



St. Mary's Church, Cranston

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Weekday Mass

Tuesday-Friday
8:00am
(Lower Church)

Saturday Evening:

4:00pm

Sunday Morning

8:00am, 9:30am &
11:00am

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled for the First Sunday of the month. Please call the rectory office to schedule an appointment. Families must be registered in the Parish.

Confessions

Fridays 8:30am - 9:15am
Saturdays 3:00pm - 3:45pm

Weddings

Parishioners may contact the Rectory Office at least 1 year before.

We are a parish family journeying together in our faith in Jesus Christ, trusting in his love for us, and growing in kindness and charity toward one another.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 73/Mk 7:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1 4, 11 12, 19, 23 27/Ps 80:2 3, 5 7/Mk 3:20 21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot

Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Thursday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

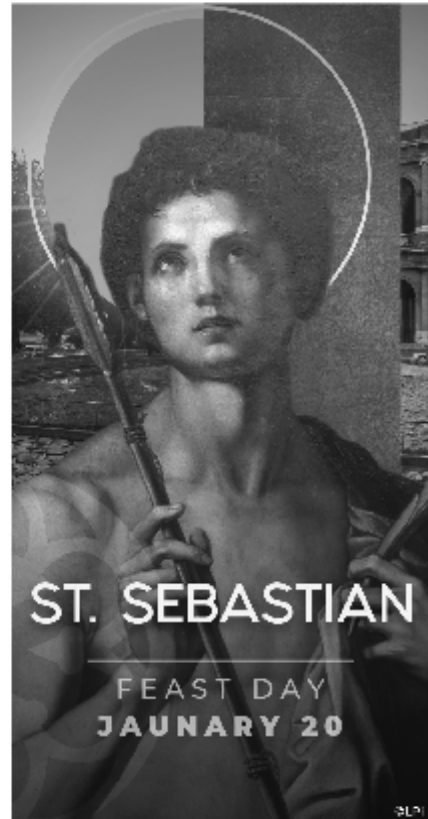
Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Relationships are hard to clarify. Determining whether people in our lives are simply acquaintances and associates or a deeper level of friend is a journey that takes time. Identifying and celebrating those people who really care about us is a lifelong adventure that involves both moments of intense elation and heartache. Some relationships are more easily definable than others. Two people who are in love must decide whether the love they share has the freedom and depth necessary for lifelong commitments. Other relationships may look like friendship but may harbor grave dysfunction and toxicity. Discernment is needed on all fronts. Our relationship with God also needs definition and discernment. God has taken creation as His spouse and human beings as His children. God delights in us and all that He has made. The wedding feast at Cana demonstrates God's investment in all of this, especially our happiness. Life is a time for celebration and great rejoicing!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350.

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Bruggher. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.

January 16, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

We remember in prayer this week....

January 16th

8:00am Etta Iannuccilli
Gloria Marciano

9:30am Pasco (Pat) Paliotti
Antonio Afonso Andrade

11:00am Anna M. Morena
Alessandra & Arianna Laurenza
24th Anniversary & Birthday

January 18th

8:00am Oscar Gilbert
Anniversary
Ann Votto

January 19th

8:00am Parish & School Community

January 20th

8:00am Charles Lepizzero
25th Anniversary
Pasco DeLuca
25th Anniversary

January 21st

8:00am Mass of the People

January 22nd

4:00pm Raymond Sinapi, Sr.
Albert Gates

SANCTUARY CANDLES 1/17 – 1/23

The Upper Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of:

Jennie Manzi

Birthday

By: Daughter Linda & Family

Both Lower Sanctuary Candles will burn in memory of:

Donald Duarte

Anniversary

By: Linda & Lou DiNola

WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT

The collection for the weekend of
January 8th & January 9th was \$6,754.00.

Thank you for your continued support!

ADORATION

Adoration with Benediction every Friday from 8:30am-9:15am. Please note that confessions will also remain at this time.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

January 16th, 2022 the second collection will be for The Catholic University of America! Your gift will make great things possible by providing direct financial aid to *more than 4,000* students from dioceses across the country.

LATIN AMERICA

January 30th, 2022 the second collection will be for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

2021 CONTRIBUTION TAX LETTERS

All parishioner contribution letters for tax purposes will be mailed by the end of January 2022.

MASS RESERVATIONS

Mass reservations for loved ones will continue to be accepted by mail or drop off only. All intention requests may be dropped in the Mass Ticket Box or mailed to the rectory office (1525 Cranston Street, 02920).

