's Staff, Theresa was employed in Human Resources and Event Planning at her Alma Mater. Theresa now lives in Massachusetts with her husband Andrew, a fellow Franciscan University Graduate whom she married in 2020.

Theresa will oversee Faith Formation at St. Mary's for Grades Eight through Ten, as well as both the Middle School and High School Youth Ministry Programs. We know she will be a great gift to our young people and a blessing on our common parish life. Welcome Theresa!

MUSIC	5:00 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Entrance	#485	#485	#485
Offertory	#436	#369	#369
Communion	#323, 331	#323, 330	#323
Recessional	#203	#203	#203

**WINGS:** Is busy planning for our 2021-2022 year, which we hope will be in person. We will kick off our Fall Season in October with the topic "Uncovering Hidden Treasure, Understanding Catholic Social Justice", focusing on Catholic teachings on social justice issues. For a description of the WINGS Ministry, please see our flyer in the online Summer Newsletter available on the Parish website. Email [stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com) to sign up or call Diane Collins at 508-259-7795 with questions. Have a good summer and we hope to see you in the Fall!

**SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE:** St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council #14224 will conduct a Silver Rose Prayer Service Thursday, August 12 at 7:00 PM in the church. What is the Silver Rose? In 1960, Mexican Knights of Columbus wanted to "...run a Rose to the Basilica of our Lady of Guadalupe....The Rose was chosen to commemorate Saint Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses, an important part of the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe." In 2001, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson stated the Silver Rose program is to "...honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe...but we also reaffirm the Order's dedication to the sanctity of human life." One of eight nationally circulating Silver Roses will be present at the prayer service. **All of St. Mary's Parishioners and guests are invited to attend and participate in the service.**



*Serving the Spiritual Needs  
of Grieving Parents Whose Children of any Age  
Have Died by Any Cause,  
No Matter How Long Ago.*

Losing a child under any circumstance is horrific. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously. Please join us. All are welcome.

**One-Day In-Person Spiritual Retreat**

**August 14, 2021**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Carver, MA**

**Weekend In-Person Spiritual Retreat**

**November 5-7, 2021**

**Miramar Retreat Center, Duxbury, MA**

For more information or to register, call Diane at 800-919-9332 or go to [www.emfgp.org](http://www.emfgp.org).

**ST. MARY'S 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY GALA:** Planning for our pandemic delayed Anniversary Gala is now in full swing. It has been rescheduled for Saturday, November 13, 2021 at the Regency Ballroom, Doubletree Hotel, Milford. The evening will include a delicious dinner, live music and dancing, and Bishop Robert Reed as our keynote speaker. There will also be a Silent Auction during the cocktail hour, and we need YOU to help make it a huge success. Auction proceeds will support St. Mary's Parish outreach, primarily the High School Summer Mission Trips Program. We are seeking donations of all kinds (see below). Please contact Jennifer Schiller at [jaschiller3@gmail.com](mailto:jaschiller3@gmail.com), or Kathy McKenna at [kmurphmckenna@comcast.net](mailto:kmurphmckenna@comcast.net), to arrange donations or with any questions. Save the date!

**Possible Auction Donations Include:**

Tickets to Professional New England Sports Teams - any game; Vacation House Rentals for long or short term getaways; Restaurant Gift Certificates; Concert /Ballet Tickets; New England Sports Memorabilia; Jewelry; Golf Outings at a local Country Club; Special Services (culinary professional, massage therapist, painter, musician, personal health instructor); or any bid-worthy donations. Thank you!



# *PROJECT JUST BECAUSE*

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*Helping families in need*  *from the Heart*

Presents **Food Distribution Day**, (Rain or Shine)

**When:** Saturday, August 14, 11 AM to 1 PM

**Where:** 109 South Street, Hopkinton, MA

Project Just Because is hosting another free food distribution day on Saturday, August 14 at its Hopkinton facility for all Massachusetts residents in need. Anyone needing assistance or aware of someone who needs help with food — including protein, dairy, dry goods, bakery and gluten-free options — can stop by 109 South St. and select free items between 11 AM and 1 PM. There are no forms to fill out nor questions to answer. For more information, visit [projectjustbecause.org](http://projectjustbecause.org).

