



7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Be merciful,
just as your Father is merciful.

Lk 6:36

VII DOMINGO ORDINARIO

Sean misericordiosos,
como su Padre es misericordioso.

Lc 6, 36

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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.

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

Fridays - 9:30am-noon

Fatima Prayer Cells

Tuesdays following 9:00am Mass

Thursdays - 3:30pm-4:30pm

Requirements to be a Godparent or Sponsor

The Rectory receives many requests from people who have been asked to be a Godparent or Sponsor. Under Canon law, the requirements for a Catholic to serve are 1. A confirmed Catholic; 2. At least 16 years old; 3. Registered in our parish; 4. Practicing the faith by attending Mass weekly; and 5. If married, the marriage must be recognized by the Catholic Church. If all requirements are met, please speak with a priest after mass.

Holy Souls Prayer Group

Fridays - 3:00pm-4:00pm

Holy Rosary Prayer Group

Mondays-Saturdays - 8:30am

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/>

Bulletin Submission**Deadline** is Mondays by noon.



†SATURDAY, February 22

4:00 Dick Kelter Memorial

†SUNDAY, February 23

7:00 Members of St. Mary's Parish
9:00 Brendan Bubencik and Jack O'Brien
11:00 Barbara and Edmund Waitkevich Memorial

†THURSDAY, February 27

9:00 Michele Merk 4th Anniversary

†FRIDAY, February 28

9:00 Holy Souls in Purgatory

†SATURDAY, March 1

9:00
4:00 Teddy O'Malley 2nd Anniversary

†SUNDAY, March 2

7:00 Members of St. Mary's Parish
9:00 Eileen Lonergan Serrecchia Memorial
11:00 Rachell Renee Robistow 13th Anniversary

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 in memory of

Joan Clark.

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.

SECOND COLLECTION

This week (Feb. 23) is for Support of the Church around the world.

Weekly Offertory - \$6,937

Wildfire relief - \$2,720

OFFERTORY

Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

What is the connection of the Jubilee Year with pilgrimages and doors?

During Jubilee years, the pope opens doors for people to pass through to gain indulgences. Sometimes, he permits holy doors to be located in different parts of the world. This year, the only holy doors are in Rome. Passing through a "holy door" has traditionally been a sign of conversion, passing away from one's old life and into a life of renewed zeal and faith. People make pilgrimages to pass through holy doors and recommit to following Jesus.

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 Gonzalez, USMC Ryan Davis, Lt. Colonel Kevin Michael Ryan, Major Lindsey Ryan, Army MSG James Crowley, William Lopatka, PFC Elizabeth V. McCarthy-Tang.

Also Cpl. Senghak Tang. PFC Hyder Alsatlawi, USCG Matt Bonneau, US Army Faryn Little, USAF Daniel W. Luring, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jesse Boyd, Sgt. Nicole L. Jenkins, Capt. Bill Lord, Lt. FC Sarah Lord, Lt. Comm. Anthony LaCourse and GM2 Paul J. Bergman. Also USMC Eric Kelly, USAF Lt. Colonel Mark Barrera, Spec. Ryan Fallows, US Army Private Mitchell Connolly, Sgt. Jeffrey Kielpinski.

And Steven Tyler Morse, Justin Rose, TSGT-USAF Steven Freitas, Naval Reservist Senator Michael Rush, Air Force Pilot 1st Lt.. Kevin Winslow, US Spec. Thomas C. Boyle, Jr., SSGT Dane Pare, USMC D Pvt. Daniel J. Flynn, US Army Sgt. Ryan H. McKay, USMC Lance Cpl. Timothy Shallow, Jr., USAF Major Sarah E. Kelter, USMC Sgt. Derek Boti, USMC Cpl. Tyler Geary, K.C. Zerfoss, USMC LCpl. Andrew Santos, Catherine Balduf, Patrick J. Mitchell, TSGT Kevin O'Hara, USAF, USMC Pvt. George Eliopoulos, USN Casey D. Carbone, Private 1st Class John O'Neil, 75th Ranger Regiment, Sgt. Peter Cannizzaro, Ryan McGrath USAF, US Army National Guard, Airman 1st Class Matthew Timmons, CPO Jacob Patriarca, US Navy, Major William Buckley III US Army, Cpl Alyssa Buckley USMC, E5 SSG Brandon Miller, Senior Airman, US Marine PFC Anthony Votano, USN LT Joseph Gallagher, US Navy E4 Aidan Paul Duffy, Army Capt. Rachel Miller, E4 SPC Brian C. Booth, US Army Sgt. James Rehill, US Army, James Leahy, USMC, USMC Sgt. Jonathan L. Storrs, US Army Trevor Little, USN Patrick DeMichele, Airman Gregory Stafford Eimers, Sgt. Adam Cannizzaro, US Army Sean Creavin, 2nd Lt Samuel Belanger, USAF.

