

Catholic Weymouth

Immaculate Conception Parish | 781-337-0380 | Saint Jerome Parish

Sunday, November 29, 2020

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Mass Times

Immaculate Conception

Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 9:00am
Tuesday, Thursday 9:00am

Saint Jerome

Sunday 7:30am, 10:30am and 5:00pm
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am

Confessions

Immaculate Conception
Saturday 3-3:45pm



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Be watchful! Be alert!
You do not know when
the time will come."
- Mk 13:33

MASS *Intentions*

Saturday, November 28

Katherine and Edward Bergin
Patrick Thewlis

Sunday, November 29

Dorothy and Walter Holden

Tuesday, December 1

William Meade

Thursday, December 3

Ann Greene

Saturday, December 5

Robert S. Molloy, 12th Anniversary
Catherine Trowbridge, Memorial

Sunday, December 6

Grisela Nee, 2nd Anniversary
Sarah Nee, 6th Anniversary

**Sunday, November 29**

Rosaleen Butterly, 1st Anniversary
Michael Kearney, 1st Anniversary
John J. Gill, Sr. 19th Anniversary

Monday, November 30

Scott Burke

Wednesday, December 2

Josephine McCoy, 12th Anniversary

Friday, December 4

Rev. Bernard Sullivan, 35th Anniversary
Rev. Gerard Dever, 23rd Anniversary

Sunday, December 6

Helen Crowley, 1st Anniversary
Leo Crowley, Memorial
Frank Szymczyk, 15th Anniversary
Agnes and Paul Joyce
Anna, Paul, Dorothy and Sandra Tolson
Stephen Tolson, 1st Anniversary

**WEDDING BANNS**

Kelsey Gallagher and Jason Goldman

Please Take Note as the Weather Changes

In order to increase air circulation in our Churches and to promote good health we will be opening windows and doors and also using fans (Saint Jerome) during all Masses. As the weather changes and becomes more seasonal, we encourage everyone to dress accordingly.



Tuesday, December 8, the **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed virgin Mary** a Holy Day. Mass will be celebrated at 7pm on Monday, December 7 at Saint Jerome and 9am on Tuesday, December 8 at Immaculate Conception. If you are not able to join us in person, please watch our live streamed Mass on Monday, at 7pm.

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Be Watchful and Vigilant

You are at the eye doctor and it's time for the peripheral vision test. You know the one. It's where you put your head up to a contraption and have to click a switch every time you see a squiggly line. If you don't concentrate and maintain optimal focus, you will miss them and skew the outcome of the test. You can easily find yourself with a diagnosis that really isn't accurate! Concentration and focus are key to succeeding with this evaluation. They are also key to developing a healthy, vibrant spiritual life. If we do not bring our full consciousness to the task, concentrate with all our might, be watchful and vigilant, we are not going to see God's loving presence flashing before our eyes!

That is why we need Advent. Let's face it. We can easily get distracted, focus on nonessential and superficial things and lose touch with what really matters. Our attentions wander. We daydream and even become a bit overwhelmed and tired. All of the stresses and demands of life consume us and we find ourselves constantly trying to play catch up rather than relishing the moment of the now. "Now" moments are so fleeting. They flash before us like those squiggly lines on a screen. Present moments go as quickly as they come but it is important to discover them and rest in them as often as we can. Though gone in a flash, these now moments of encounter with God teach powerful lessons and offer a grounding in truth that can be found nowhere else. It is the grace of Advent to become watchful and attentive because we are never sure when God will surprise us.

God loves surprises and love thrives on them! God's now moments of surprises come as tender instants of intimate connection where I find profound peace, experience joy, and rest in love. These are Advent times reflective of the now moments when Christ first was born, when God surprises us during every time we care to watch and when the great surprise of Christ's second coming dawns upon us all. But, to discover the grandeur and experience the awe of these now times, we have to be ready. We have to want to be there. We have to believe. And, we have to have the desire to soak in as much as we can in the time we have before us.

