

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
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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

* 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

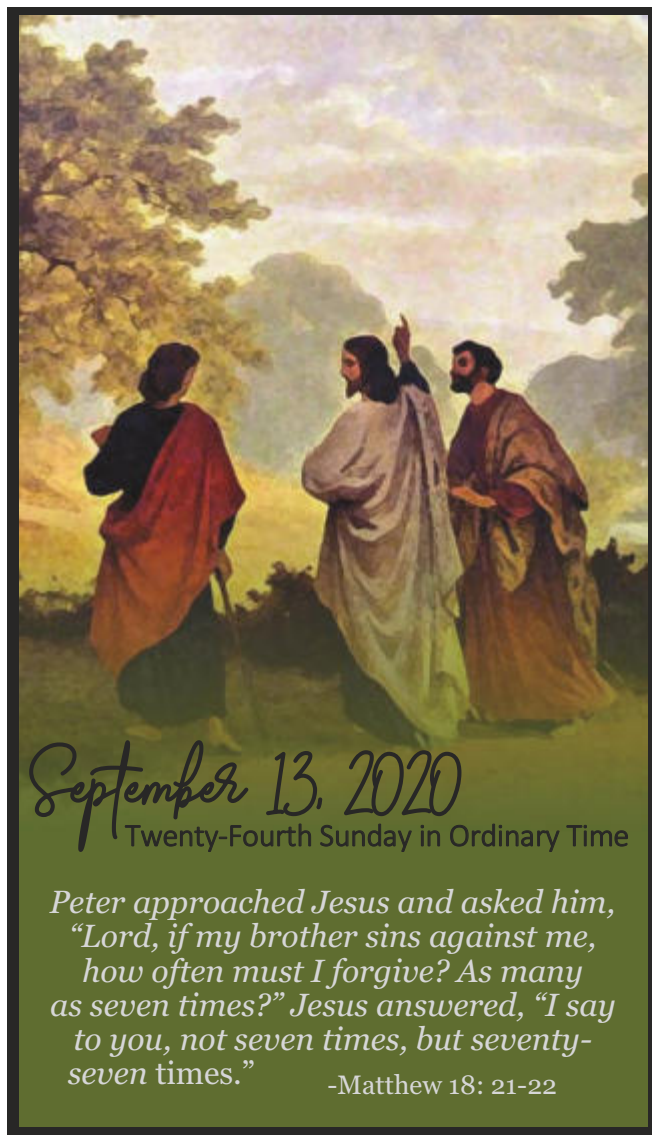
* EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



September 13, 2020

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Peter approached Jesus and asked him,
“Lord, if my brother sins against me,
how often must I forgive? As many
as seven times?” Jesus answered, “I say
to you, not seven times, but seventy-
seven times.”*

-Matthew 18: 21-22



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



instagram.com/chelmsfordcatholic

Collaborative Calendar

St. John Event
St. Mary Event

RESERVATION REQUIRED for all weekend liturgies

Sunday, September 13

Weekend Liturgy • 7:00 am • St. Mary
Weekend Liturgy • 9:30 am • St. John
Weekend Liturgy • 11:00 am • St. Mary
Curbside Confessions • 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Curbside Confessions • 4:30 - 5:30 pm
Weekend Liturgy • 6:00 pm • St. John

Monday, September 14

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
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

Tuesday, September 15

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

Wednesday, September 16

Daily Mass • 7:00 am • St. Mary
Daily Mass • 9:00 am • St. John
LIVEVIEW Chaplet and Holy Hour • 3:00 pm
Curbside Confessions • 4:30 - 5:30 pm
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

Thursday, September 17

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

Friday, September 18

Daily Mass • 7:00 am • St. Mary
Daily Mass • 9:00 am • St. John
LIVEVIEW Chaplet • 3:00 pm
Parking Lot Adoration • 4:00 - 5:00 pm
LIVEVIEW Rosary • 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 19

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

Sunday, September 20

Weekend Liturgy • 7:00 am • St. Mary
Weekend Liturgy • 9:30 am • St. John
Weekend Liturgy • 11:00 am • St. Mary
Weekend Liturgy • 6:00 pm • St. John



Parking Lot Adoration will be held from 4:00 - 5:00 pm **THIS WEEK** rather than the regular schedule of 4:30 - 5:30 pm.

Please help us to spread the word!

