

# ST. MARY'S PARISH

Corner of Main & Summer Streets, Shrewsbury, Mass. 01545 • Website: [www.stmarysparish.org](http://www.stmarysparish.org)

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Mass

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 am, 11:00 am  
& 5:30 pm.

Weekdays & Saturday: 8:30 am.

Holy Days: 8:30 am., 12:00 pm. & 7:00 pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30–4:00 pm.; anytime by  
appointment

### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday: 6:00–9:00 pm, Church

Friday: 9:00–1:00 pm, Pastoral Ctr. Chapel

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Michael F. Rose, *Pastor*

Rev. Juan Escudero, *Parochial Vicar*  
Philip E. Devine, *Deacon*

Jeannie MacDonough, *Principal*

Gina Kuruvilla, *Director of*  
*Religious Education & Youth Ministry*

Kathy Canfield, *Gr. K–4 Rel. Ed. Coord.*

Laura Osborne, *Gr. 5–8 Rel. Ed. Coord.*

Richard Vacca, *Director of Liturgical Music*  
Viola Jefferson, *Parish Nurse*

## CONTACT US

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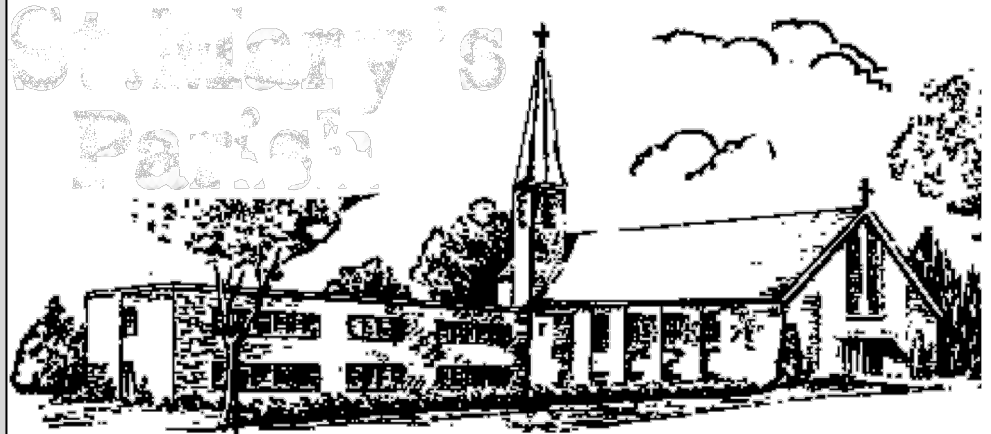
Religious Ed. Office .....508-925-7801

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### Our Parish Mission

*We, the people of St. Mary's, strive to be a community united with God, dedicated to continuing growth in knowledge and faith, giving witness to Christ through love, worship, education, and service. So that we may fulfill this mission and integrate spirituality with life, we shall reach out to all peoples within and beyond our faith community.*



**NEW PARISHIONERS:** We are always happy to welcome new people into our parish family. Please contact the Pastoral Center to register or for more information.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms at St. Mary are held on the first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 PM. Parents may also schedule to have their child baptized during one of the Sunday Masses. A preparation session for parents preparing for the baptism of their first child is held on the second Monday of the month in the Pastoral Center. Call the Pastoral Center for more information.

**MARRIAGES:** The policy for the Diocese of Worcester requires a period of one year preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage, which includes sessions with the parish priest and participation at either the pre-cana conferences or the Engaged Encounter weekend. Contact one of the priests for arrangements.

