



# 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:

Every Thursday, 7-8 PM  
First Fridays, 9:30-10:30 AM

**Confession:** Thursdays in May, 7-8 PM at Holy Hour, or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Any time by appointment. Please call as soon as you are aware of a serious illness or upcoming surgery.

**Baptism:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. To register for Baptism Preparation call 429-4427.

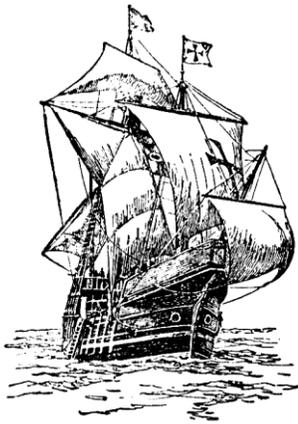
**Marriage:** Please call at least 6 months in advance of your desired wedding date. Congratulations!

**THIS WEEKEND ~ K. OF C. TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE:**

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting the annual Tootsie Roll Drive this weekend after all Masses to ask for your donations and handout Tootsie Rolls. This nationwide effort supports Special Needs Charities, assisting persons with intellectual disabilities. Last year it raised a hundred and eighty five million dollars for Special Needs.



**THANK YOU ST. MARY'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
COUNCIL # 14224 FOR THE GIFT YOU ARE TO OUR PARISH  
IN SO MANY WAYS. MAY GOD BLESS YOU  
IN YOUR BEAUTIFUL WORKS!**



**COLUMBUS DAY:** Tomorrow, October 11, many across our Nation will be observing 'Columbus Day'; the day our country sets aside as a legal holiday to celebrate the discovery of America.

Many are unsure why we call this celebration 'Columbus Day', as we know that Christopher Columbus never reached the United States. There are also historians that note other explorers and information on the colonization of the Americas prior to Columbus' landing in 1492. And, certainly, it is well known that our 'Native Americans' crossed the Bering Strait from Siberia to Alaska, traveled throughout the lands now know as the Americas, and established villages herein long before Columbus' 'discovery'.

Yet, with the understanding that the explorations and findings of Columbus were the first that led to continued expeditions to the Americas by European powers to colonize and build trade networks in the 'New World', we give title to our country's day of 'discovery' as 'Columbus Day.'

Whatever understanding we hold of our country's beginnings, whatever we choose to call this day in our hearts, and however we choose to celebrate the day in which we as a nation recognize the discovery of our country, this is an excellent day to step back and give thanks to the Almighty for all the blessings and freedoms we have in this land!

May we pray together today, in great thanksgiving, speaking aloud of our gratefulness for our liberties and our appreciation for those willing to serve that we may remain free! A land of opportunity, a land of prosperity, a land of hope where the accomplishment of dreams is a reality given to us!

Today, as we remember how very blessed we are, may we also hold in special prayer each member of our Armed Forces, our veterans, their family members, and the families of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice that our country may remain strong, united, and without defeat! We have a bounty of blessings each day we live ~ may we thank God and all those brave souls instilled with the courage to fight for this land and its people! - By Rev. Lin McGee

**A COLUMBUS DAY PRAYER:** Heavenly Father, hear our prayer as we observe this national holiday. Help us to have a greater awareness of your magnificent gifts to us, the riches of our land, the splendors of the diverse peoples who form our country. Help us to view all your good gifts with respect and gratitude. Help us to understand that we need the forgiveness of those who lived first in this land, and to learn to respect it as they did. Heal our divisions and bring us to unity and peace. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**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  
 Mrs. Theresa Virzi, Grades 8-11 and Youth Minister  
 Mr. Kevin Lyczak, Director of Music  
 Mrs. Mary Beth Harris, Parish Secretary  
 Mrs. Paula O'Brien, Religious Education Secretary  
 Ms. Mary Sanning, Business Manager  
 Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan  
 Mr. Billy Hanson, Parish Facilities  
 R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 9</b>
9:00	Funeral Mass ~ Jeanne Miley
5:00	Thomas Chipman, 19 <sup>th</sup> Anv.
7:30	Francis Gaboriault, 28 <sup>th</sup> Anv.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 10</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Len Levasseur
11:30	Walter Baker
<b>Monday</b>	<b>October 11</b>
9:00	Margaret, Edgar and Margaret Ann George
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>October 12</b>
9:00	Jeanne Miley
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>October 13</b>
9:00	John J. Moore, 36 <sup>th</sup> Anv.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>October 14</b>
9:00	Holy Souls
<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 15</b>
9:00	Giuseppe and Assunta Bomba
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 16</b>
5:00	Marc Levasseur
7:30	Sue Johnson
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 17</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Philip Thombs
11:30	Howard Travis

