



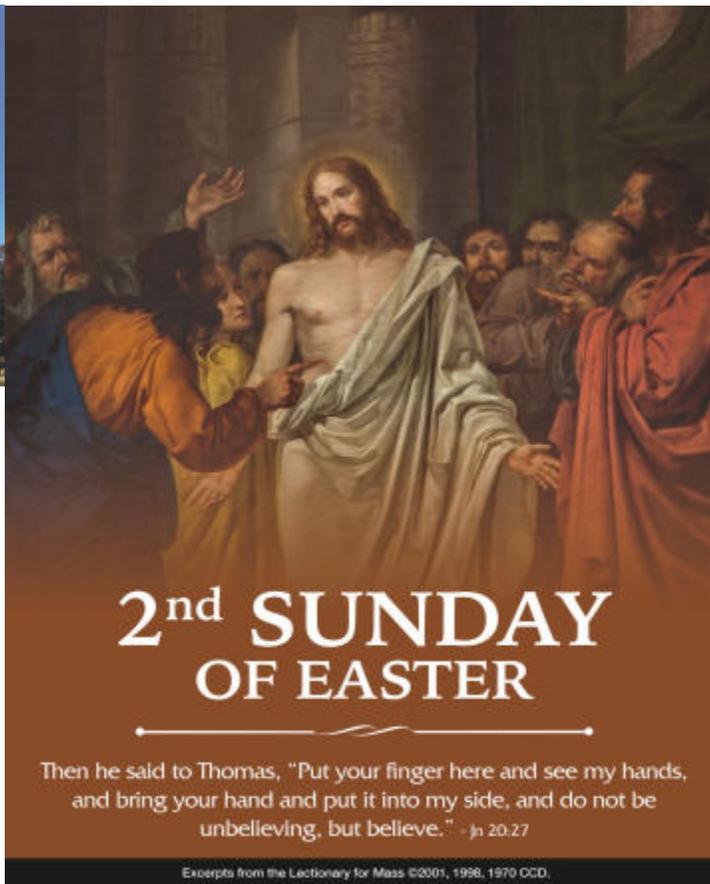
St. Patrick's Parish

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

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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 July. 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 April 11
SAT 4pm Avelino Silva
SUN 8am Cornelius and Sarah Connors
10am John Mullen
12pm Alva Motto
MON 8am Adeline Fernandes
TUE 8am Ashley Filkins
WED 8am Lois Spang
THU 8am For the Intentions of Mary Morrow and Family
FRI 8am In Honor of St. Jude
SAT 8am Julio A. Folchi
NEXT WEEKEND: Week of April 18
SAT 4pm For the People of Our Parish
SUN 8am Dorothy Walford
10am June Lynch and Kathy Ramsay
12pm For Deceased members of the Sullivan Family
ST. ANTHONY: Week of April 11
SUN 9am For the People of Our Parish
NEXT WEEKEND: Week of April 8
SUN 9am Almon Westgate

Gospel Reflection for Divine Mercy Sunday

Blessed Are The Believers

April 11, 2021

St. John, known as the Evangelist, wrote to inspire the faith of others. In this Divine Mercy Sunday's Gospel, John presents two encounters of the Apostle Thomas coming to embrace the Good News and believe. Turning to John 20:24-29, let us put ourselves into the Scripture, remembering we have all experienced "doubting-Thomas" moments.

"Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came."

Now, (insert your name here), one of the 1.2 billion was also not with them when Jesus came.

"So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord."

So many others have told of their profound experiences with Christ and how they have seen him working in their lives.

"But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

What is your *unless*? Unless Jesus removes this difficulty, fixes my finances, heals my loved one, eases my anxiety, or slows my aging, I will not believe. Where do you experience these Thomas moments when you so desperately want to believe but struggle to embrace what you cannot see? Moments when you are unable to rely on the witness of others to secure your heart in the truth.

"Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them."

A week, eight days, the number associated with the Resurrection and joy. It is in this incredible encounter Thomas would come to see and believe for himself.

"Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here, and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.'"

Jesus offers Thomas an experience of the senses to see his hands, touch the wounds, hear Jesus' voice calling him to leave doubt behind and trust. At that moment with Jesus, he can finally pronounce a prayer of acknowledgment and adoration with the words, "My Lord and my God!"

Don't be faithless; Jesus says these same words to us. Come closer and put behind your fear and doubts, lean into his grace and mercy, and believe. Uttering out as a prayer the words of the father of the stricken boy in Mark 9:14-29, "I do believe, help my unbelief!"

"Faith is a gift of God, a supernatural virtue infused by him" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 153). A virtue of being certain without needing visible proof. One of the Cardinal Virtues, the others being hope and love. We know love is the greatest because when it is our time to stand before Jesus, we will no longer need faith or hope, but only love will remain. On this side of heaven, faith is essential, and God has provided each the exact amount they need. Our senses are engaged to help us see and believe through participation in the Sacraments of the Catholic Church.

