



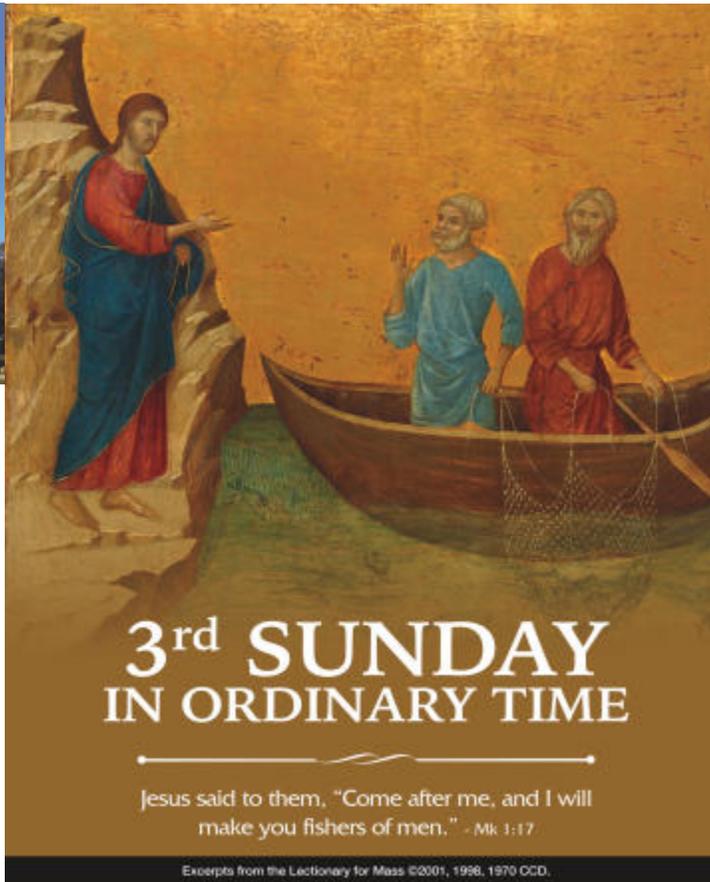
St. Patrick's Parish

82 High Street
Wareham

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil, 4pm
Sunday 8am, 10am, & 12pm
(10am live streamed)

Reconciliation Saturday 8:30-9am in the Parish Hall or by appointment



St. Anthony Chapel

35 Gault Road
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Mass Time

Sunday 9am

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Daily Mass Times

St. Patrick's
Daily Mass Monday—Saturday 8am

Mass Scheduling—Currently we are booking masses up to three months in advance. The mass stipend is \$10, preferably due at the time of scheduling your mass. The mass book is now open through April. Please consider having your loved one remembered at St. Patrick's.

Call the Rectory, 508-295-2411, if you have homebound parishioners who would like to receive the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick. **UNDER CORONAVIRUS RESTRICTIONS, We are limited to visits to nursing homes, Tobey Hospital, and parishioner homes unless it is to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. We will continue to say prayers for those we cannot visit.**



Eucharistic Adoration—Eucharistic Adoration is a powerful means of asking our Lord's intercession. Have absolute confidence and trust in the power of His love to bring peace to all. Adoration is **7 days a week, 24 hours a day!** Adoration is in the Prayer Chapel in the basement of the Parish Hall.

Healing Service—Every First Thursday at 6:30pm in the Church.

Are You Registered?—If you do not receive mailings from the parish, it means you are not registered. If you are new, we welcome you! Please stop by the parish office to fill out a registration form! If you have moved, married, or made changes, please notify us so we can make the appropriate changes.

Address Changes—If you have moved or changed your address or phone number for any reason, please notify the Parish Office so our records are updated.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)—Are you an adult looking to become a Roman Catholic? Or wish to complete your sacraments of initiation? We are happy to accompany you along this faith journey. Please contact Deacon David in the Faith Formation Office at 508-295-0780 or email davidmurphy@stpatrickswareham.org for more information.

Marriage—If you are interested in the Sacrament of Marriage, please contact the Parish Office and speak to Fr. Antonio at least six months prior to the wedding.

Baptism—please contact the Parish Office. Baptisms are held during masses on the third weekend of each month or privately. Any child 7 or older cannot be baptized in the same manner as a baby. This must be addressed at your meeting. Currently due to Covid 19, all baptisms are held outside of mass.

Divorced Ministry—Divorced Support Group meets the third Sunday of every month at 4pm in the Parish Hall.

