

# Chelmsford Catholic Collaborative

Home to St. Mary and St. John the Evangelist Parish Families  
Parish Offices located at 115 Middlesex Street, North Chelmsford, Massachusetts, 01863  
(978) 251-8571 • (978) 256-2374 • fax (978) 293-0303 • [www.chelmsfordcatholic.org](http://www.chelmsfordcatholic.org)

Just as our Blessed Mother Mary and the Evangelist, called John, came together at the foot of the Cross to serve Christ crucified, so also do the parish families bearing their names come together to serve God by serving each other and all who make up the Body of The Risen Lord.

St. Mary Church • 25 North Road • Chelmsford, 01824

St. John the Evangelist Church • 115 Middlesex Street • North Chelmsford, 01863

## \* PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Offices remain closed until further notice.  
Our phones will be answered during the following hours:  
Mondays and Wednesdays • 9 AM - 12 NOON  
Tuesdays and Thursdays • 2 PM - 5 PM  
No phone hours on Fridays. Leave messages in general voice mail.

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)

St. Mary • Saturday at 4 PM/ Sunday at 7 AM and 11 AM  
St. John • Saturday at 4 PM/ Sunday at 9:30 AM and 6 PM  
All Masses can be livestreamed

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE (RESERVATIONS NOT REQUIRED)

Monday - Friday • 7 AM at St. Mary/ 9 AM at St. John  
All Masses can be livestreamed

## \* SUNDAY CURBSIDE COMMUNION

St. John • 3:00 - 3:30 PM / St. Mary • 4:30 - 5:00 PM

## \* DAILY DEVOTIONS LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday at 3 PM • Chaplet at St. John  
Monday - Friday at 7 PM • Rosary at St. Mary

## \* SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CURBSIDE CONFESSION)

Mondays • 4:00 - 5:00 PM • St. John  
Wednesdays • 4:30 - 5:30 PM • St. Mary

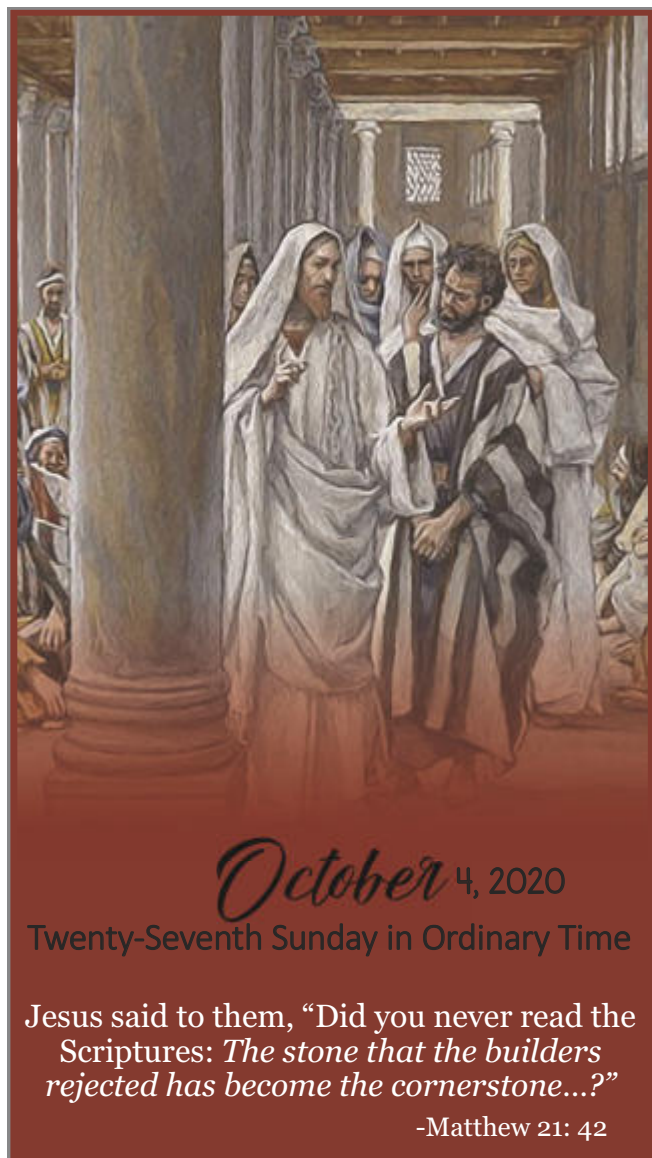
## \* EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays • 4:30 - 5:30 PM • St. John Parking Lot

## PRAYER LINE

To have prayers said for yourself or a loved one,  
call the parish office and ask for ext. 223. After hours, press 4.

\* please read entire bulletin for potential schedule changes



October 4, 2020

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to them, "Did you never read the Scriptures: *The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone...?*"

-Matthew 21: 42



[facebook.com/ChelmsfordCath](https://facebook.com/ChelmsfordCath)



[Chelmsford Catholic Collaborative](https://www.youtube.com/ChelmsfordCatholicCollaborative)



[instagram.com/chelmsfordcatholic](https://instagram.com/chelmsfordcatholic)

# COLLABORATIVE CALENDAR

at St John at St. Mary

RESERVATION REQUIRED for all weekend liturgies

## Sunday, October 4

Weekend Liturgy • 7:00 and 11 am • St. Mary  
Weekend Liturgy • 9:30 am and 6 pm • St. John  
Blessing of the Animals • 1 pm • St. John Great Lawn  
Curbside Communion • 3:00 - 3:30 pm  
Curbside Communion • 4:30 - 5:00 pm

## Monday, October 5

Daily Mass • 7:00 am • St. Mary  
Daily Mass • 9:00 am • St. John  
LIVEVIEW Chaplet of Divine Mercy • 3:00 pm  
Curbside Confessions • 4:00 - 5:00 pm  
Rosary in the Grotto • 7:00 pm  
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

## Tuesday, October 6

Daily Mass • 7:00 am • St. Mary  
Daily Mass • 9:00 am • St. John  
LIVEVIEW Chaplet of Divine Mercy • 3:00 pm  
Rosary in the Grotto • 7:00 pm  
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

