

St. Mary's Parish Family

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Community Makes God Visible

**Our Parish Family had a wonderful time at the
Parish Family Pizza & Magic Night!**

Steve Charette wowed guests with fantastic charisma!

**St. Mary's is so blessed to have so many talented and
amazing people in our community!**

Tuesday, March 11th, 2025



**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, March 22**

4:30 PM Marie & Martha Jackson (*Sue & Bill Deedy*)

Sunday, March 23

8:00 AM In Memory of Melania & Jozef Kaminiski
(*Chris & Justyna*)

10:00 AM John Richinick (*The Family*)

5:00 PM Diane Deane (*The Dean Family*)

Monday, March 24

12:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Tuesday, March 25

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, March 26

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Thursday, March 27**Friday, March 28****Saturday, March 29**

4:30 PM Nancy Karsok (*Barbara Lamacchia*)

Sunday, March 30

8:00 AM Ann Kokernak (*Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kersus*)

10:00 AM Stephen Clinton (*By The Family*)
4th Anniversary

5:00 PM Diane Deane (*Ed & Brenda Weatherbee*)



The **Tabernacle** candle burns for

Joan Conrad

Requested by Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Kersus

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

Schedule Around Campus...**Saturday, March 22**

9:00 AM **Grade 10 Retreat/Off Campus**

3:15 - 4 PM **Confessions**

4:30 PM Mass/Church

Sunday, March 23

8:00 AM Mass/Church

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

RCIA/DR

4:00 PM **Grade 6-8 Class**

5:00 PM Mass/Church

Grade 9 & 10 No Class

Monday, March 24

12:00 PM Mass/GR

12:30 PM **Adoration/Church**

4:15 PM **Grade 1 - 5 Class**

6:30 PM Lenten Reflection with Fr. Carlos Ruiz/GR

Tuesday, March 25

8:00 AM Mass/GR

10:00 AM **Bible Study/GR**

1:00 PM **Bereavement Support Group/GR**

4:15 PM **Grade 1 - 5 Class**

7:30 PM **Adult Choir/Church**

Wednesday, March 26

8:00 AM Mass/GR

10:00 AM **Lenten Longing/GR**

10:30 AM **Prayer Shawl/DR**

7:30 PM **Al-Anon Meeting/GR**

Thursday, March 27

10:30 AM **Faith Sharing/GR**

Friday, March 28

6:00 PM **Stations of the Cross/Church**

Saturday, March 29

9:00 AM **First Eucharist Retreat/Hall**

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



Lenten Reflections

Monday, March 24
6:30 PM ~ Gathering Room

Please join us together with Fr. Carlos Ruiz, Pastor of St. Anna's Parish in Leominster. He will lead us in a reflection on the theme of Becoming Eucharist for the World. It will be an enriching event!

Wine and Cheese will be served.

St. Mary's Church Proudly Presents

Italian

DINNER

5:30 ~ 8pm
Saturday, April 5, 2025

Penne
Meatballs
Cesar Salad
Tiramisu

Parish Center
behind the church



Live Entertainment
Lenny Zarcone
The Frank Sinatra Singer

BYOB



Dinner is free and sponsored by



Good Will Offering
To Benefit Visitation House



Knights of
Columbus

FISH DINNER

Baked Haddock

Join us for a Lenten Dinner to support the Knights of Columbus Council in their charitable endeavors.

Please Sign Up at the Knight's Kiosk
during all Masses starting March 22nd.

\$17 Adults
\$7 Kids Mac & Cheese

Pay in advance or at the door on the evening of the meal.

Dinner will be served April 11th

6:00 PM ~ Parish Hall

More information available
at the Knight's Kiosk



Prayer Shawl Ministry is in need of donations of unused skeins of yarn to make shawls. If you have any you are willing to donate, please drop them off in the basket in the vestibule of the church at your convenience.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Grade 2 Parent/ Child First Eucharist Retreat

Our First Eucharist Class will gather Saturday, March 29th from 9AM – Noon for retreat. We cannot wait to spend this morning together with our Grade 2 parents and children for a time out with our friend Jesus! Please continue to pray for these children as they joyfully anticipate spring First Eucharist Celebrations!



