# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

"When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him." (Lk 2:39-40)



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#### **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.

<u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> Fridays - 9:30am-noon Fatima Prayer Cells

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 Ibubencik@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**

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#### 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.



#### †SATURDAY, December 30

4:00 Jim Freeman

#### †SUNDAY, December 31

7:00 Jane Delaney and John Mancuso

9:00 Stewart Bayuk

11:00 Members of St. Mary's Parish

#### †MONDAY, January 1

9:00 Frank Barros, Sally Barros and Mary Signoriello

#### †SATURDAY, January 6

9:00 Dolores Rosinski

4:00 Mary Hall

#### †SUNDAY, January 7

7:00 Members of St. Mary's Parish

9:00 Warren McKay 11:00 Virginia McDonald

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 **Richard Rau.** 

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.

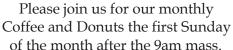
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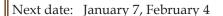
Join us in praying on the sidewalk across from the abortion provider Four Women Health Services at 150 Emory St. Attleboro, MA on Saturday, Jan 6 at 10am. Please bring your rosary.

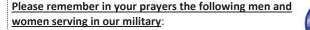
# First Saturday Devotion ~ Saturday, January 6 9am.



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



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### Wednesday Morning Prayer, Coffee and Conversation

This group continues to meet every Wednesday after the 9 a.m. Mass. The group originally began in the early 70's in the kitchen area but with more participants soon expanded to the Murphy Room in the lower church. We gather together as we have a common denominator; we care for each other and the wider church community. In addition to our regular prayer and discussion of "hot topics" of the day, we may help rectory staff, or Christmas Fair personnel in stuffing envelopes, collating paperwork, etc. Also, if there is a request to prepare some baked goods after a Sunday morning Mass such as a church picnic; ecumenical concert; or Religious Education class; we all pitch in to help. Sometimes there is even a need for cleaning the brass altar candlesticks! Most of all, we are members of St. Mary's parish family who gather together to share our faith. All are welcome to join us whenever the spirit moves you. No registration required.

#### The Fatima Cell Hour of Holiness

The Fatima Cell Hour of Holiness is an hourly meeting of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. The prayers include the Rosary, intercessory prayer and a spiritual reflection. It is in response to Our Lady of Fatima's request for prayer, penance, and sacrifice in a spirit of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary and for the conversion of sinners. All are welcome. Also a second Cell meeting is held after the 9am Mass on Tuesdays.

We meet every Thursday 3:30-4:30pm

#### **Holy Rosary Prayer Group**

Join the Rosary Prayer Group Mondays through Saturdays at 8:25am.

#### St. Mary's Prayer Line

Join our members as we pray for those on our prayer line. Everything is done online. 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.

St. Mary's Parish Foxborough, MA

Revelation





#### ST. MARY'S COR GROUP

Our next COR meeting will be held on Thursday, January **18 at 7pm in the Murphy Room**. St. Mary's Cor Program is open to all men of the parish, who wish to enrich their faith, as we contend with the challenges of living as catholic man in today's secular society.

Revelation – the Kingdom Yet to Come by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith

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This is a bible study in two sessions. The first session is 6 weeks long, Feb. 12, 19, 26, March 4,11, 18. The second session is 5 weeks long, September 3 (Tuesday), 9, 16, 23, 30.

Time: Mondays, 10 am - 12 noon (Please contact us if you are interested in starting an evening or weekend bible study group)

Venue: Murphy Room

Materials fee: \$20 for a workbook Deadline to order book: January 22, 2024

#### Abundant Hope Pregnancy Resource Center

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#### **CARDINAL O'MALLEY STATEMENT** ON FIDUCIA SUPPLICANS December 19, 2023

"We thank the Holy Father for his love and care of all the people in the flock. We caution and make clear that the Holy Father has not endorsed gay marriage, but has recognized all Catholics, including those whose unions are not recognized by the Church, as equally in need of God's grace and love.

It is the Church's mission to share God's blessings. "Fiducia Supplicans," issued by the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith and approved by Pope Francis, has brought clarity to how to impart those blessings. Pope Francis indicates that he is recognizing "non-ritualized blessings" that are spontaneous and for those who ask for them. Priests imparting these blessings need to be careful that it should not become a liturgical or semi-liturgical act, similar to a sacrament. The text stresses that Catholics should "neither provide for nor promote a ritual for the blessings of couples in an irregular situation," but at the same time, "not prevent or prohibit" the Church from responding to people seeking God's help through "a simple blessing."

The document, therefore, offers a type of blessing that can be conferred on anyone to invoke God's help and mercy in their lives. It is the Church reaching out a hand of affection to all Catholics in the hope that these simple gestures provide an effective means of increasing trust in God on the part of the people who seek to be guided by a greater understanding of God's plan for love and truth."

#### St. Mary's Holy Souls in Purgatory Prayer **Apostolate**

It is a longstanding tradition in the Catholic Church to pray for the souls of the deceased. A group of the faithful meet each week to pray for the release of the Souls in Purgatory who can no longer help themselves. It is a magnificent spiritual work of mercy to pray for these souls. Please consider joining us as we pray for our family, friends and those who are long forgotten. It may truly be the best hour you spend all week. Prayer booklets provided. We meet Fridays at 3pm.

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