Please remember each mass needs its own form and the donation and the form are both required at the time of booking. For your convenience Mass forms are available on the parish website:

www.saintmarycranston.org

or in the upper and lower church if you attend Mass. At your request we will also mail intention forms or leave them in the Mass Intention box for pickup. Please keep in mind at this time we will not book or reserve any Masses over the phone or in the office. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

If you have booked a weekend Mass in memory of a loved one and would like to participate in the Offertory procession and bring up the gifts, please let one of the ushers know at least ten minutes prior to Mass.

SCHOOL

Please call me (944-4107) or email me at llepore@stmaryschoolri.org to request the flag to be flown in someone's honor or memory.

THANK YOU - To All Who Use Online Giving!

Parishioners who use the service are pleased with how easy it is to set up and manage. For your convenience we are now accepting Visa, Mastercard and Discover Card. If you have not yet signed up for Online Giving, please consider this option. This is a perfect tool for anyone who shops online! By using Online Giving you are helping the parish improve our operational efficiency.

Online Giving is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. Please notice that our offering envelopes now have a check box which indicates "I've given online," which you can use to present during offertory at Mass. Online Giving is very easy to use and requires no special knowledge other than how to access the Internet. If you haven't already signed up, then go to our parish website at www.saintmarycranston.org and select Online Giving.

NOTICE TO ALL PARISHONERS

In the event of inclement weather and other unusual circumstances, going forward when there is a school closing in the Cranston School system and St. Mary's School is closed there will be no 8:00am morning Mass. Those who have booked intentions will be able to have their intentions added to the following day. Also, if the closing of school falls on a Monday there will be no Team counting. Counting will be on Tuesday.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

Welcome to St. Mary's parish! We extend to you a warm invitation to join our parish community. We are a parish family journeying together in our faith in Jesus Christ, trusting in his love for us, and growing in kindness and charity toward one another. For your convenience, registration forms can be found at the entrance of the Church on the left or on the parish website www.saintmarycranston.org. We encourage new parishioners to introduce themselves to the parish Priests or Deacons so that we can meet and welcome you to our parish family. **To be eligible to be a Godparent for Baptism/Confirmation or to request a date for a Wedding you must be a registered member of the Parish and actively practicing your faith.**

COVID POLICY UPDATE

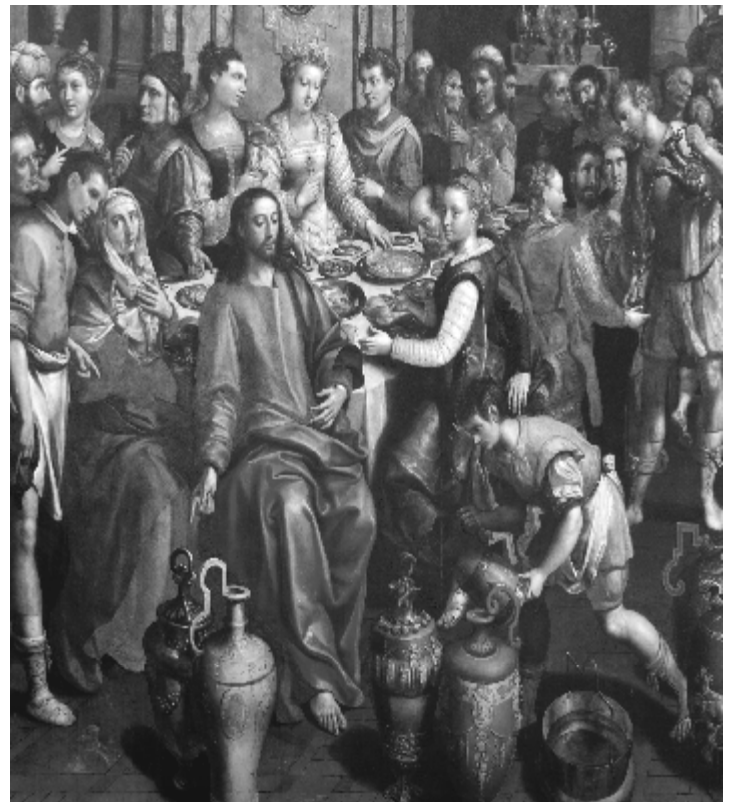
Masks are required when attending Mass.

Pope's prayer intentions for 2022

JANUARY

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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