

St. Mary's Parish Family

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CHRISTMAS IN July



A SEASON OF GIVING, A LIFETIME OF BLESSINGS



Thank you to our wonderful St. Mary's Parishioners,
for your generous donations throughout the month of July!

Your kindness helps provide school supplies for Worcester school children in need, giving them the tools to learn, grow, and shine in God's light.

Together, we share Christ's love and make a lasting difference.



**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, August 15**

4:30 PM Joseph & Anne McCarthy
(Barbara Lamacchia)

Sunday, August 16

8:00 AM Ann Harrington
(Debbie & Andrew Douglas)
10:00 AM Thomas H. Casiello (His Family)

Monday, August 17

12:00PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Tuesday, August 18

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, August 19

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, August 20**Friday, August 21****Saturday, August 22**

4:30 PM Ryan Jennings (Karen McLaughlin)

Sunday, August 23

8:00 AM Meg Forke (Cara Contonio & Family)
10:00 AM BettyAnn Hazelhurst
(Carol Quinn & Family)

Memorial Donations

It is with sincere appreciation that we thank the
families and friends of

Ann Harrington

For choosing St. Mary's for their
Memorial Donations.

Schedule Around Campus**Saturday, August 15**

3:30 - 4 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Mass/Church
60th Wedding Anniversary &
Vow Renewal of Ed & Nancy Benoit

Sunday, August 16

8:00 AM Mass/Church
Coffee Shoppe
10:00 AM Mass/Church
Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
Coffee Shoppe

Monday, August 17

12:00PM Mass /GR

Tuesday, August 18

8:00 AM Mass /GR
9:30 AM Bible Study /GR ~ Followed With
Praying the Rosary/Church

Wednesday, August 19

8:00 AM Mass/GR~ Followed With
Praying the Rosary/Church
7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

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St. Mary's Little Library

Borrow for Mass, or borrow for home.
Please return for others to enjoy when you're done!



Check
out our
Amazon
wishlist

If you would like to donate a book
from home, please leave it in the
basket next to the bookshelf so we can
make note of it and get it ready for
the bookshelf!

Any overflow books will be donated so
we can share Jesus with kids beyond
our walls.



Partners in Charity 2026 Appeal

SERVE GOD BY SERVING OTHERS

Thanks to **196** of our parish families who have made their gift to the **2026 Partners in Charity Appeal**

St. Mary's is **89%** towards our goal of **\$82,000**

We only need \$8,884!!!!

If you would like to contribute a gift or pledge, to help us reach our goal please;

- Fill out a commitment pledge envelope located at the end of the pews.
 - Visit www.partners-charity.net/donate
 - Scan the QR Code and Donate online
- Thank you.



Sip & Stitch
NIGHT

Looking for New Members!

INTERESTED IN LEARNING TO KNIT OR CROCHET?

Come enjoy some refreshments and learn a new skill!

ALREADY KNOW HOW?
Come by and stitch with us!

BRING YOUR CROCHET HOOKS AND KNITTING NEEDLES IF YOU HAVE THEM!

Hosted by the Prayer Shawl Ministry



**TUESDAY
AUG 25**



**IN THE GATHERING ROOM
6:30-8PM**

Yarn and materials will be provided!

TOGETHER,

We Make It Possible!

Your generosity helps keep our *Coffee Shop* welcoming, well-stocked, and a place where parishioners and visitors *connect and feel at home.*



**EVERY DONATION
HELPS US:**



Provide coffee, donuts and supplies each week



Create a welcoming space for friendship and connection



Support a vital ministry that builds community and faith

♥ Please prayerfully consider a donation today. ♥

THANK YOU FOR BEING A BLESSING TO OUR PARISH!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Supplies and Texts are being ordered for the fall. If you are planning on joining us this year, please register today! Easy online registration is

available. Grade 1-5 classes are offered Monday (some grade levels full for Monday 2026-27 year) or Tuesday 4:15-5:15, Grade 6-8 classes are offered on Sunday 4PM-6PM (includes the 5PM Mass) Grade 9-11 are held Sundays 5PM to 7:30PM. **We look forward to a new year of sharing faith with your children!**



Have you been away for a while?