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CARING TREE AT SAINT JEROME PARISH



The Caring Tree is up at Saint Jerome Parish. Please take a tag and purchase the wished for gift which will be given to a patient at the Taunton State Hospital. Most of the requested gifts are for Gift Cards or sweatpants or hooded sweatshirts - they are always cold. We ask you to please return your UNWRAPPED gift in a bag with the tag attached by December 13. A committee of volunteers at the hospital will wrap your gift and bring it to the patient on Christmas morning. For some of these folks, it is the only gift they will receive at Christmas. The state provides for the patients, but when these gifts come in, these patients know they are loved and not forgotten. You are putting Christ into Christmas for them. We are now in our 40th year bringing gifts to the patients in our local State Hospitals at Christmas and we could not do this without your help. Thank you very much! Christmas blessings to all.

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH CATHOLIC WEYMOUTH

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24

Immaculate Conception Masses
4pm and 6pm

Saint Jerome Masses 3pm and 5pm

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25

Masses: Immaculate Conception - 9am

Saint Jerome - 10:30am

Please join us at one of our Christmas Masses

*If you are unable to join us in person, please
watch one of our live streamed Masses:*

Christmas Eve at 3pm

Christmas Day at 9am

on Catholic Weymouth facebook page

Forming in Faith...

CATHOLIC WEYMOUTH OFFERS MASS ONLINE AT FACEBOOK.COM

Please go to our website and watch Holy Mass in our own collaborative. Go to **catholicweymouth.org** and click on the **f** (found in the upper right) of the homepage. You do not need to have a facebook account to watch this Mass. If you do have facebook, search for and select Catholic Weymouth, then scroll down and click on the Mass. You may view this Mass live at 9am or at anytime once the Mass is over.

The Sunday, 9:00am Mass is live streamed each week.



SNOW AND CANCELLATION POLICY

It's that time of year again...time to get ready for winter and snow that will surely accompany it! If Weymouth Public Schools are cancelled, daily Mass, Youth Ministry and all other programs are cancelled. On weekends, if a state of emergency is declared by the governor, weekend Masses, Faith Formation and all other events are cancelled as well. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Winter in New England. Be Safe! This information will also be posted on our website.



Prayer Requests

Do you know of someone we should include in our prayers at the live streamed Mass on Sunday's? Please email your requests to office@catholicweymouth.org or call the parish office.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION GRADES 6-10 SUNDAYS

November 29 No Classes
December 6 Grade 8 - 4pm, Grade 10 - 6pm
December 13— Grade 6&7 - 4pm, Grade 9 - 6pm
December 20— Grade 8 - 4pm, Grade 10 - 6pm



NEW BABY? CONGRATULATIONS !

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for your child's Baptism. Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month at 1:30pm, alternating between parishes. Parents are asked to please keep in mind when choosing Godparents that they need to be Confirmed, practicing Catholics. In certain circumstances, if you have only one Godparent who is a Confirmed and practicing Catholic, your child's Baptism is also valid.

GRAND ANNUAL APPEAL

Sincere thanks to those who have already so graciously responded to our Grand Annual Appeal. We are extremely grateful for the generosity shown by so many. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated.

Appeal Results as of November 17, 2020

Immaculate Conception Parish: \$26,395

Saint Jerome Parish: \$33,735

May God bless you for your support.

If you did not receive a Grand Annual packet, and would like one, please email or call the parish office.

Financial Stewardship Offertory - November 22, 2020

*Immaculate Conception Online
Saint Jerome Online
(will be published next weekend)*

Sincere Thanks for your Generous Support

READINGS: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us up to our guilt. Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.

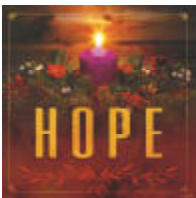
Responsorial Psalm: *Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.*

Second Reading: Brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel: Jesus said to his disciples: “Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: ‘Watch!’”



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Advent is a season of waiting and of preparing for the coming of Christ. As Jesus tells us in the Gospel today, “Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.” As preparation for Christmas has started to occupy your time and energy, make the effort to take ten minutes each day to turn your attention to Jesus. Ask yourself, what needs to change in order to make room for Christ in your life? Pray for the courage to grow closer to Jesus so that you can introduce him to others.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

The Immaculate Conception chapter of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society provides assistance to those in our parish community who are in need. The Society’s only source of revenue comes from you, our parishioners. Once each year, as we approach the holidays, we ask for your help so we may continue with this important ministry. We thank you for your generous support in the past and pray you will be able to continue during this holiday season. Please place your donation in a clearly marked envelope for Saint Vincent de Paul, Immaculate Conception Parish and place it in the offertory basket. We are so very grateful for your support.

SUICIDE HELPLINES

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