

St. Mary's Parish Family

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We welcome
the newest member
to our
St. Mary's Parish Family!
Theodore Raphael Sacino
Baptized on Sunday,
January 21, 2024



Celebrating First Reconciliation with more of our beautiful children!
January 23, 2024



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, January 27

4:30 PM Isabel Hennessey (*Her Family*)
 12th Anniversary

Sunday, January 28

8:00 AM Peter Liddy (*Martha & Liddy Family*)
 10:00 AM Louis Roy (*His Family*)
 5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Monday, January 29

12:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Tuesday, January 30

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, January 31

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, February 1

Friday, February 2

Saturday, February 3

4:30 PM Barbara Charbonneau (*Pam Reponen*)

Sunday, February 4

8:00 AM Patsy McGrady, Corwin &
 Paula A. McGrady Mielinski (*Tom Swank*)
 10:00 AM Sr. Mary Mercedes & George S. Wallace
 (*Tom Swank*)
 5:00 PM Phillip Wahlstrom &
 Susan Mielinski Sibley (*Tom Swank*)



The Tabernacle candle burns for
Peter Liddy
 Requested by Martha & Liddy Family

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

Schedule Around Campus...

Saturday, January 27

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

Sunday, January 28

8:00 AM Mass/Church
Calvin Robert Towle Baptism
 10:00 AM Mass/Church
David Sangenario McNeil Baptism
First Eucharist Rite of Welcome
 Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
Parish Family Breakfast/Hall
 5:00 PM Mass/Church
 4:00 PM Gr 6-8 Class
 Teen Choir/Church
 5:00 PM Gr 9 & 10 Class

Monday, January 29

12:00 PM Mass/GR
 4:15 PM Grade 1-5 Class

Tuesday, January 30

8:00 AM Mass/GR
 4:15 PM Grade 1-5 Class
 6:30 PM **First Eucharist Parent Meeting /Hall**
 7:30 PM Choir/Church

Wednesday, January 31

8:00 AM Mass/GR
 9:00 AM Miss Barbara's Storytime/GR
 7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, February 1

10:30 AM Faith Sharing/GR

Friday, February 2

6 - 8 PM **Grade 6 Retreat**

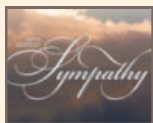
Saturday, February 3

3:30 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church
 6-8 PM **Grade 6 Retreat Snow Date**

Sunday, February 4

8:00 AM Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church
 10:00 AM Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church
 Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 5:00 PM Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church
 4:00 PM Gr 6-8 Class
 5:00 PM Gr 9 & 10 Class

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

Eleanor Jasper

May the Peace of the Lord be with them Always.



Wednesdays

At 9:00AM

**Weekly story hour with
Songs, Finger Puppets, Poems and
Hands-On Activities!**

St. Mary's Church Gathering Room

Ages 0 and up!

All are Welcome!

If you have questions please call Sarah Brodie the Parish Office Manager at 508-829-4508 or email at : sbrodie@stmaryjeff.com



Rosary at Holden Nursing Home

Every Tuesday morning at 11:00 following the weekly Communion Service, our parishioner Marguerite Nguyen and approximately 12 residents at Holden Nursing Home, pray the rosary.

Please consider joining Marguerite in this ministry. There is power in one, but company and support of others would enhance the prayerful experience for all present. The rosary takes 20 -30 minutes and doesn't need to be a weekly commitment. Please reach out!

Beth@stmaryjeff.com or 508 272 6923



Join Knights of Columbus Today!

There are four core promises that a Knight must strive to help fulfill for every member in the Council and every man of the parish:

1. We promise to help all Catholic men grow closer in their relationship with Jesus Christ.
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3. We promise to help provide opportunities for all Catholic men to serve those most in need in their communities in the name of Christ.
4. We promise to help prevent unnecessary financial hardship from falling upon a Catholic family due to the loss of a primary breadwinner or an underfunded retirement plan.

Help fulfill these promises and join the Knights today! Visit: www.kofc.org/joinus

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



ONE WEEKEND FOR HUNGRY KIDS!

