

# *St. Mary's Parish Family*

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**A Healing Anointing at the Last Bereavement Group**  
*Tuesday, May 14*

 **St. Mary's Is  
The Place To Be!**





**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, June 1

4:30 PM David Finkel (Carol Quinn)

#### Sunday, June 2

8:00 AM Bob Black (Friends)

10:00 AM Brahe and David Stowell (Friends)

#### Monday, June 3

12:00 PM Susan Cobb (Donna & Richard Cobb)

#### Tuesday, June 4

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

#### Wednesday, June 5

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

#### Thursday, June 6

#### Friday, June 7

#### Saturday, June 8

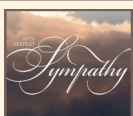
4:30 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

#### Sunday, June 9

8:00 AM Chris & Justyna (The Family)

**Blessings and Health on  
16th Wedding Anniversary**

10:00 AM Hilda Camponelli (The Riley Family)



*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,

**Antoinette Ruth Aiksnoras**

**&**

**David Stowell**

*May the Peace of the Lord be with them Always.*

### Schedule Around Campus...

#### Saturday, June 1

3:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Mass/Church

#### Sunday, June 2 **The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**

8:00 AM Mass/Church

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

**Elle Marie Mills Baptism**

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

#### Monday, June 3

12:00 PM Mass/GR

#### Tuesday, June 4

8:00 AM Mass/GR

10:00 AM Bible Study/GR

#### Wednesday, June 5

8:00 AM Mass/GR

9:00 AM Miss Barbara's Storytime/GR

2:00 PM Card Ministry/DR

7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

#### Thursday, June 6

10:30 AM Faith Sharing/GR

#### Friday, June 7

#### Saturday, June 8

3:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Mass/Church

#### Sunday, June 9

8:00 AM Mass/Church

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR



### **Diocesan Youth Summer Volleyball League**

### First Practice

**Date:** Sunday, June 2nd

**Time:** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**Location:** Field behind the Parish Hall  
 St. Mary's, 114 Princeton Street, Jefferson, MA 01522

*\*Bring a completed copy of the Child Release Form with  
 you to this first practice.*

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

## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



### All are welcome here!

At all masses, the invitation is extended to everyone that at the time of the Eucharist, all may come forward. Those who are not receiving, simply put your hands crossed over your chest and receive a blessing.



### Partners in Charity 2024

For Those St. Mary's Parishioners  
Who have not already donated we ask your  
kind consideration of a gift to the

### 2024 Annual Partners in Charity Appeal

...which you can make online  
Just go to [partners-charity.net/donate](https://partners-charity.net/donate)

150 Families Have Already Donated  
and for those gifts we are truly grateful.  
Our parish is currently \$24,387 away  
from reaching our goal of \$73,800!

Donor envelopes can be found in the church pew this weekend. If using an envelope you can return it through the mail or by dropping it off at the Parish Office, or by placing it in the collection basket.

Your gift will help the Diocese implement its essential charitable, pastoral and educational works in the year ahead. Tens of thousands of people are the beneficiaries of our charitable giving.

Hopefully, you will consider making a gift from your generosity and spirit of sacrifice. It takes many gifts to reach our diocesan goal of \$5 million.

All checks should be made payable to: "Partners in Charity".

We hope you'll be generous in making a gift which reflects your gratitude to God for all you have. Thank you!

## CHOIR VOLUNTEERS

- We need your help. We are looking for a volunteer to direct our Children's Choir. Our children lead us in song once a month at the 10AM Mass. Rehearsal is before Mass.
- We also are in need of a volunteer to direct our Teen Choir. Our teens lead us in song at the 5PM Mass on Sunday from September to May.



<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchJefferson>

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



### DATE CHANGE For our Welcome Home Celebration!

College Folk, College Grads, High School Grad Folks...Fr. Tim invites you to Mosey on over to St. Mary's on **Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**. Grub, Line Dancing, Texas Hold 'Em and Western Mock-tails. Saloon opens at 5:30PM!



