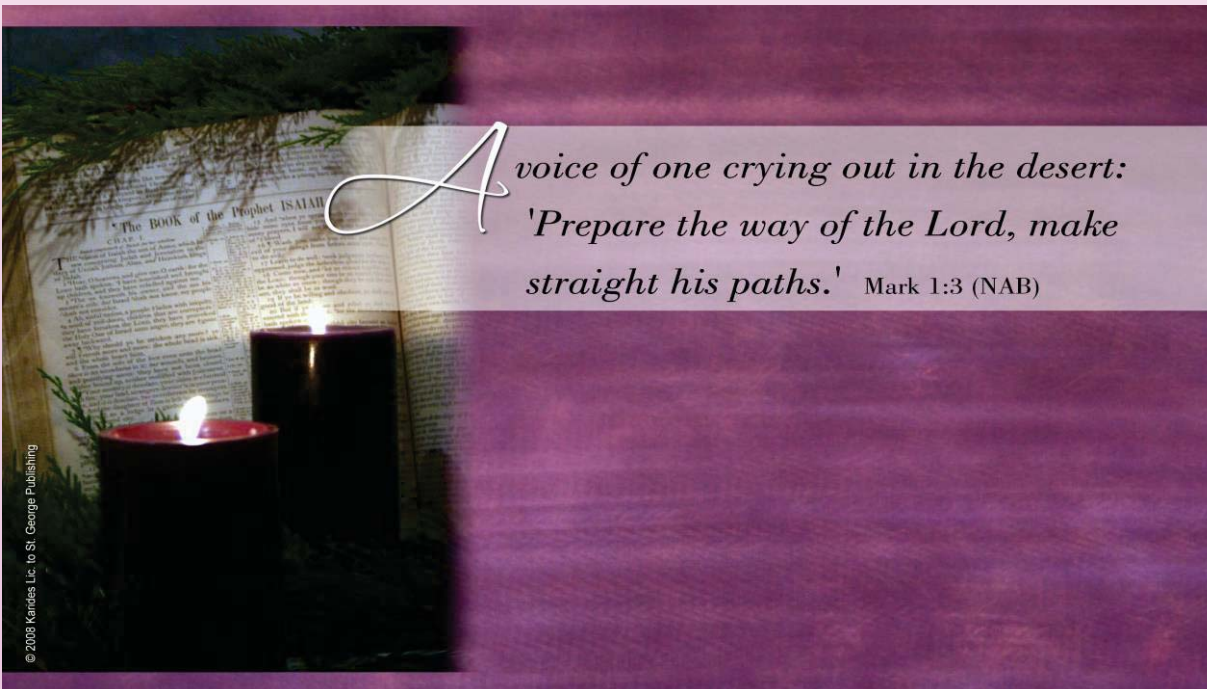


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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 6, 2020 (YEAR B)



MISSION STATEMENT: We, the people of God of Our Lady of the Assumption parish, are a uniquely gifted people of Cape Verdean heritage. We share a common belief in a God whose love is unconditional and whose dream is that every man, woman and child grow to full potential through the Paschal Mystery. We believe that the foundation of our faith lies in the very act of creation in which the human dignity of each person is born. We understand that we are called to be actively involved in the mission of Jesus. Service to this mission is our way of travelling together on the journey to our God as one body in union with the whole Church.

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Monday - Friday 8:00 am
Saturday: 4:00 pm Vigil
Sunday: 9:00 am (English)
11:00 am (Portuguese-Crioulo)

Holy Day of Obligation 7:00pm (Check Bulletin)

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Patrick Fanning, SS.CC.
Priest in Residence: Fr. Alfie McHugh, SS.CC.
Faith Formation Gr. K-6: Ms. Maria Grace
Confirmation/ Youth: Ms. Renee Ledbetter
Sexton: Ms. Ana Bela Mendes
Parish Secretary: Mr. Raimundo Tavares

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Second and fourth Sundays of the month. Baptism preparation is required of parents and godparents. E-mail: OLOAbaptism@gmail.com

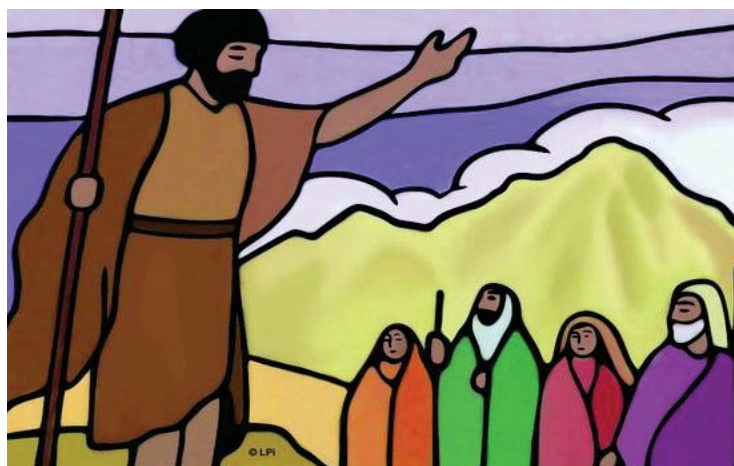
CONFESSION: Saturday 3:00 pm or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Call for an appointment with the pastor at least six months in advance. No dates given before this appointment

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please notify the rectory of any parishioner who is unable to attend Mass due to illness or age. Eucharistic Ministers are available upon request.