**STEWARDSHIP** 

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

**Second Collection Last Weekend:** Holy Father's Collection: \$2,206.00. Thank you.

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

Automatic Giving:	\$ 5,765.00
WeShare:	\$ 3,033.07
Offertory Envelopes dropped off / mailed in:	\$ 5,244.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 14,042.07

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

**SHORTFALL LAST WEEKEND:**

**\$957.93**

**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 offertory shortfalls.

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/>.

**4 SPECIAL EVENTS  
NEXT WEEKEND**

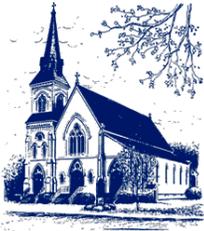
- \* **Blood Drive, Saturday, October 16.**
- \* **Baby Shower for the Unborn, at all Masses, October 16 & 17.**
- \* **Children's Liturgy Kick Off, C.L.O.W., Sunday, October 17 at the 9:30 AM Mass.**
- \* **New Altar Server Meeting, Sunday, October 17.**

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP:**  
 Will meet this Wednesday, October 13 in the Library from Noon until 2:00 PM for our Fall meeting. Come bring your talents for making something new and enjoy a social afternoon. All are welcome!

**THE ROSE FOR LIFE:** Is sponsored this week by the Alexander Family. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. If you would like to sponsor the Rose for Life please call 508-429-4427.



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE:**  
 I John Brovelli & Patricia Rodas



# Saint Mary's Parish

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October 10, 2021  
28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Today's Gospel depicts a young man who clings to worldly possessions rather than following Christ. Yet in the end, our relationship with Jesus is the only thing we have of real value. It is the one thing that lasts, when ultimately our earthly life weakens and fades. To his credit, the young man was very interested in salvation, asking Jesus the important question, *"Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"* Jesus then looked deep into the young man's heart to see what was preventing him from giving his whole self to God. In the young man's case, it was wealth, and so that is what Jesus challenged him to give up.

As Jesus looks into each of us today, what does He see that has a greater hold on us than God's love? Is Jesus asking us through greater charity to give up the hold that money has on us? Is He through forgiveness asking us to give up the hold that anger has on us? We each have that which binds us to this broken world, things we cling to that keep us from fully following Jesus. It takes humility to recognize those bonds, and the help of God to sever them.

It is not by accident that today's second reading described God's Word as being *"sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart."* The Bible has the power to help you face the truth about yourself and about God. It has the power to free you, as you discover God's plan for your life. That is perhaps the greatest gift the Bible can give to any of us.

*"Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"* asked the young man. If you are interested in the answer to that question – then start reading the Bible. Pick a Gospel. Read a chapter each day. Allow a few minutes to reflect on what you've read. Ask yourself - what is God trying to say to you personally at this moment in your life. Then, in the words of St. Paul, *"Let the Word of God, dwell in you richly."*

Today I take the opportunity to thank our outgoing Music Director Mr. Kevin Lyczak for his efforts the past few years on behalf of St. Mary's Parish. Mr. Lyczak had great success in building up our choir programs and maintaining the level of excellence for which they are known. He also adapted our R.S.C.M education program to a virtual format to keep it going through the pandemic. On two occasions he made it possible for our choirs to contribute to our liturgies with recorded songs. We wish him well.

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

Under His Mercy,

Rev. Mark J. Coiro  
Pastor



**NEXT SATURDAY ~ RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE  
IN MEMORY OF MARC LEVASSEUR:** Next Saturday,  
October 16 from 8 AM to 1 PM in Fr. Haley Hall. Celebrate  
life and make a difference by giving blood! Call 1-800 RED  
CROSS for an appointment.



**NEW ALTAR SERVER CLASS TRAINING:** Next Sunday, October 17 from 7-7:30 PM in the Church. Any parish youth currently in grades 4-12 may study to become an Altar Server. Just bring the youth accompanied by a parent with your family calendar to this planning meeting. Together we will set up a New Altar Server training schedule. Please email Patty Baribeau to indicate your interest: [st.marys.altarserver@gmail.com](mailto:st.marys.altarserver@gmail.com). Becoming an Altar Server is a beautiful way to serve God and helps make the Mass even more special.

