

He is **RISEN**...  
and we are

**Alive!**  
**IN CHRIST**



## St. Mary's Parish



### 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 Choir Mass

Holy Days: Announced

### Adoration Schedule:

First Fridays from 9:30 -  
10:30 AM and as announced.

### 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 register through our website or by calling the rectory. 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 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!



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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

Alleluia! He is risen! On this radiant morning, the Church stands before the empty tomb, our hearts filled with awe and joy. The stone has been rolled away, death has been conquered, and Christ is alive!

In the Easter Gospel, we are drawn not only to what is missing, the body of the Lord, but also to what remains - the burial cloths, lying there, and the head covering, folded in a place by itself. This small, quiet detail is not incidental. It is a sign of the transformation that has taken place.

In the ancient world, burial cloths were bound tightly around the body, sealing it in death. They represented finality, decay, and the grip of the grave. Yet Christ leaves them behind. He does not need them anymore.

Unlike Lazarus, who two Sundays ago we saw emerge from the tomb still wrapped and needing to be unbound, Jesus rises in total freedom.



The grave clothes are not unraveled; they are simply left behind. Death has no claim on Him.

Also significant is the fact that the cloths are not scattered in haste but arranged with calm deliberation. This is no scene of confusion or theft. It is the quiet victory of God. Where we expect chaos, we find order. Where we expect an ending, we discover a beginning.

This Gospel is not only about Jesus, it is about us. We all know what it is to be bound: by sin, by regret, by grief, by fear of the future. These are our "burial cloths," the things that keep us tied to the tomb.

But Easter proclaims that we are not meant to remain there. The Risen Christ invites us to step out of whatever confines us - to leave behind the old life and walk in the freedom of His Resurrection. He does not call us back to who we were; He calls us forward to who we are becoming in Him.

Because the tomb is empty, everything has changed. We are free to leave the past where it belongs. The sins we have confessed, the wounds we carry, the failures that haunt us - these need not define us. Christ has already entered the darkness and overcome it.

We are also invited to see the world now with "Easter eyes." What appears to be loss can become new life. What feels like defeat can become grace. In Christ, no tomb is final.

In reflecting on this mystery of transformation, the words of St. Leo the Great speak to our hearts:

*"Christian, remember your dignity, and now that you share in God's own nature, do not return to your former low condition."*

The Resurrection is not only something we celebrate, but also an identity we live. As today's bulletin cover boldly proclaims, *"He is Risen, and we are ALIVE in Christ!"*

My prayer for each of you this Easter is that you experience the freedom of the empty tomb. May you have the courage to leave behind whatever binds you, and the faith to step into the new life Christ has won for you.

May your hearts be filled with His peace, your homes with His joy, and your lives with the light of His Resurrection.

Remember above all today that you are loved. You are redeemed. You are called to glory.

Happy Easter!

Rev. Mark J. Coiro



At this year's Easter Vigil, we rejoice to have celebrated Two Baptisms, Five First Communions, and Five Confirmations. Please join me in welcoming these now fully Initiated Catholics!

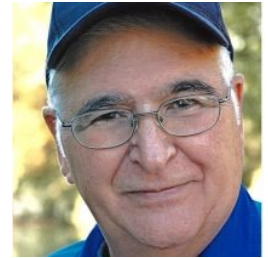
**Daniel Ethan Gorham (St. Philip),  
Abigail Kelley-Lanser (St. Thérèse),  
Melissa Moran (St. Gertrude),  
Scott Blaisdell (St. James),  
Victoria Knight-Connoni (St. Hildegard).**

**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. Lisa Dufault, HS Youth Minister  
 Ms. Abigail Kelley-Lanser, Director of Music  
 Mrs. Mary Beth Harris, Parish Secretary  
 Mrs. Jennifer Burgett, Religious Education Secretary  
 Ms. Mary Sanning, Business Manager  
 Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan  
 Mr. Billy Hanson, Parish Facilities  
 R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care

**2026 EASTER CANDLE:**

This year's Easter Candle has been given in loving memory of Carmen Chiango (photo right). The Easter Candle is used at Masses during the Easter Season and at every Baptism and Funeral throughout the year. It represents the light of Christ's Resurrection conquering the darkness of sin and death.



**UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS:**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 6</b>
9:00	Wanda Zeglarska
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 7</b>
9:00	Rev. Thomas P. Kelly
11:00	Funeral ~ Jerry Deise
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 8</b>
9:00	Funeral ~ Robert Russo, Jr.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 9</b>
9:00	Mass of Thanksgiving
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 10</b>
9:00	Fr. Salman and the People of our Sister Parish, Our Lady of Fatima, Beit Sahour, Palestine
11:00	Funeral ~ Mary "Lois" Hosmer
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 11</b>
5:00	Jean Rousseau, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anv.
7:30	Antoinetta Calabrese
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 12</b>
7:30	People of St. Mary's
9:30	Stephen and Susan Warren
11:30	Stephen Parker

**EASTER COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS TODAY**

All monies collected at Easter go to cover the healthcare and retirement needs of the senior priests of our



Archdiocese. These men have served us in a 24/7 job for most of their lives. Without them, we could not fully live our Catholic faith. Please remember the priests who have been there for you and consider honoring them through this

special collection. Thank you for your generous and prayerful support to the wellbeing of our priests!

You may contribute online at <https://clergytrust.org/>. WeShare and Automatic Giving gifts may also be designated for the Easter Collection. Thank you!

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** The St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council invites all parishioners to remain after Mass on April 11 and 12 (Divine Mercy Sunday) for a brief prayer service. We will be reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The chaplet is a beautiful prayer of humility that only takes about 10 minutes to pray and is very easy to learn. Further information about the many great graces available to us on Divine Mercy Sunday can be found at [divinemercy.org](http://divinemercy.org). We look forward to praying with you!



**CONGRATULATIONS TO SENIOR DEACON MARTIN BREINLINGER ON HIS 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION!** Deacon Marty was part of the Class of 1976 - the very first group of men ordained as Permanent Deacons in the Archdiocese of Boston. He has blessed our parish in countless ways during those years - preaching, celebrating Baptisms and Weddings, heading ministries, and being a friend to all. (His wife Mary Alice Breinlinger headed the Office of Family Life for the Archdiocese).

Deacon Marty's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated on Sunday, April 26 at 11:30 AM, followed by a reception in Fr. Haley Hall. To allow us to plan accurately for food, please use the SignUpGenius Link below to RSVP your attendance. A table for cards will be provided at the reception. Anyone wishing to give a gift is asked to make a donation to the Holliston Pantry Shelf in Deacon Marty's name.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094DA5AB29A3FC1-63162865-reception>. Save the date and come celebrate with us!



A great big, heart-felt thank you to all who participated in the 2026 St. Mary’s Lenten Suppers. Your generosity and willingness to accept part of the workload made the suppers possible and hugely successful this year. To those who helped create and manage the weekly schedule, set up and clean up the supper space, prepare the food and present the weekly reflections, your work is sincerely acknowledged and appreciated. None of us could do it alone.

And, of course, thanks are extended to the parishioners who came to share a meal and build up our parish community. Thank you in a special way to our fearless leader Natalie Pomarico, and to the whole Pomarico, Cordero, and Bachman Families, who are the core of this beautiful tradition. Photos Above.

**THE ROSE FOR LIFE:** Is sponsored this week by the Cruz Family in memory of Judy Cruz. Please join them in prayer for an unborn child. To sponsor the Rose please call the rectory office at 508-429-4427 or email [st.marys1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marys1870@gmail.com).

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS:** Our brothers and sisters requiring low gluten hosts for medical reasons, are reminded to use the Communion line in the main aisle of the nave, specifically the right-side Communion station as you face the altar. Just ask for “low gluten” when you arrive at that station.

