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Rhode Island's First Roman Catholic Parish

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Established April 8, 1828

First Week of Advent

*Be watchful! Be alert!
You do not know when the Lord is coming.*

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: ST. MARY'S 5:15PM ←

SUNDAY: 8:00AM

SUNDAY: 11:00AM

DAILY MASSES at 7:30AM

ST. MARY'S: Monday, Wednesday ←

ST. AUGUSTIN'S: Tuesday and Friday ←

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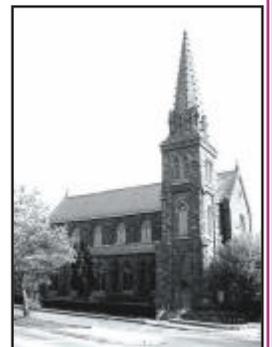
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Visit our website <https://www.stmarynewport.org/>

Confessions: by appointment and ...
Saturday 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM
in St. Mary's breezeway
(between the garage and the rectory
during the pandemic)

Upcoming Baptism Dates:
Baptisms will be conducted individually
during the pandemic.
(contact Fr. Kris to make an inquiry)

*We are proud to be a
Stewardship Parish:
Sharing our Time, Talent and
Treasure
with our community.
Our mission is to continue the
work of Jesus Christ through
worship, education,
stewardship and service.*



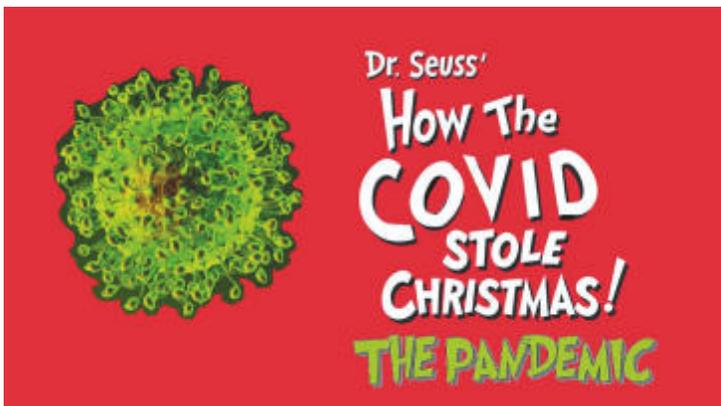
FR. KRIS' KORNER



Happy "Church New Year" everyone, and may you have a blessed Advent Season! On the first day of the Liturgical year you may notice some changes at church; Fr. Kris is wearing his purple garments and purple adorns our altar. The candles of our Advent Wreath will help us count down the next 25

days. Our homes will be decorated beautifully; candles in your windows will let your neighbors know that your household awaits the coming of the Christ Child. All this reminds us that we are in a season of great expectation; the arrival of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We all love the wholesome image of children waiting for the arrival of Santa Claus; some of them sneak peaks under the Christmas tree throughout the night, some anxiously wait to see if the milk and cookies were eaten by Santa, and some spend the night fighting off sleep as they gaze out the window for a glimpse of Santa's sleigh. There is such innocence in their anticipation and the mystery that surrounds the arrival of Santa Claus. Oh, how I wish that we adults could anxiously await the arrival of the Christ Child with as much enthusiasm. This season especially, may you prepare well for the glory of Christmas otherwise the stress of this pandemic will attempt to steal your Christmas. Oh how we have longed for the arrival of a vaccine, and now that it is so close, ironically we are also experiencing the worst spread of the disease. *Oh come, oh come Covid-19 vaccine.* Almost certainly there will be imposed restrictions during the Christmas Season. Plan now for how your family will make it special - perhaps a Christmas to remember in the good sense. Once again, we have sent our parishioners the Advent Reflection books. Please use these reflections to keep yourself grounded and prayerful. Hopefully, you can set up an Advent Wreath in your home as another reminder that God always has a plan to save us.

Before the world began God had already decided to send his Son to us as our Lord and Savior - Emmanuel - God is with us. No virus can ever steal that from us!



