

# Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Jesus said to them, 'Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.'" (Mt 21: 42-43)*



## Catholic Weymouth

Immaculate Conception Parish | 781-337-0380 | Saint Jerome Parish

**Sunday, October 8, 2023**

Website | [catholicweymouth.org](http://catholicweymouth.org)

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, October 7

The Parker Family  
Solange Temple, Healing  
Keith Brady, Healing  
Tom Cleary, 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## Sunday, October 8

Joseph and Catherine Lisitano

## Tuesday, October 10

Sylvia Nguyen

## Thursday, October 12

Edward Bosari

## Saturday, October 14

Sandra and Christine Marobella  
Peter, Albert and Catherine Marobella  
Laurie Comeau, Anthony and Lisa Grondin

## Sunday, October 15

Yvette, Daniel and Barbara Slattery  
Claire Plourde  
Ken Bruynell, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Ryan J. Rosado, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

## Sunday, October 8

Robert Gordon  
Raymond Chapdelaine, Month's Mind

## Monday, October 9

Anne Folan

## Wednesday, October 11

James, Madeline and Mark Downing

## Friday, October 13

In Thanksgiving for Maude Geneus  
Raymond Eibel, Memorial

## Sunday, October 15

John Murphy  
Patricia Donahue, 1st Anniversary  
Deceased Members Downey and Riley Families  
Margaret Papile, Birthday Remembrance  
Joe Kundzicz, Birthday Remembrance

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DINNER



Catholic Weymouth KofC Council #729 is hosting a Spaghetti and Meatball dinner

**Saturday, October 14, 5:30 - 9pm**

at Saint Jerome Parish. All ages welcome!

Tickets available for \$20/person in advance or \$25 at the door. Join us for a delicious meal, fun and fellowship. Live Music, Raffles and Cash Bar. Tickets will be available following Masses this weekend and at the Parish Office.



## Memorial Gifts for the Week

**October 8, 2023**

*The Hosts, Sanctuary Light and the Altar Wine have been donated in loving remembrance of*

***James, Madeline and Mark Downing***

## Offertory - October 1, 2023

*Immaculate Conception: \$5,954 Online \$1,119*

*Saint Jerome: \$4,937 Online \$1,507*

***Thank you for your Generous Support***

**Rev. Huy H. Nguyen, Pastor**

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**Rev. William Joy, In Residence**

**Rev. Raymond Selker, O.F.M.**

**Deacon Timothy Maher**

**Senior Deacon Francis Corbett**

## Mass Times

### Immaculate Conception

Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 9:00am

Tuesday, Thursday 9:00am

**Confessions:** Saturday 3-3:45pm

### Saint Jerome

Sunday 7:30am and 10:30am

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am

### HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE THE MAIN SUPPORTING ACTOR IN A PLAY?

#### How would you like to be the main supporting actor in a play?

The passage from Matthew's Gospel we hear today is quite the drama! There is both drama and tragedy, but also importantly being the ultimate Love Story. It is really a trilogy – a play in three acts and we are each called to play a key role in this play. Yes both you and me!

Now Act I takes place in ancient Israel where God has entered into a covenant of love with His people – first with his servant Noah, then with Abraham and then Moses. It is a covenant that no other people can claim they have with their gods. Our God says to his chosen people “I will be your God and you will be my people.” This covenant of love will be constant and the people will flourish in a land flowing with milk and honey, a vineyard of the finest fruits.

But we know what happens! The people forget the covenant and worship idols to foreign gods, they neglect the poor and the stranger. As the play continues, God sends His servants the prophets to bring them back, but they are mistreated and they don't listen to God's warnings. Now in Act II – God the Father sends His own Son to collect what was rightfully due Him – simply the return of love from those who were the beneficiaries of God's love. Everything Jesus did in His public ministry – preaching, miracles, healings – all was intended to win back the love of the foolish tenants. And we know how Act II ends!

Jesus, the Suffering Servant, is betrayed, rejected, tortured and dies a horrific death on the Cross - the curtain for Act II closes. In the final part of the play - Act III – it is not the prophets that have a main role - this is where you and I are invited to begin our main supporting role as servants of God. We are now the servants sent by God to deliver all the love, devotion, commitment that is owed. Each of us is a ministering servant and like the prophets in Act I. I imagine at times we all have felt like those rejected servants – not appreciated, rejected by those who God sends us to. We have seen many plays where an actor is killed off in one scene and never heard from again.

As we continue our role as servants in Act III we must keep in mind that we are not alone in our ministry - we have Christ with us. With the eyes of faith we can experience something marvelous, something tremendous - Jesus is present in Act III as well. We are called to serve in such a way that those who see us, see Jesus as well. We are called to radiate the love of Christ as He works through us in our ministry. It doesn't matter if you are a member of the clergy, religious or a layperson, we all are called to this ministry by virtue of our Baptism.

If you only saw Acts I & II, you would think this play is a tragedy. But Act III, which is now, in the present, ongoing, is the greatest love story ever told and we are called by name to be main supporting actors. While Hollywood actors strive to receive fleeting awards such the Oscars, we strive to bring others to Christ and receive the award of eternal life with our loving God. Oscars are good, but being with God for eternity is much better. Play your part well!

Blessings and Peace to you! Dcn. Tim Maher



*A*lmighty and eternal God of the world, your goodness is beyond what our spirit can touch and your strength is more than the mind can bear. Lead us to seek beyond our reach and give us the courage to stand before your truth.