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

Did you KNOW?

A group of parishioners pray a rosary daily at 8:30am. Please join us for a rosary and stay for the 9am Mass.



COFFEE AND DONUTS



Please join us on the first Sunday of every month for Children's Liturgy and Coffee and Donuts at the 9am mass.

Next Date: March 2 and April 6



Mardi Gras

Catholic Daughters

Annual Bake Sale

Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Peace, #2724 is once again holding our annual "Fat Tuesday" bake sale on *Saturday, March 1st and Sunday, March 2nd* after all Masses.

Your continuous, generous support enables us to contribute to our local charities and especially to our parish. Please join us again this year to help us continue this opportunity to live out our Catholic Daughters motto – "In Unity and Charity." Come and purchase some tasty treats before you give them up for Lent! If you are able, please feel free to donate your baking skills to this event. We appreciate the incredible support we receive from this amazing parish more than we could put into words!! God bless!

This bake sale will help to fund the scholarship that we are hoping to bring back to the parish. More details to come soon.

If you will be donating any baked goods, please drop them off in the Murphy Room by 3:00 PM on Saturday, March 1st and please be sure they are labeled if they contain nuts. Please contact Cindy Patriarca, Regent at cpatriarca1@outlook.com if you have any questions. Thank you!!



CORI forms are due at the Rectory.

If you volunteer or work in **any capacity** at the Parish, we need a NEW CORI form completed. Please stop by the Rectory with a valid MA license or Passport.

We will have the forms at the Church on the following dates:

Sunday, February 23 after all the masses.

Saturday, March 8 after the 4pm mass.



Please remember in your prayers our newly baptized Catholics!

Liam Roy Hoffman
Henry James Hamm



Pro-Life Witness

Please join us for prayer on Saturday, March 1, 10am across the street from an abortion clinic at 150 Emory St., Attleboro, MA. Please bring your rosary.



The DeMontfort Way

St. Mary's Foxboro

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

Rosary at 6:00 and Mass at 6:30

"Here is a secret, specially chosen soul, which the Most High has taught me. I confide it to you through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit."

St. Louis de Montfort



The Great Promise

First Saturday Mass

March 1 @
9:00am

Saint Polycarp

CIRCA 69-156
FEAST DAY — FEBRUARY 23

This disciple of St. John the Apostle was appointed bishop of Smyrna (now Izmir, Turkey), perhaps by John. Representing the Asia Minor churches, he went to Rome about 155 to discuss when to celebrate Easter. The result was that the Eastern and Western churches continued to calculate the date as before. Shortly after his return, Polycarp was arrested and urged to renounce God. He refused and was sentenced to be burned alive. When the flames did not harm him, he was killed by a sword, as recounted in an early Christian document.

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FAMILY LIFE:

TO WALK AS ONE

The best medicine for an aching heart or anxious mind is being surrounded

by the love and support of family. In the face of crisis, important decisions, difficult problems or serious illness, those who care the most for us can offer words of comfort, hope and direction as we set aside our fears and try to move forward. There is no substitute for the solid ground of love in the stormy seas of life.

changing and fear can hold us back. Faith is challenged by doubt, or love is challenged by rejection and we look for some sign that we are on the right road. The risks are real, but we need to choose. It is then that we can most help each other find what we need to step forward, to choose wisely and know that we are not alone. A sounding board, a voice of reason, and a promise of prayer give us more than enough to make the journey that lies ahead. We go with God and we go with one another.

