



ST. MARY CHURCH UXBRIDGE

WELCOME

If you are a visitor to our parish, we welcome you to our celebration of the Liturgy. Your presence blesses our gathering in prayer! We are also happy to welcome new people to our parish family. If you live in the area and would like to become a part of our parish community, please contact Sue Leighton in the Parish Office at 508-278-2226.

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OUR PURPOSE | To form disciples who joyfully live out the mission of Jesus Christ.



*THE SPIRIT OF THE
LORD IS UPON ME...
- LK 4:18*

3RD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Sunday Mass | 7:30, 9:00, 11:00am
Saturday Vigil Mass | 5:00pm
Weekday Mass | 7:00am (Mon.-Thurs.)
7:00am (On Civic Holidays)
Holyday Masses as announced



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JANUARY 23, 2022
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This Sunday's Readings:

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 4:00pm-4:45pm in the church and at other times by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The baptism of infants and children is celebrated monthly. A gathering of parents preparing for the baptism of their child is held periodically in the parish center. Please contact the parish office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should contact the Pastor one year prior to the wedding. A Program of preparation is required of all couples planning to marry in the church.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

If you wish to receive the Sacraments (Reconciliation, Anointing, Communion) at home or in the hospital, please contact a member of the pastoral staff.

R.C.I.A.

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Adults who are interested in becoming members of the Catholic Community are invited to contact the Parish Office.

THIS WEEK'S MUSICAL PRELUDES

"Thanks Be To Thee" by G.F. Handel (arr. by Hal H. Hopson)

"Fugue In A Major" by Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

"Wake, Awake, For Night Is Flying" (arr. by Johann Gottfried Walther)

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" (arr. by J.C. Bach)

TIME Talent TREASURE

January 16, 2022

Ordinary	\$ 3,762.18
Fuel and Energy	\$ 206.00
Renovations	\$ 20.00
First Offering	\$ 5.00
Candle & Altar	\$ 77.00
Sol. of Mary	\$ 5.00

Total | \$ 4,075.18

Thank you and may God bless you for your generous return to the Lord.

FIRST RECONCILIATION



Congratulations to our Second Grade Students (RE and OLV) who received their Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, 1/22. May God's love and grace continue to surround them.

IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the sick of our parish and others especially **(in alphabetical order)**: Lily Agostino, Theresa Aldrich, Greg Anacki, Agnes Anselmo, Leland C. Atanson, Frances Bachant, Gloria Baldor, Dcn. Joe Baniukiewicz, Sr., Linda Beaudouin, Yvette Beford, Michelle Beland, Maureen Bernard, Lucille Blair, Elizabeth Brennan, Dr. Ken Burgwin, Fr. Ron Calhoun, Deborah Carmichael, David Caron, Karen Ciepielowski, Anthony Clark, James Clark, Henry L. Cordero, Tim Costa, Bill Cote, Mary Cove, Lorraine Crawford, Morgan Creighton, Sr., Tim Crowley, Betty Cusson, Vickie Cusson, Elizabeth Cybulski, Cathy Davis, Janet Davis, Joe Deslouriers, Bill Doty, Connie Dwyer, Robbie East, Stephen Fearebay, Gus Fiore, Lisa Firth, Steven Forman, Daniel Gagnon, Carolyn Gariepy, Lisa Gariepy, John Garrity, Walter Gion, Paulette Girard, Debra Gniadek, Frances Gniadek, Sandra Goff, Donald Gordon, Bob Gray, Ron Griffin, Donna Hall, Philip Harcourt, Joan Hauge, Rick Hirko, Joseph Hoffman, Rose Hudon, Matthew Jackson, Don Jasmin, Sheila Jeziorski, Don & Madeleine Jolin, Malia Juszczyc, Jacquelyn Kleya, Alex Larsen, Kevin Larson, Artie Leary, Erlene LeBorgne, Michael & Laurie MacCarthy, Anna Majeau, Michelle Mashak, Marley Jean Martin, Lisa Martini, Josephine Mason, Lorna McWilliam, Jim Moro, Joan Mulligan, Michael T. Murphy, Pat O'Melia, Meagan Philip, Sharon Popham, Linda Poulin, "Mac" Quinn, Kenny Richards, Peter Rice, Sandra Robbins, Christin Sanchez, Angel Santos, Kairo Santiago, Mary Sather, George Shaheen, Jonathan A. Shaw, Carol Smith, Joan Smith, Justin Smith, Todd Smith, Carl Speight, Debbie Stafford, Jack Stafford, Elise Strickland, Frank & Alice Susskey, Shirley Tellier, Alan Titus, Maureen Tracy, Seth Updergraff, Ronald Valliere, Laura Wayland, Jeanette White, and all our service members serving away from home.

THE DECEASED

In the charity of your prayers, please pray for those who have died, Pauline Hollinger, and for all the victims of war and terrorism.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

In the charity of your prayers please pray for all those serving in the armed services, especially, Sgt. Michael St. Jean, Ashley Wallis, Ryan Carnell, Maj. Eric Calvey, Lt. Evan Depetrillo, Ens. Samuel P. Rose, Maj. Sean Cahill, Adam Lareau, Cpl. Trevor Benoit, Cpt. Justin Trimble, Sr. Airman Jacob Platt.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER CHAIN

If you wish to have a personal intention, please contact Donna Featherstone.



