# 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah.

For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so, I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." (Mt 16:17-18)





August 27, 2023

### **Mass Times**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am 9:00am 11:00am Monday - Saturday: 9:00am

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Second Sunday of the month at 12:30pm. Please call the Rectory to register your child.

Baptism Preparation Classes are held the 1st Sunday of each month @12:30pm.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 2:45pm-3:45pm or by appointment or by request after Mass.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Couples planning to be married at Saint Mary's should make an appointment to meet with the priest in person, at least one year prior to the wedding date and prior to booking a venue/vendor.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

**Eucharistic Adoration** 

**Fatima Prayer Cells** 

Fridays - 9:30am-noon Tuesdays following 9:00am Mass Thursdays - 3:30pm-4:30pm

**Holy Souls Prayer Group** 

Fridays - 3:00pm-4:00pm

**Holy Rosary Prayer Group** 

Mondays-Saturdays - 8:25am

### St. Mary's Prayer Line

If you have a prayer request or are interested in joining our Prayer Line please email Laurie at lbubencik@stmarysfoxboro.org or call the Rectory.

#### **Catholic Daughters**

Meetings are the third Sunday of each month after the 11am Mass.

### **Knights of Columbus**

Meetings are the first Friday of each month @7pm with a Rosary at 6:30pm.

### **Low Gluten Hosts**

Please speak to one of the ushers or the celebrant before Mass if you would like to receive a low gluten host

**Change of Address**: Make sure to stay connected! Send any changes to your address or telephone number to the Rectory or email lbubencik@stmarysfoxboro.org.

> To have the bulletin emailed directly to you, please visit

http://www.pilotbulletins.net/sign-up/ to register for this service.

### St. Mary's Mission Statement

Saint Mary's Church is a Roman Catholic community of faith established in 1859 in Foxborough, Massachusetts within the Archdiocese of Boston. We are a parish committed to worshipping together, to publicly living, teaching and sharing our faith, and to working at becoming a community with a shared responsibility for meeting the challenge of being a Roman Catholic in a modern world.

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4:00	Those affected by Natural disasters including the peo-
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	†SUNDAY, August 27	
7:00	Members of St. Mary's Parish	
9:00		
11:00	Jerry Vozzella	Month's Mind

### †MONDAY, August 28

9:00 Karl Jahr

### †TUESDAY, August 29

9:00 Josephine Hilty Birthday Rem.

### †WEDNESDAY, August 30

9:00 DiMascio Anniversary Remembrance

### †THURSDAY, August 31

9:00 Rene, Marianne, Roger and Andrew Nicol

### †FRIDAY, September 1

9:00 Jesus and Juan Arismendiz, Zoila Valdivia, Jorge Diaz

### †SATURDAY, September 2

9:00 Holy Souls in Purgatory4:00 Teresa Rosinski

### †SUNDAY, September 3

7:00

9:00 Members of St. Mary's Parish

11:00

Please remember in your prayers the ill and infirmed of the parish and all our beloved deceased, including our Mass Intentions Guild.

### **Sanctuary Candle**

The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of **Ioaquim Ribeiro and Family.** 

If you would like to remember your beloved deceased by lighting the Sanctuary Candle in their memory, please call the Rectory. A \$30 good will offering is suggested.

Weekly Offertory - \$7,680 Maui Collection - \$4947 Holy Day - \$950 OFFERTORY

We are looking for a person to help with opening the church Friday through Sunday and helping with some weekend projects as needed. This is ideal for someone who is retired and is an early bird as the church needs to be opened for our Rosary group. This is a set 7 hours of work per week for this position. Please contact the rectory for more details if you are interested.

# Please remember in your prayers the following men and women serving in our military:

William Albano, Louise Balduf, Graham P. Johnston, Daniel Sheehan, Shane McAuley. Also Sean Davey, Cpl. Eric Thomas, Cpt. Joseph A. Colantoni, Sgt. James R. Jarvis III, US Army 1st Lt. Brian Johns & Master Sgt.

Chris Butler. Also Staff Sgts. Andrew & Arielle Grato, Sgt. Eric Seiden, Army Airborne. Also Frank Fleming, Matthew Goode, USAF Major David Gonsalez, USMC Ryan Davis, Lt. Colonel Kevin Michael Ryan, Major Lindsey Ryan, Army MSG James Crowley, William Lopatka, PFC Elizabeth V. McCarthy-Tang.

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USMC Raymond Fuller, USN Patrick DeMichele, Airman Gregory Stafford Eimers, Cpl. Adam Cannizzaro

If you have a family member, friend or loved one serving in the military please call the Rectory 508-543-7726.



The RCIA program is for those adults interested in participating in the Sacraments, and/or initiating into the Catholic Church. We will meet 1-2 times per month, on Sunday evenings at approxi-

mately 7:30 pm. This runs until the Easter Vigil / springtime for those who will be baptized into the Church or receiving their confirmation.

Please call the Rectory to register or for more information.

St. Mary's Parish Foxborough, MA



### St. Mary's Christmas Fair

We are currently seeking donations to be used for the Silent Auction. Please consider <u>supporting</u> our *local* restaurants and retail stores by purchasing a gift card to be auctioned off at the Fair. We also accept any <u>new</u> merchandise as well as tickets to sporting events or services from you or local businesses. If you own your own business, our event website offers a chance to donate something from your business.

ness and advertise your business at the same time. Last year our website got over 8,800 page views during the weeklong Silent Auction.