## Wednesday, October 7

Daily Mass • 7:00 am • St. Mary  
Daily Mass • 9:00 am • St. John  
LIVEVIEW Chaplet of Divine Mercy • 3:00 pm  
Curbside Confessions • 4:30 - 5:30 pm  
Rosary in the Grotto • 7:00 pm  
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

## Thursday, October 8

Daily Mass • 7:00 am • St. Mary  
Daily Mass • 9:00 am • St. John  
LIVEVIEW Chaplet of Divine Mercy • 3:00 pm  
Rosary in the Grotto • 7:00 pm  
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

## Friday, October 9

Daily Mass • 7:00 am • St. Mary  
Daily Mass • 9:00 am • St. John  
LIVEVIEW Chaplet of Divine Mercy • 3:00 pm  
Parking Lot Adoration • CANCELLED  
Rosary in the Grotto • 7:00 pm  
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

## Saturday, October 10

Weekend Liturgy • 4:00 pm Mass • St. Mary  
Weekend Liturgy • 4:00 pm Mass • St. John

## Sunday, October 11

Weekend Liturgy • 7:00 and 11 am • St. Mary  
Weekend Liturgy • 9:30 am and 6 pm • St. John  
Curbside Communion • 3:00 - 3:30 pm



St. Mary Church

Caroline Gagnon & John Krieger

Wedding  
BANNS II

Wedding  
BANNS I

Alexandra Hamilton & Douglas Calenda



## parking lot adoration

Due to Fr. Corey being on vacation, parking lot adoration is cancelled this Friday, October 9th. Adoration will resume on October 16th, under the new schedule of 4:00 - 5:00 pm.

## Evening Rosary at St. Mary Grotto

St. Mary's is blessed with the patronage of our Mother Mary and a beautiful Marian Grotto. During the month of October, the Month of The Most Holy Rosary, we will gather Monday - Friday at 7:00 pm to pray this beautiful prayer together as a community. As The Rosary is a Family Prayer, we encourage families to come and pray the Rosary together and seek the blessings of Mother Mary. In the event of inclement weather, the recitation of the Rosary will be cancelled. **DON'T FORGET** to turn in your Hail Mary counts—53 per each Rosary prayed—to the Hail Mary Challenge (see below).



## 3RD ANNUAL HAIL MARY CHALLENGE

1,000,000 Hail Mary's in 6 Months • June 1 - November 30



Email counts to psidari@ymail.com, call them into (978) 729-1677, or drop them off into the black box located parish office entrance.

Total for Month of June	73,989
Total for Month of July	124,983
Total for Month of August	182,035
Weeks of 9/6 and 9/13	69,479
Week of September 20	46,985
Week of September 27	Next Week

Total To Date... **497,471** Hail Mary's

Let us share in the celebration of St. Francis of Assisi

## Blessing of the Animals

THIS Sunday, October 4th • 1pm • St. John Great Lawn

Please bring any and all pets.. Dogs (on leash), cats (in a carrier), hamsters and birds (in cage), fish (in a bowl), snakes, lizards and turtles (in a terrarium)... did we miss any?

**Our Pets are a Blessing to us!**

## The Eucharist

a 7-week presentation  
by Fr. Brian in honor of  
the Year of the Eucharist

Each Monday evening presentation will begin at 7 pm and will be available to watch via ZOOM and St. Mary LIVESTREAM.

October 19, 26 • November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

It is impossible to say all that can be said about the Eucharist. If we are being honest, it would take an eternity to fully speak about the mystery, and even then, we still would never be able to fully comprehend the totality of its meaning. The word—Eucharist—comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, which means thanksgiving. That simple definition begins to touch upon the reality that the Eucharist is not simply about the presence of Christ, but speaks also to an attitude we are called to have in regards to God's saving mission in our lives.



The very idea of thanksgiving which this great sacrament calls FROM self-centeredness TO the desire to center our lives in communion with God. It seeks to drive from us desires rooted in sin and un-thankfulness, to one of true love of God. Therefore, the Eucharist is at the heart of God's plan of salvation.

It can be helpful to unpack how we come to grow in this attitude by looking at certain themes or paradigms. These paradigms do not in any way exhaust all that we could say on the Eucharist, but can help us to understand in how we grow in that attitude of gratitude and deepen on our communion in Christ, which leads us to the Father. Each week we will cover a different theme or paradigm as we explore Eucharist as noun, verb, meal, sacrifice, memorial and covenant.

## INTRODUCING

## OUR Seminarian



Hello! My name is Deacon Brannon Lepak. I am currently a fourth year student of theology at Pope Saint John the 23rd National Seminary in Weston, and I am very glad to be with you here at the Chelmsford Catholic Collaborative this year. My home diocese is the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to where I will return in June of 2021 for my ordination into the priesthood.

Before becoming a seminarian, I was a teacher of English as a Second Language in Oklahoma, New York and Japan. During my teaching career I often felt called to the priesthood and eventually followed God's voice in my heart.

I enjoy reading, studying languages and practicing musical instruments, of which I try a new one every few years.

God Bless, and I look forward to meeting you!

## BAPTISM

We joyfully welcome the following children into our Collaborative Family. May the Lord continue to bless these children and their parents, and fill their homes with the light of faith.

### BAPTIZED AT ST. JOHN

Lucas Alexander DiPrizio  
Shyloh Maeve Khauy

### BAPTIZED AT ST. MARY

Liam Nolan Gonsalves  
Blair Patricia Keohane  
Gavin Patrick McAuliffe



St. John's African Community  
*invites you*  
to celebrate The Mass

Mass is celebrated at St. John's by this community 3 times a month—2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday—at 12 noon.

*All are welcome to the Lord's table!*



# The Financial Page

Fiscal Year 2021 runs from July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Paul Firicano, Collaborative Business Manager  
ext 220 or pfiricano@chelmsfordcatholic.org



Next weekend's second collection will support the Holy Father's "Peter's Pence" collection. In addition to providing funds for emergency and disaster relief, this collection also provides support to the Catholic University of America (CUA), which educates priests and lay people for ministry, and for the Inner City Parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston. Your generosity will assist the Holy Father, as well as the various missionary efforts at home and abroad. For more information on any of these collections, please visit (1) [www.usccb.org/ppc](http://www.usccb.org/ppc), (2) [www.cua.edu](http://www.cua.edu), or (3) [www.BostonCatholic.org](http://www.BostonCatholic.org).

