



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18*

St. Mary's Parish Family

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**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 25**

4:30 PM Richard Clark (*Barbara Lamacchia*)

Sunday, January 26

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

10:00 AM Tom Kelleher (*Ann and Jim Kelleher*)

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Monday, January 27

12:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Tuesday, January 28

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, January 29

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, January 30**Friday, January 31****Saturday, February 1**

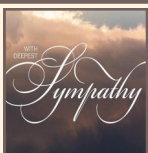
4:30 PM Timothy Lawrance Murphy (*The Family*)

Sunday, February 2

8:00 AM Peter Liddy (*Martha Liddy & Family*)

10:00 AM Jennifer Dadah

5:00 PM Louis Ray (*The Ray Family*)



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

Jennifer A. Dadah

May the Peace of the Lord be with her always.

If the Mass intention is for your family member, we invite you to bring up the gifts at the offertory. See one of the ushers before Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity to join in the celebration of your family intention.

Schedule Around Campus...**Saturday, January 25**

3:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Mass/Church

Sunday, January 26

8:00 AM Mass/Church

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

Grade 2 & Beginnings Rite of Welcome

Hot Chocolate Bar/GR

RCIA/DR

11:30 AM **Retreat Team Meeting**

4:00 PM Grade 6-8 Class

5:00 PM Mass/Church

Grade 9 & 10 Class

Monday, January 27

12:00 PM Mass/GR

4:15 PM Grade 1 - 5 Class

Tuesday, January 28

8:00 AM Mass/GR

10:00 AM Bible Study/GR

4:15 PM Grade 1 - 5 Class

Wednesday, January 29

8:00 AM Mass/GR

7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, January 30

10:30 AM Faith Sharing/GR

Friday, January 31**Saturday, February 1**

9:00 AM **4th & 5th Grade Retreat/Hall**

3:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM **Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church**

Sunday, February 2 ~ Scout Sunday

8:00 AM **Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church**

Coffee Shoppe/GR

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Scout Blessing

Grade 9 & 10 Class

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

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

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Families with Small Children

Friendship, Fun, & Community
Games, Crafts, Books, & Play

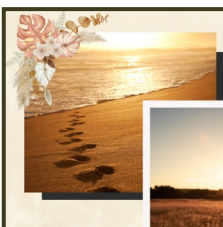
Come and join us
2nd Thursday of each month!

Our Next Playdate is February 13th

5:30—6:30 PM ~ St. Mary's Parish Hall

BYO Snack/Dinner

Contact Anna with any questions:
AnnaEKaram@gmail.com



Moving Forward Group

For individuals who have attended a bereavement support group in the past and would like to continue getting together with others who are on a grief journey. This is a social group. We meet a few times a year for discussion, activities and friendship.

Next Meeting in February!

Contact:
Barbara Lammacchia
508-246-3919

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Can you be a Prayer Buddy? If you would like to adopt one of the First Eucharist/Beginnings children as a prayer partner, there is a sign-up sheet at the doors of the Church. Prayer Buddies simply pray for our little ones. Some prayer buddies write notes or send cards to their First Communion child! Thank you for holding the children close to your hearts during this precious time!



GRADE 4 & 5-COME CELEBRATE "GOD'S

AWESOME LOVE"! This morning of retreat,

for parents and children, will be held NEXT Saturday, February 1st from 9AM to 12:30PM. Please let us know if you are unable to join us.



The First Eucharist Meeting for parents of children preparing to receive Eucharist in the spring will be held on **Tuesday, February 4th**

at 6:30 PM in the Hall. We are so excited to have these young people join us around our family table!



TEAM MEETINGS for CONFIRMATION

Sundays 11AM (Hall) ~Confirmed young people~ Join us!!! Need more info?

