NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Parish Office: 44 East Central Street, Natick, 508-653-1093 Fax: 508-650-2922 Religious Education Office: 508-653-1093 St. Patrick Cemetery: 978-208-0266

Website: natickcatholic.org

Mass Schedule St. Linus

Sunday 9 a.m. Sunday 5 p.m.

Handicap Accessible



MASS SCHEDULE St. Patrick

Monday — Friday 8 a.m. Saturday 4 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Handicap Accessible

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Patrick lower church: Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm. Also by appointment; please call the office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated the second & third Sunday of the month at 1:00pm.

Please call the Rectory to make the necessary arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the Priest at least six months prior to any other marriage plans.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory to request Communion, Visitation or Anointing of the Sick for anyone who is confined to home or a hospital.

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Daily 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.; check Facebook day of for location.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 3:30pm, Friday: 9:00am to 12:00noon

Monday-Friday: Daily Rosary 7:30 a.m.

NOVEMBER 13TH, 2022 — THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." - Lk 21:16-

Readings for the week of November 13, 2022

Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9/2

Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43 Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-

10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28 Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/

Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/

Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40 Next Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5/

Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

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St. Linus Mass Intentions

Sun Nov. 13, 9am Anibal & Dina Cosquete

Sun Nov. 13, 5pm Marciana DeLeon

Sun Nov.20, 9am Sylvia Minucci & Josephine Otis

Sun Nov 20, 5pm Judith & Bruce Whitney

St. Patrick Mass Intentions

Sat, Nov.12, 4pm Robert Fair

Sun, Nov. 13, 7:30am: Anthony Barbieri Sun, Nov. 13, 11am: Janet "Dolly" Lodi

Mon, Nov. 14, 8am: Derick O'Dell and his Intentions

Tues, Nov.15, 8am Ryan Prepetit and his Birthday

Intentions

Wed, Nov. 16, 8am: Ludzika Zazihu

Thurs, Nov.17, 8am: Michael & Theresa Lesniak

Fri, Nov.18, 8am: Cheryl & Jim Lambert Sat, Nov.19, 4pm: Nicola & Carmela DeRosa

Sun, Nov. 20, 7:30am: Emma Richard Sun, Nov. 20, 11am: Peter & Wendy Smith

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Ann Teresa Allen, Michelle Anderson, Jim Annear, Alexandra Barr, Grace Katherine Barrett, Winston Bertrand, Mack & Finn Carlson, Harrison Che, Ross Cigna, Viola Cole, Jay Cormier, Richard Cunningham, Miguel Espada & Family, Tom Feola, Patrick Foley, Amy Gertz, David Henderson, Denise Gladu, Mateo Goldman, Sandra Green, Jeanne Gross, Marsha Ryan-Henry, Patrick Hurley, Cynthia Johnson, Nikki Joyal, Kathleen Kennedy, Mary Kennedy, Brian Keville, Barbara Lavin, Haylie Leonard, Anna Leskanic, Helen MacDonald, Monique Marcott, Anne Martin, Donna McIntosh, Jennifer McKenna, Sara Kate Muleski, Ed Mulholland, Sue Peters, Camilla T. Pollock, Louise Quilliam, David Ricciuti, Maura Roberts, Valerie Rooney, Mike Rourke, Marie Roy, Joseph Scarlata, Sister Barbara, Bob Tammero, Gavin Tokarski, Matthew Tokarski, Judy Veinbergs, Brian & David Wagner, James Weber, Curtis Wells, Amy Noel Wyman, Julie, and all the Sick in Our Parishes. Amen.

Books of Remembrance

It is a long-standing Catholic custom, both beautiful and meaningful, to offer prayers on behalf of those who have died. Throughout the month of November we invite you to visit our sanctuaries (in both churches) so that you can write the names of those whom you wish to remember.

In their memory we thank our compassionate God for their lives and for the blessings which they have been for us. May the Lord Jesus, the world's Savior and the Lover of souls, receive all the faithful departed, embracing them with His mercy

and preparing them for welcome home to the Heavenly Father's Heart. Through the grace of

Risen Christ, may our deceased family members, friends, and fellow parishioners come to find rest in **God's Holy Peace**.



Thank you for supporting our parishes. God bless you!

