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Congratulations on your marriage! Ricky & Brittney Mansfield August 25th, 2023









Welcome

Charlotte James O'Bríen , Joy Lízzíe & Elí-James Ngadeu Kontchou

Baptized on Saturday, September 2, 2023



St. Mary's Parish JEFFERSON, MA



ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

If you are alienated or upset, we welcome you lovingly. If you are in need of forgiveness, Jesus forgives you completely with unconditional love. If you have been hurt by the Church,

we are truly sorry.

if you are angry, Jesus offers you peace. If life has become burdensome, we are here to support you. We are happy you are here...

and want you to stay.

We would like to share our lives with you.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, September 9

4:30 PM



Sunday, September 10

8:00 AM Susan Letourneau

(Denise Bergeron and Family)

10:00 AM **Shirley Henrich**

10 Year Anniversary

5:00 PM Patricia Finnegan (Her Family)

10th Anniversary

Monday, September 11

12:00 PM **Susan Cobb** (Donna & Rick Cobb)

Tuesday, September 12

8:00 AM Evadelle (Penny) Roy (A Friend)

Wednesday, September 13

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, September 14

Friday, September 15

Saturday, September 16

4:30 PM Richard & Isabelle Pope

Memorial Mass (The Family)

Sunday, September 17

8:00 AM **Zachary Michael Leandres**

14th Anniv. (The Leandres Family)

10:00 AM Allessandrina & Antonio Amoroso

(The Family)

David Reponen 5:00 PM

(Larry and Phyllis Yont)



The **Tabernacle** candle burns for "Richard & Isabelle Pope Requested by The Family

Schedule Around Campus...

Saturday, September 9

3:30 PM Confessions Mass/Church 4:30 PM

Sunday, September 10

8:00 AM Mass/Church

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

Backpack Blessing Grandparent Blessing

Pancake Breakfast/Parish Hall

Pickle Ball All Ages 2:30PM-4:00PM

5:00 PM Mass/Church

Monday, September 11

12:00 PM Mass/GR

Tuesday, September 12

8:00 AM Mass/GR

6:30 PM Finance Committee/DR

7:00 PM **Knights of Columbus/GR**

Wednesday, September 13

8:00 AM Mass/GR

7:00 PM **RCIA Meeting/DR**

7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, September 14

9:00 AM-10:30 AM **Prayer Shawl Meeting/DR**

10:00 AM Faith Sharing/GR

2:30 PM **Mustard Seed Cook/Parish Hall**

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Coffee Shoppe/GR

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5:00 PM Mass/Church

Someone you know may be in an abusive relationship.

Abuse Hotline 508-755-9030



Ministry Fair Chicken BBQ

Where: St. Mary's Parish Grounds
Date: October 14th,2023

Time: TBD

In Need of Volunteers and Raffle Donations!!

If you are interested in sharing your talents...

Please Call or Email Patty Hurley at: 508-829-7288/ patriciaannhurley7@gmail.com

More information to follow.

Prayer Shawl

Ministry

St. Mary's Parish

Prayer Shawl Ministry

When: 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month

Time: 9:00 AM—10:30 AM

Where: Pastoral Office Dining Room.

Our First Meeting is on: Thursday, September 14th

If you should have any questions feel free to contact us. Anyone interested in the Ministry please call:

• Pam Anzaldi co-chair pamanzaldi57@gmail.com

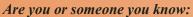
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JOURNEY

FAITH

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: *Are You Ready for the Next Step?*



- •Interested in becoming a Catholic?
- •Learning more about the Catholic way of life?
- •Already baptized, but haven't received First Eucharist or Confirmation yet?

Already a Confirmed Catholic, but still seeking more in life? Journey with those becoming Catholic and learn more about your own faith. You won't be there to teach, but to learn with them as you continue your ongoing initiation as a disciple of Christ.

Come and join us! Open to all who are seeking to know Christ more fully in their life.

Contact Deacon John for more info: Cell/Texts: 508-958-0998; Email: deaconjohnladroga@gmail.com

An RCIA Prayer, Fellowship & Info Session will take place on Wednesday, September 13th at 7:00 pm in the Rectory Dinning Room.

To report abuse, please contact Judith Audette, Director of Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester at (508)929-4363

Religious Education



REL. ED. TEACHERS STILL NEEDED! Many of our registered children are without teachers. Catechists/Teachers are still needed for several grades with an **urgent need in the Middle and High School Grades.** We will share all that you need to mentor and share

faith with our young people.

<u>Teacher (Catechist) Meetings</u> are scheduled in the Parish Hall for all grade levels. We are looking forward to ministering with you!!!