Middle School continues on their mission~ Looking for **any baby essentials**

(clothes, toys, diapers, formula...infant clothes and baby items can be donated before March 23rd.) The Grade 7 & 8 class will hold a birthday celebration on March 30th from 4-5PM to celebrate the moms and their babies in residence at the Visitation House.



Middle and High School young people~

If you are would like to offer your prayer by participating in

Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 18th, please contact the Religious Ed Office. Many people choose to take time off to observe this most sacred day. **Please consider being with us to reflect and thank our God for His incredible love through the gift of your participation.**



Want to Make a Difference?

Join our Mission.

Each week our Grade 7 & 8 students make approximately 100 sandwiches, pack 100 hygiene packs and 100 laundry packs. We looking for folks to lend helping hands to help make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, assemble hygiene and laundry packets for the homeless. Volunteers can choose a time that works for them to assist in helping provide those in need with basic necessities. Please call Maryjane or Kerry if you are interested in taking advantage of these or other service hours!

THIS WEEK

Wish List

- ♥ Jam (Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwiches for the Homeless)
- ♥ Infant clothes size 0-6 months (Visitation House)

MARCH 23RD, 2025



Join Knights of Columbus Today!

The Knights of Columbus is one of the nation's premiere volunteer and charitable organizations.

The St. Mary's - Frederick F. Davis Knights of Columbus Council currently has almost 100 members. Our Council supports the St. Mary's Parish community (serving parish breakfasts, delivering prepared meals to Mustard Seed, loading Thanksgiving food bags, Christmas Eve Mass traffic/parking lot control, etc.) as well as the surrounding community (Fill the Pantry Golf Outing, Coats for Kids, selling gift cards for Hope for Housing, etc.)

If you are a Catholic gentleman, 18 years and older, we invite you to join us.

For more information you can visit: www.kofc.org/join (we are Council 14298) or ask one of our Knights staffing



Men's Retreat

May 2nd - 4th

Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center
West Hartford, CT

We are fortunate to have **4 scholarships** available for any men interested (**A \$350 Value**).

If you have questions or would like further details, please contact: Fran Meringolo at 508-479-0912 or Ed Connor at 774-364-3189.

Or visit: www.holyfamilyretreat.org/calendar/men13



Easter Choir Rehearsal

Rehearsals this year will be:

Tuesday, March 25

Tuesdays, April 1 & 8

Wednesday, April 9

and

Tuesday, April 15 (if needed)

All rehearsals are from 7:30 - 9:00 PM

Please contact Peter Gerardi with questions at:
Petergerardi60@gmail.com or 508-826-1090

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE

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❤️ **St Mary's Jefferson**
The Place To Be!



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"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" (Luke 13:7) We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you

have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous; we are called to develop and nurture our gifts; and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

PARISH TITHE

OUR PARISH TITHE FROM THE WEEK OF MARCH 16TH

Will Go To

**Retirement Fund for Priests of
the Diocese of Worcester**



We offer our
THANKS AND GRATITUDE
TO

**Beth Cunningham and the Bereavement Group
Team who provide comfort and support to those
mourning the death of a loved one.**

DID YOU KNOW....

Why do the priest and deacon kiss the altar?

Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the "Book of the Gospels" after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the "living stone".

(1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith.

🕯️ **Adoration - Mondays ~ 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM**

📖 **Lenten Longings - Wednesdays ~ 10:00 AM**

✝️ **Stations of the Cross - Fridays ~ 6:00 PM**

🙏 **Reconciliation - Saturdays ~ 3:15 PM - 4:00 PM**

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2024-2025

MONTHS FROM 9/1/24 - 8/31/2025 - END OF FISCAL YEAR

	FEBRUARY	YEAR TO DATE
Amount Collected.....	\$37,679	\$296,731
One Time Donations.....	\$2,500	\$39,150
Amount Needed.....	\$50,933	\$314,980
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$(10,754)	\$20,901
Bulletin finances reflect actual collections and expenses through the current year to date monthly period. Thank you.		