

Sacred Hearts Parish Bradford ~ Groveland



15th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:33

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Mass Schedule:

Sacred Hearts Church

165 South Main Street

Bradford, Massachusetts

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and
11:30 a.m.

Daily: Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m.

Saturday, 8:00 a.m.

St. Patrick Church

114 Center Street, Groveland, Massachusetts

Sunday, 10:15 a.m.

Daily: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m.

The Chapel is open for prayer Monday
through Friday from

7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Adoration: Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.,
Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel

Penance:

Saturday, 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.,
IHM Chapel and upon request.

Baptism: Please call the Pastoral Center for
available dates to schedule a small group
baptism on select Sundays at 1:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

Very Rev. John W. Delaney, V.F., Pastor

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Rev. Richard O'Brien, Senior Priest in Residence

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PASTORAL CENTER OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. * Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Mission Statement for Sacred Hearts Parish

Sacred Hearts Parish exists to serve as a living testimony to Christ's presence within its faith community which is strengthened and nourished by a firm commitment to the Gospel values through prayer, worship, faith formation, and service.

POINTS TO PONDER**Reflect on Sunday's Readings**

Cf. John 6:63c, 68c, Deut 30:10-14 Col 1:15-20

- The scholar who questions Jesus is trying to ascertain the bare minimum he can do and still enter eternal life; Jesus calls him rather to a radical change of heart. Where do you struggle to give your whole heart to Jesus? How might he be inviting you to more fully follow him?
- The Samaritan does not hesitate to offer generous help to the suffering neighbor in his path. How do you respond to the suffering you come across? How might Jesus be inviting you to a more wholehearted response?
- The Samaritan's response begins with compassion. What does compassion mean to you? How does it lead to action?

*Mass Intentions***SATURDAY, July 12, 2025**

8:00 a.m. ~ Memorial Mass

4:00 p.m. ~ Arline Nolin

SUNDAY, July 13, 2025

7:30 a.m. ~ Gen Gangi

9:00 a.m. ~ Hary Dorce -(Living)

10:15 a.m. ~ Robert and Frances McCoy

11:30 a.m. ~ Patricia Thompson

MONDAY, July 14, 2025

7:00 a.m. ~ Jim Berube

TUESDAY, July 15, 2025

7:00 a.m. ~ Janet Duff

9:00 a.m. (SP) ~ Intention of the Celebrant

WEDNESDAY, July 16, 2025

7:00 a.m. ~ Paul and Bryan Murphy

THURSDAY, July 17, 2025

7:00 a.m. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

9:00 a.m. ~ Richard M. Hayes and
Mary E. Curran- Hayes

FRIDAY, July 18, 2025

7:00 a.m. ~ John Anthony Smith

SATURDAY, July 19, 2025

8:00 a.m. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

4:00 p.m. ~ John L. Woolley III

SUNDAY, July 20, 2025

7:30 a.m. ~ Jim Murphy

9:00 a.m. ~ Richard M. Hayes and
Mary E. Curran-Hayes

10:15 a.m. ~ Elizabeth Connolly

11:30 a.m. ~ John "Jack" Whittaker

Save the Date
Sunday, September 14th
Parish-School Picnic

Weekday Mass Attendance

Please consider joining is for Weekday Mass.

Sacred Hearts Church

Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

St. Patrick Church

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Summer schedules and brighter mornings may encourage weekly Mass attendance.

*~Forward in Faith~*

We are grateful to all who have contributed to the 2025 Catholic Appeal.

\$71,600.00 Goal

\$59,895.00 Donations received

84% Goal percentage

249 Number of donors

If you have not had a chance to do so, please consider making your gift today. Envelopes are available in the back of our churches or give online. To make an online gift, please visit:

www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. Thank you for moving us "Forward in faith"!

**A REFLECTION ON THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN:
UNCLE FRANKIE AND THE BOYS ON THE BEACH**

by Barry Mooers

It was during the summer of 1969 that I -- skinny and scrawny, just shy of seventeen -- became one of the boys on the beach. I had started dating Diana that spring, and soon learned that one of her family's time-honored traditions was to gather at Hampton Beach State Park every summer Sunday for a day of sun, surf and sand. And so it was that one Sunday in early June, I made my first appearance. There were about twenty people there that day: Diana's mother, her aunt Mary, her cousin Marie as well as various and sundry family members and friends. And, of course, Uncle Frankie.