St Linus Parish Support: Week of NOV. 6TH, 2022

Budgeted Collection + Electronic = Total

Offertory Offertory Received

\$7,000.00 \$4115.00 + \$1085.73 = \$5200.00

St Patrick Parish Support: Week of NOV. 6TH, 2022 **Budgeted** Collection + Electronic = Total **Offertory** Offertory Received

\$15,500.00 \$8566.00+ \$1648.11 = \$10,214.11

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES. GOD BLESS YOU!

Please join us this Advent to celebrate "Bambinelli Sunday"

Each year on the third Sunday of Advent, the children of
Rome bring the Christ Child from their home nativity to St.
Peter's Square for a blessing by the Pope. We will bring this
touch of Rome to our homes by having our own blessing of our
Christ Child figurines.

Please bring your Christ Child to the 9:00 Mass at St. Linus on Sunday, December 11th!





Rest in Peace

Let us pray for those who have died, especially,

John Ruiz
May all of our faithful departed rest in peace.

<u>Sanctuary Candles at St. Patrick</u>
<u>Will Burn in Remembrance</u>
The Week of November 13th for: *Raffi, Demasi, & Valenti Families*



NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



Thank you to all those who participated in the first *Season* of our new Bereavement Ministry. We will resume our gatherings in January when we will continue to gather in prayer, fellowship and faith sharing as we support each other through the grieving process. If you would be interested in learning more or registering for our second *Season* please contact Jennifer



Reminder!

November 20th Father Leroy will celebrate his final 9am Mass at St. Linus Church and we will have a reception for him downstairs following the Mass.

I hope you all can join us to tell some stories and say goodbye to a great friend and priest.

Thank you for everything, Fr. Leroy!

You always will have a home in our Natick Catholic Community and in our hearts!

BIBLE STUDY

OLD TESTAMENT STORIES OF FAITH.

Father Michael invites you to join us every Monday afternoon from 2:00 - 3:15 pm.

Our topic of study will be: Old Testament Stories of Faith. This program will be shared throughout the autumn semester via Zoom.

For Zoom Log-in Information, please contact the NCC Office (508) 653-1093, M-Th, 9am-4pm or Fri. 9am-12pm

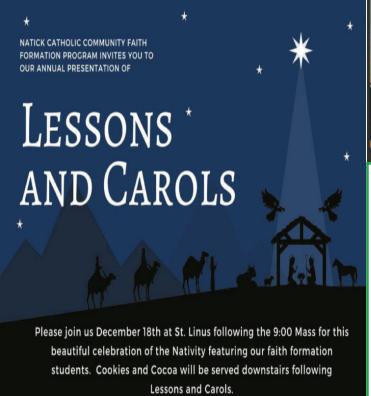
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dsullivan@natickcatholic.org
or scan the OR code.







How exactly are we preparing our hearts for the greatest gift we've ever been given?

Through an exploration of the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus, this Advent study offers an opportunity to experience the joy of the true meaning of Christmas.

We will meet on Sundays - November 27, December 4, December 11 & December 18 at 12 noon in St. Patrick Lower Church. Please contact Jennifer at jmckiernan@natickcatholic.org for more information or to sign up for this series. We hope you can join us!

NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NOTICES



GROUP

5 PM MASS FOLLOWED BY DINNER & FRIENDSHIP

ST. LINUS CHURCH

Dates:

11/20 2/26

12/18 3/26

1100 4/30

1/29 4/

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FOR MORE INFO PLEASE EMAIL DAWN SULLIVAN AT DSULLIVAN@NATICKCATHOLIC.ORG

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We invite all children in elementary school (K-4) to join us on Sundays during the 9am Mass to celebrate and reflect on the Sunday Gospel readings in an age appropriate way. We are also in need of 3-5 volunteers to help with this liturgy. If you are interested, please contact Christine at

cackerman 1976@gmail.com.

2022-2023 CLOW Dates (during our 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Linus Church)

November 20 December 4 and 18 January 8, 15 and 29 February 12 and 19 March 5 and 19

April 2 (Palm Sunday) and 16 May 14 and 28 June 11

St. Linus Finance Council

Please join the Finance Council to discuss our FY 22 annual report and for an update on our current financial picture. We will meet at St. Linus on Thursday November 17th at 7:00pm



The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the official collection of rites of the Roman Catholic Church for initiation of adults and the reception of baptized candidates into the Church.