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## **LIVESTREAMING:**

St. Mary's is in need of a few people, teens or adults, to help with the livestreaming of our Sunday, 11:30 AM Mass. Full training is provided, although some media or computer experience is preferred. This is a paid position, and involves camerawork and linking us up to Facebook. If interested, or for more information, please contact St. Mary's at [st.marys1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marys1870@gmail.com).



## **WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS:**

*"Let us make best use of the fleeting moments. They will not return."* - St. Marianne Cope

*"The most deadly poison of our times is indifference. And this happens, although the praise of God should know no limits. Let us strive, therefore, to praise him to the greatest extent of our powers."* - St. Maximilian Kolbe

*"Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them cheerfully, remembering whom you are trying to follow. Do not be afraid."* - St. Mary MacKillop



**THE PARISH CENTER IS 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!



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR 2021-2022:** Registrations are now past due. The registration form can be accessed through St. Mary's website at [www.stmarysholliston.com](http://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 the middle of August. We look forward to having the children and youth return in September.

**CLOW BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER:** We look forward to having the children participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word under the direction of Kristin Roberto who will guide the children to understand God's message of love and His will for them in a format they will understand. The children will remain in the church for CLOW the first Sunday of each month and then for the remaining Sundays be dismissed to the lower church hall to hear Gospel. Volunteer Leaders are needed for CLOW. Please contact [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com) for more information to assist Kristin as one of our CLOW Leaders.



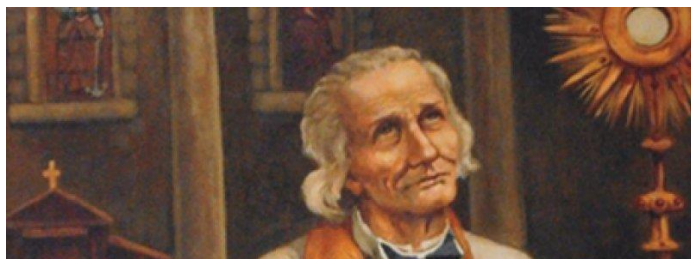
**R.E. TEACHERS AND MONITORS ARE NEEDED FOR 2021-2022:** Please prayerfully consider teaching a class or volunteering as a Monitor. Teachers will be needed for Grades K through 10. Just contact us at 508-429-6076 or by email at [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com). A volunteer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

**HELP! GRADE COORDINATORS FOR GRADES PRE-K, 1, 5, 7, 8 AND 9 ARE NEEDED:** Our program needs people of good faith to volunteer as Grade Coordinators for Grades PRE-K, 1, 5, 7, 8 and 9. Training will be provided. Contact Fran if you can take one of these roles as a coordinator at 508-429-6076 or [st.marysdre1870@gmail.com](mailto: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 issued a statement regarding CORI forms: "The State of Emergency order is lifted in Massachusetts and one can no longer complete a CORI verification via zoom or teleconference. Photocopies of a license will no longer be accepted to verify at a later time. **Verification must be completed in person.** Please remember **ANY** person who will be conducting virtual education programs for members of our parish are required to submit a CORI. As of July 1 only the 2022 CORI Form will be available for renewals and new volunteers.

## Feast of St. John Vianney ~ August 4 Patron of Parish Priests



John Baptist Vianney was born at Dardilly, France on May 8, 1786 into a very humble and Christian family. His mother, a very religious woman, led her son at a very early age, to a life of profound devotion to God which consumed him completely. He was quoted as saying "I owe a debt to my mother. Virtue goes easily from mothers into the hearts of their children, who willingly do what they see being done."

St. John Vianney wanted to become a priest, however being raised during the French Revolution and its aftermath made learning, especially Latin grammar, almost inaccessible. Without a proper education, St. John Vianney struggled through his years in the seminary. He was ordained a priest on August 13, 1815 primarily through his strong reputation for goodness and holiness. The vicar general was quoted as saying "The Church wants not only learned priests but, even more, holy ones."