- •September 11 ~ 4:15PM for Grade 1-5 Monday Teachers and substitutes 6PM for Grade 9 & 11 Teachers
- •September 12 ~ 4:15PM for Grade 1-5 <u>Tuesday</u> Teachers and substitutes 6PM for Grade 10 Teachers
- •September 18 $^{\sim}$ 6PM for Grade 6 Teachers and 6:45PM for Grade 7 Teachers
- •September 19 ~ 6PM for Grade 8 Teachers



Parent and Student MEETINGS ~ Before we begin another GREAT YEAR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT ST MARY'S (...The Place to Be) the following Grade Level parents and students will meet:

- -September 17 $^{\sim}$ 4PM Grade 9 & 10 Parents and Students followed by the 5PM Mass
- •September 17 $^{\sim}$ 5PM Mass followed by Grade 11 Parents and Students meeting



Grade 1 Parent / Child First Rel. Ed. Class!

We cannot wait to welcome our Parents and Grade 1 children to St. Mary's Religious Ed Program! Our Parent/Child Orientation will take place at the Parish Hall on Monday, Sep-

tember 25th at 4:15 for those signed up for Monday class and Tuesday, September 26th for Grade 1 students signed up for Tuesday class... PS...Fr. Tim is looking forward to sharing milk and cookies with you!!!



Magazines ~ Themed Magazines ~ Outdoorsman, Sports Illustrated, Motorcycle, Auto, Fishing, and Hunting magazines are

Please call the office 508 829 4508 or email Beth Cunningham beth@stmaryjeff.com if you have an infirmed or homebound parishioner who is ill or unable to attend Mass. Communion and a friendly visit can be made by one of our Eucharistic Ministers.

JUST A REMINDER:

Registration forms for St. Mary's Parish can be found in the Parish office, or our website, www.stmarysjeff.com. Please take the time to register as it is the best way for the staff to communicate, through emails and mailings, what is happening in the parish.



SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2023



In Life & Death, We are the Lord's...
We lift up in prayer those who have lost loved ones especially for the family and friends of...

David Reponen

May the Peace of the Lord be with him Always.

St. Mary's Bereavement Support Group

Fall Session

Date: Tuesday September 26th - October 31st

Time: 1:30pm - 2:30pm Where: The Gathering Room

Following the death of a loved one, a grief journey begins for the person left behind. The journey is not a road anyone wants to travel.

You are invited to be in the relaxed company of others who are also on their own grief journeys. We support one another through conversation, sharing, learning, and fellowship. The BSG is faith based, open to the public, and free.

Email Beth beth@stmaryjeff.com or call Beth 508 272 6923 for any questions or interest. RSVP by September 21st please.



Resumes

Thursday, September 14th 10:00 AM In The Gathering Room



PICKLE BALL

St Mary's Parking Lot

All Ages
Sunday, September 10th
2:30-4:00 PM

Parent waiver required in advance: email: hurley01@yahoo.com

EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

Please wear comfortable sneakers and bring a water.



Teen Music Ministry

Bring your voice, bring your instrument, bring your talent...We are always looking to grow our FANTASTICK Teen Music Mintry! Young People Grades 6-College, please contact Kerry at:

kogrady1@msn.com

or call the Office: 508-829-4508 for more information!



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SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2023



Today's readings are all about relationships. Among the many lessons we have learned from the global pandemic is the deep importance of the relationships and communities in our

lives. Our families, neighbors, friends and parish family need us, and we need them to be our best selves.

St. Paul gives us simple instruction in our second reading from Romans to guide us in our dealings with others, reminding us what Christ Himself taught: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love is the overarching principal that guides us to be good stewards of our relationships.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus further refines this instruction on good stewardship of our relationships, even when they involve conflict. He says, "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother."

Jesus teaches us to confront the offending person directly and discretely — with the goal of restoring the relationship if possible. This is how we steward our relationships even through rocky waters. Jesus also speaks to us of the power and beauty of community life. "If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Christian stewards, God has designed us in such a way that we must help each other on the journey towards heaven. Let us take care to steward our relationships well.

PARISH TITHE

Our Parish Tithe for the Week of September 3rd will go to Our Father's House

Our Father's House is working on permanent solutions to homelessness by providing a progression of emergency shelter, transitional, and permanent housing and individual support and guidance to encourage and assist clients in becoming self-sufficient.



We offer our THANKS AND GRATITUDE

To

Paul Bosse

For helping our parish families prepare for the Baptism of their children. Thank you for helping in supporting our children's walk with the lord.

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2023-2024 Week of September 3rd Weekly Amount Needed..... \$ Amount Collected..... \$9,223 \$9,223 Budget Surplus (Deficit).....

Thank You

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