RCIA is a process rather than a program. Participants in the RCIA are at different stages on their faith journey: some people have never been baptized and desire to receive their sacraments, some were baptized in another faith tradition and wish to be received into the Catholic Church, some were baptized Catholic but have never received Confirmation and Eucharist.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the RCIA, please contact Jennifer at jmckiernan@natickcatholic.org. for preliminary information. We look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you!

Raising Saints Story Time

After the 9am Mass grab a donut and your toddler or preschooler and join us for a faith-filled story time.

WHO: Parents with 0-5 year olds WHERE: Saint Linus basement WHEN: After 9am Mass

November 13th, & December 11th

<u>Seeking</u> <u>Confirmation</u> Prayer Partners

Dear Natick Catholic Community,

We are blessed to have 70 teenagers preparing for



Confirmation this year. As these students complete their religious education journey toward the Sacrament of Confirmation, our new Confirmation Prayer Partner program will strive to pair each Confirmation student with an adult member of our Church who will pray for them leading up to (and after) their Confirmation. If you are interested in becoming a Prayer Partner for one of our 70 teenagers, please email me at dsullivan@natickcatholic.org, or call the Parish

Office. Once all 70 prayer partners are received, we will assign partners. Please consider this wonderful way to support our Confirmation program through the gift of prayer.

God Bless, Dawn Sullivan
Confirmation Coordinator and Youth Minister
dsullivan@natickcatholic.org

COMMUNITY EVENTS

THE SAINT OF THE QUARTER

St Thérèse of Lisieux, and her parents Louis, and Zélie.

Thérèse, Louis, and Zélie Martin lived in France in the late 1800s/early 1900s. St. Thérèse, also called the Little Flower, is well known for her autobiography *Story of a Soul* and was one of five daughters, all who would become nuns, in the Martin household. Louis was a watchmaker and Zélie a lacemaker who both suffered many physical ailments. Zélie's suffered breast cancer and Louis suffered multiple strokes. In addition to their physical sufferings and the pain they felt, they also carried the emotional pain of losing four of their children in infancy. Despite all this, they allowed God into their hearts, were devout Catholics, and carried their crosses

Thérèse was canonized on May 17, 1925 and her feast day is October 1. She became canonized after several miracles were approved, including healings of those with tuberculosis, ulcers, and joint pain. Saint Therese is the patron saint of aviators, florists, illnesses, and missions. Her parents were canonized on October 18, 2015 after the miracle/unexpected cure of a child born in 2002 with a lung disorder. Saints Louis and Zelie's feast day is July 12, the day they were civilly married, and they are the patron saints of illness, marriage, parenting, and widowers.

SAINT OF THE QUARTER SERVICE PROJECT

Keeping in mind the Martin family, we prayerfully ask that you help with our Saint of the Quarter service project this October, November, and December. The Martin family were clearly motivated by a generous spirit that allowed them to care for each other and honoring that spirit, we ask you to care for older members in our community. We are writing cards and letters to residents in various nursing homes around Natick (Riverbend and Mary Ann Morse) and letting them know they are thought of and loved, especially during this upcoming holiday season."

We are asking our parishioners to make cards or purchase your own and include a friendly letter to the residents of Riverbend and Mary Ann Morse nursing homes.

Get together your family or just yourself and write a letter or card!

A few guidelines: Cards/letters do not require envelopes or your full name/contact info.

Please address letters "Dear Friend" or " Dear Neighbor" Messages do not have to be religious in nature.

When you are done with your letter or card, place hem in the appropriate box at St. Patrick's, St.

Linus, or in the parish office starting October 23rd.



A Note From Fr. Alfano.....

NCC Healing Masses

We thank the Lord for the faith of 53 parishioners who received the Sacramental Anointing of the Sick last weekend at both our parish Healing Masses. Our gratitude goes out to their caregivers who accompanied these brothers and sisters to the Mass so that our whole community's prayers could surround them. Such Christian encouragement offers hope to those struggling with vulnerability. We also offer special acknowledgement for the ministry of the new NCC Healing Prayer Group which provided such faith-filled support to our fellow parishioners. If you have interest in their ministry, our Healing Prayer Group plans to meet monthly at Saint Patrick Church to pray for all of our community's intentions. You are welcome to contact the NCC office for more details.

