

# HOLY NAME PARISH

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Name Parish is a family of believers aware of the saving power of the Holy Name of Jesus and the protection of the Mother of God. We are guided in our life's journey by the wisdom of the Scriptures, the leadership of the Holy Father, the teachings of the Church, and nourished by the strength of the sacraments. Our concern about the needs of all our family members is deep and sincere, especially about the formation of youth. All this requires the effective cooperation of all members with the blessings of God.

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**Weekend Mass** Saturday 4:00pm upstairs; Sunday 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am upstairs

**Daily Mass** Tuesday and Thursday 8:00am upstairs

**Baptism** Visit website and email to make arrangements.

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### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Holy Name Mondays 4:00-5:00pm**  
Use the ramp entrance

**St. John Chrysostom Thursdays 5:00-5:30pm**  
Use main door of Church/Washington Street

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*Father George Evans*

The hospital provides patients, their family and friends and hospital staff with emotional, spiritual and religious support. The department's staff consists of two interfaith chaplains who will assess and respond to any religious or spiritual need.

There is a priest (not a priest assigned to our parishes) who serves at the hospital for approximately 20 hours a week, and that time is spread over a few days of the week and only during daytime hours. Working with these paid staff members are some dedicated volunteer Eucharistic ministers and field-education students from area seminaries and theology schools. A rabbi is on-call for emergency needs of Jewish patients. An interfaith chapel is open around the clock, every day. It is located near the 3rd floor entrance. It offers quiet prayer and reflection, as well as the availability of religious texts, resource materials and a prayer book where prayer intentions can be written.

Here is how the service to the Faulkner's patients especially affects and involves our area's parish clergy. Each priest assigned to the parishes of Jamaica Plain, Roslindale and West Roxbury (7 parishes, and currently 7 priests) is assigned to be on-call to celebrate Anointing of the Sick with patients who are actively dying. We back up the priest who serves for 20 hours a week, and we go for emergencies during the many hours when he is not there, when people cannot wait for the next time he would be onsite. He visits people who want to speak with a priest or go to confession; we go to the very seriously ill when he is not there. For us parish priests, the assignment is always for a 24-hour period from 8:00am on one day to 8:00am on the next. On average, each priest is assigned, according to



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a devised schedule, for 4 or 5 non-consecutive days a month. The scheduling of the priests is done to accommodate some special needs in the different parishes, including respect for each priest's weekly days off. On some days when we are assigned, it happens that we don't get called to the hospital at all. On many days we do get called, and it has happened rarely that we are called more than once during an assigned day.

If you or someone close to you is admitted to the hospital, try to be sure that the religion is noted as Catholic at the time of admission. That usually leads to the patient being included on lists of those who receive the opportunity to be visited and to go to Holy Communion. When people enter the hospital as emergency cases, sometimes it is not the case that the religion gets filled in on their form.

I always like to remind people, when we speak of care for the sick, that the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is for those who are ill and not just for the dying. It brings God's love and healing care. In it we are not shy about praying for physical recovery but also for the spiritual well-being of the recipient of this sacrament. Since sacraments are meant to be celebrated well and to be opportunities for their recipients' conscious participation, when someone is in danger of death it is good to call the priest to come on the early side of their decline. If possible, don't wait until the last days in the patient's life. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, when possible, can be received together with the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.

*AND IT IS IN DYING THAT WE ARE BORN TO  
ETERNAL LIFE...*

*FRANCIS OF ASSISI*

*Daniel Gillespie,*

*husband of Ann Marie Gillespie*



### 2021 Parish Christian Service Opportunities

#### January

Coat and Blanket Drive  
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by the Youth Service Project

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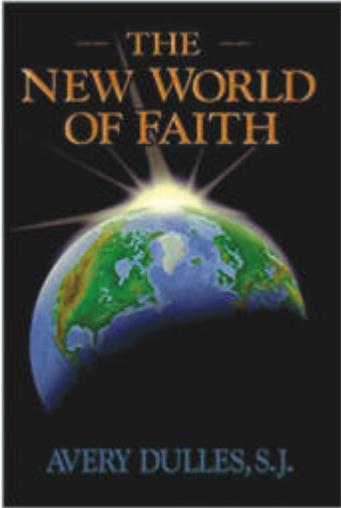
**The Saints of the Glass Windows** Father Evans, has prepared short video profiles, each of the 35 saints depicted on the beautiful windows. Father Evans locates every saint in time and place, provides some information on the life story, comments on the symbols included in the saint's depiction, suggests what can inspire us, and offers a brief prayer to that holy one. Visit [holynameparish.com](http://holynameparish.com) and click on the banner.

Thomas Aquinas      January 28

Gabriel Possenti      February 27

Patrick      March 17

## An Online 6-week Lenten Book Discussion



The New World of Faith, a book by the late Cardinal Avery Dulles, will be the focus of a series of 6 weekly 1-hour Zoom sessions led by Father George Evans (frevans@holynameparish.com). Cardinal Dulles, a convert to Catholicism, was a prolific Jesuit author, and a longtime professor of theology. Fr. Evans was his student at The Catholic University of America.

In 156 pages, Cardinal Dulles lucidly presents an overview of the essential teachings of Catholicism. He wrote the book for thinking readers who are not necessarily expert in theology, including any seeking greater depth of Catholic faith. Dulles helps readers savor the wonderful achievement of the Second Vatican Council. He also defends disputed Church teachings, but his tone is hopeful, respectful. His language is precise and engaging.