Each year, St. Mary's commits to assisting in a very important mission of feeding hungry children by providing and packing **just one weekend's** food care kits for children. Here's what we will need to complete our mission for 400 hungry children:

- **Breakfast**
 - 800 Kellogg's Breakfast Cereal Variety Pack (single serve boxes)
 - 800 Quaker Instant Oatmeal Packet (1.23 oz packets)
 - 400 Dole Peach Fruit Cups (4 oz cups)
 - 400 Dole Mandarin Orange Fruit Cups (4 oz cups)
- **Dinner**
 - 800 Chef Boyardee Spaghetti & Meatballs (15 oz cans)
 - 400 Nissin Cup Noodles (2.25 oz cups)
- **Dessert**
 - 800 Nabisco Oreo / Golden Oreo / Chips Ahoy 2 Cookie Packs
 - 400 Keebler M&M Mini Cookies (1.6 oz packets)
 - 800 Kellogg's Rice Krispies Treats
- **Snacks**
 - 800 Pepperidge Farm Goldfish (1.5 oz packets)*
 - 400 Snyder's Mini Pretzels (.92 oz packets)*
 - 800 Quaker Chewy Granola Bars

Donations can be dropped off at the entrance of the church, in the hall, in the Gathering Room or shipped directly to St. Mary's this week end or at any time through the month of January.

Visit <https://www.brighteyed.org> for more information and inspiration!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The First Eucharist Meeting for parents of children preparing to receive Eucharist in the spring will be held on Tuesday, January 30th at 6:30 PM in the Hall. We are so excited to have these young people join us around our family table!



Grade 6 Retreat Friday, February 2nd ~ 6PM-8:30PM ~ Church Hall. Our Parish Family's gifts of food for hungry kids will be packed during this Service Retreat. If anyone is available to help us unwrap and set up food items for packing, please call the Religious Ed Office.



GRADE 4 & 5 ~ COME CELEBRATE "GOD'S AWESOME LOVE"! This morning retreat for parents and children will be held Saturday, February 10th from 9AM to 12:30PM. Please let us know if you are unable to join us.



Confirmed young people, join us beginning February 4th on Sundays @ 11AM (Hall) as we prepare to lead this day-long retreat for our Grade 10 Confirmation Class! Need more info? Email Kerry at kogrady1@msn.com

JANUARY 28TH, 2024



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Example:

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Example #2

(If company does not allow PO Box entry)
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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.

JANUARY 28TH, 2024



Our readings today remind us of God's authority.

As we reflect on our Gospel, we recognize that God possesses all authority and that we want to give Him all authority. Jesus was teaching in the synagogue on the Sabbath. All were fixed on His words and astonished at what He had to say. Suddenly everyone's attention shifted to a man with an unclean spirit who began to question Jesus and His authority. Jesus responded, "Quiet, come out of him!" and removed the evil spirit from the man. All were amazed at the healing of this man.

Life can sometimes look like the synagogue in Capernaum. We are living as disciples of Christ when we suddenly recognize evil around us — through events in our lives, temptations we are enduring, or by falling into sin. It can distract us, consume our attention, or even cause us to despair. In these moments of trial, we must remember the Healer in our Gospel today. Recall His words, "Quiet, come out of Him!" Jesus has the power and authority over evil, for He has conquered sin and death. He also has the power and authority over us. And when we invite Him to have that authority, He will heal us and help us persevere.

Today, we are reminded that God is in control and that we want Him to be in control. He is the loving Healer Who will work miracles in our lives if we give Him the authority to do so.

PARISH TITHE

Our Parish Tithe for the **Week of January 21st** 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

Our parents and teachers who prepared our children for First Reconciliation.

DID YOU KNOW....

When school is cancelled or there is a delay , there is no morning Mass.

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2023-2024

Months of September—December

	<u>December</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Amount Collected.....	\$40,663	\$150,398
On Time Donations.....	\$22,687	\$44,257
Amount Needed.....	\$34,900	\$148,325
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$28,450	\$46,330

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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