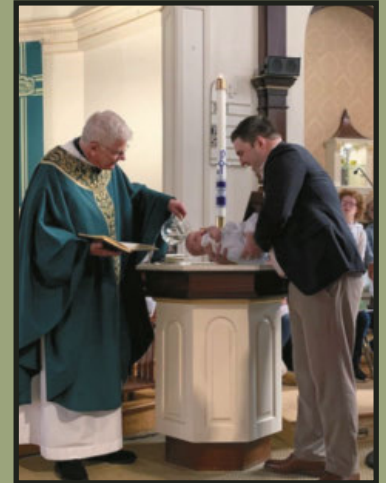


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Congratulations on your Wedding *Megan and Nathan!*
Married on Saturday, November 11, 2023



Baptized last weekend, we welcome the
newest members of our St. Mary's Parish
Family!

Jamie McFarlin Murphy
and

Stella Julia Koshko

Baptized on Sunday, November 12, 2023



**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, November 18**

4:30 PM Nancy Karsok (*Barbra L.*)

Sunday, November 19

8:00 AM Winnie & Willy Mangano (*Tony & Hope*)

10:00 AM Fred Davis (*Janet Davis*)
5th Anniversary

5:00 PM The Pope & Beck Families/*Memorial Mass*
(*Nancy & Peter Pope*)

Monday, November 20

12:00 PM Raymond Lyman/*5th Year Anniversary*

Tuesday, November 21

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, November 22

8:00 AM No Mass

7:00 PM Thanksgiving Mass/Church
Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, November 23

Pastoral Office Closed For Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24 Pastoral Office Closed**Saturday, November 25**

4:30 PM David Reponen (*Barbra L.*)

Sunday, November 26

8:00 AM Kaminski, Jusinski, Moniak Families
Thanksgiving for blessings received
(*Chris & Justyna Moniak*)

10:00 AM Jonathan Ball (*Peggy Webber*)

5:00 PM Danielle Night (*Sandra Knight*)

Schedule Around Campus...**Saturday, November 18**

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

Sunday, November 19

8:00 AM Mass/Church
Coffee Shoppe/GR
10:00 AM Mass/Church
Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
Madeline Jean Tsaknopoulos Baptism
Lucas Zachary Beltran
Altar Server Training/Church
11:00 AM
4:00 PM Gr 6 - 8 Class
Grade 8 Pie Cooking
5:00 PM Mass/Church
Gr. 9 & 11 Class

Monday, November 20

9:00AM KOC Thanksgiving Basket Delivery
12:00 PM Mass/GR
4:15 PM Grade 1 - 5 **No Class**

Tuesday, November 21

8:00 AM Mass/GR
4:15 PM Grade 1 - 5 **No Class**
7:30 PM Adult Choir/Church

Wednesday, November 22

7:00 PM Thanksgiving Mass/Church
7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, November 23

Pastoral Office Closed

Friday, November 24

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Saturday, November 25

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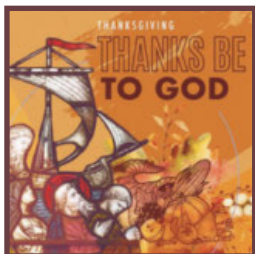
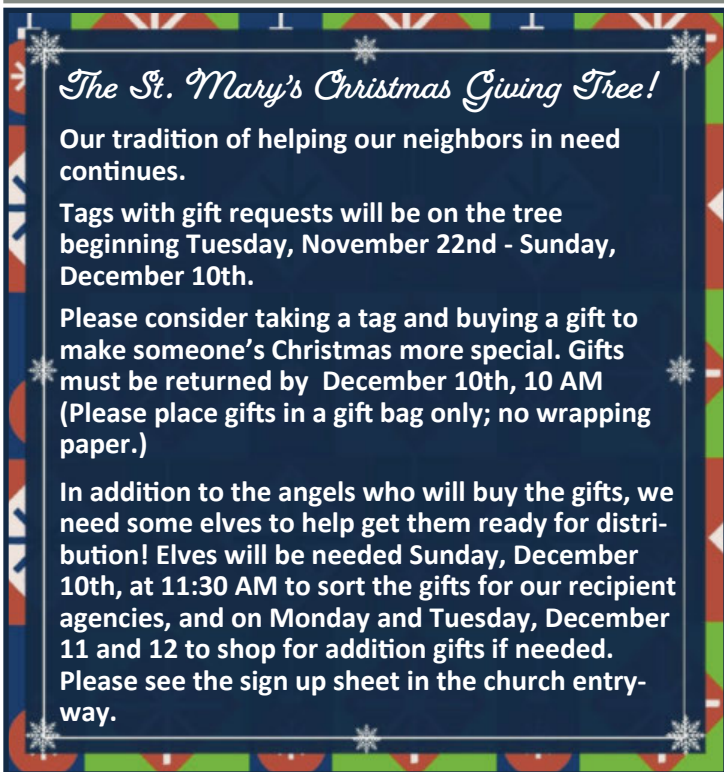
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4:00 PM Gr 6 - 8 **No Class**
5:00 PM Mass/Church
Gr. 9, 10 & 11 **No Class**

Someone you know may be in an abusive relationship.
Abuse Hotline 508-755-9030



Happy Thanksgiving



In all circumstances,
give thanks, for this is the
will of God For you in
Christ Jesus.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Grade 1-10 Classes will be on Thanksgiving Break November 20th through November 26th. Enjoy God's BLESSINGS!!! Classes resume on Monday, November 27th (Grades 1-5)!



