

DECEMBER 26, 2021

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday: 7:30am at Resurrection
Monday - Saturday: 9:00am at St. Paul
Wednesday: 7:00pm at Resurrection

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:00pm Vigil at Resurrection
Sunday: 7:00am and 10am Mass at St. Paul
9:30am Family Mass, 11:30am
and 5:30pm Life Teen at Resurrection

CONFESSIONS

Typically available after daily Mass or by appointment

Wednesday 7:30-8:30pm at Resurrection

Thursday 8:30 - 9:30pm at Resurrection

Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45pm at Resurrection

Friday 3:30 - 5:30pm at St. Paul

Daily following the 9:00am Mass at St. Paul

COVID GUIDELINES

- Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks. This mandate takes effect the weekend of December 18, 2021, and expires on January 17, 2022.
- There will be a designated area at each church for socially distant and masked seating.
- Priests, deacons and Eucharist Ministers will continue to wear a mask and sanitize when distributing holy communion.



THE HOLY FAMILY

TEACHER

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. - Lk 2:46-47

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Deacon Mr. Philip Anderson

Deacon Mr. Matthew Porter

School Principal: Ms. Lisa M. Fasano



Saturday, December 25th

No Intentions on Christmas Day

Sunday, December 26th

- 7:00am † Mary Brenda Flynn, 1st Anniv.
- 9:30am No intentions scheduled
- 10:00am † Mary Wallace
- 11:30am † Paul Cashman Reardon & Ann Reardon
- 5:30pm Mass for our Teens

Monday, December 27th

- 7:30am No intentions scheduled
- 9:00am Intentions of Rose Mary Kelleher

Tuesday, December 28th

- 7:30am Mass for all Parishioners
- 9:00am † Elizabeth MacLeod

Wednesday, December 29th

- 7:30am † All Souls in Purgatory
- 9:00am † William Donovan & Family
- 7:00pm No intentions scheduled

Thursday, December 30th

- 7:30am No intentions scheduled
- 9:00am † Deceased members of Dean & Sarah Wisleder Family

Friday, December 31st

- 7:30am No intentions scheduled
- 9:00am † Paul J. Boylan & John Bonnel
- 4:00pm † Michael Reilly

Saturday, January 1st

- 4:00pm † Dorothy Leptich

Sunday, January 2nd

- 7:00am No intentions scheduled
- 9:30am † Chester & Adela Ponichtera
- 10:00am † Tim Corkery, 1st Anniv.
- 11:30am † Mary Hurley, 5th Anniv.
- 5:30pm Mass for our Teens

**Parishioners in the
Armed Services**



“Almighty God and Father, hold our service men and women in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.”

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Please help us by updating our list of on duty family members. You may call either rectory or email bulletin@hinghamcatholic.org. Thank you.

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New Year's Eve, December 31st

- 7:30am Daily Mass - Resurrection
- 9am Daily Mass- Saint Paul
- 4pm Solemnity Vigil - Resurrection

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, January 1st

- 9am Daily Mass - Saint Paul

Epiphany of our Lord, January 1st

- 4pm Vigil - Resurrection

Epiphany of our Lord, January 2nd

- 7am - St. Paul
- 9:30am Family Mass - Resurrection
- 10am - St. Paul
- 11:30am - Resurrection
- 5:30pm Life Teen - Resurrection

For our parishioners that feel more comfortable celebrating Mass outside please remember that:

The 91.3 FM radio frequency will continue to be heard from Resurrection parking lot.

The courtyard speaker system will continue to be used at St. Paul.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

"I prayed for this child, and the LORD granted my request. Now I, in turn, give him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD." (1 Sm 1:27-28)

PSALM:

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. (Ps 84)

SECOND READING:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And so we are. (1 Jn 3:1)

GOSPEL:

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. (Lk 2:46)