Mass Intentions

ST. PATRICK: Week of January 24

SAT 4pm Robert Anderson
SUN 8am For the People of Our Parish
10am Paul Anthony Frangos
12pm Mary Montrond
MON 8am Claire Tolan
TUE 8am St. Jude
WED 8am Mary Eleanor Critch
THU 8am David Bradley
FRI 8am St. Jude
SAT 8am

NEXT WEEKEND: Week of January 31

SAT 4pm John Sanford
SUN 8am Mary Roos
10am Anibal and Dina Cosquete and Family
12pm Manuel Valadao

ST. ANTHONY: Week of January 24

SUN 9am William and Marie Costa
NEXT WEEKEND: Week of January 31
SUN 9am For the People of Our Parish

Stewardship Report

Third of Ordinary Time—There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples—Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus immediately, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow workers. To what is Jesus calling me—at this moment, in these circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

Sunday, January 17

Cash	\$ 1,786.00
Checks	\$ 1,436.00
Mail ins	\$ 3,086.00
Total	\$ 6,308.00

Prayer

O my God, fill my soul with holy joy, courage and strength to serve You.
 Enkindle Your love in me and then walk with me along the next stretch of road before me.
 I do not see very far ahead, but when I have arrived where the horizon now closes down,
 A new prospect will open before me, and I shall meet with peace.

Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Gospel Reflection for the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 24, 2021

Human beings seem to be hardwired to want to know what's going to happen next. This is how dramas and reality television can grip us so tightly — we simply *have* to stick around and watch the rest to see what's going to happen. I find my own children sometimes asking, "So what are we going to do today, Mommy?" even though we have a fairly simple and consistent schedule each week. There seems to be a thirst to feel just a little bit in control by knowing what's coming next. I remember feeling this whenever we moved to a new city as a military family, navigating unfamiliar roads. My phone's GPS was never far from my hand as I drove, needing to know which turn to take next to feel comfortable driving in a new place.

The readings today call us to something radically different. In the first reading God calls Jonah, but what is striking is that the call seems to imply that Jonah isn't given all the information right away. "Set out for the great city of Nineveh and announce to it the message that I will tell you." God doesn't say, "Announce the message I've already mapped out for you word by word so you can say yes, fully knowing every turn this journey will take." God simply says that He will tell him. So, even if it was brief, there is a sense that Jonah had a moment of just having to trust God and taking Him at His word, not knowing what would come next.

What would it be like in Nineveh? How long would it take the people to turn back to God? However, this wasn't what Jonah needed to do or know to fulfill God's plan. He simply needed to act. He just needed to say yes and move forward with trust.

In the gospel we hear the call of the Apostles, which take on this same tone. Jesus beckons them to simply follow him. This call doesn't come after a long convincing discourse on how following him will practically take place. There are no lists of steps they need to complete before they can officially be his Apostles. The roads they will end up traveling with the Lord are unknown to them, and that isn't the point. The point is that they are called by God, and in that moment, they have a decision to trust the one who is calling them, or to hesitate and feel the need to be in control and know exactly which way this "yes" will take them.

In both readings there is another worldly response by the prophet and Apostles. Rather than following a base gut reaction to want to know all the details and what would come next, they boldly follow the call of God and trust that He would take care of the rest. This is the same call that Jesus is asking of us today. Will we trust God in what He sends us, or will we try to control everything?

St. Paul gives us the encouragement we need to decide in the second reading. "The time is running out." His admonition is urgent, reminding us that deciding to follow Jesus isn't something we calculate and plan every detail before acting on, like other things in life. It's a call we respond to with trust and faith because God is good and only desires our good. The world we live in is not stable. It will not satisfy the deepest longings of our hearts. It will not provide us with what our souls need to live. Jesus is saying to you and to me, "Come, follow me." It is up to us to let go of our inclination to maintain control of every little bit of how our lives will unfold. God is trustworthy and true, and when He calls us, He will provide all the means necessary for our happiness and holiness. Let's be bold like the examples in the readings this weekend. Jesus is calling to us right now, today! Let's answer that call by whatever form it comes. It could be to put down the phone during meals and be present to family. It might be to stop making excuses and help serve at the soup kitchen downtown. Maybe it's to finally confess that really difficult sin that we've been struggling with. Or maybe it's reaching out to a person who looks lonely. Whatever it is, big or small, let us have the courage to let go of our own plans and simply act by responding to Jesus' call, "Come, follow me" with deep trust in our unfathomably loving God.

Angie Windnagle

Mass Guidelines—There are several limitations in place: masks must be worn and there is social distancing in place. Communion will only be given in the hand, gloves removed. A limited amount of people will be allowed in the church to allow for social distancing. If you are not comfortable coming to mass in the church, please stay home. There is a dispensation in place where you are not obligated to attend. The church will be open 20 minutes prior to mass beginning. Please enter by the **front doors** and **exit on the sides**.