The mission of St. Mary's Church is to continue the work of Jesus Christ through worship, education, stewardship and service.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOV 30 - DEC 6

- Monday: †William T. Campbell
- Tuesday: People of St. Augustin's
- Wednesday: †Benedetto Pastro
†Helen F. Carr
- Friday: †Michael Lowry
†Michael Shaughnessy
- Saturday: †Arlene Custy
- Sunday 8AM: People of St. Mary's
- Sunday 11AM: †Marilee Jordan



SATURDAY EVENING MASS TIME HAS CHANGED

During the Winter Months
Saturday Mass begins at 5:15PM

BRINGING JOY TO NURSING HOMES RESIDENTS

I spoke to three nursing homes representatives in our area and my heart was breaking during the conversations. I was told that residents must remain in their rooms and many are failing, not due to Covid-19, but due to loneliness and boredom. So, this year's **GIVING TREE** will be dedicated to ensuring that our local nursing home residents will share in the joys of Christmas. Consider adopting a resident and send a personalized Christmas card and a decoration for their room. Please also remember them in your prayers.

WEEK 1 • ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING PRAYER



Heavenly Father, we look forward to the celebration of Christmas and to the coming of the Lord in glory. Bless this Advent wreath and all of us. As we pray daily around it, fill us with your life and strengthen us for our daily tasks. [light the candle] Heavenly Father, as we begin this Advent, give light to our eyes and peace to our hearts. May the Lord find us watching and waiting in joy when He comes. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

**** Our 4:00PM Mass reached capacity the first week that the registration forms were available ****

We have posted the lists of the Masses on our website and in the breezeway. Many people signed up for the 4PM which filled up very quickly, so they may have been assigned to their second choice. Some did not list a second choice and so their names may not appear at all.

We will have your Admittance Ticket available in the breezeway only. Please bring it with you to Christmas Mass.



CALLING FIRST COMMUNION CLASS OF 2020

I am urging the parents of the children of the First Communion Class of 2020 to bring their child to any weekend Mass (dressed up if they purchased their outfit before the pandemic). Simply let me know ahead of time and we will have your child come forward to receive first, for all the church to witness. The threat of Covid-19 will continue well into 2021 but why put off to tomorrow what you could do today!

~ Fr. Kris



RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES WILL RESUME IN 2021

Parents have been inquiring as to when our Religious Ed classes will resume. We are still trying to fill the multifaceted position of Pastoral Associate; this person will re-establish our Religious Ed program which, for the 2021 Spring semester, will be based on the Sunday readings and will be parent-led at home. We will also host special virtual events. We know there is tremendous stress this year when it comes to your child's education. Thus, we have put our programs on hold to minimize your stress during this unique time in our lives.

Please continue to read the bulletin or visit our Website for current news about our program.

PLEASE DO NOT CONGREGATE AFTER MASS

During this huge nationwide spike we are being reminded not to congregate before or after Mass. And if you are feeling ill in any way you should not attend but rather watch online or on TV.

TOUR OUR CHURCH FROM YOUR HOME

People from all around the world come to tour our beautiful historic church and now, we who live next door are afraid to come inside. If you visit our website www.stmarynewport.org and click on the **TOUR OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH** box on the main page you can walk through our entire church... down the aisles, looking up and down, left and right... you can climb the steps of the altar and see the tabernacle up close... you can even visit the statues and huge wooden crucifix in the back sacristy!



ST. MARY'S ANNUAL COLLECTION

We are called to be stewards of our beautiful and historic church and school building. Repairs are constantly being made so that we do not experience any cataclysmic events. In today's world, nothing is inexpensive so we depend on the generosity of our parishioners. We hope you are proud of the work we do that ensures St. Mary's Church, Newport, a National Historic Place, will serve our community for generations to come.

Each registered Parishioner has received our Annual Parish Financial Report along with an envelope for the ANNUAL COLLECTION for Maintenance and Repairs. Please drop your donation off at Mass or send it to the office.

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ST. AUGUSTIN'S CHRISTMAS RAFFLE - DEC. 5TH

Please visit St. Augustin's website for information on their Christmas Raffle.

www.staugustinnewport.org

listed in the **Christmas Raffle** section.

There will be a Grand Raffle as well as gift baskets, lottery tickets, wreaths, gift certificates to stores, restaurants and more.

Prizes will be added right up to the day of the raffle on **December 5th**.



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