

St. Mary's Parish Family

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**Our Wonderful First Eucharist Candidates Celebrating The
Rite Of Welcome And Leading Us In Song During Mass**

&

**Our Parish Family Enjoying Our
St. Mary's Hot Chocolate Bar**

Sunday, January 26th



**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, 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 Roy (*The Roy Family*)

Monday, February 3

12:00 PM Susan Cobb (*Donna & Rick Cobb*)

Tuesday, February 4

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, February 5

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, February 6**Friday, February 7****Saturday, February 8**

4:30 PM John Henry McCorkle (*The Family*)

Sunday, February 9

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

5:00 PM Halina & Andrzej (*Chris & Justyna Moniak*)
Blessings & Health on 44th Wedding Anniv.

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

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Schedule Around Campus...**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

10:00 AM Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church
Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
Baptism of Mave Joan Hakkarainen
Coffee Shoppe/GR
RCIA/DR

11:00 AM Retreat Team Meeting

4:00 PM Grade 6-8 Class

5:00 PM Blessing of the Throats Mass/Church
Scout Blessing
Grade 9 & 10 Class

Monday, February 3

12:00 PM Mass/GR

4:15 PM Grade 1 - 5 Class

Tuesday, February 4

8:00 AM Mass/GR

10:00 AM Bible Study/GR

4:15 PM Grade 1 - 5 Class

6:30 PM First Eucharist Parent Meeting/Hall

Wednesday, February 5

8:00 AM Mass/GR

7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, February 6

10:30 AM Faith Sharing/GR

Friday, February 7**Saturday, February 8**

3:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Mass/Church

Sunday, February 9

8:00 AM Mass/Church
Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church
Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
Grade 10 Rite of Enrollment
RCIA/DR

KOC Pancake Breakfast/Hall

4:00 PM Grade 6-8 Class

5:00 PM Mass/Church

Grade 9 & 10 No Class

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

FEBRUARY CALENDAR RAFFLE

\$3,000 in PRIZE MONEY!!

Drawings begin on February 1, 2025!

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

Find your tickets in the vestibule today!
Tickets can be purchased thru February 28th

Thank you and GOOD LUCK!



Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

THE WHOLE PARISH FAMILY IS INVITED!

Sunday, February 9th

Following the 10AM Mass, our dear
Knights of Columbus will be flipping
pancakes! Join us in the Hall!

(Free will offering)



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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING~ We
will gather our First Eucharist Parents on
Tuesday, February 4th at 6:30 PM in the Hall.
During this mandatory meeting we will be
sharing all the information about our Spring Celebrations.



**PRAYERS FOR OUR GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION
CLASS** Confirmation Candidates celebrate the
Rite of Enrollment on Sunday, February 9th
during the 10AM Mass. During this rite our
young people seek to prepare for full member-

ship in the church through the Sacrament of Confirma-
tion. The candidates' presence at this Mass is a symbol
that they desire to publicly profess their decision to pre-
pare for Confirmation. The young people also will seek
the prayer support of our parish family, as well as their
parents and sponsors. Please accompany them with your
prayers as they move towards the celebration of Confir-
mation next December.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONTINUED

Food Drive
for Hunger



GOING ON NOW

ONE WEEKEND FOR HUNGRY KIDS!

Each year, St. Mary's commits to as-
sisting in a very important mission of
feeding hungry children by providing
and packing just one weekend's food care kits for chil-
dren. 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 microwave-
able 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 di-
rectly to St. Mary's any time through Sunday, February
23rd.** Visit: <https://www.brighteyed.org> for more infor-
mation 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:*

- 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 tak-
ing advantage of these or other service hours!

WISH LIST

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

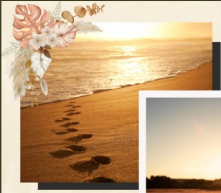
Someone you know may be in an abusive relationship.
Abuse Hotline 508-755-9030

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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.



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:
February 13 - 12:30 pm
Gathering Room

Contact:
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508-246-3919

PASTORAL STAFF

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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!

**FOR ANY CANCELLED EVENTS AT ST. MARY'S,
PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL, OR THE FACEBOOK PAGE
FOR UPDATED INFORMATION.**



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

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The Presentation of the Lord

"Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested." (Hebrews 2:18) When we join a support group, there is comfort in sharing our pain with people who have experienced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us, He understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only He can fill the hole you feel in your heart.

PARISH TITHE

OUR PARISH TITHE FROM THE WEEK OF JANUARY 26TH
Will Go To The

Boys and Girls Club of Worcester



We offer our
THANKS AND GRATITUDE
To

**All those who helped with the
4th and 5th Grade Retreat.**

DID YOU KNOW....

Question: Why are priests now wearing green vestments? What does green symbolize?

Answer: The church is very "sensual" in that it wants to engage all of our senses. The different colors help us on our journey to Christ and our ultimate goal of heaven.

Green vestments are worn throughout the year during what is called "Ordinary Time." This includes most of the days throughout the year except for special feast days, Good Friday and the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter.

Green symbolizes life and hope, the life that we desire with Christ in heaven and the hope that God will give us the grace to attain it.

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.