PARISH OFFICE

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John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me." — Mk 1:4, 6-7a

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Advent is a season of preparation and today's readings emphasize our need to prepare for the Lord's coming. But Isaiah also gives us words of comfort and hope. The Lord's coming is a sign of God's generosity. The Second Letter of Peter tells us to conduct ourselves in holiness and devotion, echoing John the Baptist's call for repentance. As we prepare the way of the Lord, let the word of God inspire us.

Readings of the Week

Readings for the week of December 6, 2020

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/
2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/
Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/
Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/
Mt 11:11-15
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/
Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/ Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54
[Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/ Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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Nov. 22	\$1,767.25
Nov. 29	\$1,585.00

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF DEC. 5 – DEC. 13

Saturday: 4:00PM – Vigil Mass

+ Rev. Stanley J. Kolasa, ss.cc.

Sunday: 9:00AM

+ Mary Tabor Pina (by Tony & Susan Costa)

11:00AM – Intenções da Comunidade

Monday: 8:00AM

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Tuesday: 8:00AM

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Wednesday: 8:00AM

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Thursday: 8:00AM

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Friday: 7:00PM

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Saturday: 4:00PM – Vigil Mass

+ Patricia Pina (by family)

Sunday: 9:00AM

+ Henry Barros

11:00AM – Intenções da Comunidade



Sanctuary Lamp – Dec. 6 – Dec. 12

In Memory of

Rev. Stanley Kolasa, ss.cc.

Please remember in your prayers those who have asked for our caring support:

Mary Costa & Marianna DeSousa



LIVE THE LITURGY – INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Prepare the way of the Lord! The message of John the Baptist becomes the calling of every baptized disciple of Jesus Christ. Each one of us is asked to prepare the way of the Lord. Given the humble means of our lives, how can we do this? It certainly does not require that we stand on street corners announcing God's future coming! We can more readily take up the task of our lifework by clearing our lives of unnecessary, distracting clutter. By creating solid and deep spiritual lives, we can heighten our awareness of God's presence and help people point to and discover God's presence around them. By conducting ourselves in holiness and devotion, we can speak volumes to those we meet. Not by preaching actual words, but by living lives that communicate the comfort God wants His people to know. As the world sometimes frantically unfolds around us, we can be people of patience who show others that it's okay to wait for God's gift to come. Conducting our lives in this manner, we will know the peace that comes from doing what we have been asked to do. ©LPI

From or Pastor: Starting this week, Weekday Mass will be celebrated Monday thru Friday at 8AM.

Question of the Week: What concrete action can I take this week to prepare myself for Jesus' coming?

The 2021 Mass book is open to anyone wanting to schedule Mass Intentions or Sanctuary Lamp for calendar year 2021. Please call the parish office 508-994-7602

Lectors December 12 & December 13

Vigil 4:00PM Lector: Ryan Grace

9:00AM Lector: Marion Oliveira

11:00AM Lector: Laurentina Barros

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR:

Please note that for your protection and the protection of all parishioners, the Bishop of Fall River has continued the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Masses throughout the Christmas season and into the New Year.

Also please note that the celebration of Christmas does not end on Christmas Day, but continues for eight days, ending on January 1 with the celebration of the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. So you can choose any of those days to attend Mass if you feel it is safe for you to do so. God bless, Fr. Patrick F. Fanning, [SS.CC.](#)

December 2020 Second Collection

December 6 - Heat & Fuel

December 13 - Retired Religious

December 25 - Christmas Collection

3 EASY STEPS TO KEEPING YOURSELF & OTHERS HEALTHY!



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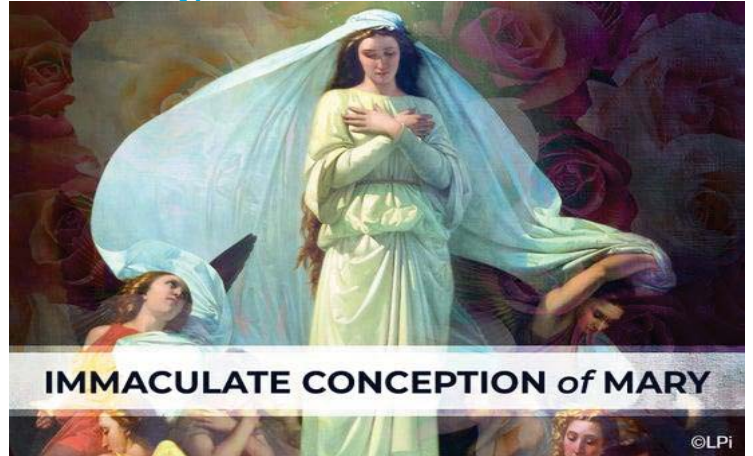
Stay Connected While You're Away.



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Go to www.parishesonline.com to view your church bulletin and stay up to date.

Tuesday, December 8th – 8am MASS



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of MARY

This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Please note that for your protection and the protection of all parishioners, the Bishop of Fall River has continued the dispensation from this obligation.



ADVENT



HOPE. LOVE. JOY. PEACE.

Christmas Mass Schedule



December 24 - 6:00pm - English

December 25 - 11:00am - Portuguese

• PLEASE **DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH** IF YOU ARE SICK.

• PLEASE FOLLOW THE GUIDANCE OF THE **USHERS AND PARISH VOLUNTEERS.**

• COMMUNICANTS WILL RECEIVE THE CONSECRATED HOST IN **THEIR HANDS.**

• PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR PEWS BY A **DIFFERENT ROUTE** TO AVOID CONTACT WITH APPROACHING PARISHIONERS.



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