SUNDAY CURBSIDE COMMUNION



begins THIS SUNDAY, September 13 to accommodate our parishioners who are still unable to attend Mass. Please note this is not meant to replace Mass 'attendance,' so we ask that you have viewed Mass prior to receiving Communion, or be committed to joining us for 6 pm Mass via LIVEVIEW following reception of Communion.

Communion will be distributed as follows:

Sunday Afternoons... St. John from 3:00 - 4:00 pm
St. Mary: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Again, we need to ask for more parking lot volunteers! We currently have enough to start, but not enough to allow for anyone to take a weekend off. If we are unable to get any additional volunteers, we cannot guarantee the continuance of offering Sunday Curbside Communion. If you are able to help us out, please email Courtney at ccallanan@chelmsfordcatholic.org. Thank you for your consideration!

3RD ANNUAL HAIL MARY CHALLENGE

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



Email your 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
Week of 9/6	reporting next week

Total To Date... **381,007** Hail Mary's



Congratulations and **Welcome to the Family!**

On Saturday, August 30th, we welcomed 3 individuals into our Catholic Faith!

St. Mary parishioner Leeanna Labenski was fully received into the faith through the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

UMass Lowell students Jaime Waldron and Brenny Guerrero were fully received into the faith through the reception of the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation.

If you are not receiving our FLOCKNOTE email notifications, then you are missing out on the latest and greatest news in a timely manner. To subscribe, send an email to christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org with your first name, last name, which parish you are registered to, and your email. We'll get you set up so you are in "THE KNOW!"



Mark Your **CALENDAR**

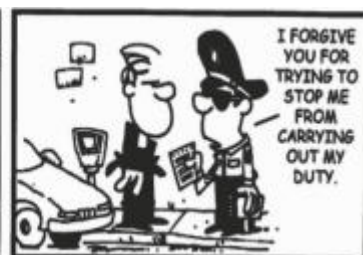
In recognition of The Year of the Eucharist [Feast of Corpus Christi 2020 - Feast of Corpus Christi 2021] as declared by Archbishop Sean O'Malley, Fr. Brian will be offering a 7-week speaker series on the Eucharist on Monday evenings. The dates are as follows:

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

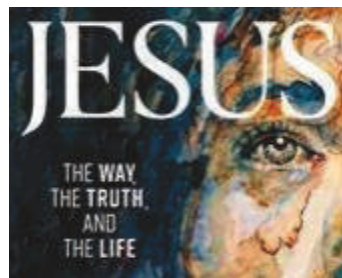
Each evening will begin at 7 pm, and will be available to watch via ZOOM and St. Mary LIVESTREAM.

All the necessary details will be published on our website and sent via Flocknote as we get closer to the date.

To learn more about the Year of the Eucharist, please visit our website or <https://www.bostoncatholic.org/yearoftheeucharist>



We will learn how Jesus is God Incarnate, fully divine and fully human. We'll experience His intimacy with the Father, His revelation of the Father's love, and His gift of the Holy Spirit to each of us. Most importantly, our encounter with Christ will empower us to know and love him in a new and life-changing way.



- Begins Tuesday, October 6 at 7:30 pm
- Runs for 10 weeks, with a Thanksgiving break
- **Materials MUST be ordered by September 21**

REGISTER by emailing churches@chelmsfordcatholic.org and writing JESUS WAY TRUTH LIFE in the subject line. In the body of the email, include your name and best number to contact you so you can be contacted and given further information and a Zoom link for each Tuesday evening discussion.

COURSE MATERIALS for Jesus: The Way, The Truth and the Life—can be purchased directly by visiting

ascensionpress.com/collections/jesus-way-truth-and-life

The cost of the study program is \$29.95 plus tax, shipping and handling.

Participants will independently view the video then meet via Zoom (by phone or computer) on ten Tuesday evenings at 7:30 pm for a group discussion. Meetings will start on Tuesday, October 6th. **Interested? Contact Tricia at (978) 807-6891 or plucacio@gmail.com by Sunday, September 20th.**



The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Christmas Card sale online this year.

They would very much appreciate your support in this much relied-upon fundraiser for their Council. To see the

2020 offerings, visit their website—

www.knights9275.com—where you will find all information needed to place your order... photos, payment and delivery information.

