

NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Saint Linus Church
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Saint Patrick Church
46 East Central Street

Pastor: Rev. Michael MacEwen
Administrator: Rev. George Hines **Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Michael Alfano
Senior Priest: Rev. Leroy Owens

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Religious Education Office: 508-653-1093 **St. Patrick Cemetery:** 978-208-0266
Website: natickcatholic.org



MASS SCHEDULE
ST. LINUS
Sunday 9 a.m.
Sunday 5 p.m.
Handicap Accessible

MASS SCHEDULE
ST. PATRICK
MONDAY — FRIDAY 8 A.M.
Saturday 4 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Handicap Accessible

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Patrick lower church: Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm. Also by appointment; please call the office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated the second & third Sunday of the month at 1:00pm. Please call the Rectory to make the necessary arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact the Priest at least six months prior to any other marriage plans.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory to request Communion, Visitation or Anointing of the Sick for anyone who is confined to home or a hospital.

ST. VINCENT DePAUL RELIEF

Direct Line: 508-509-1736 ALL calls are confidential

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Daily 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. ; check Facebook day of for location.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 3:30pm, Friday: 9:00am to 12:00noon

Monday-Friday: Daily Rosary 7:30 a.m.

JANUARY 2, 2022 — EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

Readings for the week of January 02, 2022

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
[cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt
4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-
44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45
-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc,
17/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk
5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and
9b/Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10
[11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-
25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk
3:15-16, 21-22

PLEASE PRAY FOR...Ann Teresa Allen, Jim Annear, Alexandra Barr, Mack & Finn Carlson, Ross Cigna, Viola Cole, Danny Connolly, Jay Cormier, Richard Cunningham, Miguel Espada & Family, Tom Feola, Patrick Foley, Amy Gertz, Christopher Gobron, Mateo Goldman, Sandra Green, Jeanne Gross, Matt Hanley, Marsha Ryan-Henry, Patrick Hurley, Cynthia Johnson, Nikki Joyal, John Kelemanick, Mary Kennedy, Brian Keville, Barbara Lavin, Haylie Leonard, Anna Leskanic, Janet Lodi, Helen MacDonald, Monique Marcott, Anne Martin, Donna McIntosh, Jennifer McKenna, Sara Kate Muleski, Ed Mulholland, Sue Peters, Louise Quilliam, David Ricciuti, Valerie Rooney, Marie Roy, Catharine Rubsam, Margaret Sage, Joseph Scarlata, Sister Barbara, Gavin Tokarski, Matthew Tokarski, Judy Veinbergs, Brian & David Wagner, James Weber, Curtis Wells, Amy Noel Wyman, Julie, and all the Sick in Our Parishes.

From the Pandemic Response Team:

In the light of spiking numbers of new COVID cases and the likely increase in those numbers in the upcoming holiday season, **Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks.**

Mass celebrants, deacons, readers, servers, choir members, and instrumentalists, should all wear masks except when they are speaking.

Children under the age of five are not required to wear masks. Children under the age of two should not wear masks.

St. Linus Mass Intentions

Sun, Jan 2, 9am –For the People of the Parishes
Sun, Jan 2, 5pm—Margaret O’Callaghan
Sun, Jan 9, 9am –Morris Kittler
Sun, Jan 9, 5pm—Raymond Coakley, Sr.
(6 month anniversary)

St. Patrick Mass Intentions

Sat, Jan 1, 4:00 pm: John “Jack” Knapp
Sun, Jan 2, 7:30am:
Sun, Jan 2, 11:00am: John F. Young Jr. (13th Anniv.)
Mon, Jan 3, 8am:
Tues, Jan 4, 8am:
Wed, Jan 5, 8am: Matthew Malloy & Barbara Malloy
(living)
Thurs, Jan 6, 8am:
Fri, Jan 7, 8am:
Sat, Jan 8, 4:00 pm: Mary Louise Toolin
Sun, Jan 9, 7:30am: For the People of the Parishes
Sun, Jan 9, 11:00am: John Bishop

The Natick Catholic Community has 3 sanctuary candles that can be lit in memory of your loved ones. If you would like to reserve one for a week, please call the parish office at 508-653-1093.

**Sanctuary Candles for week of January 2
in memory of:**

Vincent S. Teso

Rest in Peace

Let us pray for those who have died, especially
Members of St Linus & St Patrick Parishes
may they and all of our faithful departed rest in peace

NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Our Collaborative Parish Prayer

Our Father in Heaven, your family of St. Patrick and St. Linus parishes praise You. We thank you for the gift of life. We praise You for Jesus Your son, who makes us a new creation. Pour out Your Holy Spirit that we may repent of sin and dedicate our lives to You. Fill us with faith, hope and love. Increase our hunger for Your word and Eucharist. Make our hearts joyful with the awareness that we are Your family. Bring forth the fruit of holiness into our lives for Your glory. Grant us wisdom, courage and strength to share Your life in word and deed with all Your people. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord, with the intercession of Mary our Mother, and Saints Patrick and Linus, our patrons. **Amen**



Happy, Healthy 2022 to all of our Religious Ed Students, Catechists and Families! May it be a year of good health & great blessings for all!!

NCC Choir

The NCC Parish Choir sings at the 9am Saint Linus Mass and the 11am Saint Patrick Mass throughout the academic year. The Choir also participates in the Confirmation, Christmas, Holy Week, and Easter Vigil Masses for both parishes. Rehearsals for this ensemble are every other Thursday starting at 7pm at St. Linus Church. Our Director of Music, Mr. William Sawyer would be happy to have a chat with you about the program if you are interested in joining. He can be reached by calling (408) 663 - 2104 or emailing: wsawyer@natickcatholic.org



Thank you for supporting our parishes.
God bless you!