In 1818 St. John Vianney was assigned the parish priest of Ars where he remained for 41 years until he died. His effect on this tiny village was remarkable for he changed it from a village of spiritual indifference to one alive with Christian spirit. The transformation took ten years of patience, personal example, and Divine grace. St. John Vianney was very serious about his religious obligations and expected as much or more of himself than of the village people. Over time the people of Ars realized that St. John Vianney practiced what he preached.

The transformation of the people in Ars became well known and soon people from all over France, Belgium, England, and even America came to Ars to have their confessions heard by St. John Vianney and to receive his spiritual guidance. Because of his strong desire to save souls, he endured anywhere from 12 to 17 hours a day in the confessional and could often tell a person's sins even when they were withheld. The instructions he gave were often short and simple, yet they sustained the deep faith and love of God that was the main principle of his life.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE FOR 2021 – 2022 FOR GRADES PRE-K – 10

GRADE	Classes will meet on alternate weeks unless noted.
Pre-K	Sun., 9:15 to 10:30 AM ~ Meets for six sessions Starts October 3 in the Lower Church Hall
KIND.	Sun., 9:15 - 10:30 AM – Starts October 24.
GR-1A	Sun., 8:10 - 9:20 AM – Starts September 26
GR-2A	Sun., 8:10 - 9:25 AM – Starts September 19
GR-2A	Sun., 10:45 AM-Noon – Starts September 19
GR-2D	Wed., 4:15-5:30 PM – Starts September 22
GR-3A	Sun., 7:55-9:25 AM – Starts September 19
GR-3A	Sun., 10:45 AM-12:15 PM – Starts September 19
GR-3B	Mon., 4:00-5:30 PM – Starts September 20
GR-4A	Sun., 10:45 AM-12:15 PM – Starts September 26
GR-4B	Mon., 4:00-5:30 PM – Starts September 20
GR-4C	Tues., 4:00-5:30 PM – Starts September 21
GR-5A	Sun., 10:45 AM-12:15 PM – Starts September 26
GR-5B	Mon., 4:00-5:30 PM – Starts September 27
GR-5C	Wed., 4:00-5:30 PM – Starts September 22
GR-6A	Sun., 4:00-5:30 PM – Starts September 19
GR-6B	Mon., 4:00-5:30 PM – Starts September 20
GR-6C	Tues., 4:30-5:30 PM – Starts September 28 Classes will meet weekly.
GR-7A	Sun., 5:00-6:30 PM – Starts September 26
GR-7D	Wed., 6:00-7:30 PM – Starts September 29
GR-8B	Mon., 6:00-7:30 PM – Starts September 20
GR-8D	Wed., 6:00-7:30 PM – Starts September 22
GR-9C	Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 PM- Starts October 5 Alternate Weeks opposite GR-10
GR-9E	Thursday, 6:30-8:30 PM – Starts October 7 Alternate Weeks opposite GR-10
GR-10C	Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 PM- Starts October 12 Alternate weeks Opposite Grade 9
GR-10E	Tuesday, 6:30-8:30 PM – Starts October 14 Alternate weeks Opposite Grade 9

**Sessions:** A= Sun. B= Mon. C= Tues. D=Wed. E= Th.

### SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM IN RELIGIOUS ED:

Does your child have unique learning needs? If any family has a child that would benefit from a special religious education program please contact Fran Crespi at 429-6076 or by email at [st.marysdre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysdre1870@gmail.com). We can prepare your child to receive First Penance and First Communion no matter the age of your child. It is important that all children come to know God's love for them and that they will see the face of God through Jesus.

**GRADE 1 AND 2 TEACHERS – 2021-2022:** Each Grade 1 and 2 class requires two teachers. Please consider partnering with another Mom or Dad to teach a class. Grade 2 is a special year for our children as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist. Contact our office at 429-6076 if you can volunteer and a volunteer form will be sent to you. See the chart above for the Grade 1 and 2 class schedules.