St. Mary Weekly Offertory	Weekend of September 26th/27th	Fiscal Year-To-Date September 27th	Fiscal YTD Average/Week
Offertory Required to cover Budgeted Expenses	\$17,140 *	\$222,820	\$17,140
Actual Received	\$13,328	\$176,892	\$13,607
Shortfall/ Overage	-\$3,812	-\$45,928	-\$3,533

St. John Weekly Offertory	Weekend of September 26th/27th	Fiscal Year-To-Date September 27th	Fiscal YTD Average/Week
Offertory Required to cover Budgeted Expenses	\$11,040 *	\$143,520	\$11,040
Actual Received	\$7,018	\$103,961	\$7,997
Shortfall/ Overage	-\$4,022	-\$39,559	-\$3,043

\* due to COVID-19, budget number is not final and subject to change

## ST. MARY

Online  
Giving



- Visit our website at [www.chelmsfordcatholic.org](http://www.chelmsfordcatholic.org) and click on the Online Giving logo located in the right-hand sidebar on the homepage.

Or scan the above QR code with your Android or iPhone. Open your camera app. Hold your device so that the QR code appears in the viewfinder and you will see a notification with a link. Click on the notification to open the link. You will be taken to the St. Mary Online Giving site on your phone.

- Click on 'Set up New Account.'
- Set up your payment options, withdrawal dates, etc.
- If you prefer, there is a "Quick Give" option to make a one-time donation.

## ST. JOHN

WeShare



- Visit our website at [www.chelmsfordcatholic.org](http://www.chelmsfordcatholic.org) and click on the WeShare logo located in the right-hand sidebar on the homepage.

Or scan the above QR code with your Android or iPhone. Open your camera app. Hold your device so that the QR code appears in the viewfinder and you will see a notification with a link. Click on the notification to open the link. You will be taken to the St. John's WeShare site on your phone.

- Choose your Giving Opportunity, i.e Weekly Offertory.
- Set up your payment options, withdrawal dates, etc.
- If you prefer, there is an option to make a one-time donation.



Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Christmas Card sale online this year. They are hoping for your support in this much relied-upon fundraiser for their Council. To see the 2020 offerings, visit their website—[www.knights9275.com](http://www.knights9275.com)—where you will find all information needed to place your order... photos, payment and delivery information.

# Family Faith Formation Program

Heather Hannaway  
Director of Faith Formation  
hhannaway@chelmsfordcatholic.org

Courtney Callanan  
Asst. Director of Faith Formation  
ccallanan@chelmsfordcatholic.org

## Faith Formation Coordinators

Elaine Kindler  
ekindler@chelmsfordcatholic.org

Lynn Anne LaDuke  
lynnanne@chelmsfordcatholic.org

If you have not yet picked up your Pizza Box—AKA Faith Formation Program Materials—please contact Elaine [if you are a St. Mary family] or Lynn [if you are a St. John Family] to make arrangements to do so as soon as possible, as events and study begin THIS SUNDAY, October 4th!

## Welcome to our 2020/21 Faith Formation Year!



Just because our program looks, feels and IS a little different this year, our dedication and commitment to you—our families—remains at the highest level possible. We are here to support you in any way we are able as we embark on the journey of Building up the Domestic Church; “the church living in the midst of homes of her sons and daughters (christifideles Laici, 26).” Most of the Church is NOT found in the buildings we CALL church, but in the midst of the activities and interactions that happen in our homes. As questions arise, please feel free to reach out to any one of us. For your convenience, we have answered some of the more common questions via an FAQ document on our website.... <https://chelmsfordcatholic.org/frequently-asked-questions>

### Deep Dive Event



THIS Sunday, October 4th • 1:00 pm • St. John Great Lawn  
If you decide to attend this event, you will need to complete a follow-up reflection, which can be completed online. It is here where you can complete the online reflection sheet or download a hard copy to complete and turn in. Visit [chelmsfordcatholic.org/blessing-of-the-animals](https://chelmsfordcatholic.org/blessing-of-the-animals).

DON'T FORGET



TO WEAR YOUR FACE COVERING!



## discipleship MENTOR

The support of a community with similar values and goals can make a significant difference when it comes to raising Catholic children. In today's hectic world, it can be harder to find and form relationships with other Catholic parents. The hope of Discipleship Groups—lead by a Mentor—is to offer a chance to build such relationships with other families who are also striving for the same goal; to share and pass on their Catholic faith.

**We are looking for individuals**, who will be paired with another person who shares a similar family dynamic; **and teams**—husband/wife, parent/confirmed child. You DO NOT NEED to have a child(ren) in the program to answer this call! Mentors are needed to journey alongside parents of students in all grade levels in both parishes.

If you are excited about sharing your faith values, this is the PERFECT opportunity for you! To learn more, and to volunteer for this rewarding experience, please visit <https://chelmsfordcatholic.org/intent>.

Initial training and ongoing support will be provided... we will ALL journey together!

## From Our Pastor

Democracy is a messy business and, as such, can make it very difficult at times to discern how one should vote. The truth and reality of how we come to make these important decisions is actually clear-cut, but what the decisions should be are not always so easy to discern. However, important decisions are clear-cut because of how we choose to act in a given situation: our decisions must always—and I mean *always*—follow the same pattern. We are people of faith, and our faith in Jesus calls us to recognize that how we make decisions must be exactly the way Christ would. Our choices *must not* fall outside the scope of our faith.

Because we live in a democracy, people do not believe it is right or proper to force one's religious beliefs on another. And the Church would also uphold the principles of religious freedom and tolerance, for one cannot truly follow Christ if forced to do so. Accepting Jesus for who He truly is, God incarnate, can only come from a heart open to truth. Faith is a gift offered to all, but it is always up to the individual to determine whether or not to accept the gift. None the less, as a person of faith there is no action one takes that is not informed by faith. Your choice to act in accord with your faith is simply being true to your relationship with God—the most important aspect of your life.