## APRIL 13 NEW PARISH EMAILS & WEBSITE UPGRADE:

Staff & Program Contacts	New Emails as of April 13, 2026
Mary Beth Harris & Fr. Mark	<a href="mailto:parish@stmarysholliston.org">parish@stmarysholliston.org</a>
Abbey Kelley-Lanser	<a href="mailto:music@stmarysholliston.org">music@stmarysholliston.org</a>
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Mary Sanning	<a href="mailto:businessmgr@stmarysholliston.org">businessmgr@stmarysholliston.org</a>
Billy Hanson	<a href="mailto:facilitiesmgr@stmarysholliston.org">facilitiesmgr@stmarysholliston.org</a>
Confirmation Grades 9 & 10	<a href="mailto:youthministrv@stmarysholliston.org">youthministrv@stmarysholliston.org</a>
Confirmation Grades 7 & 8	<a href="mailto:confirmation@stmarysholliston.org">confirmation@stmarysholliston.org</a>
Middle School Youth Group	<a href="mailto:msvg@stmarysholliston.org">msvg@stmarysholliston.org</a>
Altar Servers	<a href="mailto:altarserver@stmarysholliston.org">altarserver@stmarysholliston.org</a>
VBS	<a href="mailto:vbs@stmarysholliston.org">vbs@stmarysholliston.org</a>

On Monday, April 13, an upgraded version of St. Mary’s Parish Website <https://stmarysholliston.com/> will go live. It will offer easier navigation, updated information, and be more user friendly on phones and other mobile devices.

On that same day, St. Mary’s Emails will all switch from **@gmail.com** to our own domain, **@stmarysholliston.org**. This will make for easier identification of our emails as NOT spam for filters. Most importantly, it will allow you to spot scammers more easily. Many parishioners receive fake emails purporting to be from us, usually asking for the purchase of gift cards, and the sending of gift card numbers to us for “charitable” purposes. After April 13, make sure emails say **@stmarysholliston.org** and you’ll know they are legitimate. Please send **only to the new emails** as of that date.

## FOR FAMILIES



**UPSTAIRS KIDS HOMILY, SUNDAY, APRIL 12:** With Easter celebrated on the First Sunday of April, our monthly Interactive Children's Homily at our 9:30 AM Mass will be next Sunday, April 12!

**DONUTS, JUICE, & COFFEE, NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 12:** The Welcoming Committee invites all parishioners and their families to come down to Fr. Haley Hall after the 9:30 AM Mass next Sunday, April 12, for donuts, juice and coffee! Come enjoy the chance to connect with and get to know your fellow parishioners. Members of the Parish Pastoral Council will be attending D.J.&C. and welcome any comments or ideas you have for St. Mary's. See you there!

**MARRIAGE FELLOWSHIP:** The St. Mary's Marriage Fellowship will meet on Thursday, April 16 from 6:30 - 8 PM in Sr. Ricci House to discuss a topic related to marriage. All engaged and married couples are welcome to attend. Childcare is provided.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:** A seven week, faith-based bereavement support group will begin on Thursday, April 23 at 1:30 PM at St. Jude's Church in Norfolk. This peer support group is open to anyone who has experienced a recent loss. There is no charge for this group, however registration is required. To register or for information, contact Nan Rafter at 774-571-0092.

## FOR CATHOLIC MEN



**Cor ~ ST. MARY'S FAITH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM FOR MEN:** The next **Cor** meeting will be this Thursday, **April 9**, from 7 - 9 PM in Fr. Haley Hall.

At this meeting, we will discuss the amazing story of the first three decades of the Church as described in the Acts of the Apostles. Between the prison escapes, miraculous healings and even a shipwreck, the Acts of the Apostles is filled with action and drama. But behind it all, the Holy Spirit is at work.

The mission of **Cor** is to help Catholic men deepen their relationship with God so that they can better discern, and live out, God's will for them in their daily lives. All men of St. Mary's Parish age 18 and older are invited to join us. For more information, contact [StMarysCor@gmail.com](mailto:StMarysCor@gmail.com).

