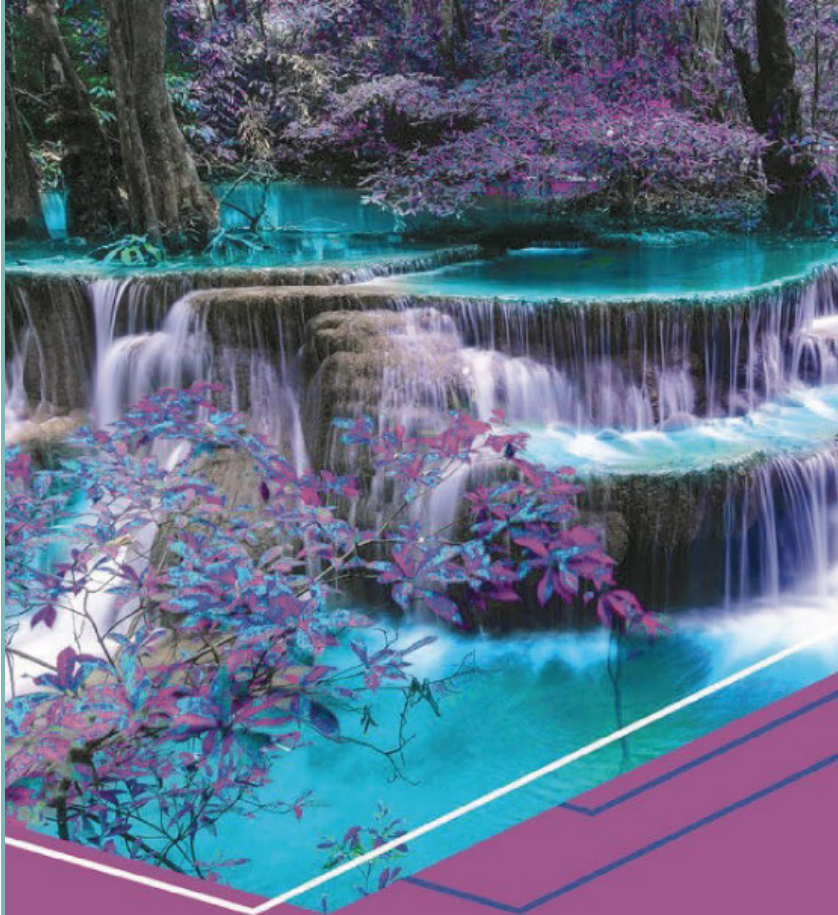


# Sacred Hearts Parish Bradford ~ Groveland



## 18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."

- Lk 12:20-21

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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

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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**

Luke 12:13-21, L114C, Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23,  
Col 3:1-5,9-11

- How do your possessions hold you back? How much time do you spend cleaning, decluttering, and maintaining your things? Could letting go of some of them restore some space and time to your life?
- What possessions are you perhaps too attached to? How could you practice letting go of those things in order to make more room in your life and heart for God?
- When you remember that your life will come to an end, does it make you want to make any changes to how you are spending your limited time on earth?

**Weekday Mass Attendance**

Please consider joining us 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.

**Pastoral Center  
OPEN!**

The Parish Pastoral Center is open after several months of relocation to the Church due to a late April pipe burst. New flooring, ceiling tiles, painting and an upgraded fire alarm system have been completed.

Please stop by to visit and/or to conduct parish business. Thanks for your patience and understanding during these weeks of upheaval.

Special thanks to our wonderful staff who maneuvered quickly to keep the office open after "the flood" and conduct business as usual during the ensuing weeks.

*Mass Intentions***SATURDAY, August 2, 2025**

8:00 a.m. ~ Memorial Mass

4:00 p.m. ~ Leo and Joan Worden

**SUNDAY, August 3, 2025**

7:30 a.m. ~ Parishioners of Sacred Hearts Parish

9:00 a.m. ~ Rose and Jim Boland

10:15 a.m. ~ Parishioners of Sacred Hearts Parish

11:30 a.m. ~ Steve Tisbert

**MONDAY, August 4, 2025**

7:00 a.m. ~ Joseph J. Keefe

**TUESDAY, August 5, 2025**

7:00 a.m. ~ Edward J. Duff

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

**WEDNESDAY, August 6, 2025**

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

**THURSDAY, August 7, 2025**

7:00 a.m. ~ Joseph Gullion

9:00 a.m. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

**FRIDAY, August 8, 2025**

7:00 a.m. ~ Larry Ordway

**SATURDAY, August 9, 2025**

8:00 a.m. ~ Jack McColley

4:00 p.m. ~ Jan and Eva Bencal

**SUNDAY, August 10, 2025**

7:30 a.m. ~ Edward Boskanski

9:00 a.m. ~ Richard M. Hayes and

Mary E. Curran- Hayes

10:15 a.m. ~ Parishioners of Sacred Hearts Parish

11:30 a.m. ~ Tom Forrestall



## The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Thursday, August 14th

4:00 p.m. ~ Sacred Hearts Church

Friday August 15th

7:00 a.m. ~ Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel

12:00 noon ~ Sacred Hearts Church

6:00 p.m. ~ Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel

*(Holy Day of Obligation)*

**Anointing Weekend**

This weekend, the sacrament of the anointing of the sick will be offered after each of our regular Masses. Anyone who seeks healing in body, mind, or spirit is invited to come forward after Mass.



Dear Friends in Christ,

In today's gospel passage, Jesus tells a story that cuts to the heart of how we live and what we hold as values. A man asks Jesus to settle a family dispute over inheritance, but instead of intervening, Jesus warns the crowd: *"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."*

He then tells the parable of a wealthy man who had a plentiful harvest. Rather than sharing or giving thanks, the man tears down his barns to build bigger ones – thinking he can finally relax and enjoy a life of ease. But God calls him a fool. That very night, his life ended. And all he had stored up? It all stays behind.