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

"Blessed," according to the Didache Bible (Ignatius Press, p 1745), refers to ultimate happiness or a person in God's grace. We who believe are those of whom Jesus spoke. We are the blessed who do not see yet believe. What a glorious place to be — standing in the grace of God. To proclaim, my Lord and my God, as a true testament of faith. To no longer be faithless but believing. *Allison Gingras*

Stewardship Report

Divine Mercy Sunday—The Christian community described in Acts understood and practiced total stewardship. St. Paul reports that the believers did not claim anything as their own, but held everything in common, and distributed to each whatever was needed.

Sunday, April 4

Cash	\$ 1,931.00
Checks	\$ 3,165.00
Mail ins	\$ 2,559.00
Total	\$ 7,655.00

Prayer

My Lord and my God,
 help me to see with eyes of faith,
 so to shed all my doubts and be believing.
 May the overflowing mercy of this day
 renew and fortify my faith, hope, and love.

Readings for the week of April 11, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48



Mass Guidelines—masks must be worn and there is social distancing in place. Communion will only be given in the hand, gloves removed. 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. Communion will be distributed at the Altar (Sanctuary section) 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.

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.

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.

Covid Restrictions—Please remember to sign in at the entrance when you attend mass. 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.

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.

Secular Franciscans—The Secular Franciscan meeting will be held Monday, April 12, at 6:00pm in the parish hall. Social distancing and mask wearing regulations are expected to be followed. All are welcome!

Martha Ministry—We are looking for a few new people to help clean the altar during the week. This would be only once a month and at your convenience. If you are interested, please contact either the Parish Office or Janet Kowzic at 508-295-4758.

St. Patrick's Food Pantry—Stop & Shop has a new program called **Bloomin' 4 Good**, that works to fight hunger in our local communities. In this program, every \$9.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet sold sends a \$1 donation to a hunger organization local to the store in which it was purchased. For the month of April, St. Patrick's Church St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry has been selected to receive a \$1 donation for every \$9.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with the red circle sticker sold at the Wareham store.

 **CONFIRMATION** Our confirmation students will be confirmed by Bishop Edgar da Cunha on Thursday, April 29, at 7pm. Please pray for them as they prepare for their sacrament! Confirmation is reserved for students, their sponsors, and families under Covid restrictions.

Assessment Collection—Continues on the fourth Sunday of each month. **April 25** 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 Roy Franklin.



Great News - Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone "Virtual"!—To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call at or visit them at <https://www.mema.org/>. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter experiences: Friday/Saturday/Sunday April 23-25 or Mondays/Thursdays May 3-24.

Please join us today at 1:30pm, for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and recitation of The Chaplet of Mercy. Deacon David Murphy will be the coordinator. After the celebration we will have a light outdoor reception.

Divine Mercy Reflection—What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. "Mercy is the heart of God," Pope Francis tells us. The image of a heart has been used to point to the very life source of a person as it is the organ that allows life to flow through our veins and sustain us. Mercy is the heart of God. Imagine this dynamic, powerful, compassionate, piercing, embracing, loving, propelling, penetrating, absorbing, and enveloping, transforming presence of God flowing into the very depth of our souls. It is God's mercy that allows blood to flow through our veins. It is God's mercy that forms every atom of our being and leads us to what is true. God's mercy reveals all superficiality and falsehood, and lays bare all distortions, empty promises, weakness, and sin.

"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope," Pope Francis continues. God's all forgiving, compassionate love is with us. When we finally believe and accept that Christ's resurrected transfigured presence resides with us, we then find within us a strong confidence to accept life's imperfections and disappointments and move on. Every day is a new adventure in new life. God leaves the past behind and opens doors to the future. It doesn't matter how many mistakes we made yesterday. All that matters is what we do tomorrow and what we learn along the way. It is so easy to remain tethered and mired in the past, but there is no need to do so. God is all about tomorrow and the work God has yet to do in our lives.

Mercy gives birth to hope. Hope for the greatest of sinners and hope for the worst of disasters. There is nothing God cannot do and nothing God cannot fashion. After all, everything we know and treasure was once nothing, and look what God did with the nothing God had! The resurrected Christ stands before us with nail marks in his wrists and wounds on his body as a testament that not even injustice, suffering and death can trample over and destroy God's mercy. What have we to fear? Why do we keep ourselves from peace? Our lack of faith prevents us from going forward and fully receiving the holiness God desires to breathe upon us. Breathe in God's mercy, allow the wind of God's presence to kiss all of your sins and caress all of your fears. Exhale peace.



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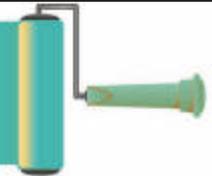
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