### NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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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.

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#### 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.

#### ST. VINCENT DEPAUL RELIEF

Direct Line: 508-509-1736 ALL calls are confidential

#### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

#### YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

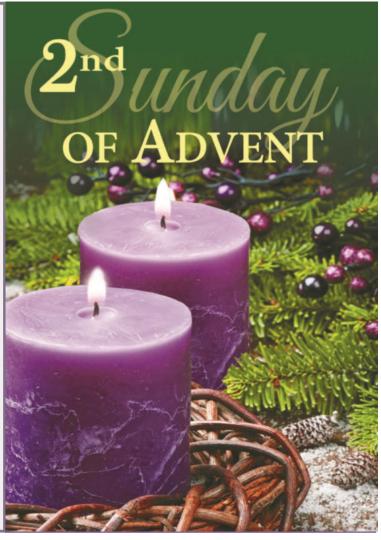
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.; check Facebook day of for location.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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

DECEMBER 4TH, 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



#### DECEMBER 4TH, 2022 — SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### St. Linus Mass Intentions

Sun Dec. 04, 9am Domenico & Lucia Bianchi & Dom Bianchi Jr.

Sun Dec 04, 5pm For the People of the Parish

Sun Dec. 11, 9am Anibal & Dinaquete

Sun Dec. 11, 5pm Margret & Michael O'Callaghan

#### St. Patrick Mass Intentions

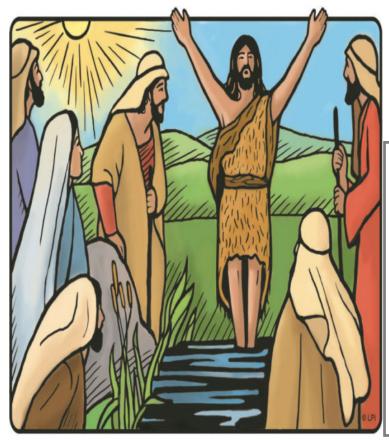
Sat, Dec. 03, 4pm: Jack Knapp & Mrs. Mary Knapp Sun, Dec. 04, 7:30am: John Bishop 93rd Anniversary)

Sun, Dec. 04, 11am: Giovanni Taboh Mon, Dec. 05, 8am: Helen Fagan Tues, Dec. 06, 8am Fernando Beltran Wed, Dec. 07, 8am: Dina Cosquete (7th Anniversary)

Thurs, Dec. 08, 8am: Immaculate Conception Fri, Dec. 09, 8am: Mary & George Pavlick

Sat, Dec. 10, 4pm: Robert L Shea Sun, Dec. 11, 7:30am: Emma Richard Sun, Dec. 11, 11am: John Kelly

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. - Mt 3:4-6



### Thank you for supporting our parishes. God bless you

#### St Linus Parish Support: Week of Nov 20TH, 2022

Budgeted Collection + Electronic = Total Offertory Offertory Received \$7,000.00 \$2896.00+ \$477.00= \$3373.00 Retired Sisters Support Offering: \$1616.00

#### St Patrick Parish Support: Week of Nov 20TH, 2022

Budgeted Collection + Electronic = Total Offertory Offertory Received \$15,500.00 \$9491.59+ \$3671.11 = \$13,162.70 Retired Sisters Support Offering: \$3985.00

# THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES. GOD BLESS YOU!

#### **Holiday Mass Schedule**

#### The Immaculate

#### Conception of the Virgin Mary

Wednesday, December 7th
7:00pm Vigil Mass (St. Linus Church)
Thursday, December 8th
8:00am Mass (St. Patrick Church)

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#### Christmas Eve (Saturday, December 24th)

12:10pm Mass (St. Patrick Church) 4:00pm Mass (St. Linus) 4:00pm Mass (St. Patrick)

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### Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25th)

7:30am (St. Patrick) 9:00am (St. Linus) 11:00am (St. Patrick)

#### Readings for the week of December 4, 2022

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/

Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 1

3-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12,

13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/

Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/

Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/

Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b,

15-16,

18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/

Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

#### NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Ann Teresa Allen, Michelle Anderson, Jim Annear, Alexandra Barr, Grace Katherine Barrett, Winston Bertrand, Mack & Finn Carlson, Harrison Che, Ross Cigna,, 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.

#### BIBLE STUDY

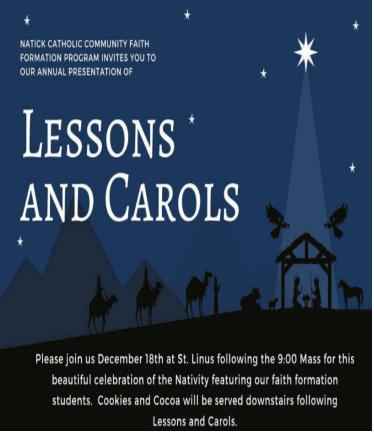
#### OLD TESTAMENT STORIES OF FAITH.

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

December 19th will be the last Fall Session







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 j

oy 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 <a href="mailto:jmckiernan@natickcatholic.org">jmckiernan@natickcatholic.org</a> 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

1/29 4/30



FOR MORE INFO PLEASE EMAIL DAWN SULLIVAN AT DSULLIVAN AT CKCATHOLIC.ORG

#### Seeking

#### **Confirmation 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

# Prayer Partners

#### ANNUAL BOY SCOUT WREATH SALE!!



Support our Scouts!!!!
Our local scouts will be selling wreaths after Mass,
Dec 4th After all NCC Masses!