Please note: Our Church's Healing Sacraments are always available for the asking (and can also be celebrated at one's own home, at the hospital, or at any kind of health care facility wherever needed). Government HIPAA regulations now prohibit health care facilities from notifying the priests that their parishioners are indeed present and receiving care. So it has become more essential than ever for family members / friends to let us know when someone is sick or in need of the Church's healing sacraments. Such timely notice will allow the priest the opportunity to bring as much of this spiritual support and encouragement as he can.

Please call the NCC Parish Office to inform one of our priests. Remember that ideally these three sacraments of healing are offered together and can include: Reconciliation / Confession; as well as Sacramental Anointing of the Sick and the Holy Viaticum (= "Last Holy Communion"). Whenever given in preparation for someone's dying, all three sacraments together are the fullest way that we Roman Catholics can participate in what is commonly known as "the Last Rites"



The Society of St. Vincent DePaul is most grateful for your continued support. We pray that you and your family are healthy and safe.

Current Food Pantry needs include:

Gift cards to Market Basket, Roche Bros, Stop & Shop, or Wegmans, Target and Walmart (Please mail to the parish office at 44 East Central St.)

Many thanks to all!

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NCC Music Ministry

NCC Music Ministry is back !!
If you or your child are interested in joining an ensemble please contact the Director of Liturgy & Music

at: wsawyer@natickcatholic.org. For more detailed information on all available ensembles please visit the Music Ministry website



NOVEMBER 13TH, 2022

Pro-Life Committee

Many thanks to all who joined us for our November meeting! If you are interested in joining our Committee please contact Jennifer at imckiernan@natickcatholic.org. Please take a moment to look at the weekly Pro-Life Box below to learn more about the many important issues included under umbrella of our Pro-Life Ministry and stay tuned for upcoming educational and informative experiences we will be offering to our parishioners in the coming months!

(then continue to add in a weekly box while they last as you have been doing - thanks!)

An Adoption Love Story

Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/adoption-love-story.

Having children and raising a family had always been our expectation. We soon learned, however, that our chances

of becoming pregnant were small. It wasn't long before we started talking about the possibility of adoption. I wondered if my heart was big enough to love an adopted child as I would have loved a biological child. But with prayerful discernment, we decided to start the process. On Christmas Eve, Bill* and I left the hospital with Andrew. It didn't take long before there was

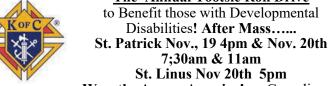
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no doubt in our minds that he was our son, the greatest gift from God! We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew.

*Names changed for privacy. This is a summary of a USCCB Respect Life Program article by the same name and is reprinted with permission. © 2019, USCCB, Washington, D.C. All rights reserved.

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Natick Catholic Community's Norton Center Fundraising Drive

The Norton Center, next to St. Linus, is a vital part of the entire Natick Catholic community. Unfortunately, the pipes are failing, and the HVAC system is no longer operational. We must install a new system immediately! It simply will not be safe! In addition to your prayers, we ask you to give generously to this urgent, one-time, special fundraising appeal to repair the Norton Center heating system and keep our programs running. WE NEED YOUR HELP TO RAISE \$125,000 BY NOVEMBER 8TH! We can accept checks (made out to St. Linus or St. Patrick), cash, credit cards, appreciated stock, or distributions from Donor Advised Funds. Please consider making a contribution online at www.natickcatholic.org or by using the envelopes in the pews. If you have any questions, please feel free to email stlinusfinance@natickcatholic.org. Thank you and May God Bless You!

NCC Norton Center Fundraising Progress!!!!



ANNUAL BOY SCOUT WREATH SALE!!

Support our Scouts!!!! Our local scouts will be selling wreaths after Mass,

Nov. 27th

9am @ St Linus and 11am @ St. Patrick Dec 4th After all NCC Masses!

Collee & Donuts at St. Fatrick Church

Please Join us in the lower Church after the 11am Mass for Coffee, Donuts, and fellowship, on 12/4, 12/11, and 12/18

(No coffee and donut on 11/13 & 11/20) If your interested in helping please contact Jenn @ jmckiernan@natickcatholic.org.

St. Linus Sunday Coffee & Donuts!

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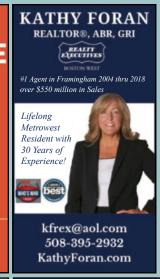
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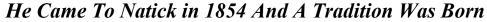


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