**Help
us to...**



The Financial Page

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

Paul Firicano, Collaborative Business Manager
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Next week's second collection supports the Clergy Health and Benefit Trust, which supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of the priests within the Archdiocese of Boston. If you will be writing a personal check to support this fund, please make it payable to either St. Mary or St. John the Evangelist, noting 2ND COLLECTION on the memo line. As we continue to receive your offertory donations via the designated drop boxes at the entrance of each church, we ask those who do NOT use the envelope system to CLEARLY MARK how their donation is to be used... [SJE or SM] weekly offertory or Clergy Fund. Any loose cash and unmarked checks will be credited to the offertory in which parish it was collected. For more information regarding this collection, please visit www/clergytrust.org. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Although we have entered into Fiscal Year 2021, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we are delayed in finalizing the budget, so please be aware that the below Offertory Budget Number is subject to change. We are also experiencing a delay in getting the Year-End 2020 Finance Reports to you. Thank you for your continued understanding and patience.

St. Mary Weekly Offertory	Weekend of September 5th/6th	Fiscal Year-To-Date September 6th	Fiscal YTD Average/Week
Offertory Required to cover Budgeted Expenses	\$17,140 *	\$171,400	\$17,140
Actual Received	\$18,111	\$140,555	\$14,056
Shortfall/ Overage	\$971	-\$30,845	-\$3,084

St. John Weekly Offertory	Weekend of September 5th/6th	Fiscal Year-To-Date September 6th	Fiscal Year-End Average/Week
Offertory Required to cover Budgeted Expenses	\$11,040 *	\$110,400	\$11,040
Actual Received	\$6,419	\$80,091	\$8,009
Shortfall/ Overage	-\$4,621	-\$30,309	-\$3,031

* due to COVID-19, budget number is subject to change

ST. MARY

Online
Giving



- Visit our website at 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 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.

Meet Our Staff...

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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

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
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ST. JOHN FINANCE COUNCIL

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

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Current Council Members are ...

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ST. MARY FINANCE COUNCIL

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

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Current Council Members are ...

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Lauren Desforge
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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 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.

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YES, I AM INTERESTED IN BEING A DISCIPLESHIP MENTOR

We have a crucial need for people to work alongside us to help pass on the faith to children and families of our faith community. We are looking for individuals or teams—husband/wife, parent/confirmed child, etc. If you volunteer as an individual, you will be paired with someone who shares a similar family dynamic.

If you are excited about sharing your faith values, this is the PERFECT opportunity for you! Initial training and ongoing support will be provided... we will ALL journey together! To complete a volunteer form, and to learn more, please visit <https://chelmsfordcatholic.org/intent>. From here you can fill out the volunteer form, or you can contact Lynn or Elaine, according to the parish in which you wish to volunteer in.

WELCOME TO THE SEASON OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Beginning July 20th, and straight through to September, our 2nd graders will be receiving the Gift of the Eucharist for the very first time. They and their families have been incredibly patient, waiting for the time when this celebration could happen. As we welcome them to the table, let us pray...

O Jesus, You have loved us with such exceedingly great love as to give us the ineffable gift of the Holy Eucharist.

Inflame us with a burning zeal to promote Your glory by praying for (our children/ your child's name) to prepare worthily to approach Your holy table for the first time.

Saint John the Baptist, forerunner of the Messiah, prepare the way for Jesus in the heart of (these children/your child's name).

Saint Tarcisus,
keep safe the children who are making their First Holy Communion.

Congratulations

to the following group of children who received their First Communion this past week!

St. Mary: Friday, September 11

Colin Joseph Bell ~ Adele Sera Betsold ~ Riley Paige Eaton
Winter Marie Gray ~ Grace Adrienna Mauriello
Mason Christopher Maxwell ~ Kelsey Eloise Penney



Back in 1970, Marian McQuade, a West Virginia housewife, came up with the idea of a day set aside to encourage families to visit their elderly relatives. With a firm

resolve to make it happen, she began lobbying policymakers. McQuade got through to her Senators, Jennings Randolph and Robert Byrd, who introduced a resolution to make Grandparents Day a national holiday. It took a while to reach the White House, but finally, in 1978, the resolution declaring National Grandparents Day as the first Sunday after Labor Day, was signed into law by

Happy Grandparents Day

to ALL OUR GRANDPARENTS!

It's Never Too Early To Plan A Trip to the Holy Land!

Join Deacon John, Fr. Corey AND Bishop Hennessey on a Holy Land Deluxe Pilgrimage!