Email Kerry at: kogrady1@msn.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONTINUED

Food Drive
for Hunger



GOING ON NOW

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 hungry children:

- 600 Kellogg's Cereal Variety Packs (single serve boxes not bags)
- 300 Quaker Instant Oatmeal Packets
- 600 Dole Peach Fruit Cups or Dole Mandarin Orange Fruit Cups or Mixed Fruit Cup
- 600 Chef Boyardee Spaghetti Meatballs (15 oz cans) or SpaghettiOs with Meatballs or Beef Mini Raviolis
- 300 Nissin Cup Noodles or ind. bag of Ramen Noodle or can Campbell's Chicken Noodle Soup
- 300 Kraft Mac and Cheese Full size box not microwaveable cup
- 600 Nabisco Oreo / Golden Oreo / Chips Ahoy 2 Cookie Packs
- 300 Animal Crackers or Teddy Grahams
- 300 Rice Krispies Treats
- 300 Pepperidge Farm Goldfish (1.5 oz packets) or Cheez-It ind. Bags
- 300 Mini Pretzels individual bags
- 600 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 any time through Sunday, February 23rd. Visit: <https://www.brighteyed.org> for more information and inspiration!



We are looking for a **Special Needs**

Teacher on Sundays 4-5PM. If you are passionate about your love for Jesus and are interested in sharing that gift...Please contact us. We will help provide you with the rest of the tools needed to share that precious gift with the kids!



Great Service Opportunities:

Looking for several Middle/High School/College Students (Adults also WELCOME!) for the following events:

- Grade 4th & 5th Retreat
- Retreat Team Leader (Grade 11 and up)
- Assist during Rel. Ed Sessions
- Ash Wednesday Souper Supper
- Pizza and Magic Night
- Spaghetti Supper
- Stations of the Cross for Kids

Please call Maryjane or Kerry if you are interested in taking advantage of these or other service hours!

WISH LIST

- ♥ Jelly ♥ Ziplock Sandwich Bags
- ♥ New and gently used baby clothes and items

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

JANUARY 26TH, 2025

FEBRUARY CALENDAR RAFFLE

\$3,000 in PRIZE MONEY!!

\$10 per entry
or \$30 for
four entries
with the
possibility to
win everyday!

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
\$75	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$200	\$75	\$75	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
\$50	\$75	\$50	\$100	\$100	\$200	\$50	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
\$75	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$200	\$100	\$50	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
\$75	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$200	\$500		

Drawings
begin on
February 1,
2025!

Thank you and
GOOD LUCK!

Find your tickets in the vestibule today!



Blessing of the Throats Mass

In honor of St. Blaise there will be a blessing of the Throats at Mass on

**Saturday, February 1st ~ 4:30 PM Mass
&
Sunday, February 2nd
8AM, 10AM & 5PM Mass**

Scout Sunday



**Please Join us for a
Scout Sunday Blessing ~ February 2nd
At the 5 PM Mass**

PASTORAL STAFF

- **Timothy M. Brewer, Pastor**
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- **Maryjane Ciesluk, Co-Director of Religious Education/
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WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE
A DONATION USING
YOUR MOBILE PHONE VIA
WeShare?



St Mary's Jefferson
The Place To Be!

JANUARY 26TH, 2025



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"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (Nehemiah

8:10) Ezra's instructions to the

people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

PARISH TITHE

OUR PARISH TITHE FROM THE WEEK OF JANUARY 19TH

Will Go To The

Abby House



We offer our
THANKS AND GRATITUDE
To

The two Knights who installed the
hand railing at Fr. Tim's Residence.

DID YOU KNOW....

What is an ambry?

An ambry is a box in which the holy oils are kept in Catholic churches. It is either affixed to a wall or inserted in the wall of the sanctuary.

The ambry is located close to the baptismal font.

The oils that are generally kept in the ambry are the sacred oils which have been blessed by the Bishop at the Chrism Mass during Holy Week and are known as Olea Sancta in Latin and used in sacraments—

- **Oil of Catechumens** (oleum catechumenorum indicated by the Latin letters O.C.)
- **Oil of the Sick** (oleum infirmorum, O.I.) for the anointing of the Sick
- **Sacred Chrism** (sacrum chrisma, S.C.) used at Baptism, Confirmation and Ordination to the Priesthood.

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2024-2025

MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER - AUGUST END OF FISCAL YEAR

	DECEMBER	YTD
Amount Collected.....	\$72,542	\$212,259
One Time Donations.....	\$15,200	\$33,450
Amount Needed.....	\$62,893	\$207,065
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$24,849	\$38,644

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