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#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Weekends

Saturday: 6:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM

#### Daily

Mass (Tuesday & Friday): 8:45 AM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 10:00-11:00 AM (At St. Augustine 2:45-3:30 PM)

### Holy Day Masses: As announced

#### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptisms:** Please contact the parish office to schedule date of preparation and date of baptism. **Marriage:** Please contact the pastor at least one year before planned date of marriage. **Visitation or Anointing of the Sick:** Anytime. Please contact the pastor.

If you are a visitor or if you are new to our parish, we welcome you. If you would like to become a member of our parish, you may call the parish office, contact us by e-mail or return this form by mail or by placing it in the offertory collection.

This form may also be used for change of address or to request a call from a member of our staff.

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Linwood/Uxbridge, Massachusetts



Saturday, December 21

6:00 PM Arthur Poudrier (55th Anniv.) by wife Cecile

Sunday, December 22

9:00 AM Ronald White & Rose Marie St. Jean

by their family

and Mr. & Mrs. Richard Barry by Claire White

Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve

8:45 AM Cecile Poudrier by her family 4:00 PM Sadie Grace Pomeroy by her family 10:00 PM Dr. Susan Campo Weiss by her mom

Wednesday, December 25 Christmas Day

8:00 AM Arthur & Yvette Dupre, Sister Rosemarie Dupre and Jim Gosselin by Elaine Gosselin

Friday, December 27 Emil & Lucienne Roy by son Donald Roy and 8:45 AM

daughter Lise Lithecum

Saturday, December 28

6:00 PM Jim Cullen Jr. (5th Anniv.) by his parents

Sunday, December 29

9:00 AM Helen Billings by her family

#### Liturgical Roles December 28 & 29 **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

6:00 PM P. Berthelette, D. Bruneau

P. & S. Joanis 9:00 AM

Lectors

6:00 PM S. Desjourdy

9:00 AM J. Hauge, A. Darling

**Altar Servers** 

6:00 PM

9:00 AM J. & M. Lowrey

Ushers

6:00 PM

J. D'Alfonso, E. Metivier 9:00 AM

#### Liturgical Roles December 24 & 25 **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

4:00 PM L. Roberts, S. Joanis

10:00 PM R. Poulin 8:00 AM J. & T. Kramer

Lectors

4:00 PM P. Joanis 10:00 PM S. Desjourdy D. Callen 8:00 AM

**Altar Servers** 

4:00 PM J. & M. Lowrey

10:00 PM

8:00 AM

Ushers

4:00 PM J. & K. Nutter

10:00 PM L. Bianco, L. Derderian, S. Pickering

8:00 AM J. D'Alfonso, E. Metivier

Because of early bulletin deadline, these are the ministers that signed up by December 16. Thank you to ALL ministers.



9:00 AM Sunday, December 22 NO Religious Ed. 7:00 PM Thursday, December 26 Bible Study (Rectory) 10:00 AM Confessions Saturday, December 28 4:00 PM Bible Study (Rectory) Sunday, December 29 9:00 AM NO Religious Ed.



#### **Good Shepherd**

**Christmas Eve** Tuesday, December 24 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass 10:00 PM Christmas Eve Choir Mass **Christmas Day Mass** Wednesday, December 25 Christmas Day Mass 8:00 AM New Year's Day Wednesday, January 1 9:00 AM New Year's Day Mass

#### St. Augustine

Tuesday, December 24 **Christmas Eve** 6:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass Wednesday, December 25 **Christmas Dav** 10:00 AM Christmas Day Mass New Year's Eve Tuesday, December 31 New Year's Eve Mass 4:00 PM

> Envelopes for Christmas flower offerings are in your envelope packets and also at the gift table. Your contributions will help to decorate the church for Christmas and also remember your loved ones in a very special way throughout the Christmas season.

#### WINTER DAILY MASS

Just a reminder that in the event of inclement weather during the winter months, if there is no school or a two hour delay in Uxbridge, there will be no Mass. If there is a one hour delay, Mass will be celebrated.





#### Sunday, December 22

#### NO RELIGIOUS ED.

#### Readings for the week of December 22, 2019

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/ Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/

Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/

Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27

and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79

Wednesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/

Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/

Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/

Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab,

16bc and 17 [6]/Mt 10:17-22

Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/

### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." (Matthew 1:24) Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

#### **MITU UPDATE**

Great News! As of the end of November 2019, the very generous and devoted parishioners of both St. Augustine and Good Shepherd have pledged over 85% of the funds needed to build the church and parish center in Mitu, Colombia.

\$10,000 has now been transferred to Bishop Medardo at the Diocese in Bogota, providing the first installment to be used towards building materials and site preparation. A photo has been added to our story boards in both churches showing the actual building site for the new Parish as well as a local Mitu family who is providing a home for Fr. Robinson Leon, the project manager, when he is on site.

Our parishes will be shipping a large box to the people of Mitu which includes some clothing and 1,500 Rosary Beads made by our Rosary Makers at Good Shepherd. It is hoped that this shipment is received by Bishop Medardo and delivered to the people of Mitu in time for Christmas.

A large clothing drive to benefit Mitu is also being planned for both parishes early in 2020.

Please continue to send in your monthly Mitu contributions and we will continue to provide updates as this very exciting project moves forward. And remember, we have the entire Diocese of Mitu praying for us as well as for our success. There will be 4,000 people using the Church that we build and giving thanks daily with their prayers and thoughts of gratitude.



#### Food Pantry and New Day Outreach

"...I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me." Matthew 26:40

On the last full weekend of each month, we have an opportunity to respond to Jesus' call for us to help those in need. Next weekend, **December 28 & 29**, is our Food Pantry and New Day Outreach weekend.

#### **Food Pantry**

This month our donations will go to the **Northbridge Association of Churches Food Pantry.** Please purchase an extra item or two when you do your shopping this week and bring them to church next weekend. Just a note: Food pantries are not allowed to distribute any food items that have expired; they have to throw them away. Please check expiration dates carefully if you bring an item from your home!

#### **New Day**

Monies received in the Good Shepherd Church replica on the last weekend of each month are used to help individuals and families from our parish, and also to support various community causes. Your generosity each month enables us to continue to help those in need.

#### **A Christmas Blessing**

Heavenly Father, we celebrate the birth of You Son, Jesus, remembering the words of the angels on the night of His birth, "Peace on earth to all of good will." Today, as never before, Almighty God, we pray for Your loving peace. May peace be the guiding force in the hearts of our world leaders. May peace reign in every corner of the glove and in the hearts of every man, woman and child upon this earth. This Christmas and always, may we embrace Your wonderful gifts with courage and conviction. In so doing, we will also be embracing Your greatest gift to us, Your Son, the Prince of Peace!

#### **AMEN**

#### SHARING OUR BLESSINGS Weekly Goal \$5959

Weekend of December 7 & 8

Sunday Regular \$1972; Electronic \$1085; Candles \$35; St. Augustine Reimbursement \$225; Christmas Flowers \$105; Holy Day Immaculate Conception \$195

Other Income \$617

Parish Savings \$141; Retired Religious \$476 Number of Envelopes: 133 Thank you

#### Weekend of December 14 & 15

Sunday Regular \$2500; Electronic \$360; Candles \$25; Christmas Flowers \$195; Hall rental \$150; Living Faith Books \$12; Immaculate Conception \$40

#### Other Income \$74

Parish Savings\$74;

Number of Envelopes: 95 Thank you

(The participation of all is very important and is appreciated by the whole community)

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