## FOR INSPIRATION!

On August 15, 2001, Deacon Jack Sullivan was healed from a crippling spinal disorder after praying for the intercession of Cardinal John Henry Newman. His sudden, complete recovery was presented to the Vatican as part of its investigation into the beatification of Cardinal Newman. On July 3, 2009 Pope Benedict XVI announced that the healing was in fact a miracle which led to Newman's beatification in England on September 19, 2010. Deacon Sullivan participated as a Deacon in John Henry Newman's beatification



Mass with Pope Francis as celebrant. Cardinal Newman was later canonized as a saint by Pope Francis on October 13, 2019, saint's photo above.

**All parishioners are invited to attend a very special presentation by Deacon Jack Sullivan which will be held in the church on Saturday afternoon, May 16, from 1 - 2 PM (followed by a Healing Service until 2:30 PM).**

In his presentation, Deacon Sullivan will speak about his miraculous healing, his devotion to Saint John Henry Newman and the subsequent healings he has been blessed to be a part of, here and abroad, through the intercession of St. John Henry Newman.

Deacon Sullivan was born and raised in Braintree and currently resides in Pembroke. Before becoming a Deacon, he was the Clerk Magistrate of the Plymouth District Court for many years.

After his presentation, Deacon Sullivan will lead a healing service for all, followed by individual blessings for those seeking St. Newman's help. Deacon Sullivan has the only first-class relic of St. John Henry Newman other than the original relic in the UK and will bring the relic with him to the healing service. The event is sponsored by St. Mary's **Cor** Men's Group but is open to everyone.

## FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN

**ST. MARY'S MOM'S PRAYER GROUP:** The Saint Mary's Moms Group will meet this Tuesday, April 7 at 9:45 AM in Fr. Haley Hall. Coffee will be provided and there will be toys for kids to play with while moms discuss the upcoming Sunday Gospel. Contact Lauren Onak (954-803-9942) with questions. Welcome!

**SMCWG:** The St. Mary's Catholic Women's Group will be meeting this Wednesday, April 8 in the parish library at noon. Please bring your lunch and we will be providing dessert and beverages. Please join us!



**WINGS (Women in God's Spirit):** The 2026 Spring Season "*One Body: Living Faith in a Fragmented World*" begins on Wednesday, April 15 and concludes on Wednesday, May 13, from 10 - 11:15 AM. Listen to inspiring women tell us how they have discerned God's plan for them and put it into action. WINGS asks for dues of \$20 (unless you have paid for the year); however, all women are welcome regardless of ability to pay. Babysitting is available. Email [stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswingssecretary@gmail.com) to register or call Jen at 617-852-9632 or Diane at 508-259-7795.

In a world that often feels divided - by opinions, politics, priorities, and the pace of modern life - we remember that we are not meant to live our faith in isolation, but as one body united in Christ. As Catholic women, we are called to be living witnesses of unity, compassion, and truth, even when the world around us feels fragmented. This unity does not mean uniformity; rather, it is a harmony of different gifts, experiences, and voices brought together through love. By nurturing our relationship with God through prayer, the sacraments, and community, we become threads that help mend what is broken. In choosing patience over frustration, presence over distraction, and mercy over judgment, we embody a living faith that speaks more powerfully than words. Together, we reflect the beauty of the Body of Christ - whole, life-giving, and deeply connected - even in a world that often forgets what true unity looks like.

## FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 18<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY RAFFLE:** The proceeds from this raffle go to local charities such as the Holliston [Senior] Center, O'Connell House, Homes for our Troops, and the Doug Flutie Foundation for Autism. One ticket is \$5 and a book of five for \$20. First prize is \$1,000. The raffle drawing will take place at the K of C Golf tournament on June 26. Knights will be selling tickets at St. Mary's after all Masses on April 11 and 12. Knights will sell tickets in Downtown Holliston on April 11; at Shaw's in Medway on May 22 and 23; at Roche Bros. in Millis on May 15 and 16; and at Shaw's in Ashland on June 6 and 7. The direct contact to purchase raffle tickets is [stmaryshollistonkofc@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryshollistonkofc@gmail.com).