Sat., 01/22 St. Vincent of Zaragossa

Candle Intention: Leo Ethier, Sr.

For David Murray

by John & Carol Dugan

Sun., 01/23 The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM

For the People of St. Mary Parish

9:00AM

For Grace Rett

by the Staff at St. Mary Parish

For Paco Black

by Katia Contreras-Carlin

For Kiernan Joseph Kelly

by the Raffaele Russo Family

Mon., 01/24 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00AM

For Joe Liscinsky (1yr. Anniv.)

by Arlene Liscinsky

Tues., 01/25 St. Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

7:00AM

For the Silent Intentions of our Hearts

Wed., 01/26 Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

7:00AM

For the Silent Intentions of our Hearts

Thurs., 01/27 St. Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder

7:00AM

For the Silent Intentions of our Hearts

Sat., 01/29 The Blessed Virgin, Mary

Candle Intention: For the Healing of our Nation

For the Silent Intentions of our Hearts

Sun., 01/30 The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM

For the People of St. Mary Parish

9:00AM

For Fr. Dennis O'Brien

by the OLV Community

11:00AM

For Bob & Connie Beland


by Michelle Beland

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (NEHEMIAH 8:10) Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part—to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

UPCOMING *Events*

Your  was
already beating 24
days after conception

YOU HAD BEEN ALIVE AND GROWING
ALL THAT TIME

PRO-LIFE FOR KIDS: *STORIES FOR TEACHING THE SANCTITY OF LIFE*

Read ***Before You Were Born***, by Joan Lowery Nixon. The first line says, "Long before the rocks shook and pushed upward to become mountains, God dreamed of you." Teach that even though others believe that man was formed from nothing, the truth is that we were first formed in God's mind...even before our bodies were formed in our Mother's womb.

Read ***Horton Hears a Who***, by Dr. Seuss. The story is about an elephant named Horton who hears a noise and discovers there's a colony of "Who's" living in a dust speck. He rescues them and receives mocking from a kangaroo who thinks Horton is a fool for trying to save something that doesn't exist. One great line from this book says:

"Should I put this speck down? ... If I do, these small persons may come to great harm. I can't put it down. And I won't! After all, a person's a person. No matter how small."

Check out these activities!

<https://www.catholicicing.com/pro-life-craft-for-kids/>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE JANUARY

Sunday 1/23: 10—11:30 a.m.
Sunday, 1/30: 10—11:30 a.m.

CHOSEN

Students in our HS CHOSEN programs have class on the above dates from 5:00—6:30p.m.

The FATHER DENNIS J. O'BRIEN ACADEMIC WING at THE G.R.A.C.E. CENTER

Since the passing of Fr. Dennis O'Brien, friends, students, and former parishioners have sought to memorialize him in a very special way. We have begun raising funds to name the academic wing of The Grace Rett Athletic Complex and Education Center at Our Lady of the Valley School in Uxbridge in honor of Father Dennis J. O'Brien. The G.R.A.C.E. Center includes a high-school sized gymnasium, two classrooms that will house a middle school academy, a concessions area, lobby, and restrooms. Grace Rett tragically passed in January 2020 one day after her twentieth birthday in a motor vehicle accident in Florida while training with the members of her rowing team from the College of the Holy Cross. Fr. O'Brien was greatly affected by Grace's passing and the depth of her faith. He would often visit her grave site to pray for strength and intercession whenever faced with a difficult challenge. Like so many, he found courage and conviction through the story of Grace.

Anyone who wishes to participate in this effort by making a gift to the Father Dennis J. O'Brien Academic Wing at The G.R.A.C.E. Center can do so either online at www.gracetothefinish.com/father-ob or by check made payable to Our Lady of the Valley School, 75 Mendon Street, Uxbridge, Massachusetts 01569. Donations of \$5,000 or more will be recognized with a name plaque in the Fr. O'Brien Wing.



ST. MARY ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT

Rescheduled to:
February 12, 2022
6:30pm
Parish Hall



Hosted by our very
own Fr. Nick.

\$10.00 per ticket—BYOB and snacks!!
Reserve a table or join a table!!

Tickets available beginning January 9 in the parish office!

Phone call reservations accepted any-time. Call 508-278-2226..

ON-GOING GRIEF SUPPORT

On-going grief support will be held once a month on Fridays in the parish hall from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. Linda Small and Mary Ellen Bartlett from the Grieving with Great Hope Ministry will be facilitating. These gatherings will be prayerful, rooted in Christ, and will utilize the GWGH seven intentions of mourning. This is an opportunity for fellowship and support. Our next gathering is on February 11th. All are welcome.

PRAYER FOR PARISH RENEWAL

For the Month of January, please pray for St. Thomas Aquinas' intercession that the Holy Spirit will guide the Parish Renewal process. Amen.

