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LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

Daily

Mass (Tuesday & Friday): 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Holy Day Masses

As announced

Priests' Residence

St. Mary Rectory 77 Mendon Street Uxbridge, MA 01569 508-278-2226

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.

Name	
Address	
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	New parishionerChange of address Please contact me



Saturday, January 15

6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd

Sunday, January 16

9:00 AM Lillian Pelland by Bruce & Christine Bartlett

Tuesday, January 18

9:00 AM David Ruscitti & Daniel Manna

by Joyce Paquette

Friday, January 20

9:00 AM Joan St. Andre by Maureen

Saturday, January 22

6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd

Sunday, January 23

9:00 AM Fr. Dennis O'Brien by Joyce Paquette

Liturgical Roles January 22 & 23

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6:00 PM P. Berthelette, A. Thomson L. Roberts, A. Wagstaff

Lectors

6:00 PM M. O'Sullivan **9:00 AM** J. Paquette

Altar Servers

6:00 PM A. Thompson

9:00 AM Need

Ushers/Greeters

6:00 PM L. Carter, G. White **9:00 AM** B. Pomfret, D. Wilson

The office will be closed Monday, January 17 in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day





Sunday, January 16	9:00 AM 9:45 AM 10:15 AM	Mass Pancake Breakfast (Parish Hall) NO Religious Ed. (OLV school)
Tuesday, January 18	9:00 AM	Mass
Wednesday, January 19	10:00 AM	Adult Education (Parish Hall)
Thursday, January 20	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Hall)
Friday, January 21	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday, January 22	10:00 AM	First Penance/ Confessions
	6:00 PM	Mass
Sunday, January 23	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Mass Religious Ed. OLV School
	2:00 PM	Baptism

Adult Education

Wednesday's @ Good Shepherd @ 10:00 am Parish Hall

Thursday's @ St. Augustine @ 7:00 pm St. Monica's Hall

Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/

1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/

Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11,

12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/

Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/

1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21





January 16 10:15 AM

NO Religious Ed. (OLV School)

Mitu Mission

This weekend January 15 & 16 is our monthly collection in support of the Diocese of MITU, Colombia. Please make sure to add your donation to the collection basket, using the special MITU envelope or another envelope with MITU on the front. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity!



Our Lady of the Valley Regional School at 75 Mendon Street, Uxbridge MA will be holding an **Open House for prospective students and their families on Sunday, January 23rd from noon until two p.m.** All are welcome to tour the main building and newly constructed G.R.A.C.E. Center and to meet teachers, staff, parents and students. Our Lady of the Valley Regional School is an outstanding elementary school and middle school academy accepting qualified students in Pre-K through Grade Eight. Our Lady of the Valley offers a faith based, academically rigorous Catholic school experience to dedicated students and their families. Please visit us on January 23rd or at *ourladyofthevalleyregional.com*.

Our Lady of the Valley is a remarkable school where every student learns that they are:

Loved at home. Loved at school. Loved by God.

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.

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Financial Information will be in a future bulletin

Weekend of January 8 & 9

Regular \$; Electronic \$; Candles \$ Parish Savings \$; Christmas Flowers \$; Staff Thank You \$; Initial offering \$; Solemnity of Mary \$; Christmas \$470

Other

Retirement for Religious \$

Total Envelopes:

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

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you" her words apply to all

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Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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