



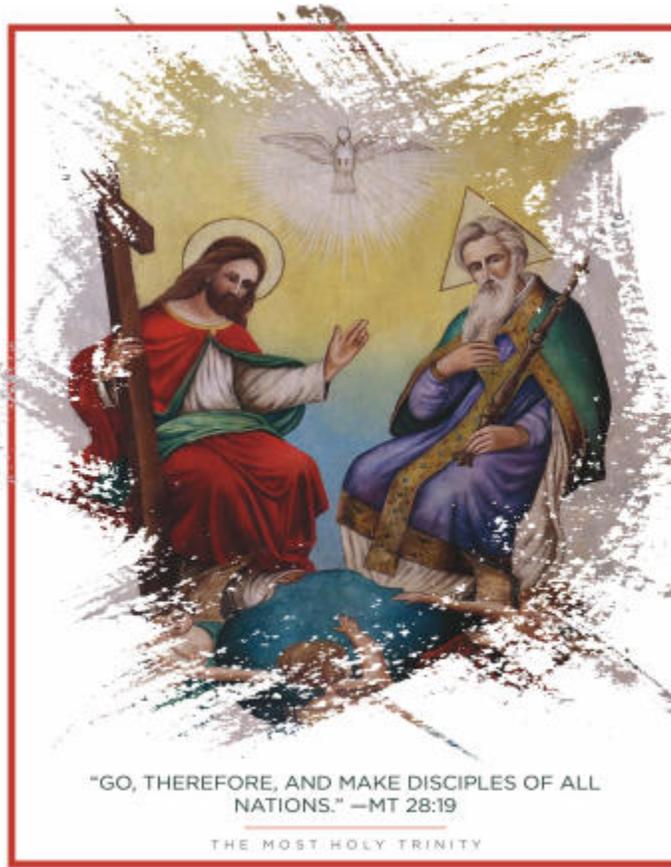
St. Patrick's Parish

82 High Street
Wareham

Mass Times

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

Reconciliation Saturday 3-
3:30pm or by appointment



St. Anthony Chapel

35 Gault Road
W. Wareham

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 September. 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.

Divine Mercy—Every First Sunday of the month at 1:30pm in the Church.

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 May 30
SAT 4pm Robert Anderson
SUN 8am Anibal and Dina Cosquete and Family
10am George Zine, Jr.
12pm William A. Sobieraj
MON 8am Mabel Lutoff
TUE 8am John J. Vieira
WED 8am Diane Morrison
THU 8am Jack English
FRI 8am Bob O'Brien
SAT 8am In Honor of St. Jude
NEXT WEEKEND: Week of June 6
SAT 4pm Albert Thompson
SUN 8am Arthur Douylliez
10am Natalia and Uriel Silva
12pm Bob O'Brien
ST. ANTHONY: Week of May 30
SUN 9am For the People of Our Parish
NEXT WEEKEND: Week of June 6
SUN 9am For the People of Our Parish

Stewardship Report

Trinity Sunday—Today's second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters—the heirs—of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord's command to "go...and make disciples of all the nations."

Sunday, May 23

Cash	\$ 1,935.00
Checks	\$ 2,454.50
Mail ins	\$ 647.00
Total	\$ 5,036.50

Prayer

Lord, give me steadfastness of spirit,
 That I may worship even in moments of doubt
 That I may embrace my inheritance
 That I may rejoice in my spiritual adoption
 That I may keep His commandments
 And enjoy long life on the land He gives me forever.

Readings for the week of May 30, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
Monday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [1]/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 12:28-34
Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 [1b]/Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Gospel Reflection for Trinity Sunday

Worship and Doubt

May 30, 2021

"When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted."

I have always worshipped. Postures of prayer and praise have been woven into the fabric of my daily life for as long as I can remember. Going to Mass on Sunday, saying a prayer before eating, kissing a Rosary when it falls to the ground, murmuring a Hail Mary before I fall asleep at the end of the day: these are actions that have become so much a part of me that they are now almost involuntary.

But doubt — well, I know all about that, too. Don't we all? My most intense period of doubt and spiritual darkness was brought on by witnessing my mother's battle with cancer. As years of affliction dragged on for her, I saw her continue to worship without ceasing, even when she could no longer physically kneel. Worship was a consolation for her, and I couldn't understand it. She couldn't stop herself from going to God — praising, beseeching, exalting, invoking. She had done it in joy and in good fortune, and she did it now even more zealously in anguish.

At the time, I was, as today's second reading says, "enslaved" by fear, in particular a fear of earthly suffering. And as my mother kept praying and kept getting sicker, I became completely disgusted: disgusted not just with God for His faithlessness, but with my mother for her refusal to abandon Him.

During this time, I wanted to stop worshipping. But when I tried, I felt a little like a child holding my breath to spite an authority figure. Staying home from Mass didn't make me feel free. Refusing to pray didn't give me any satisfaction. Worshipping in the midst of doubt felt confusing, but not worshipping at all felt like suffocation — like complete immobility.

I didn't realize at the time that I was only operating with half the story. I was, for all intents and purposes, only reading the Old Testament.