Deluxe Amenities 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

April 3 - 13, 2022

\$5,299 per person/ double occupancy

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

From Our Pastor

We live in a world that is in search of answers. In fact, this has *always* been a reality for human beings. We are never content with simply accepting what is right in front of us. We desire to have a deeper understanding of the events and circumstances of our lives. We are constantly asking questions: why? what does it mean? what is its purpose? and so forth. The quest for understanding is a fundamental necessity for every person, to help them discern their place, standing, and goals in this world.

The most basic questions we have in our life are:

- **why do I exist?**
- **what is the ultimate purpose of the life I am living?**

How we answer these questions will ultimately determine how we will seek to live out the life we have been given. As Christians, how we answer these questions for ourselves will determine our sense of who God is for us, and what our relationship with God will entail. I would like to present my own sense of how I would answer these questions.

I know that I exist for one reason: God has chosen to love me, and in that love He has both brought about my creation and sustained me in existence. In acknowledging the love God has for me, I have discovered the ultimate purpose of my life, which is to serve and love God with my whole heart, mind, body and soul. I will be honest in saying that I do not accomplish my life's purpose as fully as I can, but that truth simply gives further purpose and understanding to the life I am called to live.

I am a sinner, I am broken, and I do not follow Christ as clearly, nearly, or deeply as I should. I do not love God with the fullness of my being as I know He deserves and, yet, recognizing my inadequacies is what gives me hope. The center of my understanding of life is rooted *not* in what *I* do, but in what *Christ* has done for me. I am a

sinner striving to be a saint, which is only possible by the grace I received through the death and resurrection of Christ. I will never earn or merit God's love, or His mercy, or my salvation. Yet, God's love for me is directed to one purpose—to save me, and mostly from myself.

I recognize that I will "succeed" in this life *only* by growing in faithfulness to God's unconditional love for me. The meaning of my life is rooted—is centered—in the love that God has for me. The love of God is *not* seeking perfection of me. The love of God is *not* about creating unrealistic expectations of me. The love of God is about

meeting me where I'm at and helping me become the person He created me to be. God seeks me out when I go adrift and lose sight of the ultimate goal of life, which is my salvation. He helps me

recognize that my life is about living out each day the salvation Christ has won for me, and *only* in doing that will I become the person I was created to be. The focus of my life must be Christ and what He has accomplished for me by his death and resurrection.

I would like to challenge each and every one of you to consider these questions previously stated and discern their meaning in your own life. How will you answer them? And, what will your answers tell you about the life you are living?

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

Please keep me in your prayers.

In Christ,
Fr. Brian



God loves you just
the way you are,
but He refuses to
leave you that way.
He wants you to
be just like Jesus.

-Max Lucado

FROM OUR COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR CHRISTINE TRZNADEL

This past weekend my husband and I continued a project that started 3 years ago—cleaning out the garage. When we moved into our home back in December of 2015, we realized just how much stuff we had accumulated over the 11 years at our previous home; and that was AFTER throwing much of the attic into a dumpster that sat in our driveway for 2 weeks! Not having an attic in our new home forced us to see that there was more that we should have parted with. [Not to mention the addition of my parents' 'stuff' when I moved them both up here in 2016 due to their failing health.] There was no hiding it... it was in plain view, in the garage that we walk through each and every day. And if not for my husband, I may have gotten used to having the junk around and learned to live with it. He's better than I am at 'keeping it simple.'

Junk. Stuff. Things. Crammed into bins and packed in boxes that haven't been opened in years. Boxes that created a fortress and blocked our view of the boxes BEHIND those boxes, marked neatly with thick black marker as to their contents, but still offering a surprise find when opened.

As I ponder on the images that this narrative creates, I think of how much unneeded 'stuff' is in my life. How I oftentimes hide behind a fortress of false security. And in doing so, I further block the view of all that needs to be tossed out; thrown away; removed from my path.

In Alcoholics Anonymous there is an acronym that is referred to often—KISS—Keep It Simple Stupid. This acronym can be referred to within or without the walls of an AA meeting as the principle behind the saying is about striving for simplicity; to NOT do something in a complex or fancy way. Well, anyone who knows me knows that I find comfortability in complex. And fancy? Yes, I am comfortable behind that façade as well. And yet, keeping both up can be quite exhausting, frustrating and expensive!

So, it appears that I need to continue a project that I started back in 1991... when I first FULLY embraced my walk with Christ, my redemption through Him, and His infinite and unfailing love for me. I need to clean house. I need to reacquaint myself with the contents of some boxes and toss many more away. I need to make clear the path so I can see more fully the God who resides within. I need to make more room for Him.