**BABY SHOWER FOR THE UNBORN:** Next weekend, October 16 & 17 at all Masses. Please bring new baby items and clothes to Mass and place them in or around the baby stroller in the sanctuary. Gift cards to Carters, CVS, Kohl's, Walgreen's,

Target and Walmart would also be appreciated. These gifts will directly assist mothers in crisis pregnancies through the Pregnancy Help program of our Archdiocese. Thank you for supporting families and babies in their time of need! A Pregnancy Help Client Testimonial: *"When I got pregnant I felt lonely, desperate, and confused. I found myself pregnant with no husband, no family, no money, no house and maybe no job. It was like being in a dark hole. I heard about Pregnancy Help, and they gave me the emotional and material support to get out of the confusion, to put aside all the obstacles that I thought I had and begin to take care of myself and my baby. I do not have words big enough to match the work they do."* Learn more at [www.pregnancyhelpboston.org](http://www.pregnancyhelpboston.org).



**WINGS (Women in God's Spirit):** Is a ministry of encouragement and enrichment for women of all ages who seek to deepen their faith and grow in relationship with God and one another. We are conducting our 6-week Fall Season Uncovering Hidden Treasures, Understanding Catholic Social Teaching entirely through Zoom. Please join us this Wednesday, October 13, from 10:00 to 11:00 AM, when Fr. Chris O'Connor will speak on "Vatican II and Catholic Social Teaching: Understanding Gaudium et Spes." Fr. Chris will provide a historical background of CST, including the 7 key principles and will shed light on the importance of Vatican II in light of CST. As Catholics we have been called to be a missionary people as outlined in Vatican II documents. 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).

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:** Sunday, October 24 at 1:15 PM. Parishioners are invited to bring their pets to the Church Parking Lot (Lower Church Hall if inclement weather) as we celebrate the Church's Rite of the Blessing of Animals. Each pet will receive an individual blessing as we ask God's protection for our animal friends and remember that all living things are precious to Him. This blessing takes place in October as St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day is this month, and he had a special love of the furred, finned and feathered creatures of the earth.

**AFTER MASS GALA RESERVATIONS:** After all Weekend Masses October 23 & 24, 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Reservations may be made and paid for in the Parish Center Lobby. You may reserve your seat for this November 13 event, select your entrée, and pay by cash or check. Reservations may also be made now by calling Mary Beth at 508-429-4427, or online at: <https://is.gd/kos42g>. See bulletin flyer for more info.

**WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS:** *"America you are beautiful...and blessed.... The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life."*

- Pope Saint John Paul II

St. Mary's Parish  
150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

# GALA



**Saturday, November 13**  
**Regency Ballroom**  
**Doubletree Hotel**  
**11 Beaver Street**  
**Milford, MA**

Join your fellow St. Mary's Parishioners and Keynote Speaker Bishop Robert Reed for a wonderful evening of celebration and entertainment with a cash bar cocktail hour, silent auction, plated dinner, and dancing to an extraordinary band! Cost per person is \$35.

Music by 'The Party Factor,' an energetic 7-piece band including male and female lead vocalists, keyboard, sax/percussionist, drums, bass, and guitar offering a wide repertoire of music.



Reserve your seats by calling Mary Beth at 508-429-4427, or by using this link:

<https://is.gd/kos42g>

Be sure to indicate your choice of entrée. Pay by WeShare, or by check to "St. Mary's Parish," with "GALA" in the memo line, and mail to St. Mary's, 8 Church St., Holliston, MA, 01746.

**6 PM** - Cocktail Hour with Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle, Cheese and Cracker Display, Vegetable Crudit  Display and Dip, Cash Bar

**7 PM** - Plated Dinner with Harvest Salad  
Warm Rolls & Butter  
Roasted Rosemary Potatoes  
Saut ed Whole Green Beans  
Regular & Decaf Coffee and Tea  
Strawberry Cheesecake

- Choice of one of the following entr es  
Orange Maple Breast of Chicken  
Baked Haddock  
Eggplant Parmigiana w/ Marinara Sauce

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SAFETY NOTICE:** When the children, youth, volunteer teachers and monitors, along with the parents, enter the Center or Annex buildings they must wear Masks and sanitize their hands. This requirement is necessary at this time to protect everyone on the premises during the pandemic. Thank you for your cooperation.



