



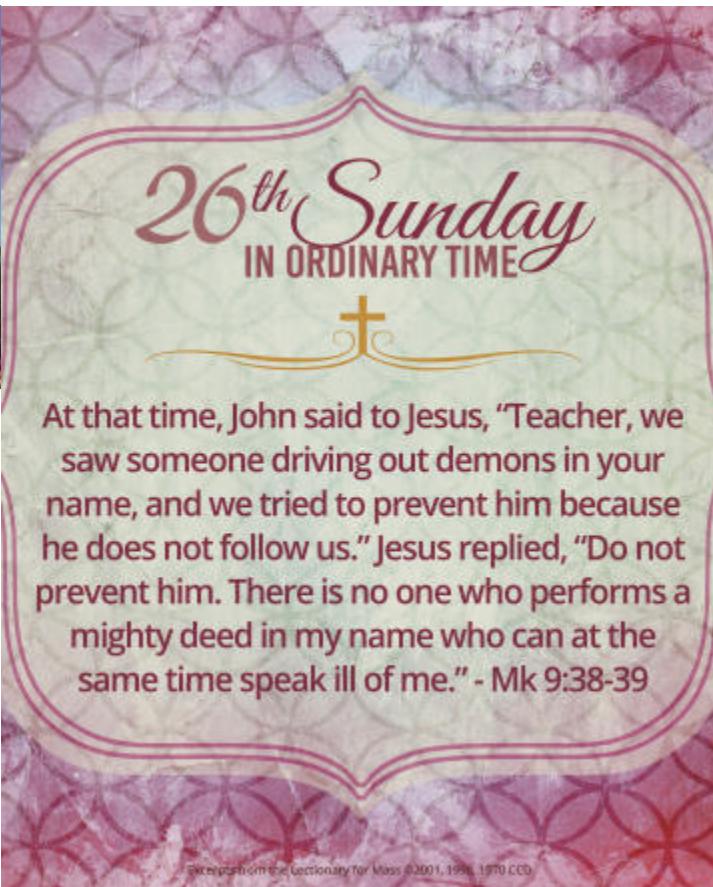
St. Patrick's Parish

**82 High Street
Wareham**

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil, 4pm
Sunday 8am, 10am, &12pm
(10am live streamed on FB or
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAgbkRTUAYKJHuZd2AJUfsw>

Reconciliation Saturday 3-3:30pm
or by appointment



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**35 Gault Road
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Mass Time

Sunday 9am

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Maureen Lindquist, Office Manager

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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. On October 1 the mass book will open through January.

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.

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



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.

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.

**ST. PATRICK: Week of September 26**

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| SAT 4pm | Anibal and Dina Cosqueute and Family |
| SUN 8am | Joan Powilatis |
| 10am | Myron Peabody |
| 12pm | Ann Close Samulski |
| MON 8am | Dorothea and Fred Ferioli |
| TUE 8am | Mary Fernandes |
| WED 8am | Gerald Caffrey |
| THU 8am | Laura Badger |
| FRI 8am | Charles and Ruth Harrington and Family |
| SAT 8am | Jason and Nicole |

NEXT WEEKEND: Week of October 3

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| SAT 4pm | Edward Gomes |
| SUN 8am | Joseph DeGrenier Vasconcelos |
| 10am | Anna and Richard Spinello |
| 12pm | For the People of Our Parish |

ST. ANTHONY: Week of September 26

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| SUN 9am | For the People of Our Parish |
| SUN 9am | Ross Lake, Sr. |

Stewardship Report

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time—St. James warns in today's second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

Sunday, September 19, 2021

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| Cash | \$ 2,207.00 |
| Checks | \$ 2,601.50 |
| Mail ins | \$ 995.00 |
| Total | \$ 5,803.50 |

PRAYER

Let us pray with the words of Psalm 19

The law of the LORD is perfect,
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
and the ordinances of the LORD are true and just.
Amen, amen, I ask for the grace
to be a careful servant observing them all.

Readings for the week of September 26, 2021

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| Sunday: | Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 |
| Monday: | Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50 |
| Tuesday: | Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56 |
| Wednesday: | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51 |
| Thursday: | Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11[9ab]/Lk 10:1-12 |
| Friday: | Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16 |
| Saturday: | Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Mt 18:1-5, 10 |
| Next Sunday: | Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12 |

Gospel Reflection for the 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time**If We Were All Prophets**

September 26, 2021

Today's readings call us to examine the motives behind our actions, especially those that lead us away from God and towards sin. Not only looking at what obstacles keep us from growing spiritually but also when we are a stumbling block to the growth of other people's faith by way of:

- Being unjust in our judgment of others;
- Showing partiality;
- Exhibitions of greed or entitlement (and not only with regards to money or goods);
- Allowing our pride to cloud or color our decisions.

Are we capable of judging the behavior or action, and not the person, and doing so always with kindness? Is our primary motive always the care and well-being of that person without bias or superiority? As we've seen in the past weeks' readings, being a *Pharisee* can be a dangerous mindset and detrimental to our faith journey.

Do we believe the only good accomplished in the world originates from us? Do we count our blessings for how the Holy Spirit moves us to worship and find ways to welcome and invite others?

As I began my steps back into the Catholic Church, I experienced difficulty assimilating myself into parish life. My requests to help in established ministry groups were often dismissed, and my ideas rebuffed. I heard a lot of "that's not how we do it here." And I wasn't the only one who experienced this resistance. These women who dismissed me and others became, in some instances, stumbling blocks to the blossoming of others' spiritual development. They were not mean-spirited, maybe overprotective; regardless, they missed a beautiful opportunity to be ambassadors for Christ.