As people of faith, we must realize that there are certain principles that form the foundation of all we believe, and thereby determine how we should act. It is not possible to list all that we need to think about, but I will target what I believe are the most important. We begin with the truth that God is the creator of all. As human beings we can *make* things but cannot truly create: only God can create. Since God is the creator of all that exists, we also believe that nothing can continue to exist unless He chooses to sustain it. All that exists, therefore, only exists for two reasons: God chose to create, and God has chosen to sustain what He created.

The next important truth is that God has endowed all that He created with a purpose or order. As such, human beings have a responsibility to discern God's purpose for what He has created. We cannot use his creation for any other purpose or end; to do so would be sinful since we would be transgressing the will of God. Furthermore, whenever God creates He gives some level of dignity and sacredness to his creation. Using any part of creation in a way not intended by God is an act of abuse. God's expectation for us is clear: use what I have given you to grow in holiness and truth. He has given us creation as a means of growing closer to Him. But that is only possible when we seek to understand how He has ordered creation to determine his will. We must also realize that whenever we transgress God's will is when all the problems in the world arise. We face the difficulties in this world for only one reason: human beings have chosen

to act counter to God's will. God's will is always good; anything against God's will is always bad. It really *is* that black and white.

Another principle is that all God creates is good because He cannot create anything that is bad, and whatever God creates He creates with an order and hierarchy. But not all that is good is of the same order and, as such, certain principles are more important than others. As one of our primary beliefs, we believe in the sacredness and dignity of human life, from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. This is a paramount truth that all Catholics must uphold; it is *not* to be debated or questioned. The reason is very simple—the Incarnation. When God chose to unite his divine nature with our human nature in the person of Jesus, He clearly showed us the high place in which He holds the human person. The Incarnation is a sign of the unique bond God has with human beings. We are also reminded by the Incarnation that we are uniquely made in the image and likeness of God. Human life cannot therefore be treated in the same way as any other part of creation. And based on the other principles of creation, we must uphold the truth that all human life is a direct choice of God. It can *never* be any person's choice to decide whether or not to bring human life to fruition: that choice belongs to God alone. It also can *never* be a human being's choice to decide how to treat life once a person is born.


The issue of being pro-life is not simply being anti-abortion. Being pro-life means we must uphold the sacredness and dignity of *all* life. As Catholics, no matter where a person is born, no matter the color of their skin, no matter their orientation or identification, no matter their faith, no matter their political stance, no matter *what* (whatever you want to put here), we must treat each and every person with respect and dignity. We must work to ensure that every human being recognizes their worth and value before God. We must fight racism, injustice, and inequalities of every kind. We must also recognize that all government systems, all economic systems and the like, are manmade. As such, all systems are inherently flawed and need to be questioned and reformed. And although we might disagree with the direction another person wants to take concerning existing systems, we cannot denigrate them as a person. We must always uphold the truth of the sacredness of his or her life.

Next week, I will look at how we use these principles and some points that will help us understand the process of discernment in our choices.

If you have any questions about anything, please do not hesitate to ask me directly, or email me at [fr.brian@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:fr.brian@chelmsfordcatholic.org).

Please keep me in your prayers.

In Christ,  
Fr. Brian





## FROM OUR FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR

---

### ELAINE KINDLER

I'm paraphrasing here, but I had a close encounter with Jesus' teaching: "It's what comes out of a person's heart that defiles the man or woman."

I am a huge proponent of the Golden Rule: do unto others as you would have them do unto you! I honestly try to practice this rule at all times, regardless of place and what turmoil I might be going through. On a sunny Friday in September, I discovered that not every cell of my heart had bought into the Golden Rule.

It was a bad hair day. I arrived at work to find that the main copier we use wasn't working, even though the very same problem had been serviced and solved the previous day. We really needed to finish Faith Formation materials for this year's program that day.

Then, we discovered that a duplicate order of something we had printed had been delivered, instead of the third booklet we needed that day. A call was made; they would try to get it to us by Monday, throwing off our carefully planned assembly schedule for the following week.

Finally, I was expecting an order of printer ink that day, so I'd have plenty for making the labels I needed. An email arrived telling me it had been delivered, but at the front door of our offices, there was no package for me. I called the company and waited 20-30 minutes until a representative could speak with me; the dear person did not speak English well. Two things he said became increasingly annoying: he kept calling me "Miss Elaine" and kept apologizing after anything I said, in answer to his questions.

He asked if I had checked every door of our facility. Now, if you know Saint John's campus, you know that it's about equal to walking a city block to go around to all of the doors. So, I made a deal; if he would wait on the phone, I would walk around to check all of the doors. Did I mention that my voice was getting louder and louder? And that my tone of voice was getting angrier and angrier?

The rep was patient, did not respond to my anger with anger, and said he would put a replacement order in for me. But will it arrive that day? Oh no, they don't do same-day replacement deliveries. I was on the ceiling with irrational fury. Before ending the call, I let the rep know—without yelling—that none of this was his fault, but he should let management know that delivery difficulties is one reason why I didn't use their company more often. He apologized again, at which point I simply hung up.

OK. The annoyance was justified (I think), but how I spoke to this poor man was not. Would I want anyone screaming at me when I was trying to help them? No, of course not. When I finally came down from the ceiling, I was mortified that this anger had come out of my heart! Of course, I have confessed my bad behavior and I believe God has forgiven me.

I'm not proud of this story, nor do I condone my behavior even in the light of God's infinite mercy to forgive us when we repent. I offer it as one of those lessons I've learned the hard way during my seven decades of living, in the hope that you can learn it the easy way. It is what comes out of the heart that defiles us! Let's pray for each other that what's in our hearts is God's immeasurable love, and only his love, for us and every other person.

## FROM OUR PERMANENT DEACON

### Deacon John C. Hunt, Jr.

"God speaks in the silence of the heart. Listening is the beginning of prayer." -St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

When I was a young boy, one of the things I least liked to do was to read a book. I would rather be outside with my friends playing sports. I loved playing baseball and football, but my favorite sport was then—and still is today—hockey. As I got older (no comment, Fr. Brian ☺)—in my twenties—I really started reading more books; books about Sports, Magic Tricks ☺, Mysteries and, of course, Catholic theology. I have to say that my favorite book is the Bible. I now have a vast library of books in my home, over 2,500 to be exact.