**K OF C "SWING FOR CHARITY" GOLF TOURNAMENT:** You can help families and individuals in need while enjoying a day on the golf course by participating in the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Knights of Columbus "Swing for Charity" Golf Tournament on Friday, June 26 at Pinecrest Golf Club. Proceeds from this Charitable Event will be donated to the Holliston Pantry Shelf and the O'Connell House. You can register as a Sponsor, Player or Foursome at [KofCswingforcharity.com](http://KofCswingforcharity.com). Alternately, you can mail a check payable to K of C Council 14224 to Tony Polise at 172 Rolling Meadow Drive, Holliston, MA, 01746. Golfer registration is \$125.00. Sponsorships vary from \$150 to \$2000. If you have any questions, send an email to [kofccouncil14224@gmail.com](mailto:kofccouncil14224@gmail.com). Thank you for your continuing support of the St Mary's Knights of Columbus charitable efforts.



# FOR OUR YOUTH!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP! Next Sunday, April 12 from 6:30 - 8 PM.** Maine Rafting roommate Sign-Ups will be held, as well as Sign-Ups for the April 21 Annual Spring Paintball Trip (vacation week), and the May 8 Nursing Home BINGO for our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders.



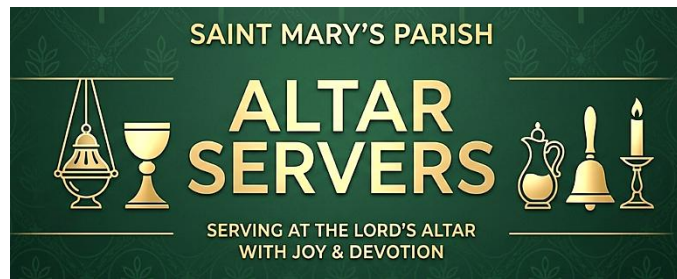
**MAY 17 - MSYG END OF YEAR MSYG PARENT POT LUCK:** Service awards will be given out, there will be a giant slideshow of all this year's events, our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will receive gifts and a special blessing as they head off to

High School, and there will be raftmate and Brownstone Quarry Sign-Ups this night. As always, the End of Year MSYG Meeting is for current members only.

**PHOTOS:** Thank you to all who helped make 125 sandwiches for the homeless at our last MSYG Meeting!



**MASS FOR 2026 GRADUATES: Sunday, May 17, at 11:30 AM.** St. Mary's will offer her 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass for Graduates. This year our parish has teens graduating from five different schools. The Mass will include: a Student Class of 2026 Speaker; a Special Blessing of All Graduates; awarding of the Blessed Mother Scholarship; a Group Photo of All Graduates (to appear in the St. Mary's Newsletter, identifying the teens in the photo along with the school they will be attending). Members of the Class of 2026 will also serve in various ministries at this Mass. A light reception will follow in Fr. Haley Hall.



On Sunday, March 22, 23 of St. Mary's 32 High School age Altar Servers gathered for a Lenten Night of Prayer. After pizza and an ice breaker, they watched a powerful video about St. Tarcisius - Martyr, Guardian of the Eucharist, and Patron Saint of Altar Servers. After conversation about his story, they vested and gathered in the church. Each held a candle lit from the red Presence Lamp by the tabernacle - a light that symbolizes the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist that St. Tarcisius died to protect. They then prayed the "Vows of St. Tarcisius." Finally, two high school servers made their Senior Altar Server Promises, were blessed, and received their Senior Altar Server Crosses.

**Congratulations to Brendan and Aidan Kramer!** Saint Mary's currently is blessed with a total of 63 Altar Servers. We thank them all for their generous and faithful service.

**TGIF (Teens Gather In Faith):** Our next Meeting is, **Sunday, April 26, from 7:00 - 8:45 PM in Fr. Haley Hall (bring a friend)!** TGIF is open to ALL TEENS in Grades 9 - 12. For more information, contact Lisa at [st.marystgif1870@gmail.com](mailto:st.marystgif1870@gmail.com).