The Presbyterian-born Dulles, after entering an agnostic phase as he began at Harvard, experienced a profound conversion. In his own words: “I was desperate for enlightenment about whether there was anything worth living or dying for.... The more I examined, the more I was impressed with the consistency and sublimity of Catholic doctrine.” By way of invitation to prospective readers, Dulles observed: “Everything in my life has confirmed the rightness of that decision.”

At each Zoom session, Father Evans will first offer a short summary of the 25-28 pages that all will have read. Then participants can share thoughts and raise pertinent questions concerning the allotted reading’s content. Together the group can connect the book’s insights to Catholic life and worship. Toward each session’s end there will be a brief preview of the next meeting’s chapters as well as tips for approaching them.

The sessions will be for the 6 Sundays of Lent (February 21 and 28//March 7, 14, 21 and 28) at 7:45-8:45pm. The format for each will be presentation/discussion of 2 chapters. Reading the designated pages in advance of each session is essential.

The New World of Faith is available, used or new, through online bookstores.

Free registration for the Zoom series needs to be arranged by February 15, email: frevans@holynameparish.com.

### Prayer for the Respect of All Human Life

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the Social Justice Projects

Families are welcome.

Wednesday, January 27, 7:00-7:30pm on Zoom

We will be praying for all human life—from the minute of conception to the natural end of eternal life.

If you have one, bring a rosary.

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to participate and for Zoom link

MASS INTENTIONS		
JANUARY 23 & 24		
SAT	4:00pm	Paul Fahey & Family
SUN	7:00am	Maria Forshaw Fletcher
	9:00am	Maryann Mulligan
	11:00am	Howard Russell
JANUARY 26 & 28		
TUE	8:00am	Heal those with Covid. God have mercy and forgive us our sins.
THU	8:00am	Patrick Joyce
JANUARY 30 & 31		
SAT	4:00pm	Sally O'Malley
SUN	7:00am	Joseph & Emery Visconti
	9:00am	Margaret, John and Torbert Prior & Family
	11:00am	Rita & Joseph Kenneally



**Why?** Several years ago Kathy and I went on vacation with our daughter and her family. They invited us to stay with them in a house on the west side of the Big Island, Ha-

waii. While we were there the lava from the volcano across the island had begun to flow through lava tubes shooting into the ocean. Then I read about a new boat tour to look at the lava flow up close. My wife deferred but I booked a seat. We launched from a parking lot and traveled down the coast for about ten miles. Off in the distance we could see a cloud of steam rising from the water. When we got closer we could see a red stream of hot lava (1,800 degrees Fahrenheit) shooting out of a vent in the side of the cliff into the water. When we got to 100 yards from the shooting lava we could smell the sulfur and gas and feel the heat from the lava. I was amazed at the scene. We were so close to that awesome power I was a little afraid. It took me a few days to process the trip and what I witnessed but today I know I saw creation, the creation of the earth, in progress. Creation is continuing.

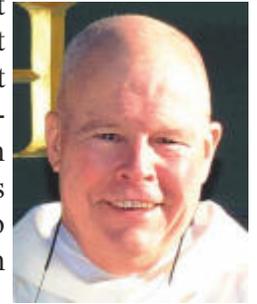
In our Gospel today, we witness Jesus recruiting his team. He calls out to Simon and Andrew and James and John. Come follow me. Why did they go? What was in their mind to just leave their families and careers behind—just up and leave and follow this man that they barely knew? Think about it. What if you were home from college working in your yard and a man came by and asked you to join him. He might have said don't worry about anything, just come along, it will be ok. We would think he was very strange.

Why did they go? Let's leave the apostles for a minute and talk about us, you and me. Why are we listening to the Gospel today? What draws us to listen to stories that are 2,000 years old? What is the connection of us to the stories or to the story teller, Jesus Christ?

I don't think we are just born and left to do whatever we want whenever we want. I don't think we are just random people without any particular purpose or initiative or direction. Each one of us was created by God in His image and likeness to love Him and to serve Him by serving others.

Each one of us is part His creation; creation is not over, it continues. Just like the lava flowing from the volcano into the ocean, each one of us is a continuing creation of God, growing, learning and working to find our place in His creation so we can do our part. The apostles were part of this creation story, too. They were inspired by Jesus' presence and the Holy Spirit, an inner awareness tugged at them telling them that they had a role to play in the world.

As we think and pray on that idea, the idea that the apostles were called to help Jesus in his work to shape the direction of the continuing creation of the world. We can also reflect on the fact that each one of us is an important part of God's work. The work is not done. The work continues, and Jesus needs all of us to do our part in all the little things and big things we do every day on our journey to make the world a better place in our lifetime and to join Him in eternity someday.



*Deacon Tim Donohue*



**YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT**

*Juniors and Seniors Alpha for Youth*  
Sundays, 8:15-9:15pm, Zoom  
Come and See Session  
1/31, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14,  
3/21, 3/28, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25

Alpha is an opportunity to gather, connect, have fun and explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, nonjudgmental environment.  
Check it out and see for yourself!

*Delivering Coats in Boston*  
We will be delivering coats, blankets and socks in downtown Boston to those in need.  
Saturday, February 6, after the 4:00pm Mass  
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*Lenten Friday Morning Prayer*  
Every Friday Morning during Lent  
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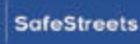
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