**PASTORAL CARE:** Arrangements for the reception of the Sacraments at home can be made by contacting the Pastoral Center. Please also notify the Pastoral Center when a parishioner is in the hospital or otherwise confined. Emergency sick calls at anytime.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jean Campaniello.....508-842-8288  
Robert Doiron .....978-568-3696  
Jim Farrell.....508-330-6153  
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Tim Rivard.....774-275-0616  
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Robert Terry.....508-798-8734  
Susan Zybert .....508-842-7554

## COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES

**Finance:** Maria Lemieux.....508-845-8732  
**Respect Life:** Kurt Brenner.....508-842-0322  
**Seniors Jet Set:** Evelyn Baroni.....508-845-3511  
**Social Justice:** Gina Kuruvilla.....508-925-7801  
**Outreach:** Mary Daly.....508-845-6819  
**Stewardship:** Kelly Paulina.....508-845-8557

## MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Intention
<b>Saturday, Feb. 10</b>	8:30 pm	<b>Special Intention</b> By the family
	4:30 pm	† <b>Charles Stephens</b> By Frank and Jeanne Vaccaro
<b>Sunday, Feb. 11</b>	7:30 am	<b>Stephen and Tracy Keating</b> By Mom
	9:00 am	† <b>Luis Domenech</b> By the family
	11:00 am	† <b>Rose Marie Levesque</b> By Marti and Evan Page
	5:30	† <b>Mary Masiello</b> , 3rd Anniversary † <b>Frank Massiello</b> , 35th Anniversary By the family
<b>Monday, Feb. 12</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Sean McCue</b> By the Hopkins family
<b>Tuesday, Feb. 13</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Norman Brenner</b> By Joan
<b>Wed., Feb. 14</b>	7:00 pm	† <b>Manuel Peisoto</b> By Maria Call and family
<b>Thursday, Feb. 15</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Ted Coghlin</b> By Joan
<b>Friday, Feb. 16</b>	8:30 am	<b>Emily and Aubrey</b> By a friend
<b>Saturday, Feb. 17</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Pat Holloway</b> By Joan
	4:30 pm	† <b>Richard Joseph, Sr.</b> 2nd Anniversary by the family
<b>Sunday, Feb. 18</b>	7:30 am	† <b>Frances Mercadante</b> By the Robotis family
	9:00 am	† <b>Rose Salerno</b> By the family
	11:00 am	† <b>Rosemary and Nick Zona</b> By the family
	5:30 pm	† <b>Bryant Palazzini</b> By the family



## PRAY FOR . . .

Repose of the souls of Ray and Coco Lajoie, Sister Maria Vianney after her sudden death and peace for her sisters in the Mercy Community; Sheila Pickett full recovery after heart surgery; a woman with heart valve problems to get excellent care and treatment and to be fully healed and for her family to be calm and at peace; successful treatment of pain for Marsha Braswell; Alicia a young woman suffering muscle problems and nerve pain to be healed of her disease and to have strength and courage for good diagnosis and treatment; a woman with two forms of cancer for a good diagnosis and treatment, strength, comfort and healing; Rick V. full recovery and quick healing after heart bypass surgery; Chelsea's family; speedy recovery for a father and son both having surgeries this past week; Maryann and Catherine to know God is walking with them; healing of a relationship between a grandfather and his granddaughter; L to have all that is needed; a special intention for a couple; all fractured relationships; MW's quest; safety for J; Keith's success in a new job; Susan and Dean; all those affected by domestic abuse to find safety and healing; safe travel for several; ease for a woman; and for all those affected by cancer and mental illness.

**Continued prayers for:** John; Ben; Valerie; Andrea; John K; a young man following brain surgery; Richard; Pam; Tom B.; Allison; Katie; Jack; Callan; Ivan; Tim Martin; Tim Cook; Maryann; Erica; Sr. Marion; Sr. Rita Mae; Nancy G.; Beverly; David; PA; Helen; Connor; Dawn; Chrissy; Andy T.; Walter; Elizabeth; Jeff; Shirley; Scott; Matt; Julia; PD; MN; AH; AP; DP; Neil; Kevin; Paul; MS; Vicki; Haley; C.; Cathy; Christine; Kathy; BC; John; Becky; Maddie; Chico; Rose; Bill; Ted; Matt; Esther; Susan; Justin; and Wayne.

**Thanksgiving for:** the safe arrival of baby Hazel Grace and for her parents Becki and Simon; VC's aid; Dr. W's help; Tower Hill; Meyers' generosity and hospitality; Terry's improved health; safe travel for a couple; a faithful family in our parish; employment for a group; healing wounds; Sue's additional Bible study at the Towers and the students; all those who created and participated in the Flora in Winter program at the WAM; N's medical aid; TL's advocacy; RG's improved health; a new relationship; and all answered prayers.