I have several books on Golf. One thing I have learned is that you can have a ton of books on golf, and your golf handicap will be exactly the same as if you never read a single book on the game. These books have done nothing to change me. However, after the Holy Bible, I would like to mention two books that HAVE had an impact on my life.

The first one is called: THE IMITATION OF CHRIST, by Thomas A. Kempis. It is a Christian devotional book that was composed in Latin around 1420. It is a handbook for the Spiritual Life. It is perhaps the most widely read devotional work next to the Holy Bible, and is regarded as a devotional and religious classic.

The second one is called: DIVINE INTIMACY, by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D. This book is undoubtedly the classic Carmelite work on meditation. It is a book that helps one arrive at intimate union with God by the practice of considering holy truths. It is a book that shows how to join prayer and action together, and put the Catholic doctrine on the spiritual life into daily practice. This is a lifetime book—one that is conceived to be used each day and to be read over and over. DIVINE INTIMACY imparts an absolute Catholic view of life and prepares the reader for the greatest possible union with God this side of Heaven.

Today, with all of the crazy stuff going on, we need to take time to sit and read some good books that will take our minds off the mess around us, and to have us think of God and Heaven. If you do read these books, it is my prayer that they will change your life as they have changed mine. Take time for Holy reading, and you will feel the presence of the Lord in a wonderful way.

Please know you are all in my prayers.

# Meet Our Staff

## ~ CLERGY ~

**Reverend Brian Mahoney**, PASTOR  
ext 215... [fr.brian@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:fr.brian@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Reverend Corey Bassett-Tirrell**, PAROCHIAL VICAR  
ext 239... [fr.corey@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:fr.corey@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Reverend Arnold Colletti**, SR. PRIEST IN RESIDENCE  
ext 221... [frcolletti@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:frcolletti@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Deacon John Hunt**, PERMANENT DEACON  
ext 224... [deaconjohn@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:deaconjohn@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Brannon Lepak**, TRANSITIONAL DEACON  
ext 234... [deaconbrannon@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:deaconbrannon@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

## ~ BUSINESS OFFICE ~

**Paul Firicano**, COLLABORATIVE BUSINESS MANAGER  
ext 220... [pfiricano@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:pfiricano@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Tina Sousa**, FINANCE & FACILITY SUPPORT  
ext 219... [tsousa@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:tsousa@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

## ~ FAITH FORMATION ~

**Heather Hannaway**, DIRECTOR OF FAMILY FAITH FORMATION  
ext 226... [hhannaway@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:hhannaway@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Courtney Callanan**, ASST DIR OF FAITH FORMATION  
ext 227... [ccallanan@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:ccallanan@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Lynn Anne LaDuke**, FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR  
ext 240... [lynnanne@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:lynnanne@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Elaine Kindler**, FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR  
ext 216... [ekindler@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:ekindler@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

## ~ ADMINISTRATIVE ~

**Rae Russo**, FUNERAL COORDINATOR  
ext 325... [rae@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:rae@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Donna Gambon**, PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
ext 248... [dgambon@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:dgambon@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Sue Beechin**, PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
ext 236... [sue@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:sue@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

## ~ FACILITIES ~

**Dan Heider**, FACILITIES MANAGER  
ext 213... [dheider@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:dheider@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

**Bob Webb**, CUSTODIAN  
[bob@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:bob@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

## ~ BULLETIN, WEBSITE, SOCIAL MEDIA ~

**Christine Trznadel**, COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR  
ext 214... [christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

In order to promote communication and transparency throughout the Chelmsford Catholic Collaborative, you are encouraged to forward any comments and concerns you may have directly to the Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils.

## COLLABORATIVE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish council matters can be sent to:  
[CollaborativePPC@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:CollaborativePPC@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

Current Council Members are ...

### St. John Members

Scott Davidson (co-chair)  
Ray Wagner  
Mike Condor  
Katrina Horan  
Beth Jacavano  
Drew Jubinville  
Angela McMaster  
Ellen St. George  
Augustine Tweneh

### St. Mary Members

Peter Lando (co-chair)  
Laura Conte  
Rob Donnelly  
Karen Drake  
Jessica Hägg  
Matthew Kunze (youth)  
Cathy Latina  
Lori McDonald  
Steve McMillan  
Alma (Chicki) Rigazio  
Paul Therrien

## ST. JOHN FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance matters concerning St. John's can be sent to:

[SJ.FC@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:SJ.FC@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

Current Council Members are ...

John Bagni  
Paul Brzezinski

Jeff Brown  
Celeste Dunn  
Grace Ann Steed

## ST. MARY FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance matters concerning St. Mary's can be sent to:

[SM.FC@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:SM.FC@chelmsfordcatholic.org)

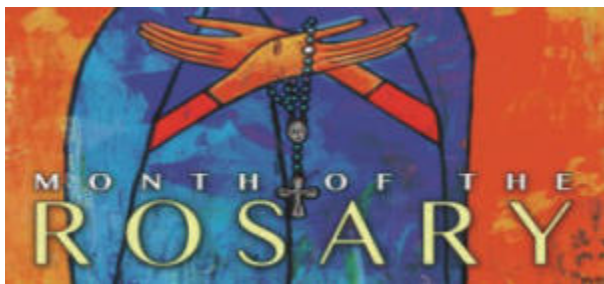
Current Council Members are ...

Armand DiLando  
Jack Parsons  
Paul Rigazio

Lauren Desforge  
Ted Powers  
Paul Therrien

If you would like to submit a notice for the bulletin, please do so no later than 12 NOON, TWO Fridays prior to the weekend in which you would like it published. Submittals should be emailed to [christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org) or via US Mail to the Parish Offices at 115 Middlesex Street, North Chelmsford, MA, 01863, ATTN Christine. We will do our best to accommodate your request.





## St. John's Beautification Offering

This offering funds the beautification of our Altar. Your voluntary donation can be accompanied by the request that it be "In Memory/Appreciation Of", or "For the Intentions Of" someone.