### NOW ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE! Visit our website

today at [www.stmarysjeff.com](http://www.stmarysjeff.com) for  
**Grade 1-11 2024-2025 Religious Education Registration!**



### Diocesan Retreat ~ June 28-30<sup>th</sup>! High School Youth (current 8th Graders to graduating seniors) are

invited to join us for the 3rd annual Diocesan Youth Retreat! (Anna Maria College) Join us for a fun, laid-back, and spiritually powerful weekend. The retreat will include fun games & activities (including open gym for basketball, frisbee, lawn games, and *inflatable soccer!*), a lot of free time to relax and recharge, engaging talks geared toward teenagers, dynamic music, as well as spiritual encounters with Jesus Christ through Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and the opportunity for confession! For registration information visit ~ <https://www.neworchester.org/diocesan-youth-retreat>.

### CALLING FOR SPECIAL HELPERS

We have opportunities available for you to volunteer once a week or once a month at Holden Nursing Home.

Two Eucharistic Ministers serve, one Tuesday a month, 10:30 to 11:00 and provide a Communion Service for about 15 -20 residents in the Community Room. Following the service, a volunteer prays the rosary for those in attendance. I am in need of filling:

- Be a partner on the 1st Tuesday of the month (EM) 10:30 to 11:15
- Be a partner on 4th the Tuesday of each month (EM) 10:30 to 11:15
- Any Tuesday of the month, someone to assist Marguerite with praying the rosary with residents - 10:45 to 11:30

You do not have to be a Eucharistic Minister. This is not a time consuming commitment. If you are interested, please call Beth C. 508 272 6923 or email [beth@stmarysjeff.com](mailto:beth@stmarysjeff.com)



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

**JUNE 2ND 2024**



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**EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS**

Saturday - Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday - 8:00 & 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM (Resumes in Sept.)

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.

***JUNE 2ND, 2024***



Today we celebrate Corpus Christi — the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus' Body and Blood was sacrificed for us on Calvary, but before that excruciating event, He humbly bound Himself to human hands in the Eucharist. As St. Thomas Aquinas expresses, "In this sacrament sins are purged away, virtues are increased, the soul satiated with an abundance of every spiritual gift. No other sacrament is so beneficial."

Our Gospel today recounts the Last Supper. As Jesus ate the Passover meal with His apostles, He broke bread, telling them, "This is my Body," and again, poured wine, saying, "This is my Blood... which will be shed for many." In this moment, Jesus sacrificially gave us Himself in the Eucharist by foreshadowing His passion, death and resurrection.

Out of total love, Jesus holds nothing back from us. He gives us His entire self.

We must ask ourselves; do we understand Who we consume at every Mass?

It is our Precious Redeemer.

As life becomes busy and our minds are filled with the countless things we must get done each day, we often forget to acknowledge our Savior at Mass; or to spend time with Him throughout our week; or to accept all the graces He wishes to bestow on us as we receive Him. So let us stop and recognize the real presence of our Savior.

**PARISH TITHE**

Our Parish Tithe for the **Week of May 26th** will go to the  
**Sr. Mary Ann Bartell CSE**  
**Ministry to Retired Priests**



We offer our  
**THANKS AND GRATITUDE to**  
**Beth Cunningham and the Bereavement Group Team**

**DID YOU KNOW....**

In 1889 when the land in Jefferson was purchased there were about nine hundred parishioners in St. Mary's Parish at this time. In 1890 there were 2,623 citizens in all the nine villages of Holden: Holden Center, Chaffinville, Eagleville, Dawsonville, Jeffersonville, North Woods, Quinapoxet, Springdale, and Unionville. By 1895 Jefferson would be the largest of the nine villages with 826 residents who were mostly Roman Catholic.

**STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2023-2024**

**Months of September - April**

	<b><u>April</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>
Amount Collected.....	\$45,104	\$312,279
One Time Donations.....	\$2,500	\$62,957
Amount Needed.....	\$43,625	\$305,375
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$3,979	\$69,861

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