

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE



SHRINE - RETREAT CENTER - WELCOME CENTER

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Mass Times

Monday - Saturday
12:10pm
Saturday (Sunday Vigil)
4:30pm
Sunday
9:30am (French), 12:10pm

Confessions

Monday-Friday
1:00pm - 2:00pm
Saturday-Sunday
1:00pm-4:00pm

Healing Services

Spanish:
October 5 at 2:30pm
Portuguese:
October 19 at 2:00pm
English:
October 26 at 2:00pm



ATTLEBORO FARMERS MARKET

Join us every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. through October 18, 2025, in the field across from the second parking lot.



October 10-11, 2025

An Inspiring Retreat for Cantors

Are you a cantor or a choir leader in your parish? Join us at a special overnight workshop just for you at the *National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette* in Attleboro.

Discover new ways to enhance your ministry, from connecting music to the liturgy to leading your congregation with confidence. We'll explore practical skills and find spiritual nourishment together.

For this workshop, we are excited to welcome Laurence Rosania, a renowned composer, as our keynote speaker. He is the gifted artist behind beloved hymns like "The Supper of the Lord" and "As Grains of Wheat," and he will share his wisdom on using music to inspire and uplift. Find all the details and register on our website.

<https://www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/cantorsretreat>

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THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Stella Maris - Our Lady, Star of the Sea



This title was given to Mary since her role served as the “guiding star” on the way to Christ and dates back to Saint Jerome during the 4th century. On May 24, 1953, Pope Pius XII in his encyclical said, “...for as the ray does not diminish the brightness of the star, so neither did the Christ born of her tarnish the beauty of Mary’s virginity.”

The idea of Mary as a guiding star for seafarers has led to devotions to Our Lady, Star of the Sea, in many Catholic coastal and fishing communities. She also serves as the patron saint for ship chaplains, seafarers, fishermen and all who work or travel by sea, and has been referred to as the “Calmer of storms.”

In every major country, a bishop serves as the Stella Maris Episcopal Promoter, overseeing the work of the national director, whose responsibility is to coordinate the individual chaplain’s efforts and to assist them in developing their ministries.

The Mission of Stella Maris provides seafarers, who are often away from their home parishes, and some seafarers who have no parish setting, help them maintain lasting ties with their faith and families. In addition, the organization makes available spiritual renewal, a safe haven while in port, a safe work environment, a just contract, and communications with loved ones back home. As a result, a network of Stella Maris port offices and Catholic chaplains establish parishes that accommodate a seafarer’s unique lifestyle and needs. Reverend Daniel J. McLearn is chaplain of the Stella Maris Port of New England located in New Haven, Connecticut.

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, is the patroness of the Netherlands, as well as the state of Hawaii. The Roman Catholic Church commemorates the Feast of Mary, Star of the Sea, on September 27th. Ceremonies such as the Blessing of the Fleet in New Bedford, the nation’s #1 fishing port, continue to provide opportunities for the fishing community to come together to celebrate the fleet and remember those who have been lost at sea.



SHRINE CHURCH SANCTUARY LAMP

During the month of **OCTOBER 2025**, the Shrine Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of:

REVEREND NORMAND GODIN.

Anyone wishing to have a loved one or special intention remembered should call the Shrine Secretary at 508-222-5410 and place their request. The monthly offering is \$75.

Upcoming Events You Don't Want to Miss!



Sept. 30 — Bible Study Group: 1 Corinthians
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/biblestudy



Oct. 3 — Sacred Heart Fridays. New Series!
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/sacredheart



Oct. 10-11 — Cantors' Retreat
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/cantorsretreat



Oct. 10-12 — Weekend Men's Retreat
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/compassionatemanhood



Oct. 21-23 — Oasis Retreat
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/oasisretreat



Oct. 21-23 — Be Embraced and Transformed by God
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/embracedbygod



Oct. 24-26 — Young Adult Retreat.
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org



Jan. 29-Feb. 1, 2026 — Ignatian Retreat.
www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/religiousburdens

Events designed for connection, and made to matter.

Bible Study Group - New Series
September 30, 2025 - 6:00-7:30 p.m.



Ever wondered what it was like for the very first Christians? Join us for an inspiring new Bible study series as we journey back to ancient Corinth and explore the letters of 1 and 2 Corinthians.

Starting Tuesday, September 30, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Mélanie Lounge, we'll dive into the daily lives of these early believers. See how they embraced the Gospel and learn to listen more closely to the Holy Spirit, just as they did through the mind of St. Paul. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in your faith, connect with others, and be inspired by the foundations of our Church.

Don't forget to bring your Bible and a journal! Ready to explore? Visit our website for all the details.

www.lsaletteretreatcenter.org/biblestudy

Blessing of the Animals
October 4, 2025 - Starting at 10:30 a.m.



Mark your calendars for a morning of joy and gratitude as we celebrate the special creatures who bring so much love to our lives.