I simply need to simplify.

FROM OUR DEACON, Deacon John Hunt, Jr.

"The Rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, Our Redeemer, who loves His Mother."

-St. Louis Marie de Montfort

This past Tuesday, September 8th, we celebrated the Birth of Mary. The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8th date helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th.

I am currently reading the book "The Secret of the Rosary" written by Saint Louis Marie de Montfort, a French priest and Catholic saint who died in 1716. This book is a classic that will give a deeper spiritual dimension to the Rosary as well as confidence in the potency of its devotion. Short, beautiful and powerful.

A dear friend of mine, Pompilio Petrillo who lives in the city of Malden, was a very close, personal friend of St. Padre Pio. Pompilio was the chief of police for Pietrelcina, the town where Padre Pio was born. Many years later, Pompilio became one of Padre Pio's personal photographers and was with Padre Pio at least five times a day. He told me many amazing, personal stories of this great saint.

One day Padre Pio asked Pompilio if he prayed his rosary today. Pompilio replied, "Yes!" Padre Pio asked him how many rosaries he prayed. Pompilio replied, "I prayed three rosaries today." Padre Pio smiled and said, "Good, I prayed thirty-two." Padre Pio prayed an average of thirty-five rosaries a day. He called it "My Weapon." He calls us to pray the Rosary every day and have a GREAT love of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We are greatly blessed to have the Rosary recited by one of the clergy, Monday through Friday at 7:00 pm, and streamed on our Collaborative website. Please join us daily for this wonderful prayer in honor of the Blessed Mother.

Please know you are all in my prayers.

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

We are very
truly blessed by your
willingness to share your
talent and time with us!

A PROGRAM AND SERVICE OF
THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.

VIRTUS[®]Online

Due to the current restrictions and health concerns presented by the pandemic, we have made some temporary adjustments to our adult child protection training requirements. All employees and volunteers who may have contact with children continue to be required to complete Protecting God's Children training. Since we can't gather together for trainings, this requirement can be met through 'attending' two online trainings: VIRTUS online PGC Training and Massachusetts online Mandated Reporter Training.

ONLINE PGC TRAINING

www.virtusonline.org

1. Click on "First Time Registrant"
2. Click on "Begin Registration Process"
3. Select "Boston" from the drop down list

Once registration is complete you will be directed to an online PGC training through VIRTUS. Upon completion of that training, individuals will be directed to a link to an additional online training on mandated reporting in Massachusetts. Both online trainings must be completed to be in compliance with child protection requirements.

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING

<http://51a.middlesexcac.org/>

1. Send a copy of the mandated reported certificates to Michelle Gee at MGee@rcab.org.
2. Please send a copy of your PGC certificate to Heather.

As we continue to practice social-distancing, is there a 'thought' or reflection that you would like to share with us? If so, please email it to christine@chelmsfordcatholic.org.



In the subject line, please reference **BULLETIN ARTICLE**, and within the body of the email, please let me know if, in addition to publishing it in the bulletin, I have your permission to share it via Flocknote.

Thanks to all who have submitted and share with us! I believe I speak for all when I say that we truly enjoy reading your words. It is one more way that we are bound together in our faith community—a true showing that we are really more alike than we are different. I continue to invite others to come forward, as the Spirit leads...

St. John Parishioner, Nate Trznadel, although recently married and living out-of-state as he serves in the US Army, still considers St. John the Evangelist his home. Here's why...

Although I've moved far from home, I will never stop considering Saint John the Evangelist as my home parish. Saint John's was the parish where my faith came alive; I made the personal choice to follow Christ, specifically through service work. My first ever Catholic Heart Workcamp trip to Roanoke, Virginia in 2012 set my heart on fire with the Holy Spirit, and I experienced Jesus in such a personal way. Every summer I loved going to Mass and seeing the bus up on the walls of the church, making its way around as we got closer to our fundraising goal. It meant CHWC was on deck, and I couldn't wait to get on that bus.

As I have learned and discussed with my wife (who has experienced the same thing), faith isn't one giant Service Trip high. It gets real once you step into the real world, and there's no 'Carpenter Commandos' there to get you pumped up for the day ahead (if you ever attended CHWC, you know how critical the Commandos were as a caffeine replacement).