If you have a vacation home, we can work with you to create a vacation experience for a lucky Parishioner. We would greatly appreciate any donation you can make. The success of this year's Silent Auction depends on generous donations from Parishioners and local businesses. Gift cards and merchandise can be dropped off at the Church Rectory (83 Central Street). Contact Tina Belanger at <a href="mailto:tellower.">tellower.</a> with any questions.

Our Homemade Treasures table is looking for **donated** handmade items. If you make handmade items for your friends and family, please consider making a few extra to help support the Christmas Fair. If you would like to **donate** your handmade treasures, please contact Donna Slater at <a href="mailto:mds15@comcast.net">mds15@comcast.net</a>

We are now collecting **new household items and gently used jewelry and religious items** (please no mailers received from religious organizations or calendars) for our Fair. Please note we can only accept new household items and new small appliances in their original box. Please consider regifting household items that you have bought or received but never used to help support our Christmas Fair. There is a box near the door of the Murphy room labeled "Christmas Fair Donations" to drop off these items. Please contact Lucy Sabin at <a href="mailto:lmcsabin@gmail.com">lmcsabin@gmail.com</a> for questions about household items.

Thank you for your help in making our Christmas Fair a success!





Saturday, September 2

https://stmaryschristmasfair.weebly.com/



Thank you to Jacqui Napoli who so generously donates her time and talent to our church. Jacqui sewed the matching altar tapestries that you see.





# BLESSED PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI (1901-1925)

### A 20th-century Apostle of Christ

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati has been described as an ordinary young man with an extraordinary faith. However, his biographies depict the avid mountain-climber, athlete and socially active youth as one of those extraordinary people whose passionate love of life attracts and inspires others. The love of God was the force that magnified these charismatic qualities in Pier Giorgio. In the words of St. John Paul II: "Faith and charity ... transformed him into a joyful, enthusiastic apostle of Christ, a passionate follower of his message and charity."

Pier Giorgio, who was born in Turin, Italy, in 1901, expressed concern for the poor from an early age. When he graduated from his schooling, he chose a gift of money instead of a car so he could give the money to the poor. He became a mining engineer "to serve Christ better among the miners."

He continued helping the poor, often giving his coats to the homeless and buying clothing at pawn shops to return to families forced to pawn it. His compassion grew as his love for God deepened – nourished by prayer, studying Scripture and the writings of St. Catherine of Siena, and especially by attending daily Mass. As he once said: "Jesus pays me a visit every morning in holy Communion, and I return the visit in the meager way I know how, visiting the poor."

Pier Giorgio believed helping the poor required social reform based on the Church's social teaching. He became a social and political activist, and joined Catholic Student organizations. He helped to organize the first convention of Pax Romana in 1921, an association whose goal was to unite Catholic students around the world to work for peace. His passion and sincerity inspired other young people to join him in promoting reform and opposing Fascism.

Pier Giorgio died on July 4, 1925, after contracting polio in June. His final act was scribbling a note to a friend to ensure that medicine would be taken to someone he had been helping. Thousands of the poor of Turn lined the streets to mourn him, and petitioned for his canonization in 1932, just seven years after his death.

In 1989, Pope John Paul II visited his tomb in Italy and said: "I wanted to pay homage to a young man who was able to witness to Christ with singular effectiveness in this century of ours." Pier Giorgio was beatified in St. Peter's Square in Rome in 1990.

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### Walking with the Saints

Who doesn't love a good saint story? Join us every other week for "Walking with the Saints" - a video series where priests and religious from around the Archdiocese of Boston share about a saint they've come to know. Watch now on the Evangelize YouTube Channel - YouTube.com/EvangelizeBoston.

# Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats (9/23, 11/11)

"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 dates are September 23 and November 11 from 9 AM to 5 PM. Locations are confidential. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

### Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass (10/29)

All couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, or 50th wedding anniversaries are invited to join Cardinal Seán O'Malley, O.F.M. Cap. on Sunday, October 29th at 3:00 PM at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston. The Mass includes a vow renewal and special blessing by the cardinal. Family and friends are invited to attend. Couples can register or find more information at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/WeddingAnnivMass">bit.ly/WeddingAnnivMass</a>.

### **Abundant Hope Pregnancy Resource Center**

Did you know....Abundant Hope's physicians are providers of Abortion Pill Reversal, a medical protocol for women who start a chemical/pill abortion and then change their minds and desire to save their babies. Prayers are appreciated for the four women who are currently in this protocol at Abundant Hope. Serving the community since 2011 - from pregnancy testing to potty training!

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Women's Weekend September 21-24, 2023

Men's Weekend

November 30 - December 3, 2023

### **Eucharistic Revival Retreat**

We invite you to visit Saint Kathryn Parish, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH on September 16, 2023 for a Eucharistic Revival Retreat led by the Daughters of Mary, Mother of Healing Love. The retreat begins at 8:00 a.m. with the Rosary followed by Holy Mass; then, there will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with meditations, music, and Confession; talks on the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic Faith; and small group discussions. Snacks and coffee will be provided, but please bring lunch. There is no fee to attend the retreat, but please register so that we may have a head count for planning purposes. For a printable schedule and registration form or to register online, please visit <a href="stkathryns.org/pr">stkathryns.org/pr</a>. You may also register by calling the parish office at 603.882.7793.



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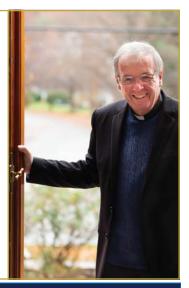
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