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 <a href="mailto:jmckernan@natickcatholic.org">jmckernan@natickcatholic.org</a>, for preliminary information. We look forward to hearing from you! **Thank you!** 



#### Christmas Children's Choir

The Children's Choir will be singing at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass at

St. Linus this year. If your child is interested in joining the choir please contact

Mr. Sawyer at

wsawyer@natickcatholic.org

### 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

#### **December 11th**

#### 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 cackerman1976@gmail.com.

2022-2023 CLOW Dates (during our 9:00 a.m. Mass

St. Linus Church)

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

#### **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

#### 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.



## St. Vincent de Paul Society Jesse Tree Christmas Gift Card Drive at St. Patrick

We continue to help those in need all year long. Thus far, we have helped approximately 60 individuals/families. All this is made possible with the prayers and generosity of our parishioners. This year for Thanksgiving and Christmas, gift cards will be provided to bring a bit of joy and comfort during these financially trying times. Please help us continue the good work started by our founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, in France. PLEASE consider donating gift cards from Roche Bros., Stop n' Shop, Wegmans, Market Basket, Target, Walmart or gasoline sta-

tions. Gift cards for SVDP should be labelled and can be mailed or dropped off at St. Patrick Rectory (44 East Central Street, Natick), placed in the weekly offertory collection baskets or dropped in the SVDP Gift Card Collection Box located in the vestibule of St. Patrick Church. Thank you in advance for opening your heart to help those in need. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas! God Bless You!!!
----Society of St. Vincent de Paul----



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!

Rice Pilaf, Quick Bread Mix, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Tissues, Toilet Paper.

Online Giving @ paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/2165670 Your search will lead you to: MW08 St Patrick Conference (the original name of this Conference). Click "Donate" and you are on your way! If you experience any problems, call 508-509-1736.

#### St Vincent DePaul CLOTHING DONATION BINS

are located in the parking lot of St Patrick for donations of clean clothing. 1-508-509-1736.\*All calls are confidential\*

### Please Join us in the lower Church after the 11am Mass for Coffee, Donuts, and fallowship, on

Coffee & Donuts at St. Patrick Church

fellowship, on
12/4, 12/11, and 12/18
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If your interested in helping please contact Jenn @ jmckiernan@natickcatholic.org.

#### St. Linus Sunday Coffee & Donuts!

Join us in the lower Church after the 9am Sunday Mass. Every Sunday!

#### THE GIVING TREE AT ST. LINUS

The Giving Tree at St. Linus gives us the opportunity to make Christmas a joyful celebration for many others.

This year we are returning to what we did before the pandemic, collecting gifts as well as gift cards.

The tree will be on the side altar from Sunday, November 20 to Sunday, December 11.

Please take a tag

or tags from the tree.

Return the gifts and gift cards TOGETHER
WITH THE TAGS to the side altar
by December 11.

All gifts should be NEW AND

UNWRAPPED.
A box will be provided where gift cards can be deposited.

Members of the NCC have always been perfect examples of what true giving is. Hopefully we can exceed the expectations that we have set for ourselves.



#### DECEMBER 4TH, 2022

# respect life

#### **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 jmckiernan@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!)

### 10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting

Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/support-her.

As a mom who had my first baby in college, I know that an unexpected pregnancy can sometimes bring fear,

shame, and doubt. Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. I encourage you to support her in her new journey of being a mother.

Your support may be the only support she receives.

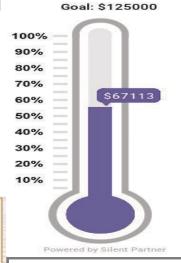
It's okay if you don't know the perfect words to say. Let her know you are there for her, and ask how

you can support her. Assist her in lining up practical help. She may not feel she "deserves" to show happiness; reassure her it's okay (and good) to be happy. Your support might be the only support she receives. You can make a difference in her life. Will you?

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#### NCC Norton Center Fundraising Progress!!!!





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Total for the
week of
Nov. 20th,2022

Grand Annual Appeal 2022-2023

<u>Week of Nov. 20th</u> <u>St. Linus</u> \$2500.00 St. Patrick \$11,860.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!
GOD BLESS YOU!





# CYCLE PREP with Christina Valenzuela



Please join us for a live workshop for parents and their daughters (suggested ages 9-12) called Cycle Prep, hosted by Christina Valenzuela.

This engaging presentation covers anatomy and the menstrual cycle, teaching girls practical tips on how to navigate these changes with positivity and to create a Culture of Care for one another. It blends accurate, age-appropriate biology with sound teaching on the dignity and goodness of our bodies.

Cycle Prep is pediatrician-reviewed, and was a Finalist in the 2021 Our Sunday Visitor Innovation Challenge. The program has gained national recognition in dioceses across the United States, including an upcoming feature with the NFP Program at the USCCB. Christina is a certified NFP instructor and the owner of Pearl & Thistle, LLC, where she offers lifelong learning programs to help Catholics grow in body literacy. www.pearlandthistle.com

What: Cycle Prep Workshop

**Who:** Parents and Daughters (suggested ages 9-12)

When: Saturday, January 28th at 11 AM

**Where: St. Patrick Lower Hall** 

To register, please visit: https://natickcatholic.org/cycle-prep-presentation

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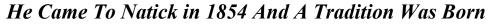


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