Every beach day followed a fairly predictable pattern. After an hour spent in bumper-to-bumper traffic angrily swatting green heads, we would finally arrive at the state reservation. Coffee and donuts would await us, before we youngsters would head off for a few hours on the beach. We'd fly kites until they got tangled, freeze ourselves until the waters got too icy and slip and slide our way along the jetty. By then, it was time for lunch.

And what a lunch it was! Hot and sweet sausages, sizzling steaks, pasta with sauce and meatballs, and corn on the cob dripping with melted butter. Cookies, ice cream and cantaloupe made for a delicious desert! The beer was always plentiful and always plenty cold.

After lunch, the boys would usually play bocce. Sometimes we'd form teams among ourselves; sometimes we'd be challenged by a nearby pack of picnickers. For dinner we'd finish the leftovers, polish off the donuts, cookies and fruit and pack up our paraphernalia. The last rays of the setting sun would find us -- these boys and girls of summer -- sunburnt, satisfied and headed for home. As I look back now, it seems that every summer Sunday then was sunny and the seasons sandwiched between spring and fall were endless. Those days are now times to be treasured, even as they recede, like the tides, into the mists of my memory.

Exactly a quarter of a century earlier, Uncle Frankie could be found with quite a different group of boys on quite a different beach. On a day in early June of 1944, he -- and they -- took part in the Normandy invasion on D-Day. I can picture Frankie now, skinny and scrawny, just shy of twenty, wading through the waist-deep icy waters as he struggled to gain the shore where still more horrors awaited him. One can only imagine what Frank must have seen that day as all around him and his fellow boys on the beach the withering fire of Nazi machine guns tore through their ranks, raining down a hellfire of death and destruction. Yet, as twilight drew its dusky shroud upon the bloody shore that evening, it would show that these soldiers -- part of The Greatest Generation -- had gained a tiny toehold on the beach. This toehold would -- in time -- become a stranglehold. D-Day would prove to be the beginning of the end for the Third Reich and its deranged dictator.



**Weekly Offertory
Sunday, June 29, 2025**

164 envelopes:	\$ 4,165.00
Loose:	\$ 3,301.00
Online Giving (donors):	<u>\$ 2,416.42</u>
Total:	\$9,882.42

**Weekly Offertory
Sunday July 6, 2025**

161 envelopes:	\$ 4,879.00
Loose:	\$2,329.00
Online Giving (117 donors)	<u>\$ 4,566.42</u>
Total:	\$11,774.42

**Building and Maintenance
July 6, 2025**

115 envelopes:	\$2,263.00
Loose:	\$1,039.00
Online Giving (donors):	<u>\$ 960.00</u>
Total:	\$4,262.00

St. Vincent de Paul Collection Box \$258.00

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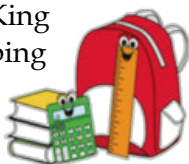


The Knights of Columbus are planning our 12th annual purchase of backpacks for children in grades K-2 whose families may not be able to afford needed school supplies.

To help us fill these backpacks, we are once again asking members of our parish in the spirit of the Christmas Giving Trees, to take a tag from the Christmas trees at the back of our churches the weekend, July 26th and 27th, and the following weekend, Aug 2nd and 3rd. Please purchase the school supplies listed on the tag and return the supplies to the church the weekends of August 10th and 17th.

This year the knights are filling over 300 backpacks with the supplies that are donated. The backpacks will be distributed to schools in the Bradford and Groveland areas including Sacred Hearts School.

The members of the Christ of the King Council thank you in advance for helping us with this project.



Did You Know?

Did you know the **Sign of the Cross** is the shortest **creed**, or statement of belief, that we use? When we trace the cross on our bodies, we are professing our belief in God as the Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Catholics traditionally begin and end prayer with the Sign of the Cross. We experience this at Mass where the celebrant begins by leading us in this sign, and then at the end of Mass, as we make the sign while the priest blesses us and sends us on our way. Also at Mass, just before the reading of the Gospel, we trace a tiny sign of the cross on our foreheads, lips, and hearts praying through this sign that the word of God may always be in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts. The Catholic faith is replete with signs of the cross; we encounter them in the conferring of the sacraments and in blessings, and they should always serve as reminders of Christ's sacrifice on the cross, suffered for our salvation.