Psalm 19:8-14 speaks to the unwitting ways we, like the women's group, block God's blessings, "Yet who can detect failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults!" How often am I unaware of my Pharisaical thoughts? Thoughts which play right into the enemy's hands to divide and separate God's people? Do I become the catalyst to its end, a response even worse than the foolish men who looked for Moses and Jesus to put a stop to the unwanted evangelistic behavior?

If we have been holding back hospitality in our parish ministry or apostolates, we will do well to heed Moses' response. "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!" Through our Baptism, we have all been commissioned to know, love, and serve the Lord. With a heart of collaboration and rooting ourselves in prayer, what wonders we can do together to spread and live the Good News.

On September 11th, I scanned my newsfeed for stories commemorating the twentieth anniversary of that horrific day. One post included this poignant assertion by a priest concerning the attendance of his church's 9/11 prayer service, "There are far fewer people here today to pray than in years past because sadly, there are far fewer people praying at all."

Lack of prayer cultivates into various stumbling blocks in our lives and impacts, more than anything else, the motivations behind our actions. Moses's prayers were always directed toward others. Jesus's entire life was dedicated to the salvation of humankind. How will we live out our faith and call in our life? What obstacles do we put unknowingly or unconsciously in front of others? More importantly, how can we remove those and be prophets, authentic witnesses of the love of God to others?

Allison Gingras

Adjusting to Our New Normal

Mask Updates—Per CDC guidelines, the Bishop is strongly encouraging all parishioners to follow the CDC guidelines and wear a mask while attending mass or any other liturgical celebration. You will also notice that anyone distributing communion will be once again wearing a mask. If you have not been vaccinated, please wear your mask! The Bishop has strongly suggested that anyone attending any religious function (mass, meetings, etc.) wear their mask.

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



KNIT. CROCHET. PRAY.

Looking for that special gift? How about a gift of prayer? **St. Patrick's Prayer Shawl Ministry** is actively making shawls, the outward sign, knit with much prayer, the true gift. Interested in joining? We meet every other Saturday at 1 pm in the basement of the Parish Hall. Our next meeting is October 9. Call Jane Mansfield at 508-395-3663 for information on shawls or joining.



Blessing of the Animals—This year Fr. Antonio will bless any and all of our pets, furry or otherwise, on Sunday, October 3, after the 12 noon mass! The Feast of St. Francis occurs October 4 every year. It commemorates the life of St. Francis, who was born in the 12th century and is the patron saint of animals. Any day, of course, is a good

day to give thanks to God for His wonderful works, but the Feast of St. Francis provides an opportunity to give thanks for the animals that enrich our lives, and also to help the "least" of the beasts—strays, abused and forgotten animals

Annual Appeal—The Annual Grand Appeal mailing went out last week. The Appeal will run until September 30. Our Appeal last year raised a total of \$45,924! The Appeal each year goes towards those expenses that are unexpected, unplanned, and help the parish upkeep and the parish community. Please be as generous as you are able. Please use the cards and the envelope when you make your return. Thank you. We have raised \$27,509 to date in our Annual Appeal!

Parish GPS—Gather. Prepare. Set.—More in the weeks ahead, but mark your calendars for Saturday, November 20, 1-4pm, ending with 4pm mass. Help us prepare for the next step with church trends, our vision, and steps to go forward!

St. Patrick's Cemetery—As we prepare for the colder weather, a reminder that the water in the cemetery will be turned off October 10.



Can Drive—The YMCA has asked us to donate cans of vegetable and chicken broth to help fill 200 baskets they will be putting together for Thanksgiving! If you would like to help, please place the donations of these two items in the SVDP baskets by the doors as you enter church. An other items donated will go towards our own food pantry! Thank you for helping to feed those less fortunate!

Assessment Collection—Continues on the fourth Sunday of each month. **September 26** is our next collection for the Assessment. Please be as generous as your circumstances allow. Thank you for sharing your treasure.

KofC Breakfast—The monthly Sunday breakfast is October 10, in the Parish Hall. A free-will offering supports the Knights' charitable events.

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 Joan Powilatis.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter—To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7-9:30pm. 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://wwmema.org/>. "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart." Fill your hearts with joy by learning how to love your spouse to the fullest on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

Bereavement Support—The Diocese continues to offer online support groups and hopes to begin offering live sessions in the Fall. These online virtual programs are being offered through Catholic Social Services on Tuesdays. The links to register for either of the one-hour sessions are as follows: 4:30pm—<https://bit.ly/SupportGroup4> or 7pm—<https://bit.ly/SupportGroup7>. In addition to the online sessions, one-on-one sessions are also offered via phone. For more information, contact Rose Mary Saraiva at 508-674-4681 or 774-253-4097 or by email at rsaraiva@cssdioc.org.



October is celebrated as the Month of the Rosary. Every Friday in October there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Rosary at 6pm in the Church.



Bloomin' 4 Good Program!—Let's Fight Hunger Together. One Bouquet at a Time. We are thrilled to share the **Bloomin' 4 Good Program**, an innovative program from Stop & Shop that works to fight hunger in our local communities. In this program, every \$10.99 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 October, St. Patrick's Church-St. Vincent dePaul Food Pantry has been selected to receive a \$1 donation for every \$10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet (see label to the right) with the red circle sticker sold at the store located at 2991 Cranberry Highway, East Wareham.



Pro-Life Mass—The Annual Pro-Life Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Edgar da Cunha at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, October 3, at 10:30am. All are invited to attend.



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