St Linus Parish Support: Week of Dec 19, 2021

Budgeted	Collection + Electronic	=	Total
Offertory	Offertory		Received
\$7,000.00	\$2,895.00 + \$527.00	=	\$3,422.00
Maintenance:	\$1,392.00 + \$285.00	=	\$1,677.00

St Patrick Parish Support: Week of Dec 19, 2021

Budgeted	Collection + Electronic	=	Total
Offertory	Offertory		Received
\$15,500.00	\$8,196.00 + \$3,318.11	=	\$11,514.11
Maintenance:	\$2,680.00 + \$792.00	=	\$3,472.00



St. Vincent de Paul Society of our Parishes

Current Food Pantry needs include: cans of Tomato Sauce, Low Sodium Canned Soups, Feminine Sanitary Products, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels

Gift cards to Market Basket, Roche Bros, Stop & Shop, or Wegmans

(Please mail to the parish office at 44 East Central St.)
Many thanks to all!

The Society of St. Vincent dePaul is most grateful for your continued support. We pray that you and your family are healthy and safe.



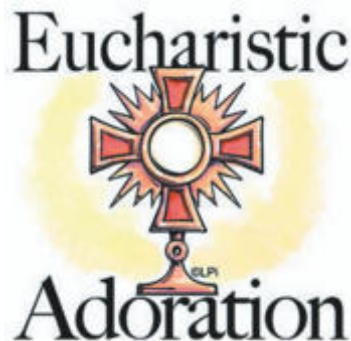
NATICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NOTICES

Monday Afternoon Bible Study

Starting on January 10, Father Michael invites you to join us **every Monday afternoon from 2:00 - 3:15 pm for the study of the Gospel of John**. This program will be shared via zooming. Instructions to join will be in next week's bulletin.



<u>Ongoing Events</u>	<u>Zoom Address/Other contact info</u>
Rosary with the Knights 1st Monday every month, 6:30pm	St Linus Church
Young Adults Group Wednesday 6:30 pm	Email jwebb.ncva@gmail.com with questions
<u>NCC Women's Bible Study</u> <u>Wednesday evenings from 7-8:15 PM.</u>	Email Dawn Sullivan (carusosullivan@gmail.com) To get ZOOM link
Catholic Men's Group Every other Wednesday 8:00 pm	email Dave Vitello (dcv1020@gmail.com) for location info



“God is the friend of silence. We need to find God and He cannot be found in noise and restlessness. See how nature, the trees, the flowers, the grasses grow in perfect silence...see the stars, the moon and the sun, how they move in silence. The more we receive in silent prayer, the more we can give in our active life.” St. Teresa of Calcutta

The Adoration Chapel is now open from 8AM TO 10PM. Adorers are needed especially for the 9PM-10PM hours. These hours are now covered but we would like to have 2 or 3 people at each of these time slots. If you are interested please call Carole at 508-653-0371.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Additional St. Linus Christmas Flowers Made in Memory of.....

Deceased members of the Perugini Family, Deceased members of the Williams Family, Murphy & Ryan Families

We apologize for any misspellings. We have attempted to interpret the many handwriting styles. Thank you.



Additional St. Patrick's Christmas Flowers Made in Memory of.....

Peter Pedini, Benilde Pedini, Joseph Pedini, Joan M. Ahern, David C. & Catharine Ahern, William & June Hemstedt, Linda Bristow

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Catholic Men's Group

The Natick Catholic Community Men's group are meeting every other Wednesday evening at 8:00 PM. Please email Dave Vitello (dcv1020@gmail.com) or Matt Leitao (matthewleitao@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining.

The 20 & 30 Somethings: Natick Catholic's Young Adult Group

Where Traditionalists and Revolutionaries Share a Table

Check FB for updates! <https://www.facebook.com/groups/stpatsyoungadults>

Wednesdays 6:30 Bible Study in Natick: Then 8:15 Dinner and Drinks! (Check Facebook day of for location)

Other Events: Check FB for updates/events like **Theology on Tap, Music, Paintball, Hikes, Service and more!** or **Contact Joe Webb at jwebb.ncya@gmail.com**

SUNDAY—JANUARY 2, 2022

SEND YOUR SPIRIT TO DWELL IN THEM...

The following child was recently incorporated into the Body of Christ, the Church:

Jaxson Matteo Brambilla

With God's grace and the support of his parents and godparents, may this newly baptized become a mature believer, reaching to the very height of Christ's full stature (Eph. 4:13).



St. Linus Giving Tree

NCC parishioners are known for their generosity to the Giving Tree and this year is no exception. Your contributions to this year's St. Linus Giving Tree totaled \$6335.00 in gift cards and monetary donations.

A resounding thank you to the numerous people who contributed in any way to this very successful endeavor. You have shared the joy and happiness of the Christmas season with many others who are overwhelmed with your spirit of caring and are most grateful to you.

Recommended Reading

This year our Lectionary invites us to consider **selections from the Gospel of Luke**. An excellent way to complement this would be to read **GOOD NEWS FOR YOUR AUTUMN YEARS: REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL OF LUKE**. Drawing upon much wisdom gained through her diocesan ministry with seniors, **Sister T. Josephine Lawler, O.P.** has crafted insightful, richly textured meditations from the perspective of opportunities and challenges of aging. Having received her Doctor of Ministry degree, this Dominican author has also given presentations on aging and spirituality. This book was published in 1994 by Resource Publications of San Jose, California. ISBN = 0-89390-303-5.



THANK YOU.....

Thank you to everyone who helped with the preparation and service for Christmas at the Natick Catholic Community of St. Linus and St. Patrick. The Cleaning Crew, Decorating committee, Musicians, the Adult Choir, Altar Servers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Ushers, Greeters and all who made the special days go smoothly are very much appreciated. Merry Christmas!

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