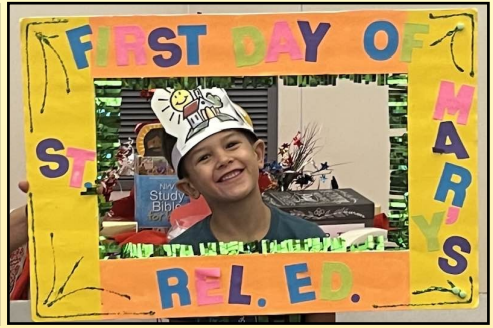


St. Mary's Parish Family

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Our Beautiful 1st Graders Beginning Their Religious Education.

They Are Truly A Blessing!

Monday, October 7th and Tuesday, October 8th





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, October 12

4:30 PM Barbara Charbonneau
(Eileen Charbonneau)

Sunday, October 13

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's
 10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's
 5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Monday, October 14

12:00 PM **No Mass/Office will be closed/Holiday**

Tuesday, October 15

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, October 16

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, October 17

Friday, October 18

Saturday, October 19

4:30 PM Bill Wesolowski *(Jane Wesolowski)*

Sunday, October 20

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's
 10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's
 5:00 PM Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Matters, Jr.
(Cathy Dadah)



The Tabernacle candle burns for
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Matters, Jr.
 Requested by Cathy Dadah

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

Schedule Around Campus...

Saturday, October 12

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

Sunday, October 13

8:00 AM Mass/Church
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 10:00 AM Mass/Church
 Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 10:15 AM RCIA/DR
 4:00 PM **Grade 6-8 No Class**
 5:00 PM Mass/Church
Grade 9, 10 & 11 No Class

Monday, October 14

12:00 PM **No Mass/ Office will be closed/Holiday**
 4:15 PM **Grade 1 - 5 No Class**

Tuesday, October 15

8:00 AM Mass/GR
 10:00 AM Bible Study/GR
 1:00 PM Bereavement Support Group/GR
 4:15 PM **Grade 1 - 5 No Class**

Wednesday, October 16

8:00 AM Mass/GR
 7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, October 17

10:30 AM Faith Sharing/GR
 12:30 PM Moving Forward Group/GR
 6:00 PM Teen Choir Pizza Party/GR

Friday, October 18

Saturday, October 19

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

Sunday, October 20

8:00 AM Mass/Church
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 10:00 AM Mass/Church
 Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
Baptism of Evelyn Mae Riches
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 10:15 AM RCIA/DR
 4:00 PM **Grade 6-8 Class**
 5:00 PM Mass/Church
Grade 9 & 11 Class

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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.



Next weekend there
will be a
Second Collection
For
Hurricane Relief

ST. MARY'S Children's Choir Recruiting

Dear Grades 3-5 Children,

I will be Recruiting for Children's Choir members
at Religious Ed on October 21 & 22.

If you sang in the Choir last year or you are a new
member and would like to join us this year,
here is your opportunity! I would love to have you
sing at our first 10AM Mass, Sunday October 20,

We will rehearse that morning
before the Mass from 9:15-9:55AM.

Please let me know if you can join us,
I can be reached at:
508 826-1090
petergerardi60@gmail.com

Thanks Peter Piano



FAITH SHARING

Meet & Greet

November 7
10:30 AM
Gathering Room

Would you like to deepen your prayer life and find a clearer sense of God's presence in your life? Consider joining our community of people who share a perspective, friendship and a deeper understanding of our faith journey. Using websites, manuals and group participation we engage in topics relevant to our needs. *We meet Thursday mornings from 10:30 – 11:45 in the gathering room.*

Interested? Please contact Suzanne Medine at smedineymca@hotmail.com if you would like more information.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Grades 7 & 8 Mission Update! The kids accomplished great things at their first class...We ARE Better Together!!!! 114 Hygiene Packs, 89 Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwiches and 102 Laundry Soap Packs will be delivered to the homeless in Worcester!!!! Thank you for the generous donations for ST Mary's Book Bags and for the peanut butter and jelly that helped us work in partner with 4Others to serve those in need! Twice a week 4Others Non-Profit delivers 100 hygiene packs, laundry packs and food for Worcester's Homeless. Along with other projects to help those in need, the Grade 7 & 8 kids will be packing and making sandwiches at least 2 times per month. Keep watching for ways you can help build the Kingdom with these young missionaries!



GRATITUDE to all of those who have volunteered to share faith with our children.....WE THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS! We had a great FIRST WEEK!!! We are so excited to share in this teaching ministry together **this year!**

* We need just 1 Grade 11 table leader for the **remining 3 Confirmation III Classes**. Please call if you are interested!



NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEXT WEEK- SUNDAY OCT. 13, MONDAY OCT. 14th and TUESDAY OCT. 15th COLUMBUS DAY WEEK-END! Enjoy this precious time together with

your families! **CLASSES RESUME** on Sun., October 20 for Grades 6-9 and Grade 11, Mon. & Tues. October 21 & 22 for Grades 1-5.



Hey, Grade 1-5 Kids! We are looking for lots of voices to praise our awesome God! **Our kid's choir NEEDS YOU!** The children's choir leads us in song at the 10AM Mass once or twice a month...Contact Peter (Music Director) today!! petergerardi@msn.com



Teen Music Group is looking for singers. Interested in sharing your voice? Join the Teen Choir for a "Pizza Party" on Thursday, October 17 @ 6PM in the gathering room!!! Please contact Liz for more information!! lizleandres91@gmail.com

Do you have a College Student or Young Person who has entered the Service? Our college care ministry is a way of sending our love, prayers, and support to our college students and young service men and woman who are away from us. Please Share your young person's contact information with us so that we can extend our love to them. kogrady1@msn.com



- Peanut Butter ("Operation PB&J") Middle School Kids feeding the homeless in Worcester.
- Grape Jelly ("Operation PB&J") Middle School Kids feeding the homeless in Worcester.
- Ziplock Sandwich Bags ("Operation PB&J") Middle School Kids feeding the homeless in Worcester.
- Gently used Bean Bag Chairs

OCTOBER 13, 2024



All are invited to Pray the Rosary at the St. Mary's Rosary Rally

As human efforts fail to solve
America's key problems, **We Turn To God**,
through his Holy Mother, asking his urgent help.

Join us, Monday, October 21st

To be held following the noontime mass.



COFFEE SHOPPE VOLUNTEER NEEDED

ONE
SUNDAY PER
MONTH
COMMITMENT!
FOR THE
10AM MASS



Will You Share Your Gifts?

Each week we will showcase
one of our many
Ministries that you can use your
gifts and talents to serve our parish.
This week we highlight...

Altar Servers

This Ministry invites Boys and Girls in Grades
3 and up to serve at weekend liturgies, Holy
Days, funerals and various liturgies
throughout the year.

Interested? Please Contact
The Parish Office at: 508-829-4508 or email
stmaryjeff@stmaryjeff.com

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE
A DONATION USING
YOUR MOBILE PHONE VIA
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OCTOBER 13, 2024



In our Gospel today we hear the story
of a man who ran up to Jesus and
asked Him what he must do to reach
eternal life.

Jesus said, "You are lacking in one
thing. Go, sell what you have, and give
to the poor and you will have treasure
in heaven; then come, follow me."

It says the man went away sad because he had much.

We might cringe when we hear this story because it is sad —
this man was so close to becoming an active disciple of Jesus,
but instead turned away. We also might cringe because it could
be deeply applicable to our lives.

Jesus states that, "It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye
of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of
God."

One of the metaphors for the "eye of a needle" was a tight pas-
sageway into Jerusalem that people had to enter to get into the
city. In order for their camels to pass through, they had to re-
move whatever the camel was carrying, only then, could they
enter.

If we look at our own lives, we can most likely think of some-
thing that we tightly carry with us. Maybe it is possessions —
material goods or money — like Jesus references in our Gospel.
Or maybe it is something less material — like status, pride or
control.

Jesus doesn't want our stuff — our job promotions, our designer
house or our bank account. He just wants us. So, we need to be
willing to strip those things from our lives in order to reach
Him. It might seem difficult, but the outcome will be more than
we could have ever imagined — peace on earth and treasure in
heaven.

PARISH TITHE

Our Parish Tithe from the **Week of October 6th**
will go to **Why Me, Sherry's House**



We offer our
THANKS AND GRATITUDE
to Our
Ernie Rocha

For being reliable, and committed to the upkeep of all our
Parish buildings.

DID YOU KNOW....

The month of November is a time in the church year when
we remember our beloved deceased.

Please be sure to fill out the back of your All Soul's Day
envelope with the names of your deceased loved ones
and place it in the basket during Mass.

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2023-2024 Months of September—August End of Fiscal Year

	September	YTD
Amount Collected.....	\$56,004	\$56,004
One Time Donations.....	\$0	\$0
Amount Needed.....	\$43,123	\$43,123
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$12,881	\$12,881

**Bulletin finances reflect actual collections and expenses
through the current year to date monthly period. Thank you.**