OLV OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES

Our Lady of the Valley Regional School at 75 Mendon Street, Uxbridge MA will be holding an Open House for prospective students and their families this Sunday, Jan. 23rd from noon until 2:00p.m. All are welcome to tour the main building and newly constructed G.R.A.C.E. Center and to meet teachers, staff, parents, and students.

Our Lady of the Valley Regional School is an outstanding elementary school and middle school academy accepting qualified students in PreK through Grade Eight. Our Lady of the Valley offers a faith based, academically rigorous Catholic school experience to dedicated students and their families.

Please visit us on January 23rd or at ourladyofthevalleyregional.com. Our Lady of the Valley is a remarkable school where every student learns that they are: Loved at home. Loved at school. Loved by God

Light *of the World*

This year for Lent, do something that will **CHANGE YOUR LIFE**. Come to the **LOTW retreat on March 4-7, 2022**, a parish-based, in-house, evangelization process. When you attend the LOTW retreat, you will learn what the clear message of the Gospel means to you and how you can move ahead in your journey of faith. There is no fee to come.

Scan the QR Code for more information or call the parish office at 508-278-2226.



Thank You

Many, many thanks to all who so generously contributed to our collection of clothing and other items for the needy and the homeless in our area. We collected 3 full trucks of donations-over 100 winter coats, at least 200 pairs of winter socks and another 100 pairs of regular socks. Hand warmers, feet warmers, various toiletry items were also among the donations. You have made a big difference in the lives of those who received these, and have relieved a lot of their anxiety concerning how they were going to keep their families and themselves warm this winter. Thank you, thank you, thank you! As the needs are ongoing, we are leaving the donation boxes at the entrances of the Church. Thank you again!



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HELP FOR THOSE HURTING FROM ABORTION

It is normal to grieve the loss of a pregnancy, including those lost by abortion. You may unexpectedly be feeling alone and empty. Fortunately, Project Rachel helps those who are hurting. Please visit: hopeafterabortion.com to seek compassionate help and healing.

G.R.A.C.E. Center Officially Opens.

With the sun breaking through the cloudy skies, and a rainbow smiling through, the Grace Rett Athletic Complex and Education Center was officially opened on Sunday, 1/16/22.



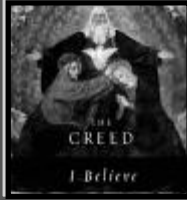
Thank you to everyone who contributed to this great cause.

Beautiful addition to our ever growing campus.



COMMUNITY & PRAYER

MONDAY



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

01/24/2022 6:30-8:00pm, Parish Center

Bishop Robert Barron guides viewers into the depths of the Nicene Creed, a fourth-century statement of faith that has profoundly influenced both Eastern and Western spirituality, theology, and liturgy.

TUESDAY



The SVdP Monthly Meeting
Full Members (on ZOOM)
7:00PM in the Parish Hall/Conf. Room
01/25/2022

WEDNESDAY



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Continues on Wednesdays
The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will open Adoration at 3:00pm.
Benediction will take place at 6:00pm. All are Welcome.

THURSDAY



WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study meets on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm-8:15pm in the St. Mary Parish Conference Room. The Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday are explored through discussion and historical reference. The study ends with Bishop Robert Barron's homily for the Gospel.



RESPECT LIFE

The Respect Life Committee will be participating in the 9-Days for Life by sponsoring the Novena-for-Life from January 19-27, 2022.

END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO PARISHIONERS

Statements of financial contributions to Saint Mary Parish for 2021 will be mailed to parishioners by the end of this month. The statements reflect contributions made to Saint Mary Parish through the weekly offertory envelopes, E-Catholic contributions, the direct deposit method (ACH), or by mailed checks. These annual statements are important for the following reasons:

The financial stewardship of our parishioners ought to be acknowledged. Our finances are sustained through the generous stewardship of our parishioners only. Contrary to what some believe, St. Mary's receives no subsidies or grants from the Diocese or outside agencies. All our expenses, from utilities to religious education for children, to health insurance for our employees, are met through the generosity of our parishioners. We are grateful to all who call Saint Mary's their parish, and do their part to sustain it.

It is important that our accounting be accurate and correct. Everyone who contributes to the parish ought to be able to rest assured that their contribution is accurately accounted for in a timely manner. If there is a discrepancy between what you believe you have contributed in a verifiable way (envelopes, direct-deposit), and what we have recorded, we want to know about it and rectify the discrepancy.

The IRS and tax deductions for charitable contributions. Regulations regarding deductions for church and charitable contributions have changed over the past few years. Revised IRS regulations mandate organizations to indicate contributions on their own letterhead. Cancelled checks are no longer acceptable proof of contribution, according to new guidelines. The financial statement mailed to you complies with IRS guidelines.

We realize that some parishioners prefer to simply place an anonymous cash gift in the offertory basket. We certainly respect their decision to do so and deeply appreciate their goodness to the parish. However, such gifts obviously cannot be acknowledged nor can statements be provided for tax purposes. For the sake of accuracy, transparency, and accountability, I would encourage everyone to consider using either the envelope, direct-deposit or webdirect methods.



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