~Roman Rite

**PRAY THE ROSARY FOR PEACE IN OUR WORLD**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 AT 12 NOON**  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

Please come to celebrate the 106<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Spinning Sun in Fatima. The Blessed Virgin asked three shepherd children to tell the whole world to pray the Rosary daily for peace in our world. Please bring a folding chair for your comfort. Any questions please call Mary 617-957-0449 or Toni 781-337-6838

When: Saturday, October 14, at 12 noon (time of the spinning sun in Fatima)  
Where: Immaculate Conception Church (Broad Street side)

We look forward to seeing you there!



**PROJECT RACHEL POST-ABORTION HEALING RETREAT**

“Project Rachel led me to a place of forgiveness and mercy. During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness. I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself.”

The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a “Come to the Waters of Healing” one-day retreat. Upcoming date is November 11 from 9am to 5pm. Locations are confidential. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or [help@projectrachelboston.com](mailto:help@projectrachelboston.com).



**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

On a national news talk show, a representative described a candidate for state office as a ‘good person.’ Apparently the candidate provided for his family, was a model father, was active in his community and regularly attended church; therefore, the man was good. But what exactly makes a person good? How do we know we have done enough to be considered good?

Growing up, certain behaviors get rewarded while others get punished. If I hit my brother, I am punished; if I help with the dishes, I am praised. Children realize that helping others has something to do with being good. And being good is very good. You receive praise, admiration and at times special privileges. But how do I measure for myself what it means to be good?

For believers, it is simply this: to become good, I must become holy. To become holy, I must be like Jesus. When I act out of love for others, and when I conform myself to the person of Jesus, I share in God’s grace and life. That makes me holy. I measure myself with the standards of God. Being good is not just about what I do, but also about who I am and who I become. Goodness is from the inside out. That’s a measurement that God and I can make.

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## FALL ADULT FORMATION: ETERNAL REST - THE ART OF DYING WELL

presented by the acclaimed Augustine Institute

*Facilitators: Mary Ellen Cassani, Director Pastoral Ministries*

*Maureen Walsh, Psychiatric NP, Grief Therapist and Educator*

*Janet Larkin, RN and Specialist in Hospice Care and the Adult Formation Team*



Since the state of our soul, at the critical moment of death, will actually determine our eternity, preparing for our end of days is something that is part of everyday life. With God's grace and assistance we will do this task well and spend our lives with Him forever.

This program seeks to look at some of the "big" questions: Why am I here? What is the purpose of my existence? How do I love God in the best way possible?

During this seven week program we will look at various aspects of "*The Grace of Dying Well*" from the spiritual, to the medical (palliative care and hospice), to legal aspects, to the funeral and all the way through grief, bereavement and hope.

I think you will find it an uplifting seven weeks focused on understanding and contemplating the divine love of Christ that is present here in Holy Eucharist, yet awaits us in our true home, Heaven.

Where - Msgr. Hackett Center, 1203 Commercial Street, Weymouth

When - Tuesdays: October 10, 17, 24, November 7, 14, 21, 28 Time - 9:45-11am OR 7-8:15pm

### Are Your Children Registered for Faith Formation??

All classes begin in October. Please visit our website and click on the Faith Formation Box for complete dates and times for all grades.

#### REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1 - 10 Registration and information  
now available on our website  
[www.CatholicWeymouth.org](http://www.CatholicWeymouth.org)

**NEW TO CATHOLIC WEYMOUTH??** Please be sure to register on our website [www.CatholicWeymouth.org](http://www.CatholicWeymouth.org), call 781-337-0380 or stop by the parish office. We look forward to meeting you!

### LOOKING AHEAD TO VETERANS DAY

We are requesting names of family and friends who are Veterans. We would like to pray for them and remember them especially on Veterans Day. Please fill out the information below for your Veteran friends/loved ones. This list will be published in our bulletin for Veterans Day. Thank you.

Veteran Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Living/Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_





## TRUNK OR TREAT

This year Catholic Weymouth will be collaborating with Pingree Elementary School for a **Trunk or Treat** event taking place on **Friday, October 20, 5:30-7pm** in the parking lot of Immaculate Conception Church. Please call

the parish office if you would like to participate by decorating your car's trunk and filling it with candy treats to share. A parking plan will be put in place and you will be assigned a spot prior to the event.



## WORDSEARCH

Can you find and circle the words listed below the wordsearch grid?

C	S	O	N	G	A	F	B	M	S	O	N
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FRIEND  
SON  
VINES

RUIN  
SLAVES  
HEDGE  
PURE  
HONEST

THIRD  
PEACE  
FULL  
TOWER  
TRUE

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## QUIZ

Can you choose the correct endings?

- Isaiah sang of a vineyard on a:  
(a) rich plain (b) fertile hillside (c) wide sea coast?
- Dismiss all anxiety from your:  
(a) minds (b) meetings (c) prayers?
- God's own peace will stand guard over your:  
(a) families (b) homes (c) hearts and minds?
- The property owner leased his vineyard to tenant farmers and:  
(a) retired (b) went on a journey (c) died a little while later?
- The stone which the builders rejected has become:  
(a) the keystone (b) useful elsewhere (c) part of another building?

ANSWERS

The correct answers are: 1(b); 2(a); 3(c); 4(b); 5(a)

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Rebecca started out skeptical, but lives to tell the tale of her remarkable chronic pain recovery through the means of Acupuncture here at New England Wellness Solutions. Read various other success stories like hers on our website:

**WWW.NEWWellnessSolutions.com** and don't forget to reach out to us after reading one with the thought: *"Hey, that's the issue I've been experiencing!"*


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