**Prayer Line:** Tracy at 508-450-0137 or Susan at 508-479-4667 or [susanbk@townisp.com](mailto:susanbk@townisp.com)

*Rest in Peace*

Ida Sebring, Bernard Holloway,  
Edward Eckland and Hugo Galli

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule February 17-18

Date	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Server	Sacristan
Saturday 4:30pm	S. Puthanangady	M.L. Lordan, K. Van Atten, H. Reynolds, S. Gallerani, M. Damico, S. Puthanangady,	M. Wackell, A. Eda, N. Podlipec, M. Flores	J. Nelligan
Sunday 7:30am	J. Forts	M. Lemoine, G. McNamara, T. Keegan, P. Caouette, M. Benbenek, P. Forts	A. Johnson, P. Vona, K. Vona	S. Pegg
Sunday 9:00am	K. McKenna	F. St. Pierre, M/M Godek, B. Randazzo	B. Kerekon, A. Kerekon, G. Morris S. Boyle, E. Jorda	J. Godek
Sunday 11:00am	M. Connors	J.M Carey, K. Paulina, E. Korpi, M. Vallejo, D. Malo, E. Page, J. McDonald	J. Malo, M. Johnson, J. Karam A. McNamara	J.M. Carey
Sunday 5:30pm	E. Keck	M/M Thompson, A. Lemoine, L. Ferguson	J. Lemoine, O. Ferguson, E. Ferguson, A. Pisano-Stratton	V. Moskowitz

## LENT 2018 BEGINS THIS WEEK

The season of Lent will begin this week on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Plan now to join us at St. Mary's as we enter into this holy season

- 6:45 am Mass & Ashes
- 8:30 am Mass & Ashes (St. Mary School joins us)
- 12:00 pm Mass & Ashes
- 4:30pm Liturgy of the Word & Ashes (Gr. 3 & 4 CCD joins us)
- 7:00 pm Mass & Ashes

### FAST & ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent for Catholics 14 years of age and older. Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for Catholics from age 18-59. On these two days of fast one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.

**DAILY MASS** will be celebrated during the season of Lent at 6:45 am and 8:30 am (Monday thru Friday) and 8:30 am on Saturday.

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Come Home to God's Mercy and Celebrate the Sacrament of Penance during the season of Lent this year  
Every Saturday at 3:30 pm  
Tuesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 pm

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday evenings during Lent at 7:00 pm. Join us as we reflect and pray on Jesus' journey to Calvary.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday evenings in the church from 6:00 – 9:00 pm  
Friday from 9:00 am – 1:00pm in the Pastoral Center Chapel.

### LENTEN ALMSGIVING

CRS Rice Bowls will be available this weekend for your Lenten almsgiving. Your contributions will be divided among several charitable ministries that our parish supports, including Catholic Relief Services, St. Anne's Human Services, Dismas House, the Interfaith Hospitality Network and our sister parish in Haiti, St. Michel's.

### LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

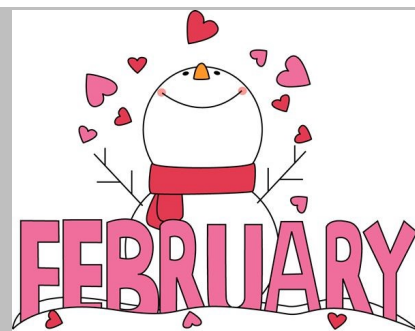
Beginning at 6:00 pm on Friday evenings during Lent (February 16 & 23, March 2, 16 & 23) various parish groups will sponsor a simple Soup Supper in the parish hall. Three different meatless soups will be served along with bread and water. This is one small way for us to remember our solidarity with those who are hungry throughout the world as we pray, fast and give alms.