**Next Saturday, April 11** we will gather to make 100 bagged lunches for Fr. Bill's in Quincy. We will then deliver the lunches and head to South Shore Plaza for a team scavenger hunt where the winning team will each receive a gift card! We invite everyone to follow TGIF on Instagram - QR code above right!



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**EASTER  
BLESSINGS TO  
ALL OUR SAINT  
MARY'S PARISH  
VOLUNTEERS!**



**CLOW ~ CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** resumes on Sunday, April 12, with an interactive upstairs Children's Homily in the church.

**EASTER:** "This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us be glad and rejoice!" The message of Easter is one of joy, hope, and good news. We need to be witnesses of all that Jesus has done for us. Take a moment during Easter brunch or Easter dinner, to speak of your love and gratitude for all our Lord has done for you, for He is the source of all good things!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES AFTER EASTER:**

DAY	GRADE	GRADE
Mon., April 6	EASTER MONDAY	
Tues., April 7	GR-4 at 4:00 PM	GR-5 at 4:00 PM
	GR-6 at 4:00 PM	GR-9/10 at 7:00 PM
Wed., April 8	GR-9/10 at 7:00 PM	
Sun., April 12	CGS-A at 8:00 AM	GR-2 at 8:10 AM
	GR-2 at 10:45 AM	GR-3 at 7:55 AM
	GR-3 at 10:45 AM	
Mon., April 13	GR-8 at 7:00 PM	
Tues., April 14	GR-4 at 4:00 PM	GR-5 at 4:00 PM
	GR-6 at 4:00 PM	GR-7 at 7:00 PM
Wed., April 15	GR-2 at 4:15 PM	GR-4 at 4:00 PM
	GR-7 at 7:00 PM	
Thur., April 16	GR-8 at 7:00 PM	

**APRIL VACATION ~ NO CLASSES:** Sunday, April 19 to Friday, April 24. The Religious Education Office will be closed Monday, April 20.

**EMPOWERING GOD'S CHILDREN SAFETY SESSIONS FOR GRADES 1, 4, 5 AND 6:** Any family wishing to Opt-Out their child must complete and submit an Opt-Out form to the Religious Education Office.

- Grade 1 - Sunday, April 26
- Grade 4 - Tuesday, April 28  
Wednesday, April 29
- Grade 5 - Tuesday, April 14
- Grade 6 - Tuesday, April 7

**GRADES 3 AND 5 CLASS SESSION ON OUR BLESSED MOTHER ~ MONDAY, APRIL 27 AT 4:00 PM.** Grade 3 and 5 students will come to Fr. Haley Hall to learn about our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Guadalupe and pray the Rosary together.

**GRADE 2 FAMILY RETREAT ~ SATURDAY, APRIL 11 AT 1:00 PM.** Families with children in Grade 2 will gather in the church at 12:45 AM with Fr. Mark for Eucharistic Adoration and visits to various stations for a day making crafts, an interactive play and a film about Jesus. Refreshments will be served at the close of the retreat. We need teens to sign up and assist with the various stations of the retreat. This will be a good opportunity for service hours.

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!  
VBS RAINFOREST FALLS 2026  
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
JULY 20 - 24!**

**Calling all campers (entering Grades K - 6) and volunteers (entering Grade 7 to adults)! Children will journey deep into the heart of the rainforest and discover the true nature of God! Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms.**



Each day opens and closes with prayer as well as high energy music and dancing, and skits. A daily Bible point is learned throughout the day as crews visit different stations where they enjoy Bible adventures, outdoor games, crafts and snack.

**WHO:** Children entering Kindergarten through Grade 6. Teens entering Grade 7 and up and Adults are needed as volunteers.

**WHEN:** July 20 - 24, 2026, 9 AM to 12:00 Noon.

**COST:** \$75/child, \$200/family max. Tuition assistance available if needed.

**REGISTRATION:** Open now through June 1, but our max is 100 campers.

Use QR Code or click:

<https://forms.gle/DfxUbFgn41QtqM7V7>

