St. Mary's Parish Family
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Blessings To All Of Our **Special Second Graders Who Celebrated Their** First Communion! Saturday, May 3rd, 2025















St. Mary's Parish JEFFERSON, MA



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, May 10

4:30 PM Joan Conrad (The Family)

2nd Anniversary



8:00 AM Nancy Lucci (Tony & Family) 10:00 AM Jacquie Gerardi (Peter Gerardi) 5:00 PM Halina Kaminska (Chris & Justyna)

Blessings & Health on Mother's Day

Monday, May 12

12:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Tuesday, May 13

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, May 14

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, May 15

7:00 PM

Friday, May 16

7:00 PM

Saturday, May 17

4:30 PM Sylvia Ranieri (Pam Anzaldi & Cliff Smith)

Sunday, May 18

8:00 AM Jean & Donald Claprood (The Family)

65th Wedding Anniversary

10:00 AM Jacquie Gerardi (Peter Gerardi)

5:00 PM **Terri McIvor** (The Family)

For Health and Wellness



Schedule Around Campus...

Saturday, May 10

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

Sunday, May 11



8:00 AM Mass/Church

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

5:00 PM Mass/Church

Monday, May 12

12:00 PM Mass/GR

Tuesday, May 13

Mass/GR 8:00 AM

10:00 AM Bible Study/GR

5:30 PM **Teacher Appreciation Event/Hall**

Wednesday, May 14 Mustard Seed Drop

8:00 AM Mass/GR

10:30 AM Prayer Shawl/DR 7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, May 15

10:30 AM Faith Sharing/GR

2:30 PM Mustard Seed Cook/Hall

Friday, May 16

Saturday, May 17

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

Baptism of Colten John Pickrell

Sunday, May 18

8:00 AM Mass/Church

PB & J Making Mission/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

PB & J Making Mission/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

Grade 6-10 Makeup Class/GR 4:00 -6PM

5:00 PM Mass/Church

Last 5 PM Mass

6:00 - 7:30 PM Grade 6-10 Make-Up Class/Hall

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



We welcome the newest member to St. Mary's Parish

William Francis Swan Baptized, Saturday, April 26th

Our Church is richly blessed by your presence.



Partners

Partners in Charity 2025 Appeal

SHARING THE GIFT OF HOPE

Thank you to those who made a gift and a special thank you for those who gave for the first time. Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal. To date

105 of our 1,449 Parish Families have responded, and have helped us reach 54% of our Goal!

However, we need the support of all members of St. Mary's Parish if we are to be successful in reaching our parish goal of \$73,800.

If you have not yet completed your pledge, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office or in the collection basket.

We are confident that, with God's help and yours, we

will rise to it! If you have not made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the pew today, use the QR Code, or visit www. Partners-charity.net. Thank you!







Retired? Looking to reconnect with old friends or make new ones? St. Mary's IS THE PLACE TO BE!! Fr. Tim would love for you to join him for sandwiches, salads, coffee, desserts & great conversations.

Feel free to bring a friend!

BETTER TOGETHER RETIREMENT LUNCHEON

Join us for a free luncheon

WEDNESDAY MAY 21, $2025 \sim 12:00$ PM

Please RSVP by Sunday, May 18th

Sign up in the back of the church or leave a message for Sue Denoia at: (508) 829 - 6656 (include # of guests)

Strolling Close-up Magic by: Steve Charette

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Teachers and Religious Ed Volunteers~ Grab your 50s gear for the Party of the Year! We are so grateful for all of those fabulous ones who have shared faith and those who

have assisted us in serving our children! We can't wait for you to join us for this evening of celebration and appreciation on Tuesday, May 13th.

COME! "The Heavenly Diner" opens at 5:30PM.