On Saturday, October 4, at 10:30 a.m., bring your furry, feathered, or finned friends to the St. Francis Garden for our annual blessing of the animals.

This family-friendly ceremony is a beautiful way to honor their health and happiness while connecting with friends and neighbors.

Come give thanks for every wonderful creature and be part of this uplifting community event.

New Series - Sacred Heart Fridays
October 3, 2025 - 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



How do we find our way back to what truly matters? Pope Francis has given us a beautiful guide in his letter, *Dilexit Nos (He Loved Us)*, a powerful call to renew our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Join us on the First Friday of each month to explore this inspiring document together. We'll dive into how the timeless love of Christ can heal our wounds, unite us as a community, and speak directly to the challenges of our modern lives. This is a chance to re-center our hearts and find renewed hope. Our journey begins October 3, 2025. Don't miss this opportunity to encounter the Heart that has always loved us. Visit our website for more information and to view the full schedule.

www.lsaletteretreatcenter.org/sacredheart

Salette Malayali Community "Perunnal"
October 5, 2025 - Starting at 11:00 a.m.



Mark your calendars for a day of vibrant faith and joyous community!

Join us on Sunday, October 5th, as our Malayali Salette community celebrates the annual feast day, SMC Perunnal (Festival).

The day begins with a Rosary at 11:00 a.m. at the Rosary Pond, followed by a beautiful Mass at 11:30 a.m. with Fr. Roy as main celebrant. A special procession and a celebratory lunch will follow the Mass. Find out more about the Salette Malayali community here:

www.sallettemc.org/

Fontanini Special Event
December 3, 2025 - 6:00-8:00 p.m.



Imagine a piece of your Nativity scene with a personal touch from the family that created it. This Christmas, you have the special opportunity to do just that!

We're so excited to announce that Emanuele Fontanini will be visiting our Shrine Gift Shop on Wednesday, December 3, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. You can have any Fontanini piece you purchase personally signed by him. This is a rare chance to transform a beloved decoration into a treasured family heirloom.

Can't make it to the event? Don't worry! Simply purchase your piece by December 2nd, and we'll make sure it gets signed for you. Just leave your name and contact information at the Gift Shop, and we'll notify you when it's ready to be picked up.

Start your shopping NOW for the best selection of these beautiful, timeless gifts.

Ready to add a special touch to your Christmas?

Surrendering the Secret
Starting Next October

Are you carrying the burden of a past abortion?

Do you long for healing, forgiveness, and freedom?

You are not alone. Join us for a supportive 8-week Bible Study designed specifically for women seeking God's healing and restoration after an abortion experience. Replace shame with hope, joy, and beauty through the study of God's Word, journaling exercises, and being part of a confidential, caring community.

The new series of sessions is starting this October. Call to learn more about the program and see if it is your time to lay this heavy burden at the foot of the Cross.

For more information contact:

Kathy Hill, Client Services Coordinator, Abundant Hope
PRC 508-455-0425

The Courage to Stand With Others:
A Journey Into Compassionate Manhood
Men's Retreat - October 10-12, 2025

What does it mean to be a man of faith in today's world? It's more than strength or success. It's about courage, compassion, and a goodness that is unshakable.

This fall, men from all walks of life are invited to a powerful weekend retreat at the La Salette Retreat Center. Inspired by the life and writings of Fr. Greg Boyle, S.J., this is a chance to rediscover a vision of manhood that heals wounds, builds bridges, and stands with those on the margins. Visit our website for more details.

www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/compassionatemanhood

Walking Through Grief
October 15, 2025 - 2:00-4:00 p.m.

If you or a loved one are navigating the journey of grief, you don't have to walk alone. Join us for "Walking Through Grief," a compassionate six-week series designed to offer a peaceful space for healing and renewal. This program begins on Wednesday, October 15, and will meet from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the La Salette Retreat Center.

www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/griefsupportprogram

Be Embraced and Transformed by God
October 21-23, 2025

Join us for a three-day retreat inspired by Henri Nouwen's *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. Led by Fr. Leo LeBlanc and Fr. Kenneth Cardinale, this retreat is an invitation to experience God's radical love and forgiveness.

<https://www.lasaletteretreatcenter.org/embracedbygod>

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

All of our ministries here at the Shrine are only possible thanks to generous donations from people like you! With gratitude - Thank you!

MASS COLLECTIONS

September 13 - 14:	\$ 2,188.00
September 14 (Haitian Mass):	\$ 181.00
September 19:	\$ 1,628.00
September 20 -21:	\$ 2,623.00
September 21 (Haitian Pilgrimage):	\$ 1,947.35

DONATION BOXES

September 8 – September 14:	\$ 1,200.00
September 15 – September 21:	\$ 1,407.00

Heavenly Thought

"To feel sorry for the needy is not a mark of a Christian – to help them is."