Eileen Francoeur  
George O'Brien

## In The Words of a Parishioner



Numerous parishioners from all ages and phases of life have shared words with us over the past months; and we will be forever grateful for them. As of today, my inbox remains empty and we are officially missing the special community connections that these 'sharings' have been creating. I ask, yet again, that each of you please consider sharing a thought or reflection with us. You need not be a poet, established writer or hold a PhD. You need only be a human being who would like to share an authentic thought or experience of faith with their 'family.' Please submit your 'words' via email to me at [christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org](mailto:christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org), and reference BULLETIN ARTICLE in the subject line.

Again, thank you to all who have submitted thus far! I look forward to others coming forward as the Spirit leads.. God Bless each and every one of you!

## Deluxe Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

April 3 - 13, 2022

\$5,299 per person/ double occupancy

Join Deacon John and Bishop Hennessey on a Holy Land Deluxe Pilgrimage!



### DELUXE AMENITEIS INCLUDE:

- First Class Hotel Accommodation
- Wine Tasting at the American Colony Hotel courtyard
- Visit to a Market in Nazareth
- Visit to the Western Wall and Jewish Quarters
- Dinners at Satya Restaurant & Wine & Cheese Restaurant on rooftop of Notre Dame

*A flyer with ALL details can be found on our website!*



## Growing in Faith through Reflection on the Readings...

### FIRST READING: ISAIAH 5: 1-7

The prophets of ancient Israel often used the term 'vineyard' as a metaphor for God's chosen people. Why do you think Isaiah and the other prophets saw this as an effective teaching tool?

### SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 4: 6-9

Paul teaches the Philippians that prayer and a positive attitude is key to settling our anxious hearts and minds. When have you put this advice into practice?

### GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 21: 33-43

Jesus directs this harsh parable of the tenants to the religious leaders of Jerusalem. Do you think Jesus' words led any of them to repentance?





If you would like to request that a Mass be celebrated for a specific intention or person, please call the parish office. A donation of \$10 per Mass intention is requested to be made at the time you schedule your intention.

## St. John

- SAT, OCT 3** 4:00 pm: Brian Muscato: Memorial  
LIVING INTENTION  
Charlene Muscato and Family
- SUN, OCT 4** 9:30 am: George O'Brien: 10th Anniversary  
6:00 pm: For the People of the Parish
- MON, OCT 5** 9:00 am: Collaborative Members of the  
Spiritual Society and Sanctuary Fund
- TUE, OCT 6** 9:00 am: Rose Mary Amirault: Memorial
- WED, OCT 7** 9:00 am: Christine Iannuzzo Piercynski  
and those who love her
- SAT, OCT 10** 4:00 pm: For the People of the Parish
- SUN, OCT 4** 9:30 am: J. Edward Clancy: Memorial  
6:00 pm: Larry Johnson: 1st Anniversary

## St. Mary

- SAT, OCT 3** 4:00 pm: Ann Marie Rawsley: 5th Anniversary
- SUN, OCT 4** 7:00 am: Marguerite Farley: Memorial  
11:00 am: For the People of the Parish
- THUR, OCT 8** 7:00 am: Special Intention
- FRI, OCT 9** 7:00 am: William T. and Mary Ellen Hogan
- SAT, OCT 10** 4:00 pm: David Gorham: 20th Anniversary
- SUN, OCT 11** 7:00 am: David Dillon and Donna Luebbers  
11:00 am: For the People of the Parish

"The souls of the just are in the hand of God and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace." - Wisdom 3: 1-3



## FUNERALS RECENTLY CELEBRATED

*May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
-Amen.*

**Ann T. Shakalis** • September 30 at St. Mary  
**John Makarevich** • October 2 at St. Mary

## Rose for Life



Someone special you'd like to honor?  
You can do that by having a rose signifying your intention placed in either church, as well as having your intention published in the bulletin. To book a Rose for Life, contact the parish office. The suggested offering is \$5.00.

This week's St. Mary Rose for Life:

**Many Blessings wished on  
Betty McElaney's 103rd Birthday!**

St. Mary Rose provided by JuJu Buds

This week's St. John Rose for Life:

**In Memory Of Dot Greenwood  
From the Tuesday Morning Coffee Group**

St. John Rose provided by Blossoms Florist

## St. Mary Memorial Altar Flowers



Parishioners are invited to donate a floral arrangement, to be displayed on the altar in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one. The requested donation for an arrangement is \$40, and includes an acknowledgement in the bulletin. If you would like to donate altar flowers, call the parish office. Please note that we require a 2-week notice for your flower order.

*This Week's Altar Flowers are In Memory Of  
William T. and Mary Ellen Hogan  
-from the Hogan and Mazzola Families*

**"YOUR WORD IS A  
LAMP UNTO MY FEET AND  
A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH"  
-PSALM 119:105**

### MONDAY, OCT 5

Galatians 1: 6-12  
Psalm 111  
Luke 10: 25-37

### TUESDAY, OCT 6

Galatians 1: 13-24  
Psalm 139  
Luka 10: 38-42

### WEDNESDAY, OCT 7

Galatians 2: 1-2, 7-14  
Psalm 117  
Luke 11: 1-4

### THURSDAY, OCT 8

Galatians 3: 1-5  
Psalm [Luke 1]  
Luke 11: 5-13

### FRIDAY, OCT 9

Galatians 3: 7-14  
Psalm 111  
Luke 11: 15-26

### SATURDAY, OCT 10

Galatians 3: 22-29  
Psalm 105  
Luke 11: 27-28

### SUNDAY, OCT 11

Isaiah 25: 6-10  
Psalm 23  
Phil 4: 12-14, 19-20  
Matthew 22: 1-14




**Paul Brouillette**  
Broker Associate



**LAER**  
173 Chelmsford St., Chelmsford  
978-852-3001  
www.homesareus.com  
"There's No Place Like Home"

# Pray For Our Priests



**MONUMENTS  
MARKERS**  
**LUZ GRANITE**  
1208 Gorham St., Lowell, MA  
978-459-9799  
www.luzgranite.com

**DYNAMIC**  
Cleaning Systems  
Carpets • Upholstery • Steam Cleaning  
Strip, Wash & Wax ALL Floor Types  
Mention bulletin for 10% off.  
Call to Schedule: 978-251-8897  
www.DynamicSteamClean.com