### LENTEN MISSION

Save the dates for the Lenten Cluster Mission  
March 11, 12 & 13 7:00 pm

With **Marty Rotella**

Sunday, March 11 at St. Anne's  
Monday, March 12 at St. Mary's  
Tuesday, March 13 at St. Mary of the Hills



### Sunday, February 11

9:00 St. Mary Adult Choir-Media Center  
10:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-Hall, School, LMR  
12:30 Households of Faith-Hall, LMR, GS  
3:00 Girl Scouts-Hall  
4:00 Catholic School Grade 10 CCD-Pastoral Center  
6:30 RCIA-Media Center  
6:30 Grades 9 & 10 CCD-School, Hall, LMR, GS, PC

### Monday, February 12

9:15 Weight Training-Large meeting Room  
10:30 Kindergarten Screening-LMR/GS  
6:00 Kathy Mangan-ALS Fundraiser-Gathering Space  
6:30 Webelos Den 9-Hall  
6:30 Haitian Apostolate Meeting-St. Luke  
7:00 Baptism Class-Mary's Room

### Tuesday, February 13

9:30 Bible Study-Large Meeting Room  
3:30 Commission for Woman-Large meeting Room  
4:30 Old Testament Class Part III-Hall  
6:00 Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 Social Justice Ministry-Large Meeting Room

### Wednesday, February 14

8:30 Ash Wednesday Mass with St. Mary School  
12:00 Ash Wednesday Mass  
4:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-Hall, School  
4:30 Liturgy of the Word with Ashes  
6:00 Brownies-Hall  
6:30 Cub Scout Den 9-St. John  
7:00 Ash Wednesday Mass

### Thursday, February 15

9:15 Weight Training-Large Meeting Room  
6:00 Cub Scouts Den 1-Hall  
6:30 Gentle Yoga-Large Meeting Room  
7:00 Men's Group-Media Center  
7:00 Boy Scouts-Hall

### Friday, February 16

9:00 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-Chapel  
2:30 Mass at Shrewsbury Nursing Home  
6:00 Lenten Soup Supper-Hall  
6:00 Girl Scouts-Large Meeting Room  
6:00 Girl Scouts-Gathering Space  
7:00 Stations of the Cross CCD-Church

### Sunday, February 18

9:00 St. Mary Adult Choir-Media Center  
12:30 Baptisms-Church  
5:30 Rite of Election

## WELCOME to our NEW SEMINARIAN

### JUAN PARRA

Juan arrived in the U.S. from Medellin, Colombia this past September to begin his studies in English at Clark University while residing at the Holy Name House of Studies. He has already completed 1 ½ years of Theology in preparation for priestly ordination. He will continue his studies for the Diocese of Worcester once he has completed his English courses at Clark. This semester Juan will be spending the weekends with us at St. Mary's. Please be sure to welcome him to our parish as you meet him.



## Saint Mary School 2018 - 2019 School Year

Saint Mary School is now accepting applications for our Pre-school, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 through 8 classrooms for the 2018 - 2019 school year.

Schedule a tour to see how Saint Mary School is making a difference for our students, our community and our world as you witness our commitment to faith, academic excellence and authentic examples of service.

Our After-School Program is available for Kindergarten through Grade 8 students from 2:30 - 5:30 pm.

Saint Mary School welcomes students and families from all faiths and ethnic backgrounds.

For more information, please contact our Admissions Director, Cheryl Dolan at  
Cheryl.Dolan@stmarysparish.org or 508 842-1601.

Visit our website to complete an application and learn more about Saint Mary School: <http://school.stmarysparish.org/>

Did you know Bertucci's donated the tasty pasta, meatballs, sauce and rolls for the St. Mary School Pasta Festival? Let's show our appreciation and support St. Mary's School too as we dine for dollars at Bertucci's in Westborough on Wednesday, February 14th. Not only does Bertucci's have delicious meatless pizza & pasta options but they also have some tasty seafood dishes perfect for Ash Wednesday too! Please help yourself to a flyer on the way out of church and we will see you at Bertucci's!