Religious Ed Make - Up Sessions Letters have been mailed for those students who have missed 4 or more classes. The next

Middle and High School Student Make-Up Session will be held on Sunday, May 18th ~ 6PM-7:30PM (Hall). Attendance at Session (s) for those missing 4 or more classes are required for class advancement. The number of required Make Up Sessions is determined by the number of classes students have missed during our 19 scheduled classes.

Mass is part of class for registered students. Letters have also been mailed for a Make-Up Session for excessive absences for Holy Mass. The Session for Middle & High School will be held on Sunday, May 18th from 4-6PM. (Gathering Room ~ Church)



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2025-26 Thank you to all of those who

have already registered! Registrations have been mailed to those families who have not yet registered, our Online option continues on the St. Mary's website: stmarysjeff.com, and registration forms can be found at the entrance of the Church. We look forward to planning a new year of faith sharing with your child!

A Message from the Worcester Diocese:

Let your US Senators and Reps know we need our priests and nuns!

We need your help. An increasing number of priests, religious sisters & brothers, and others serving the Church in the Diocese of Worcester and throughout I the United States will be forced to abandon their ministries and leave the country for a lengthy period of time under the terms of their Religious Worker Visa if policymakers do not act soon.

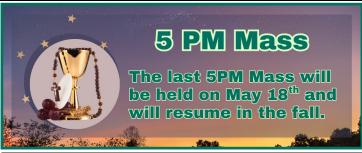
Please check the link and send a message to your representative:

www.votervoice.net/mobile/USCCB/home

(NOTE: This affects all religious and has bi-partisan support. Spread the word and ask people you know to act as well!!

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

MAY 11TH, 2025





The Meal Train is a service that helps prepare and deliver evening meals to St. Mary's parishioners in need.

When a Meal Train request arises, volunteers receive an email from our Meal Train coordinator, Kim Drozd. This email details the requested dates, specifies whether the assistance is needed for an individual or a family, includes the delivery time, and provides the local address. Volunteers can choose a convenient date to prepare a meal, which should be a simple dish suitable for one's own family. The volunteer then delivers the meal and places it in a designated cooler at the recipient's door.

Participating not only provides practical support but also fosters community connections. Through this simple act of kindness, you can make a significant impact on someone's life during a challenging time. Your help, whether as an experienced cook or a willing supporter, is greatly appreciated.

For more information or to volunteer, contact: Kim Drozd at: 508-450-8400 or Beth Cunningham at 508-272-6923 or email her at: beth@stmarvjeff.com.



<mark>St. Mary's Youth Volleyball</mark>

St. Mary's is looking for students currently in Grades 7-12 to play volleyball in the Diocesan Summer League.

No experience necessary!

There will be two practices per week, with games on Monday evenings, from mid-June through mid-August.

If you are interested in joining or learning more, please sign up in the church entryway.

If you have questions, please email janet.vignaly@gmail.com.

MAY 11TH, 2025



"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." (Acts 13:52) The disciples heard Our Lord's call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that

same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to!

PARISH TITHE

OUR PARISH TITHE FROM THE WEEK OF MAY 4TH Will Go To

Scholarships for Religious Education



We offer our THANKS AND GRATITUDE TO

Our Religious Education Teachers, Substitutes, Aids and Retreat Peer Leaders!

DID YOU KNOW....

There have been 266 Popes.

The Conclave which elected Pope Francis, lasted for less than two full days in 2013. It was held after five ballots. His predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI, was elected after only four ballots.

Pope John Paul II was elected in 3 days at the age of 58.

Conclaves in the 20th and 21st centuries have generally lasted two to three days.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE
A DONATION USING
YOUR MOBILE PHONE VIA
WESHARE?





STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2024-2025

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

	<u>IVIARCH</u>	YEAR TO DATE
Amount Collected	\$53,742.00	\$403,276.00
One Time Donations	\$2,500.00	\$46,250.00
Amount Needed	\$52,514.00	\$425,320.00
Surplus/< Deficit >	\$3,728.00	\$24,206.00

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