



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



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled ... You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:44, 48

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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 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
MON 8am Antonio and Maria Carreiro
TUE 8am Angie Tullio
WED 8am Crystal Brightman
THU 8am In Honor of St. Jude
FRI 8am In Honor of St. Jude
SAT 8am George Zine, Jr.
NEXT WEEKEND: Week of April 25
SAT 4pm Robert Anderson
SUN 8am Charles VanderStaay
10am For the People of Our Parish
12pm Alva and Manuel Motto
ST. ANTHONY: Week of April 18
SUN 9am Almon Westgate
NEXT WEEKEND: Week of April 25
SUN 9am Agnes Tassinari and Alice Melloni

Gospel Reflection for the Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021

In this last year we've all been reminded of our mortality countless times as we've watched the COVID-19 pandemic sweep over the world. But as part of the Body of Christ, there is a hope that awaits our mortal bodies, and to see it, we need look no further than this Sunday's readings!

"The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses!" The promise of Christ proclaimed by Peter is not only good news for us in the present moment — the redemption from sin — but good news for us for eternity, too. As Catholics, our theology of the end is very specific. While our bodies and souls separate at death, we do not continue on as glowing, disembodied spirits for all of time. The resurrection of Christ foretells our own destiny — the resurrection of the body.

The Apostles lived in a world where, to paraphrase Thomas Hobbes, life was often "nasty, brutish, and short." Among the powerful and privileged, the highest priority was bringing glory to the family name and producing enough strong offspring to continue the line. The rich could hire alchemists and magicians in the quest for immortality and eternal youth. Without modern medicine, any injury could be potentially life threatening and every illness suspected to take a severe turn for the worse. When Jesus hung upon the Cross that Good Friday, even the most hopeful among them had no reason to suspect that — once he was taken down — there would be any more to the story.

It comes as no surprise, then, that Jesus emphasizes what he does when he appears to the Apostles. *"Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see ... they gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them."* Jesus' return is no ghostly apparition. He has not emerged from the tomb as a luminous being, pure spirit shed of its earthly shell. Jesus is still Jesus. He is still fully God and fully man. When Jesus conquers death, he does so as a human being in his very flesh and blood. Not only that, but he is a human being who still bears the scars of inflicted violence.

In the face of suffering, the thought of sloughing off our mortal coil may feel all too promising. Yet, by his resurrection, Jesus reinforces our bodiliness. He doesn't negate it. Jesus redeems us through the offering of his life and the gift of his body. Through his example, we see that our bodies have moral potential. We act out our sin or sanctity, our vice or virtue, through our bodies. In the second reading, John speaks of just that. *"He is expiation for our sins ... the way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments."* In other words, while the grace of God is living and effective in our life, our choices matter. And we enact those choices in and through our bodies. Our hands extend an offering to the poor. Our feet operate the gas pedal in our car to move us to church on Sunday. Our brains process the decision to obey God or to deny Him.

Our bodies matter. Life matters! Christianity is not a denial of the material world but a participation in its sanctification. This Third Sunday of Easter, be aware of the choices you make in and through your body. How do you reveal your love to your friends? What decisions do you make about the food and drink you consume and offer to others? To whom do you offer them? When you look at your own wounds — physical and emotional — how do they affect the way you see the world and interact with those around you? Remember, we worship a resurrected God. We are disciples of a resurrected Savior. *"Of this we are witnesses."* Will we choose a life for all the world to see?
Anna Carter

Stewardship Report

Third Sunday of Easter—The disciples in today's Gospel came to know Jesus in the breaking of the bread. When we share what we have with those who are in need, we, too, will discover Jesus in our midst.

Sunday, April 11

Cash	\$ 1,742.00
Checks	\$ 2,420.50
Mail ins	\$ 3,416.00
Total	\$ 7,578.50

Prayer

Lord, You have given me a body for it to help me fulfill my mission on earth and for eternity. By baptism, it was consecrated just as was my soul. Today I renew that consecration and submit my body to your service.

Help me acquire over my body absolute control, so that it will always be an instrument, not a tyrant. Give it strength and endurance.

Help me reject whatever is harmful to it: too much eating, drinking, smoking; abuse of drugs or sex. Help me have the will to deprive it at times of normal pleasures as contact with your Body in the holy Eucharist make it sound and pure. Amen

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

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.

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.



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.

Cemetery Beautification—We are constantly trying to keep St. Patrick's Cemetery looking beautiful. With this in mind, please be reminded that we begin our Easter clean up the week of May 3. If there are items on your graves, please remove them prior to this. If we remove items, you can retrieve them near the garage. Remember planting of flowers is in accordance to your deed and only allowed on the front of the grave up to 12". No shrubs or bushes or curbing of any type is allowed. Water for planting will not be turned on until June 1, so bring it with you.

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.



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.

Easter Flower Memorials—Francisco and Albina dos Santos, Frances and Russell Bird, Helen and Charles Lyons, George Averill, Deceased members of the Stinson Family, Deceased members of the Averill Family, Audette, St. Pierre, Savaria Families, Ruth Semedo-Gomes, Louise Brogioli, McNearney and Newton Families, Theresa and Arthur Collins, Jean and Daniel Donahue, Mary and George Shaw, Marie and William Costa, Anthony P. Hathaway, Betsy Walton, Mary and Paul Collins, Alberta and Robert Joy, Jay K. Montague, Gertrude Sullivan, Charles and Irene Keegan, Joseph and Bea D'Acci

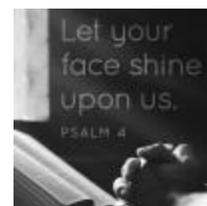


The Parish Offices will be closed Monday, April 19, in observance of Patriot's Day. Please plan accordingly. The offices will reopen on Tuesday, April 20, at 8am.



"Time to Gather, Time to Heal, Time to Love" - The 80th Annual Catholic Appeal begins May 1. Since 1942, the Appeal has helped people in all phases of life – from children, to youth, to parents, to the elderly. Your support sustains the numerous agencies, programs, and ministries providing food and shelter, educating children and adults, and meeting the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of thousands. We encourage you to support the Appeal as generously as you can. You can make a one-time gift, or, a pledge with convenient payments throughout the year. You can give by mail, use a contribution card located in church, or make your gift or pledge online at: www.givefrdiocese.org/2021.

The first mailing for the Catholic Appeal (formerly called Catholic Charities) was sent by the Diocese April 16. Please make your returns in the envelope provided. **Please DO NOT send your returns to the Parish Office or in the collection basket. If you do, they just get forwarded to the Diocese at our expense.** Last year our parish raised \$36,780! The Catholic Appeal runs from May 1—June 30.





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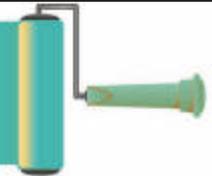
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