Everyone comes to a crossroads in life. Some choices and decisions are life-

-Jim Gaffney



“...love your enemies,
do good to those
who hate you...” Luke 6:27



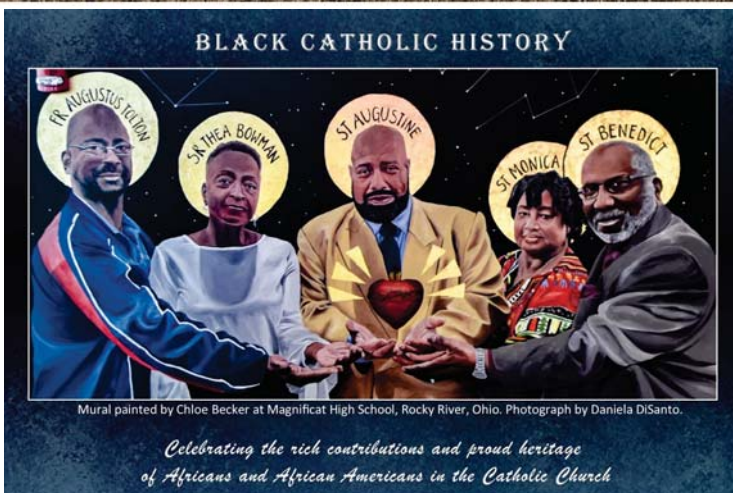
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&
gracious*
is the LORD,
slow to anger,
abounding in
kindness.



Psalm 103:8

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Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats (March 15, May 10)

Are you – or someone you know – seeking peace after an abortion? The Project Rachel ministry of the Arch-

diocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women experiencing regret from a past abortion to attend a *Come to the Waters of Healing* one-day retreat. Spring dates are Saturday, March 15 and Saturday, May 10. Locations are confidential. For more information on the retreats or other services, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

CURSILLO - An Opportunity to Deepen Your Faith

Archdiocese of Boston - Men's and Women's Weekends
Cursillo is a short course in Christianity. It is an encounter with Christ in a small community of the Church, in order to deepen your own faith and strengthen your ability to be witnesses of Christ in the world.

The dates for the weekends are:

Women's Weekend: February 27 - March 2, 2025

Men's Weekend: April 3 - 6, 2025

The weekends run from Thursday evening through Sunday afternoon and are held at the Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Ipswich, MA. For information and registration, please check the Boston Cursillo website: www.bostoncursillo.org or email at bostoncursillo@gmail.com.

March 5 - April 13 40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

This is an invitation to participate in the largest pro-life mobilization in history! The next 40 Days for Life campaign will run March 5 to April 13, Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday. The first 40 Days for Life campaign was held in 2004. Since then, it has been held in over 1,000 cities and 64 countries. It consists of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil outside an abortion facility, and community outreach. God has truly been blessing our efforts.

De Colores! To anyone who has made a **Cursillo** or anyone who wants to know more about it, Come! This is your invitation! **What: ULTREYA Mass and Gathering; When: Tuesday, February 25th at 7:00 PM** (and every 4th Tuesday of the month); **Where: St. Mary of the Assumption Church Dedham.** Be a friend; bring a friend; make a friend.

Gathering for Those with Disabilities/All Abilities

St. Mary's Dedham offers a monthly gathering for those with Disabilities/ All Abilities on the 2nd Saturday of each month! The event begins with Mass at 4:00 PM in the church followed by the Rosary, Pizza and Snacks at 5:00 PM in Mary Hall/The Life House. **The next gathering will be on Tuesday, March 11th!** Please consider joining us. All are welcome!

The Faith, Family, and Finance event scheduled for today, February 23 has been canceled.



Ash Wednesday is March 5 and begins the season of Lent, the penitential period leading up to Easter and the celebration of Christ's Resurrection.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY are days of **fast and abstinence**.

FRIDAYS OF LENT are days of **abstinence**.

FASTING – Catholics aged 18-60; one full meal is allowed. Two other small meals that together do not equal another full meal are allowed. Eating between meals is not permitted; liquids are allowed.

ABSTINENCE is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.



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