**CLOW BEGINS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17:** CLOW is still in need of adult leaders in order to begin. Leaders, under the direction of Kristin Roberto, guides the children to understand God's Gospel message of love and His will for them in a format they will understand. Children remain in the church for CLOW the first Sunday of each month and then are dismissed to the lower church hall to hear the Gospel for the remaining Sundays in the month. Please prayerfully consider this wonderful ministry to inspire and direct the hearts of the children toward God. Contact [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com) for information if you can be a Leader.

**TEACHERS ARE STILL NEEDED:** At this time we need the following teachers:

**Grade 2:** One teacher on alternate Wednesdays to co-teach. **Grade 3:** One teacher on alternate Mondays from 4-5:30 PM. **Grade 5:** One teacher on alternate Mondays from 4-5:30 PM and one teacher on alternate Wednesdays from 4:15-5:45 PM. **Grade 7:** Three teachers on alternate Sundays from 5-6:30 PM. **Grade 8:** Three teachers on alternate Wednesdays from 6-7:30 PM. **Grade 9:** Three teachers on alternate Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM. **Grade 10:** Four teachers on alternate Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM. We are in need of good people of faith to come forward and share their faith with the children and youth as volunteer teachers and monitors for our in-person classes. Contact us at 508-429-6076 or [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com) to volunteer.



**CONFIRMATION I AND II ~ GRADES 9 AND 10:** Classes begin for **Grade 9** on Tuesday, October 12 and Thursday, October 14. All classes report to Fr. Haley Hall on their opening day of classes.

**HELP! GRADE COORDINATORS FOR GRADES 1, 7, 8 AND 9 ARE NEEDED:** Our program needs people of good faith to volunteer as Grade Coordinators. Training will be provided. Contact Fran if you can take on this role at 508-429-6076 or Email at [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.*

**MONITORS ARE STILL NEEDED:** Please see our needs on the last page of this bulletin page. It's easy! Just contact us at 508-429-6076 or by email at [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com).

**GRADE 2 INSCRIPTION MASS – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 at 4:00 PM:** Families with children in Grade 2 are reminded to attend the Inscription Mass with their child. At least one parent must be present. The children will present their hand made decorated hearts during the Mass to be displayed by the Mary Statue so that the parish community can pray for the children during the year as they prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion.

**COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND:** Classes will not be in session on Sunday and Monday on this holiday weekend.

**COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS:** Tuesday, October 19 at 7:45 p.m. in the Library.

**WE THANK GOD FOR:** Our Grade level Coordinators, volunteer teachers, and monitors who have welcomed back all the children and youth for in-person classes. The children are excited to be in class learning about their faith with their school friends. We thank God for the parents who are assisting their children at home with their lessons using our pre-recorded lessons. Whether at home or in class, the children will know how important it is to have a relationship with God and to depend on Him for our spiritual food, which we embrace in the Holy Eucharist. We are thankful that the parents are bringing their children to Mass each week to celebrate in thanksgiving the many blessings of God's grace and love. If you would like to take part in the ministry of evangelizing the children of St. Mary's Parish, please contact us. Perhaps you have taught when you had children in the program or maybe you lack confidence to teach a class. Our Grade Coordinators and DRE will provide all the materials and guidance you will need to be a successful Catechist!

**Class code: A=Alt. weeks M=Monthly W=Weekly**

GRADE	DAY / TIME	TEACHERS	MONITORS
<b>SUNDAY</b>			
PRE-K	9:15 to 10:30 AM	1 Adult/Teen	Filled
Kind.	9:15 to 10:30 AM	2 Adults	1
GR-1A	8:10 to 9:25 AM	1 Team A	Filled
GR-2A	10:45 AM to Noon	1 Teacher A	Filled
GR-4A	10:45AM-12:15 PM	1 Teacher A	1
GR-6A	4:00 to 5:30 PM	1 Teacher A	1
GR-7A	5:00 to 6:30 PM	3 Teachers A	1
<b>MONDAY</b>			
GR-3B	4:00 to 5:30 PM	1 Teacher A	Filled
GR-4B	4:00 to 5:30 PM	1 Teacher A	Filled
GR-5B	4:00 to 5:30 PM	1 Teacher A	Filled
GR-8B	6:00 to 7:30 PM	1 Teacher A	1
<b>TUESDAY</b>			
GR-9C	6:30 to 8:30 PM	3 Teachers A	1
GR-10C	6:30 to 8:30 PM	4 Teachers A	Filled
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			
GR-2D	4:15 to 5:30 PM	1 Teacher A	Filled
GR-5D	4:00 to 5:30 PM	1 Teacher A	1
GR-8D	6:00 to 7:30 PM	3 Teachers A	1
<b>THURSDAY</b>			
GR-9E	6:30 to 8:30 PM	2 Teachers A	Filled
GR-10E	6:30 to 8:30 PM	2 Teachers A	Filled

### PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING

**(PGC):** Training will be available on **Saturday, October 16 from 9 – 11 AM** in Room 3-4 with **Therese Stewart**. If you are a new volunteer, please contact the Religious Education Office to sign up for this workshop at [st.marysre1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysre1870@gmail.com). You may also complete **(VIRTUS) online PGC training** and the Massachusetts online Mandated Reporter training by going to [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org). **1.** Click on "First time registrant." **2.** On the next page click on "Begin the registration process." **3.** Select "Boston" from the drop down list of dioceses. **4.** Complete the registration. 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 **both Protecting God's Children and Mandated Reporter certificates** must be sent to [st.marysRE1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marysRE1870@gmail.com) for further processing.

**IMPORTANT CORI INFORMATION:** CORI verifications **must be completed in person**. Please remember **ANY** person who will be conducting virtual education programs for members of our parish is required to submit a CORI. God bless you!

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 3, 2021

GRADE	Classes will meet on alternate weeks unless noted.
Pre-K	Sun., 9:15 to 10:30 AM ~ Meets for six sessions. Starts Sunday, Nov. 7 in the Lower Church Hall
KIND.	Sun., 9:15 - 10:30 AM – Starts October 24. Meets once a month through May 2022
GR-1A	Sun., 8:10 - 9:20 AM – Starts October 17
GR-2A	Sun., 8:10 AM– Session 3 on October 24
GR-2A	Sun., 10:45 AM–Session 3 on October 24
GR-2D	Wed., 4:15 PM – Session 3 on October 27
GR-3A	Sun., 7:55 AM – Session 2 on October 24
GR-3A	Sun., 10:45 AM– Session 2 on October 24
GR-3B	Mon., 2:20 PM & 4:00 PM – Session 3 on Oct. 25
GR-4A	Sun., 10:45 AM – Session 3 on October 17
GR-4B	Mon., 4:00–PM – Session 3 on October 18
GR-4C	Tues., 4:00–5:30 PM–Session 3 on October 12
GR-4D	Weds., 4:15–5:45 PM–Session 3 on October 13
GR-5A	Sun., 10:45 AM–12:15 PM – Session 2 Oct. 17
GR-5B	Mon., 4:00–5:30 PM – Session 2 October 18
GR-5C	Tues., 2:30–4:00 PM – Session 2 October 12
GR-5D	Weds., 4:00–5:30 PM – Session 2 October 13
GR-6A	Sun., 4:00–5:30 PM – Session 2 October 17
GR-6B	Mon., 4:00–5:30 PM – Session 3 October 25
GR-7A	Sun., 5:00–6:30 PM – Session 1 October 17
GR-7D	Wed., 6:00–7:30 PM – Session 1 October 13
GR-8B	Mon., 6:00–7:30 PM – Session 2 October 18
GR-8D	Wed., 6:00–7:30 PM – Session 2 October 20
GR-9C	Tuesday, 6:30–8:30 PM– Session 1, October 12 Alternate Weeks - opposite GR-10
GR-9E	Thursday, 6:30–8:30 PM–Session 1 October 14 Alternate Weeks opposite GR-10
GR-10C	Tuesday, 6:30–8:30 PM– Session 2 October 19 Alternate weeks Opposite Grade 9
GR-10E	Tuesday, 6:30–8:30 PM – Session 2 October 21 Alternate weeks Opposite Grade 9

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

**CLIMATE APPEAL:** Monday, October 4, the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, marked the end of the 2021 Season of Creation. On this day, Pope Francis, along with many other world religious leaders, signed a joint appeal to the world's political leaders to take "urgent, radical and responsible action" to deal directly with the climate crisis. The religious leaders' call comes about a month before the United Nations climate summit (COP26) is to take place in Glasgow, Scotland. You can read more about the appeal at <https://bit.ly/ClimateAppeal>.

### 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 would love to prepare your child to receive First Penance and First Communion no matter their age.