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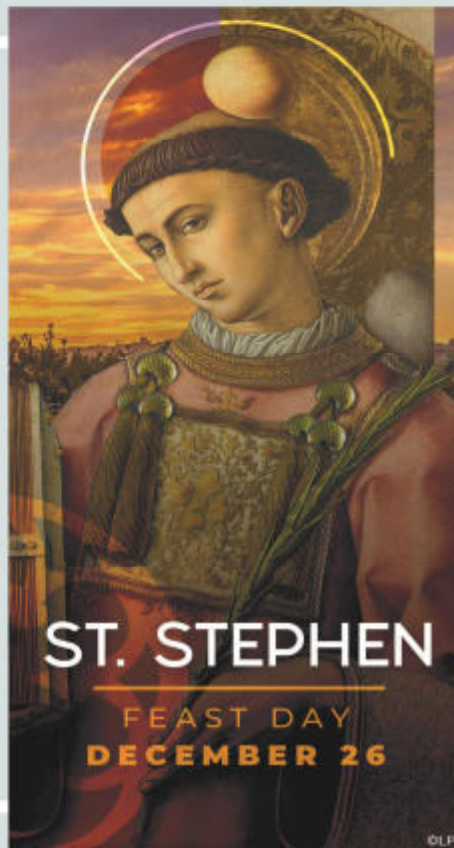
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

Sunday:	The Holy Family
Monday:	St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
Tuesday:	The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Wednesday:	St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
Friday:	St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
Saturday:	New Year's Day; Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace
Next Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church



THE HOLY FAMILY



Saint of the Week

The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort, that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of



any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able

to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.
- Lk 2:51-52

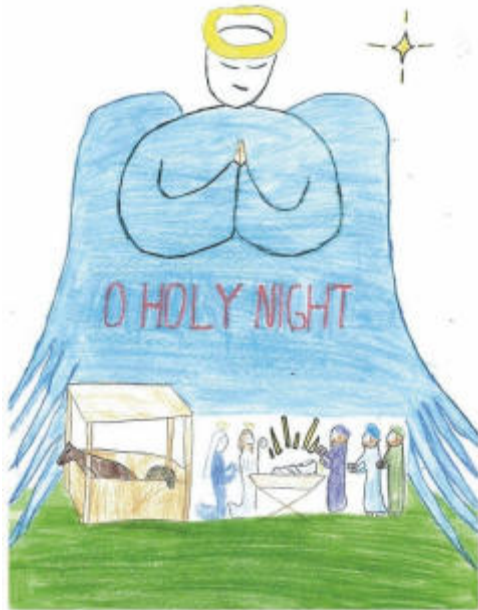
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"O Holy Night" by Seamus Collins, Grade 5

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray.
Cast out our sin, and enter in; born in us today.
We hear the Christmas Angels their great glad tidings tell,
O come to us, be born in us, Our Lord Immanuel.

Wishing you a very happy Christmas.
Lisa Fasano
and the Faculty and Staff at Saint Paul School



Family Formation

No Children's Rosary this week, we will resume January 4th.

Jan 6th: First Reconciliation Prep Class.

First Reconciliation is January 29th & February 5th, please sign up for a time if you have not already done so. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4DA8A82BA5F85-first6>

Ongoing - 9:30 am Sunday Mass at Resurrection is a family Mass with homily directed towards children, coffee & donuts afterwards in Read Hall. (except on holiday weekends)

We need help with setting up & cleaning up for coffee & donuts after the 9:30 am Mass at Resurrection. This is a great way for children to get involved and help out in their parish community. It is very easy, we order the donuts, you just need to come early to set up and make the coffee. Sign up here: **Hospitality after the 9:30 am Family Mass**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4DA8A82BA5F85-coffee>

For information on Faith Formation for Grades K-6

Call Terri Dasco at 781-749-3577 or
Email tdasco@hinghamcatholic.org



Life Night This Week:

There will be no Life Night this week, as we have taken a break for the Holidays. The Life Teen Mass will still continue for all High Schoolers on Sundays at 5:30. Merry Christmas, and we'll see you soon!

Life Teen Holy Hour:

Join us for our Teen Holy Hour Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 at Resurrection! This is a beautiful time of reflection and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament - we hope to see you there!

College/High School Mission Trip:

Join Seaside Life Teen as we travel to the Dominican Republic, New Mexico and Peru in 2022! More information and trip applications can be found at seasidelifeteen.org. **Applications for all trips are due January 1st!**

St. Paul Parish Religious Education News



There are no Confirmation classes scheduled for this week. Classes will resume with the Sunday, 7:30pm Zoom Class on January 2nd. The link will be provided for that class on Sunday afternoon.

We wish everyone a very blessed, happy, healthy New Year!