Today we hear in Deuteronomy Moses begging his people to keep worshipping, that they may "have long life on the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you forever." But so many of the Israelites never saw the Promised Land in their lifetime on earth. All that many of them saw was bitter disappointment.

To look at the situation on the face of it, through eyes enslaved by fear, it would seem that God had not kept His promises.

But the story is made complete by the verse from Romans, "and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him."

I found this verse during my period of spiritual darkness, and though it would take me some years to fully understand it, I knew that in these 28 words God was telling me that I had a misunderstanding of my own inheritance, and of my mother's inheritance — the one she so steadfastly refused to renounce even as her prayers seemingly went ignored.

I thought my inheritance could be bought by worship, when in reality, it is a gift freely given.

Worship is a relationship, not a transaction. When Jesus instructed his followers to make disciples of all nations, "teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you," he knew that sometimes they would have to rely on the muscle memory of worship, just as I did, when the Promised Land seemed particularly far away.

Our inheritance is not a body free of pain or a land of milk and honey. Here on earth, our inheritance looks like a heavy cross on weak shoulders, and it feels like the scratching of rough wood on exposed skin.

But in Heaven, it looks like an empty tomb, and feels like a wound that has long since ceased to burn. *Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

Mass Guidelines—The dispensation remains place where you are not obligated to attend.

You no longer need to sign in when you come to mass!

The church will remain locked until 20 minutes prior to mass.

Receiving Communion—As a reminder, communion will continue to be in the hand only

Gathering to talk—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.

Live-Streamed Mass—Our 10am mass is live streamed on our Facebook site and on YouTube. To access You Tube, follow this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAgbkRTUAYKJHuZd2AJUfsw>.

Cemetery Beautification—We are constantly trying to keep St. Patrick's Cemetery looking beautiful. Please be reminded of the guidelines outlined in your deed. There are restrictions and items not following this will be removed. 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.

Our New Normal—As we begin to slowly get back to normal, we now have the gifts available at mass. If you have scheduled an intention for a particular mass, two family members may bring down the gifts. You also can sit in the seat designated for the family.

Welcome Back to less social distancing! You will notice that the markers have been removed from the pews! We have holy water back! If you have been vaccinated, you do not need to wear a mask, however, if you wish to continue to do so, please do! We will resume having the missalettes in the fall. The sign of peace will remain with just a wave, peace symbol, or smile, no contact. We will resume having both collections (when designated) in July.

A Note From Wareham Healthcare (formerly Forestview):

To Everyone at St. Patrick's,

On behalf of residents and staff, I thank you for blessing our family here for all of these years. As our residents move on to new homes and as we each move on to new chapters, we thank you for being such a special part of our story. God bless!

Stephanie Wallbey, Activities Director

Feast of the Sacred Heart—The image of the Sacred Heart depicts the Risen Lord who remains on mission today in a post-Covid world. This year the Feast of the Sacred heart is on June 11. In preparation, the Congregation of the SSCC (St. Joseph's and St. Mary's Fairhaven, Our Lady of the Assumption New Bedford) will conduct "The Mission of the Sacred Heart" at St. Mary's, N. Fairhaven—a triduum of presentations and a closing Liturgy—June 8, 9, and 10 each night beginning at 7pm and on June 11, the Feast Day mass at 7pm. Come, hear input and then stories from people who have had the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in their home. The Risen Lord wants to share your home life!



Assessment Collection—Continues on the fourth Sunday of each month. **June 27** 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 Honor of St. Jude.



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/>. "Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you." Invite God into your marriage on the next English Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on Thursdays/Mondays, June 3-24 or Thursdays/Mondays, July 8-29.

"Time to Gather, Time to Heal, Time to Love"—The 80th Catholic Appeal continues. Please gather with your fellow parishioners in bearing witness to those in need in our communities, and heal and love through your generosity. The agencies and apostolates supported by the Appeal provide nourishment for body and soul, such as food pantries and food vouchers, family resources, formation of candidates for ordination to the priesthood and the diaconate, pastoral care, and Television Mass for the sick and homebound. Make your secure gift or pledge online today at www.givefrdiocese.org/2021.

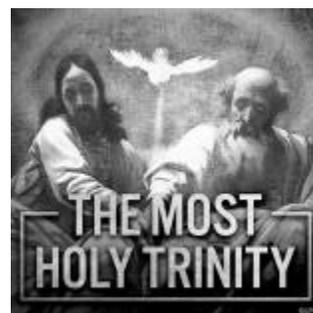
Please make your returns in the envelope provided. **Please DO NOT send your returns to the Parish Office or in the collection basket. If you do, they just get forwarded to the Diocese at our expense.** Last year our parish raised \$36,780! The Catholic Appeal runs from May 1—June 30. Our parish total is \$14,159 so far!

Confessions—Every Saturday from 3-3:30pm. Please be on time for confessions since we also will be preparing for mass. Please continue to wear your mask in the confessional.

Altar Servers—We have resumed! Only two servers at mass, they must wear a mask and sit 6' apart. The sitting apart applies only if they are not members of the same family. If your children want to be altar servers, please contact Deacon David, Fr. Rowland, Fr. Antonio, or contact the parish office.



The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, May 31, in honor of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, June 1. Please plan accordingly.





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