### *Al's Oil Presents St. Mary School's Second Annual Night at the Theater*

## JERSEY BOYS

Thursday, March 15, 2018 at 7:30pm  
The Hanover Theater for Performing Arts

*Appetizers, dinner and wine will be served beginning at 5pm  
At Saint John's High School-Salem Commons*

Tickets are \$135 per person and include dinner, bus transportation to and from the theater and tickets to the show!

All proceeds benefit the Saint Mary Parent Association

For tickets please contact Jeannie McDonough at  
Jeannie.macdonough@stmarysparish.org

### SAVE THE DATE-IHN GALA

Please join us for the first annual Evening of Hope on Saturday, March 3rd from 7:00-10:00 pm at Notre Dame Academy in Worcester. The event will feature the opportunity to sample wines, enjoy appetizers and small plates, and spend a lovely Saturday evening with friends and community members--all for a wonderful cause. For ticket information, please email [rubin@townisp.com](mailto:rubin@townisp.com) or [Twaite@townisp.com](mailto:Twaite@townisp.com). Mark your calendars and save the word! Thank you



MARY'S FLOWERS

8th Annual



Join the St. Mary Community on Friday, March 9 from 4-8pm for this Annual Lenten Tradition.

### Same great menu! Same great price!

Advance tickets are just \$8 for the Fish & Chips dinner which includes Fish & Chips, Coleslaw, Soft Drink plus Dessert and Coffee. Kids' meal tickets are just \$4. Kids can choose Pizza or Mac & Cheese plus a soft drink and dessert.

Advance tickets are available now on-line at [www.StMarysFishFry.com](http://www.StMarysFishFry.com). Beginning next weekend (Feb. 17-18), tickets will be available for purchase after all Masses.

Check the bulletin and the parish website each week for more information.

Friday, March 9, 2018 Student in grades 7 and Up we need your help at the most popular event in town! No prior experience is needed. Dates and Times: Friday, March 9, 2018 3:30 p.m. - 8:30p.m. Serving Meals & Bussing Tables OR Saturday, March 10, 2018 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Clean up the Parish Hall Place: St. Mary's Church, Parish Hall Type of work: Bussing and waiting tables Dress code: Black pants & White shirt (School Uniform Pants or Black Jeans) Report to: Mrs. Mary Brenner - Kitchen Area Type of Work: Clean Up the day after the Fish Fry For the online signup go to:  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4fafa92aa6fe3-volunteer>

### Welcome to the Catholic Men's Group -St. Mary Parish

We gather every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm in the school media center to discuss matters of faith and ever challenging roles of men in our society. We are currently covering the Alpha Series by Nicky Gumbel and our next discussion topic on February 15 is Episode 7 **How Does God Guide Us**.

Schedule it and let the Lord be your guide. See you soon.

**MUSTARD SEED TEAM** -Over the next few weeks, the Mustard Seed Team will be collecting new women's and men's socks and gloves. There will be boxes at the church entrances for your donations.

Also, if anyone has gently used sturdy men's shoes or boots, they would be appreciated.

Thanks so much. Maryanne 508 845-9674.

**The Catholic Free Press**

"You shall know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

- John 8:32

### Keep the Good News coming in to your home

*Renew home delivery by using your parish envelope*

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[digital.catholicfreepress.org](http://digital.catholicfreepress.org)

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**FEBRUARY IS CATHOLIC FREE PRESS MONTH**

**SAVE THE DATES FOR OUR SECOND LIGHT OF THE  
WORLD RETREAT WEEKEND  
MARCH 16 – 19, 2018**

The Light of the World (LOTW) parish retreat gives parishioners the opportunity to grow in their faith together. The experience helps people to live the Catholic Christian life with more zeal and enthusiasm. The retreat weekend starts on Friday evening (after work) through Monday evening (after work) and during the day on Saturday and Sunday. Unlike most retreats, however, participants return to their homes each night. Men and women attend the same retreat.

**Retreat Dates & Times**

The retreat weekend will be held right here at St. Mary's and starts with an opening session of Friday. It continues from 8am - 8pm on Saturday Sunday, and concludes with a final session on Monday evening.