**CDA**  
*Chelmsford*  
*Dental Associates*  
(978) 256-2561  
www.chelmsforddental.com  
D. Lawrence Fadjio, D.D.S. Katherine R. Tyros, D.M.D.  
John P. Pietrasik, D.D.S. Randal S. Parradee, D.M.D.  
Ashim Kapur, D.D.S. Himanshu Shah, D.M.D.  
Mon. - Thurs. 7 - 9 • Fri. 7 - 8 • Sat. 7 - 4  
18 North Road, Chelmsford, MA 01824

**ST. JOSEPH  
CEMETERY**  
96 Riverneck Rd.  
E. Chelmsford, MA 01824-2942  
(978) 458-4851

**Roark Law  
Office P.C.**  
ANNMARIE ROARK  
Elder Law | Medical Planning  
Estate & Trust Planning | Probate  
36 Years Experience  
229 Billerica Rd., Chelmsford (978) 256-4167  
www.aoraklaw.com

**CrossPoint Financial  
Advisors, LLC**  
Mark Lefebvre, CLU, ChFC  
Kenneth Lefebvre, CLU, ChFC, CFP  
Investment Services • Financial Planning • Insurance  
227 Chelmsford Street • Chelmsford, MA 01824  
Phone: 978-256-4700 • Fax: 978-256-4790  
ken@cpfinancialadvisors.com • mark@cpfinancialadvisors.com  
Securities and Advisory Services Offered Through LPL Financial, a Registered Investment Advisor, Member FINRA/SIPC

**ROBERT  
GREEN**  
ROOFING & CONTRACTING  
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL  
(978) 250-7300  
Asphalt Shingles • Rubber • Slate • Copper  
Cedar Shingles • Synthetic Slate • Gutters  
Free Estimates • Licensed & Fully Insured

**FENOCHETTI  
REMODELING**  
Windows • Bath • Porches  
Additions • Decks • Basements  
Entryways • Kitchens • Repair Work  
4th Generation Remodeling Co.  
David Fenochetti CSL #58149 HIC#159334  
Office: 978-256-8150 Cell: 508-265-6775

**YOUR WAY  
REAL ESTATE**  
Your Values. Your Goals. Your Dreams. Your Way.  
**Shannon Anderson - Broker/Owner**  
6 Boston Rd., Unit 101 • Chelmsford  
(978) 710-7490  
www.yourway.realestate

**CrossPoint Financial  
Advisors, LLC**  
Mark Lefebvre, CLU, ChFC  
Kenneth Lefebvre, CLU, ChFC, CFP  
Investment Services • Financial Planning • Insurance  
227 Chelmsford Street • Chelmsford, MA 01824  
Phone: 978-256-4700 • Fax: 978-256-4790  
ken@cpfinancialadvisors.com • mark@cpfinancialadvisors.com  
Securities and Advisory Services Offered Through LPL Financial, a Registered Investment Advisor, Member FINRA/SIPC

**ANSTISS**  
Since 1964  
AUDIT, TAX AND ADVISORY SERVICES  
Princeton Corporate Centre • 1115 Westford St. • Lowell, MA 01851  
(978) 452-2500 • www.Anstisscpa.com

**ABC PAYROLL**  
106 Tyngsborough Road • North Chelmsford  
Patricia DeFreitas, Owner  
978-251-3003 ext 204  
pat@abcpayroll.net www.abcpayroll.net

**ROOFING**  
**Morgan Construction**  
"We Installed St. Michael's Church Roof"  
978-670-4747  
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL  
FULLY INSURED • FREE ESTIMATES  
www.MorganConstruction.info

**ARE YOU LIVING A LIFE WELL PLANNED?  
LET US HELP YOU STAY ON COURSE.**  
**Mary Jo Metro**  
CFP®, AAMS®, CRPC®, CRPS®, MBA  
Financial Advisor  
17 North Rd., Chelmsford, MA 01824  
(978) 710-5401

**JOANN B WYNKOOP**  
MA Certified General R.E. Appraiser #75350  
978-866-7599  
jbwynkoop@affinityappraisals.com  
affinityappraisals.com  
119 Drum Hill Road #187  
Chelmsford, MA 01824

**catholicmatch®**  
Massachusetts  
CatholicMatch.com/MA

**BENCHMARK  
SENIOR LIVING**  
at CHELMSFORD CROSSINGS  
199 Chelmsford Street • Chelmsford, MA  
978-250-8855  
www.benchmarkseniorliving.com

**METRO**  
Financial Strategies  
MaryJo.Metro@RaymondJames.com  
www.METROFinancialStrategies.com

**EB  
Enterprise  
Bank**  
20 Drum Hill Road  
656-5585  
185 Littleton Road  
442-5588  
Member FDIC

**Mary Moloney**  
REALTOR  
LICENSED IN MA & NH  
Feel free to contact me today  
978-337-0159  
mamoloney@kw.com  
Because, Your Move Matters!!

**kw  
KELLERWILLIAMS.  
REALTY**  
MERRIMACK VALLEY  
**Annette DeBisz, Realtor®**  
"Devoted Realtor, Wife, & Mom."  
978-337-9269 | adebisz@kw.com | Chelmsford, MA

**KIRAH Fashions**  
Custom Dressmaking,  
Alterations & Home Textiles  
"When no one else has  
what you want, I'll make  
it for you."  
Call Rae Russo at 978-505-4589

www.josephslandscaping.net  
(978)256-2658 Cell: (978)821-4158  
**JOSEPH'S  
LANDSCAPING**  
JOSEPH HEIDER, Owner  
Walls • Walkways • Patios  
Irrigation • Drainage Work

**Got Faith in Your Finances?**  
In bull markets, people lose their fear. In bear markets, people lose their faith. It can be a long, arduous journey. We can help guide you through it.  
*Who is your trusted family advisor?*  
**Larry Eppolito, MBA**  
CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™  
President, EFS  
One Meeting House Rd. Suite 14  
Chelmsford, MA 01824  
(978)-455-7799  
Larry.Eppolito@RaymondJames.com  
www.EppolitoFinancial.com  
**EPOLITO  
FINANCIAL STRATEGIES**  
Eppolito Financial Strategies, LLC is not a registered broker/dealer and is independent of Raymond James Financial Services Securities offered through Raymond James Financial Services Inc. Member FINRA/SIPC. Investment Advisory Services offered through Raymond James Financial Services Advisors, Inc. Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards Inc. owns the certification mark (CFP®), CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® and is a registered trademark (CFP) in the U.S., which it awards to individuals who successfully complete CFP Board's initial and ongoing certification requirements.