What this made me realize is obviously, 1. Life Changes, but even more importantly, 2. Prayer changes. I was under the impression if I didn't have this "fire" in my soul equivalent to that of which CHWC gave me, then I was failing somewhere, and God was disappointed. But what an extremely wise, 'hip' with-the-times man told me (hint: it's Fr. Brian; he showed up to CHWC on a motorcycle wearing a Harley Davidson T-Shirt; how many Priests do that!) was that God is always asking us to pray in different ways as life progresses, and it's all about where the Spirit is guiding. Sometimes we are being pushed to do more, or maybe to get back to the basics, and sometimes to go on that awesome retreat/service trip.

I encourage you to focus on what Christ is trying to do with you, not what you are trying to do with Christ. I pray that in the face of this epidemic you allow the Spirit to guide you in prayer, and that you trust that YOUR "CHWC" experience will arrive right when God has it planned for you.



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, SEP 12** 4:00 pm: Jean Lorrey and Nancy Blanco: Memorial
SUN, SEP 13 9:30 am: For the People of the Parish
TUE, SEP 15 9:00 am: Carmelite Sisters
 and for the Aged and Infirm
FRI, SEP 18 9:00 am: For the People of the Parish
SAT, SEP 19 4:00 pm: John Patrick Cullen: Memorial
SUN, SEP 20 9:30 am: Mark Gervais: Memorial
 6:00 pm: For the Confirmandi of the Parish

St. Mary

- SAT, SEP 12** 4:00 pm: For the People of the Parish
SUN, SEP 13 7:00 am: LIVING INTENTION: Elaine Kindler
MON, SEP 14 7:00 am: Marguerite Farley: Memorial
THUR, SEP 17 7:00 am: Robin Mullin: Memorial
SAT, SEP 19 4:00 pm: Jim Lorrey: Anniversary
 and all those who miss him
SUN, SEP 20 7:00 am: For the People of the Parish
 11:00 am: David Hickey: 5th Anniversary

ST. JOHN ROSE FOR LIFE

Someone special you'd like to honor? You can do that by having a rose signifying your intention placed in the 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.



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

MONDAY, SEP 14

Numbers 21: 4-9
 Psalm 78
 Philippians 2: 6-11
 John 3: 13-17

TUESDAY, SEP 15

1Cor 12: 12-14, 27-31
 Psalm 31
 John 19: 25-27

WEDNESDAY, SEP 16

1Cor 12:31-13:13
 Psalm 33
 Luke 7: 31-35

THURSDAY, SEP 17

1Cor 15: 1-11
 Psalm 118
 Luke 7: 36-50

FRIDAY, SEP 18

1Cor 15: 12-20
 Psalm 17
 Luke 8: 1-3

SATURDAY, SEP 19

1Cor 15: 35-37, 42-49
 Psalm 56
 Luke 8: 4-15

SUNDAY, SEP 20

Isaiah 55: 6-9
 Psalm 145
 Philippians 1: 20-24, 27
 Matthew 20: 1-16



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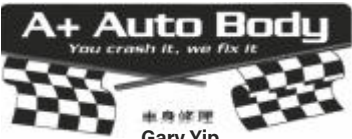
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**Josephine M. Scolastico,
79, formerly of Westford
and Chelmsford, MA**

Josephine Marie Scolastico, 79, formerly of Westford and Chelmsford, MA died Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at Lowell General Hospital after a courageous battle with the Covid-19 virus.

She was married to the late John Scolastico who died May 27, 2017. They would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary this September.

Born in Somerville, she was the daughter of the late Anthony and Mildred (Scelzi) Cardalino and attended Somerville High School.

Josephine loved spending time with her family especially her grandchildren and her cat Cupcake. She enjoyed cooking and watching her favorite cooking shows on TV.

She was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church.

Josephine is survived by one son, John and his

wife, Stephanie Scolastico of Tyngsboro; three daughters, Denise Rizzari of Billerica, Cynthia and her husband, Christopher Moen III of N. Andover, MA and Nancy and her husband, Louis Poulin of Hudson, NH; brother, William Cardalino of Somerville, MA; thirteen grandchildren; four great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her longtime friend Irene Adamczyk of Dracut.

The family had selected to have a private graveside service at the Fairview Cemetery on Saturday, June 6, 2020 at 9:00 am. Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions and social distancing protocols, the family has invited relatives and friends to join them virtually via <https://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/viewer/30793>. Memorials may be made in her name to the Lowell Humane Society, 951 Broadway St, Lowell, MA 01854. Online guest book is available at www.dolanfuneralhome.com.

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