Crescent Yacht Club
45th Annual Canoe Race
Raised \$3901.47
For Sacred Hearts Food
Pantry

The canoe race was held on Saturday, June 7 and there was a lot of participation even in the rain. The Crescent Yacht Club donated \$3,901.41 to the Sacred Hearts Food Pantry in honor of the difference the pantry makes in our community. Thank you Ron Roe and your committee for supporting Sacred Hearts Food Pantry.

If you would like to be a part of this event next year, you may contact Eva Montibello to participate in the race, sponsor the event, or to donate raffle items. 617-669-7181 or eva@alphaeconsulting.com



Pictured above from left to right Fr. John, Scott MacDuff, Canoe Race Chairperson Ron Roe, Director of Sacred Hearts Food Pantry Bill Lapierre, Commodore of the Crescent Yacht Club Richard LeBlanc, and Seminarian Alex Charow.

Rest in Peace

Peter Hadley

Vincent "Jerry" Sadowski

Rosalie Ryan Eliades



We remember in prayer those who are ill and suffering in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for our nursing and homebound parishioners.

Please pray for all medical professionals, first responders, and all working on the front line.

Sanctuary Lamps

*The **Sanctuary Lamps** next to each Tabernacle in our worship spaces burn brightly to remind us of the real presence of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*

For the week of July 13, 2025

Sacred Hearts Church Lamp Burns for

Gen Gangi

Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel Lamp Burns for

John Moran

**ADORATION**

Adoration is available Fridays from 7:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel. Please contact Maureen Trainor at 978-372-1281 if you are available to assist.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to Brian Farmer from Farmer Funeral Homes for providing the prayer cards at Fr. John's Anniversary Mass and to Patrick Driscoll from Driscoll Funeral Home who produced the video at Fr. John's Reception. Much Appreciated!

PRAYER LINE

For prayer support call the Sacred Hearts Prayer line.

Eileen Clarkson at 978-373-0951 or
Priscilla Delong at 978-372-9353

The St. Vincent de Paul Society

48 South Chestnut Street

Bradford, MA 01835



If you know of anyone who needs help, please have them call the Helpline, 978-372-5824.

Our food pantry is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

HOSPITAL/HOMEBOUND VISITS

If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or is homebound and would like a visit from Fr. John, Fr. Dan, Elizabeth Woodard, Pastoral Associate, or a Eucharistic Minister, please contact the

Pastoral Center

at 978-373-1281.

SEEKING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Lectors: Proclaim God's Word at Mass

Greeters: Welcome people, organize the offering

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Assist the priest with distributing communion

Do you feel called to assist with any of the above mentioned ministries at your usual Sunday Mass? We are looking for more volunteers to make worship a beautiful and holy experience, typically 1-2 times per month (more if desired). We especially need volunteers at the weekly Sunday 11:30 Mass. If you are interested, please contact Fr. John at 978-373-1281.





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VBS Day 4: "God is a friend forever"

Campers reflected on the powerful story of **Jesus' death and resurrection** a reminder that God's love is eternal and that Jesus is with us always. We shared a book of life, where each camper found their name in it. To celebrate this everlasting friendship, the campers made **friendship bracelets** to share or wear as a reminder that God's love never ends. For our snack craft, we had fun creating **clams**—complete with a sweet "pearl" inside—symbolizing the treasures we find in God's love and friendship. Our campers are learned that no matter where life takes them, God's love goes with them—forever.



Register for Faith Formation
2025-2026 **before 9/1**. Forms
& calendars can be found on our
website or the back of the churches.

sacredheartsparish.com/kids For questions
contact Laura Montes.

Lmontes@sacredheartsparish.com



WE NEED YOU! Our parish needs dedicated people who offer smiles and love sharing the faith in the hearts of our young people and children. We have volunteer opportunities with varying commitments: safety team, hall monitors, special events, sacramental prep, etc. Email Laura Montes.



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