Receiving Communion—Please remember that when receiving Communion come to the center aisle **ONLY** making one single line. Keep your mask on until close to the priest or deacon. The priest will be distributing communion at the Altar (Sanctuary section) and the Deacon by the baptismal font. Do not try to come to communion by the side aisles! After you have received, return to your pew by the side aisles. Mass will continue as normal. To be safe, remember (1)keep your mask on, (2)keep safe distance, (3)avoid crowds and (4)wash hands frequently.

Parish Collection—Collection baskets will remain on the altar and front door. We appreciate your generosity and ask you to place your donation into the basket before you leave the Church. In these difficult economic times, no gift is too small and every gift is sincerely appreciated. Please accept our humble gratitude.

Covid Social Distancing Guidelines—Please remember both before mass, and especially after mass, to not gather by the doors of the church so people can get by—for both inside the church and outside. Also, please do not stand on the altar and talk. Masks should be worn and we need to remember that we **MUST** social distance so our beautiful church does not have to close due to spikes of Corona Virus.

Online Bereavement Support—Due to Covid 19, live sessions are not allowed. Currently online sessions are offered on Tuesdays, either at 4:30 or 7pm. 4:30pm register in advance for this meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461212693>; 7pm <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461212693>. After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing info to join the meeting. One-on-one sessions can be arranged at 508-678-2828 or 508-642-0583 or rsaraiva@dfrcs.org or rosemarysaraiva@gmail.com.

Covid Restrictions—Please remember to sign in at the entrance when you attend mass. Sign up is for contact tracing in the event someone is positive for Coronavirus. Write your first and last name and phone number and write as clearly as you can. Also, Please **enter via the front doors of the church only**. The only exception to this would be if you need to use the handicap entrance. Please be considerate to all others attending masses! After mass, please exit via the side doors and go directly to your car. Do not stay in the church or near the outside exits and talk making it difficult for people to exit or follow social distancing.

Feast of St. Blaise—is on Wednesday, February 3. Normally throats are blessed using two candles which are crossed. This year because of Covid, only a general blessing of the throats will be given at mass during the daily mass on Wednesday, February 3, at 8am.

Ash Wednesday—Masses will be held at 8am, 12:05pm, and 7pm. More information will follow as it gets closer. However, due to Covid, ashes cannot be placed on the forehead of each person. This year ashes will be **sprinkled** onto each forehead as the person comes forward. Masks are to be worn at all times.

Assessment Collection—Continues on the fourth Sunday of each month. **January 24** is our next collection for the Assessment. Please be as generous as your circumstances allow. Thank you for sharing your treasure.

Sanctuary Lamp—If you would like to have the Sanctuary Candle lit in someone's memory, please contact the parish office. The Sanctuary Lamp this week is in memory of Pearl Lutoff Isner.

Live-Streamed Mass—Every Sunday our 10am mass will be live streamed on our Facebook site and on YouTube. To access YouTube, follow this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAgbkRTUAYKJHuZd2AJUfsw> or Search St. Patrick's Wareham Mass and click at logo of St. Patrick Church.

Christmas Flower Memorials

Charles Barros, Pepe', Dana, Charles, Lorretta, Ralph, Sr., McDonnell and DelGrande Family, Vera and Ray Brien

Adult Confirmation—Online sessions for those wishing to be confirmed 18 years of age and older begin February 18. A registration fee of \$45 will be payable to the Office of Faith Formation. These sessions are run by the Diocese. All interested should meet with their pastor prior to registering. More information will be provided if you are interested and have registered. Please contact the Parish Office at 508-295-2411.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED
Question: Do Catholics always need to receive communion in wafer form, or can it be different kinds of bread?
Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the most common form for the eucharistic bread is the small white communion "wafer" that is a ubiquitous part of the Catholic Mass. The instructions of the Church have been very specific regarding the make-up of the bread used in the Mass: "The bread used in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharistic Sacrifice must be unleavened, purely of wheat, and recently made ... it follows therefore that bread made from another substance, even if it is grain, or if it is mixed with another substance different from wheat to such an extent that it would not commonly be considered wheat bread, does not constitute valid matter for confecting the Sacrifice and the Eucharistic Sacrament" (see *Redemptionis Sacramentum* by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, no. 48).

The Church's tradition of using a wheat-based bread is based on the bread that Jesus would have used at the Last Supper and is considered to be an essential part of the "matter" of the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

As we consider the question of whether a "wafer" — which is properly called a "host" — should be used, we also must keep in mind that in the Eastern Rites of the Catholic Church, leavened (i.e. "raised") bread is more often used. And so, while the thin, white "wafer" is most commonly used in the Roman Rite of the Church, the full expression of the Catholic tradition does allow for a more substantial form of bread to be used, but the tradition of using a simple wheat bread with no other additions or additives is considered essential.





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