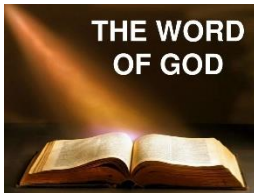


Upcoming Events and Prayerful Experiences



The Word of God in Music - Part 2 of 3

Join us **TONIGHT** for the Word of God part 2. The focus will be on the Word of God in Music. Music is an integral part of worship and our discussion will explore the nature of the Word of God in music, how the Word of God is expressed and transmitted, the biblical background of music in worship, the rationale and aim of music, and practical issues involved in the Word of God in Music at Worship in our PWC collaborative.

TONIGHT at 6:30pm
St. Mary Rectory

Ministers of the Word of God - Part 3

The 3rd and final Word of God will focus on the ministry of lectors. The nature of the liturgical ministry of lectors - lay readers. This is not just for lectors though, all are welcome to attend on **Wednesday, October 8 at 6:30** in the St. Mary Rectory.



Knights of Columbus - Tootsie Roll Drives

The Knights of Columbus for St. Martha and St. Mary will be collecting donations for their Annual Tootsie Roll drive after all Masses over the next two weekends. The Tootsie Roll drive is the Knights of Columbus' Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities. All donations will be used to provide people with intellectual and physical disabilities more resources to live a happy life. Please donate generously.

St. Martha KoC Oct 4 & 5
St. Mary KoC Oct 11 & 12



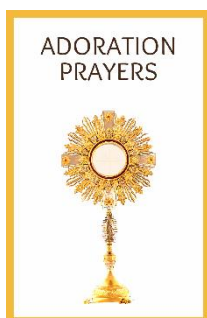
Teaching Mass

The 4:00 pm Mass on **Saturday, October 4** will be a teaching Mass as part of our Marriage Prep class. This Mass will be about 15 minutes longer and many parishioners find it informative and interesting. All are Welcome!



Blessing of the Animals

Our Collaborative will be holding a blessing of the animals on **Saturday, October 11 at 10:00am** at St. Martha. Bring your pets to the grounds of St. Martha Parish for this blessing. All are Welcome!



Day of Prayer for Harmony

Bishop Robert Reed, who serves as bishop for our West Region of the Archdiocese of Boston, has asked us to be one of the host churches for a "Day of Prayer for Harmony in Our Nation and Peace in the World." On **Wednesday, October 22, from 7:00am until 7:00pm**, St. Mary church in Wrentham will be open for Eucharistic Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. What a gift it is to host such a day! In the midst of so much division in our country and conflict in our world, we are invited to place everything before Jesus, who is our Prince of Peace. In silence before the Eucharist, we remember that harmony and reconciliation are possible — not because of our own strength, but because Christ himself breaks down walls of hostility and makes us one — *if* we invite him to.

Throughout the day, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar, with Benediction closing the day at 7:00pm. Mass will take place as usual, and then Adoration will resume until the evening. To make this possible, the Church asks that *at least* two adorers be present in the church for each hour of prayer when the Eucharist is exposed. **I am inviting parishioners from both of our collaborative parishes — St. Martha and St. Mary — to commit to spending an hour before the Lord on this special day.** To facilitate the scheduling of 2-3 people each hour to be present, we are providing online signup through our website link to Signup Genius, or you can sign-up in person when you come to weekend Masses. Others are welcome to come beyond those scheduled — in fact, we chose to use St. Mary church so that children attending Faith Formation classes that day can spend some time in prayer and adoration — but we need commitment

from a few each hour to be able to host this important prayer event.

This is a moment of grace for our collaborative parishes and those who will join us that day. Let us take our place before the Lord, asking him to heal our divisions, strengthen our hope, and send us forth as instruments of his peace. Please sign up for an hour if you are able, and together, let us lift our nation and our world into the heart of Christ.

[Adoration Hour Sign up](#)