Apples Needed! Our Grade 8 kids will once again be making homemade apple pies to top as many Thanksgiving Baskets as they can. We are looking for **APPLE DONATIONS** and a few **volunteers** to help bake our pies. Apple donations can be dropped off at the Hall or Church anytime by Saturday, November 18th. Folks interested in baking, please join us on Sunday, November 19th in the Hall at 4PM or call Kerry at 978 852-0574 for more details.



Ceremony of Light Grade 11 Confirmation Candidates will gather in the Church with parents and sponsors on **Tuesday, November 28th at 5:50PM** for this special rite. The **Ceremony of Light** is a beautiful, symbolic service where we look back and reflect on the student's first sacrament, remembering that at Baptism, parents took light from the Paschal Candle as a sign of the faith they would hand on to their children, helping and supporting them as they try to live out this faith in their lives. At this service, the Light of Christ that was received at Baptism, will be passed on to their student.

ALL ARE WELCOME! On **Saturday, December 2nd at 11AM**, Bishop McManus will be confirming our young men and women at the Cathedral of St. Paul. Please pray that the Light of Christ will always burn brightly in the lives of these outstanding young people.



Grade 3 through High School, looking for those special folks who can assist Fr. Tim around our Family Table! Call the Parish Office for more details!



Grades 3 through High School, Call the Parish Office today to find how you can proclaim God's Word.



We are looking for **Grade 11 and 12 young people** to take on leadership roles as Retreat Team Leaders for Grade 10 Confirmation Retreat in March. Ministering is a fabulous way to build your college profile and to gather service hours for the National Honor Society. Most importantly, our younger kids need role models and faith heroes and benefit so much from your presence with them!



APPLES

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

NOVEMBER 19TH, 2023

PRAYING FOR OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES.

During the month of November we will pray for our deceased loved ones. Please remember to fill in the name(s) of your deceased loved ones on the envelope in your donation packet provided or a plain one of your own and place it in the collection basket. The names of our loved ones will be placed near the Tabernacle and will be prayed for throughout the month of November.



The Shoulders of Giants

Estate and Gift Planning

Over the long history of St. Mary's, we are the vibrant parish community that we are because of the giants upon whose shoulders we stand. It is due to the generosity of our parish family members who have gone before us that we have been blessed with our beautiful Church and Parish Center.

Having benefited from their sacrifices, it is now our responsibility to provide for our children and for those who will come after us.

Please consider making a Legacy Gift to St. Mary's by remembering St. Mary's in your will.



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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday - Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM (Sept thru May)

Daily Mass - Mon 12:00 PM, Tue & Wed 8:00 AM

Holy Days - 7:00 PM Vigil, 8:00 AM Holy Day
(unless otherwise noted in bulletin)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30—4:00 PM

May also be arranged by calling the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Parish Office at least two months in advance, to arrange for participation in the preparation program and the date of Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples intending to celebrate this Sacrament are requested to contact the Pastoral Staff at least one year in advance.

NOVEMBER 19TH, 2023

We are reminded today that we will each be called to give and account for the gifts God has given us – our physical, intellectual, and material gifts - as well as the gift of time itself.

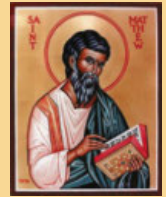
Jesus illustrates this truth in our Gospel passage from Matthew. He tells the parable of a wealthy man who is about to go on journey. Before he leaves, the man calls his three servants to “entrust his possessions to them.”

The master in our parable gives to the care of each servant a portion of his money (“talent”) commensurate with the servant’s abilities. The first two prove to be good and faithful servants – they “immediately” put the talents to use, doubling what had been entrusted to them. The third servant reacted to this responsibility with fear – in fact, he did the opposite. He hid master’s talent, burying it in the ground. He took the safe way, the easy way out.

What a tragic response!

This servant did not understand his master at all. He failed to see what a privilege he had been given. The master wanted to give all his servants the joy and satisfaction of helping him grow his kingdom. This is what our Heavenly Father wants for us, too - the incredible privilege of helping to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God.

Let us embrace the stewardship way of life, using all the gifts entrusted to us – Time, Talent, and Treasure – in such a way that at the end of our life on this earth, we will hear these words from our Father: “Well done, my good and faithful servant...Come, share your master’s joy.”



PARISH TITHE

Our Parish Tithe for the **Week of November 12th** will go to the **Jeremiah’s Inn**

It uses a Social model to provide patients a safe environment in which to begin recovery. Their Vision is to help people better their lives in order to better the community. They foster a sense of community and mutual aid through partnerships, volunteerism, & their nutrition center.



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THANKS AND GRATITUDE To our
Children’s Choir

It is always a joy and blessing to hear your beautiful voices praising God.

DID YOU KNOW....

Each one of us has been effected in some way by recent economic events: Inflation, interest rates, soaring food prices, gasoline prices, utility costs with an over largesse in the marketplace and the negative impact to retirement savings. Saint Mayr’s feels these same affects just like all the households that the parish serves.

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2023-2024

Months of September - October

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Amount Collected.....	\$38,701	\$68,983
Amount Needed.....	\$43,625	\$78,525
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$< 4,924 >	\$< 9,542 >

In an effort to make our reporting more accurate, the Finance Committee has decided to report our collection totals once a month. Thank You

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