WELCOME BACK! We offer classes for Grades 3 through High School for those children who have had little or no

Religious Education and for those who need catch up in order to re-join grade level classes. Please fill out a registration form today!



We are so grateful to our many returning teachers. You are our blessing and we thank God for the gift you are for our parish family! We are

still in need of catechists (teachers). If you are interested in assisting in the Religious Education Program in any way, please contact us! No gift of time treasure or talent is too small.....even just an hour a year or one batch of brownies will help the kids know the awesome love of our God!



Catholic School Students Preparing to Receive Sacraments-

Parochial School Children receive their Formal Religious Education

as part of the school curriculum. However, Sacramental Preparation is the responsibility of the home parish. Catholic School children are welcomed into the parish program as they prepare for First Eucharist & First Reconciliation (Grade 2) and for the Sacrament of Confirmation (Grade 10).

Do you enjoy writing cards?



Volunteers are needed to send cards to the homebound, sick, and those celebrating birthdays and more!

Meetings are held once a month on Thursday afternoons.

Please contact the parish office at **508-829-4508** to join.

AUGUST 16, 2026

Pack 46 CUB SCOUT PACK 46 REGISTRATION DAY
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
 FOLLOWING THE 10 AM MASS

LOOKING FOR A
VOLUNTEER
 to assist in
 PRAYING THE *Rosary*
 AT THE HOLDEN NURSING HOME
 TUESDAYS 10:45 AM
 following the COMMUNION SERVICE

Please contact Barbara Stevens | 774-232-0319

All are welcome!

THE SAINT MARY'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 50/50 RAFFLE WINNERS

OVER 3000 TICKETS WERE SOLD

1 GRAND PRIZE: \$1,000 JACKPOT	BEV FERRIS
2 2ND PRIZE: WOOSOX TICKETS	SUE DEEDY
3 3RD PRIZE: \$50 AMEX GIFT CARD	KAREN TREMBLAY

St. Mary's Game Schedule Competitive (C) and Recreation (R)

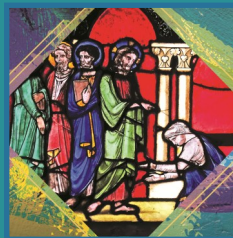
Date	Location/Winner/Score	Game	T
8/8	Winner St. Johns Visit Our Website for the Details and Results!	Tournament	R
8/9	Winner St. Matthews Visit Our Website for the Details and Results!	Tournament	C

Visit www.stmarysjeff.com/st-marys-volleyball to read the game details, updated weekly!

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

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

AUGUST 16, 2026



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 "For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." (ROMANS 11:29) God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.

PARISH TITHE
 OUR PARISH TITHE FROM THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9TH
The Mission in Peru
 run by the sisters of Saint Joseph of Carondelet

We offer our
THANKS AND GRATITUDE To
 All those who helped to make the Knight's 50/50 raffle a tremendous success!

Did You Know

The Mass is divided into two primary sections: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. According to church teaching, these two halves are so deeply interconnected that they form one single act of worship, framed by introductory and concluding rites.

The first major part focuses entirely on proclaiming and listening to the Word of God. Following the general intercessions, the Liturgy of the Eucharist begins.

The focus of the Mass then shifts from the ambo to the altar for the sacrificial meal. That is why the lector lights the candles at the altar and the extinguishers the candles at the ambo of Table of the Word.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION USING YOUR MOBILE PHONE VIA THE ST. MARY'S WEBSITE?



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STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2025-2026
 MONTH OF JUNE 2026 & YEAR TO DATE 9/1-25 - 7/31/26

	JULY	YEAR TO DATE
Amount Collected.....	\$43,317.00	\$550,534.00
One Time Donations.....	\$0.00	\$49,000.00
Total Revenue.....	\$43,317.00	\$599,534.00
Total Expenses.....	\$45,507.00	\$592,583.00
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$(2,190.00)	\$9,951.00

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

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