- Friday, March 16th - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- Saturday, March 17th - 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
- Sunday, March 18th - 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
- Monday, March 19th - 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

**Additional Details**

All meals and snacks are included. You do not need to prepare or bring anything with you, but feel free to bring whatever will make you more comfortable. The environment is relaxed & dress is casual and at the end of each day, you will return to the comfort of your own home.

There will be a series of presentations, each building on the one before to complete a journey of discovering the "Good News." For this reason, we ask that you please plan to attend the entire retreat.

There will be inspired teaching, humor, hearing how others have come closer to Jesus, time for quiet prayer, and renewal of sacraments. There will be opportunities to make new friends through the shared fellowship. There is no anticipated response to the weekend, only the assurance that the Holy Spirit will meet you right where you are.

Informational brochures and registration forms can be found by the bulletins today.



Adult Faith Formation Lenten Sessions,  
Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.-  
Large Meeting Room\*

Join us for our Lenten reflections on the following Wednesdays: February 28th, and March 7th. \*Please note that the first session on February 7th will be held in Luke's Room at the Pastoral Center. Our reflections will be based on the book "The Nails and the Cross" by Geoffrey Rowell and Julien Chilcott-Monk. Imagination sets the scene and Scripture bids us welcome in this fresh approach to contemplating the passion of Christ. Feel free to contact Rita St.Pierre at 508-373-2678.

**JET SET**– Save the dates:  
June 27th-Gloucester Lobster Cruise including a New England clam Bake and a narrated cruise \$91  
July 19th-The Lakes Region Summer Theater presents "Show Boat" with lunch at Hart's Turkey Farm \$91  
August 12/13– Saratoga Races with an addition to be announced  
October 1-3-Three Day Montreal Spectacular \$395

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

For over 50 years, the **Collection for the Church in Latin America** has been a sign of the solidarity of the Church in the United States with the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean. The distance in rural areas and deteriorated roads make it difficult for some communities to have Mass regularly. Language barriers and lack of resources make catechetical materials difficult to produce. We are called to share our faith with all, and this collection is a prophetic and bold way to do so.

The collection for the Church in Latin America, empowers the faithful of Latin America and the Caribbean to deepen their faith and share it with each other and the world. A significant portion of this collection is also used to assist in the ongoing efforts of our own **Diocesan Hispanic Ministry**, which serves the large number of Hispanic and Latino Catholics who are now in the Diocese of Worcester. It is gratifying to see the life of faith flourishing in these parish communities as their faith life enriches us all.

I encourage you to respond to the theme to "Share your Faith" by supporting the special Collection for the Church in Latin America in our parishes on the weekend of February 18. Please be assured of my appreciation for your generous response to this collection.

With every prayerful wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Robert J. McManus  
Bishop of Worcester

**SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY  
Environmental Stewardship Challenge:  
Carry a reusable Water Bottle**



Each week, Americans buy enough plastic water bottles to circle the earth 5 times! Carrying your own bottle cuts waste and is much cheaper. Typically, bottled water costs 2000 times more than tap water!

Source: <https://www.epa.gov/trash-free-waters/what-you-can-do-about-marine-debris>

Would you like to learn more about Catholic teaching on how we should care for Creation? The Environmental Stewardship Ministry will be conducting an adult study group to explore the encyclical Laudato Si: On Care of Our Common Home. We will provide a student study guide to support facilitated discussions on this complex topic. We will discuss the social justice implications of pollution and the challenges of meeting the goals of a prospering economy while protecting the environment. **The program will be at the St Luke's Parish Center starting on Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30-8:30PM and will continue every Tuesday through Lent.** A diversity of perspectives and backgrounds will enrich our discussion. To sign up or ask questions please email or call Pete Dunbeck – [pete@dunbeck.net](mailto:pete@dunbeck.net) / 781-856-8962. If you would like to participate but this time slot does not work, please send an email to be put on a list for future sessions.

**Spiritual Adoption Intention - Sixth Month**

In the sixth month of spiritual adoption we pray for both parents' emotional welfare and maturation toward making good decisions and modeling good behavior for their child.