This parable isn't just about money – it's about the danger of placing our security in the wrong things. It's about the illusion that more is always better, and that possessions bring peace. Jesus challenges us to consider what it really means to be "rich in what matters to God." Are there things in our daily lives that we can do that show what it means to be "rich in what matters to God"?

As a parish family, let us remember: Our worth is not in what we have with us here on Earth, but in who we are in God's eyes. God has an image of every one of us and loves us all as his children. Our treasure is not stored in barns, but in the love we give, the faith we live, and the grace we share.

May we use this week to focus less on *storing* and more on *sharing*. Whether it's time, kindness, or a listening ear, these are the riches that truly last.

Peace and Blessings,  
Callie Coady  
Parish Council Member

### Gifts and Bequests

When considering gifts to a charity in your will or trust please remember Sacred Hearts Parish. For more information or if you should have any questions on how to title the Parish in your will or trust please contact Suzanne Beauvais at 978-373-1281.

*Thank you.*

#### Parish Support

##### Weekly Offertory

Sunday July 27, 2025

178 envelopes:	\$4,742.00
Loose:	\$2,748.00
Online Giving (103 donors)	\$2,563.42
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$10,053.42</b>

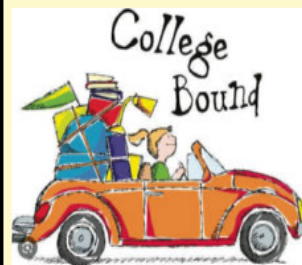
##### Texas Flood

Sunday July 27, 2025

42 envelopes:	\$2,091.00
Loose:	\$4,907.00
Online Giving (2 donors)	\$125.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$7,123.00</b>

St. Vincent de Paul \$ 366.00

*Thank you for your ongoing support!*



BLESSINGS TO STUDENTS  
BEGINNING AND  
RETURNING TO COLLEGE

We wish all college students the best as they prepare to begin or resume their college studies this fall. May God be your guide on your road to your future.

### Texas Flood Collection

Many thanks for your generous donations to help Catholic Charities, USA respond to the growing needs of flood victims in Texas! \$7,123.00 was collected. This is the largest special collection during my tenure as pastor. What a great example of care and support from Sacred Hearts Parish to help fellow Americans who are in need.

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**THANK YOU PTO**

**MONDAY  
AUGUST 4TH  
FROM 2-5PM**

This event is being held in the School Café. Great way to get some items to start the school year off, especially if you are unsure about sizes!



**Welcome!**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all of the new families that have joined our parish. We are very pleased to have you with us. Please know

that we are always here to support you. If you ever have any questions, please call us at the Pastoral Center, 978-373-1981.

If you are new to the area, a special welcome! We invite you to learn more about Sacred Hearts Parish on our website, [sacredheartsparish.com](http://sacredheartsparish.com). If you wish to join our parish or if you would like more information about us, please call the Pastoral Center at 978-373-1281. Registration forms for new parishioners are available in the vestibules of our churches or you may register online at our website.

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*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!*



### 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 978-373-1281 if you are available to assist.

## Summer Blessings

Light is shed upon the righteous and joy on the upright in heart. Rejoice in the Lord, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name.

PSALM 97:11-12



### OUTDOOR MASS AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Please join us for this summer's annual outdoor Mass, followed immediately by an ice cream social!

It will take place in the Sacred Hearts Mary Grotto on

**Thursday, August 21 at 5:30 p.m.**



***Rest in Peace******Robert H. Baxter*****Sanctuary Lamps**

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**For  
Jack McColley**

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For  
Paul F. O'Brien**

**12th ANNUAL  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
BACKPACK SCHOOL  
SUPPLIES DRIVE**



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 this 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

**PRAYER LINE**

For prayer support call the Sacred Hearts Prayer line.  
Eileen Clarkson at 978-373-0951 or  
Priscilla Delong at 978-372-9353

**Did You Know?**

Did you know that on August 6th the Church celebrates the **Feast of the Transfiguration**? All three synoptic gospels, Matthew, Mark and Luke, contain the story of Jesus being gloriously transfigured on a mountain and visible to Peter, James, and John, as he is also seen conversing with Moses and Elijah. Some scholars propose that since Peter suggested erecting three booths for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah, the incident occurred in early autumn during the Jewish Feast of Booths. Tradition tells us that the setting of the Transfiguration was Mount Tabor, and all three gospels place the occurrence shortly after Peter declared his belief in Jesus as the Messiah. The gospel story recounting the Transfiguration is read each year on the Second Sunday of Lent, following the First Sunday's reading of Christ's temptation in the desert, and together these two gospels emphasize Jesus' two natures – human, subject to temptation, and divine, sharing the glory of God the Father. Celebration of the Transfiguration goes as far back as the fourth century when a church was erected on the site, and in 1457 Pope Callistus III added the feast to the Church's calendar.

**2025-2026 MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention for your loved one in 2025-2026, the Mass Book is available. Please call the Pastoral Center at 978-373-1281.

**Rosary Live at St. Patrick Church**

The Thursday night, 7:00 p.m., Rosary group will meet outside at St. Patrick Church during the summer. Bring your lawn chair and join us! We also meet via livestream each week. Please call the office for Zoom password.



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Register for Faith Formation 2025-2026 before September 1st. Schedules, forms, and important details can be found at the back of the church or, on our webpage [sacredheartsparish.com/kids](http://sacredheartsparish.com/kids).

We can't wait to see you!

For questions contact Laura Montes

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