**Please Contact Me Anytime!**  
**CELL: 978-337-2915**  
LICENSED IN MA & NH  
karlamiller@kw.com  
QualityHomesbyKarlaMiller.KWRealty.com  
**KARLA MILLER**  
REALTOR®, TOP PRODUCER  
**kw  
MERRIMACK  
VALLEY  
KELLERWILLIAMS. REALTY**  
Each office independently owned and operated



**AVAILABLE  
FOR A LIMITED TIME**  
**ADVERTISE YOUR  
BUSINESS HERE**  
Kelly O'Brien-Carnevale • kcarnevale@4lpi.com • (800) 477-4574 x6333



Paul A. Hardy, Jr.  
Owner & Funeral Director - Type 1

Large, Modern Facility  
Off-Street Parking for 100+

**BLAKE CHELMSFORD  
FUNERAL HOME**

Caring Professionals  
Family Owned & Operated



BURIAL SERVICES • CREMATION SERVICES • PRE-NEED FUNERAL PLANNING

**978.256.5251**

[www.chelmsfordfuneralhome.com](http://www.chelmsfordfuneralhome.com) | 24 Worthen Street, Chelmsford, Massachusetts


**MILLTOWN**  
PLUMBING • HEATING • AC • DRAIN CLEANING



**(978) 654-6994**

35 B Hunt Road  
Chelmsford, MA 01824  
**978-256-8006**  
[info@aplusautobody110.com](mailto:info@aplusautobody110.com)  
[aplusautobody110.com](http://aplusautobody110.com)  
RS#5270

**A+ Auto Body**  
You crash it, we fix it



車身修理  
**Gary Yip**  
President  
Lic # 014253

  
**DOLAN**  
FUNERAL HOME

Active Supporters & Parishioners of the  
Chelmsford Catholic  
Collaborative

Call us at **978-256-4040**  
**978-251-4041**

Or visit us at  
[www.dolanfuneralhome.com](http://www.dolanfuneralhome.com)




*Serving the Needs of the  
Families of the Chelmsford  
Catholic Collaborative*

**Life is a Celebration**

- Burial & Cremation
- Pre-Need Funeral Planning
- Catering Available
- Private Kitchenette for Immediate Family
- Personalized Options Available



**Funeral Directors**

Type 3 James F. Dolan & James F. Dolan II  
Type 6 Andrew J. Dolan, Mike Law & Dennis Graham

**106 MIDDLESEX ST.  
CHELMSFORD, MA**



## Russell Paul Bovill Sr.

Russell Paul Bovill, Sr., 51, of Lowell, MA died August 15, 2020 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was married to Cheryl A. (Stafford) Bovill with whom he has spent the last 25 years with and would have celebrated their 17<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 16, 2020. Born in Lowell, he was the son of Thomas Bovill and Barbara Lowe of Chelmsford. He graduated from Nashoba Tech High School with the class of 1986.

He co-owned TRB General Contracting of Pepperell, MA with his brother.

He was a communicant of St. Mary Church of Chelmsford, MA.

Russ took so much pleasure in spending his time with his wife, kids, grandchildren, family and friends. He was a kind, humble, gentle, loving, selfless man who never complained in life, sickness or in health. Everyone truly adored him!! The Bovill Family home on Sunset Lake was one of his fondest places to be with his parents, wife and son Russell. He took so much pride in teaching little Russell how to fish, use tools, build and fix things. Some of his most favorite memories were being at Foxwoods, Las Vegas, Bailey's Camp with his brother Tom and wife Debbie, Thursday nights playing cards at Scott's with the guys, being by the pool at Lorraine's, all his fun memories with Cindy and Jay, throwing Pat's parties and their annual

beach house at Salisbury with Cheryl, Sonya and Kenz as well as everyone else. He was an avid sports fan and took pride in watching the New England Patriots. Grampy cherished his visits to Florida to see Amanda and his grandchildren. He had so much joy during his weekly visits over the summer with his sweet pea Jaylee. He was a member of Chelmsford Elks where he enjoyed playing bingo with Tim and his friends. Russ will forever be missed by so many and leaves behind a legacy that is respected by all. He never stopped fighting and did not want to leave us behind.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his son, Russell and his wife Katherine Bovill of Merrimack, NH, daughters, Sonya Emond and her companion Daniel Willette of Hudson, NH, Amanda and Richard Cuebas of Oviedo, FL, parent in law John Laforme of Nashua and Lorraine Michaud of Lowell, brother, Thomas and his wife Deborah Bovill of Pepperell, MA, 9 grandchildren, a niece Amanda MacDonald and her husband Jason MacDonald, nephews Thomas Bovill III and his wife Hannah Bovill, Michael Parisi, nieces Kathryn Perez and her husband Nelson Perez, Ashley Laforme and her companion Jose Luna.

His visiting hours were Wed., Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> from 3-7 p.m. Funeral was Thurs., Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon from the DOLAN FUNERAL HOME 106 MIDDLESEX ST. CHELMSFORD, with a funeral Mass at 1pm at St. Mary Church, 25 North Rd., Chelmsford. Burial in Pine Ridge Cemetery, Chelmsford. Online guest book is available at [www.dolanfuneralhome.com](http://www.dolanfuneralhome.com). **ARRANGEMENTS BY DOLAN FUNERAL HOME 978-256-4040.**



Ad info. 1-800-477-4574 • Church Support 1-800-888-4574 • [www.4lpi.com](http://www.4lpi.com)

Chelmsford Catholic Collaborative 03-0756