"Backpack Blessings" Initiative & Clothing Drive

**Will you help sponsor a backpack for those
in need this winter?**

With your support, we hope to distribute at least 100 backpacks filled with toiletries, winter clothing, hand warmers, snacks, a first-aid kit, and other critically needed items to those who have been living on the streets in Boston and local communities. Many battle addiction, hunger, homelessness and/or mental health issues. In a coordinated effort with the city, backpacks will be carefully distributed to men and women willing to seek treatment, those moving to transitional housing or provided to those truly in need.



How can you help?

Monetary donations can be made online with QR code, link below or by check payable to St Paul Parish - memo: Backpack Blessings - drop off at rectory or mail to St Paul Parish, Attn: Linda, 147 North Street, Hingham, MA 02043.



Amazon Wish List - https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/26SM2B3RZ4WBD?ref=_wl_share

Bring gently used (or new) winter clothing or blankets to church: please check your closets We'll be collecting gently used or new blankets as well as men's and women's jackets, gloves, and hats for distributions. These can be dropped off at either rectory in the coming weeks. Thank you.

As the temperature gets colder, the homeless need our help more and more. Jesus calls us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless. Let's see what we can do to help.

If you have questions, please contact Carol Costello at 617.448.5413 or Tony Viola at 617.501.7900.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

Afghan evacuees in the South Shore need assistance

Hingham and the South Shore are serving as a respite for families evacuated from Afghanistan through the generosity of the Glastonbury Abbey and several local families who have offered temporary housing.

There is an ongoing need as more families will arrive in Hingham and other places in the South Shore with nothing except the clothes on their backs.

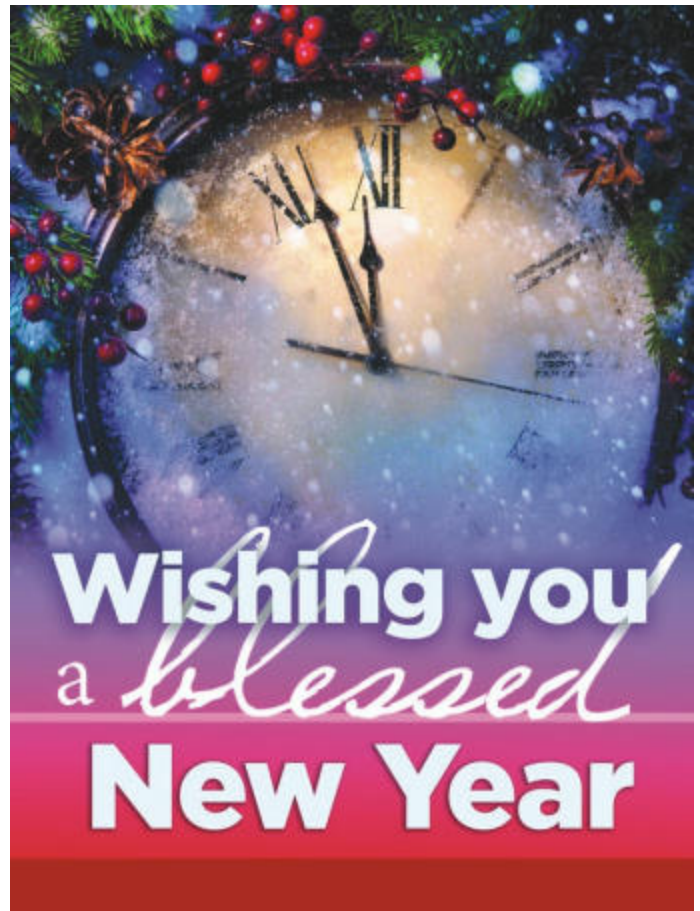
How you can help:

- Provide ***gently-used or like-new coats for men and children***
- Provide ***items for welcome baskets*** (toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant, shaving cream, razors, toothbrushes, face cloths, tissues, face masks, sanitizers, snacks such as dried fruit, granola bars, packaged soup or cereal).
- Buy ***Stop & Shop gift cards*** for the families once they arrive in the South Shore

Contact Jocelyn @ jcdunphy1@gmail.com if you have any of the above that you would like to donate.

Donate:

- South Shore specific needs: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/helping-hands-for-afghans-resettling-in-ma>
- Needs throughout Greater Boston via the Refugee Assistance Center: riacboston.org



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