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EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Mass Schedule is: **Only 8am Mass Livestreamed***

Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 pm

Sunday *8:00 am and 10:30 am

WEEKDAY: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:00 am

BAPTISM: Parents please call the Parish Office to arrange for instructions and Baptismal date.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning marriage should contact the Pastor at least one year in advance. Participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is expected.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm in the Church

HOME & HOSPITAL VISITATION: Please notify us if you know of someone who is ill or homebound.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We hope that you will become an active part of our parish family. Please introduce yourselves at your first opportunity, or call the Parish Center to register.

PRAYER REQUEST LINE: Call with your requests.

508- 886-2206 Paula Stidsen or PaulaStidsen@gmail.com

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January 23, 2022



SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18

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Please Pray For the
Rest of the Souls of ...

† Susan Alinovi
† Richard T. Allen
† Melissa Fairbrother
† Carlene G. Walker

PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363 (confidential line).



Handicap accessibility by the elevator entrance on the left driveway side of the Church building.





Mass Intentions

FAMILIES REQUESTING A MASS ARE WELCOMED TO BRING UP THE GIFTS AT THE OFFERTORY. PLEASE LET THE SACRISTAN KNOW YOU ARE AT MASS.

TO SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION OR REQUEST A TABERNACLE LAMP, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE: 508-886-4984 (*Living Intention)

Saturday, January 22:

5:00 pm Peter (Buddy) DeLuca
Requested by Joe Ritzo

Sunday, January 23: 8 am Livestreamed Mass †

8:00 am Jeanne M. O'Hara
Requested by the Mulry Family
10:30 am Richard T. Allen
Requested by the Ladies de Leyendo

Monday, January 24:

8:00 am Raymond J. Becker, Jr.
Requested by a Parishioner

Tuesday, January 25:

8:00 am Susan Alinovi
Requested by the Parish
Divine Mercy Chaplet following Mass

Wednesday, January 26:

8:00 am Carlene Walker
Requested by the Parish

Saturday, January 29:

5:00 pm

Sunday, January 30: 8 am Livestreamed Mass †

8:00 am Kevin T. Sullivan
Requested by the Donoghue, Moran & Mulry Family
10:30 am Peter (Buddy) DeLuca
Requested by Joe Ritzo

† Are you new to Livestreaming?

To access the Mass while it is being livestreamed:
Go to **Facebook**->
Search for **St. Patrick, Rutland MA** ->
The event will pop up automatically.
Click on it to view

To access the Mass after it has been livestreamed:
Go to St. Patrick's Website:
<https://stpatricksrutland.org/>
Scroll down to the Mass you want to view:
Click on it to view.

Papal Tweet



It is love that transforms:
ordinary things
become extraordinary
when they are done with love.



Upcoming Events

January 23: Life in Prayer Group, 1:30 pm, Parish Center

January 23: Christian Unity Prayer/Service of the Word, 2:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament Parish, Worcester

January 25: Scripture Study & Faith Sharing, around 9am, in the Church Hall (Every Tuesday) following the Divine Mercy Chaplet

January 26: Rosary with the Knights Of Columbus, 7:00 pm, in the Church & Livestreamed

January 31 St. Patrick's Holy Hour 6:30 pm, in the Church

February 6: Rosary following the 10:30 am Mass

February 11: Holy Hour to Pray for Priests 7 - 8 pm, Immaculate Conception, 353 Grove St., Worc.

February 14: St. Patrick's Holy Hour 6:30 pm, in the Church

February 21: St. Patrick's Holy Hour 6:30 pm, in the Church

March 5: First Communion Class Retreat has been rescheduled to March 5th. Watch the bulletin for details.

March 7: St. Patrick's Holy Hour 6:30 pm, in the

January 16, 2022

Weekly Offering	\$ 3,329.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,670.70
Higher Utilities	\$ 270.00
Mary, Mother of God	\$ 40.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 100.00
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	\$ 5,409.70

Special Collections:
Catholic University \$ 15.00

We are grateful to all who have been able to make their weekly offering or make use of on-line giving during this time. It is a great help to us. Thank you!



A Message from the Pastor...

Dear Friends,

Some of the most challenging words in Scripture for us to hear are these: "Take up your cross and follow me." *The Cost of Discipleship* often means suffering. From the early Christians to modern-day Saints, one can only marvel at how they stayed with God when the Crosses they carried were so great. Yet the common thread between them all was this: They didn't live for this world alone but lived for the life to come.

More proximate to our own time, St. John Paul II experienced suffering on a tremendous level. His mother died when he was only eight years old; his brother died of Scarlett Fever serving as a doctor in his teenage years; finally, at age 20, during the Nazi occupation, his Father passed. He would go on to say years later: "*At twenty, I had already lost all the people I loved.*"

John Paul II would suffer more: witnessing the horrors of Nazi-controlled Poland throughout World War II. George Weigel, the biographer of St. John Paul II, states that Poland calls World War II 'the war we lost twice' as after the Nazis, Stalin's Communist regime took hold of the country for the better part of the future Pope's life. For standing against this and preaching the dignity of the human person, he was nearly assassinated in St. Peter's square on May 13, 1981.

Three years later, he would write an Apostolic Letter "On the Christian Meaning of Human Suffering":

*"Pope St. John Paul II explores the dimensions of human suffering, from its relation in the Old Testament to God's Justice and the consequences of evil, the good man who suffers (Job), to the New Testament, in which Christ tells us to carry our Cross and follow Him. **Pope St. John Paul II emphasizes that suffering is a mystery, but that by realizing Christ suffered, took on our sin and death, we can better understand God's purpose in allowing suffering. By joining in suffering with Christ, we can unite our human distress with Christ's salvific suffering.** I do an injustice to the encyclical by this brief summary, and I urge the reader to read the letter in its entirety. Two quotes are in order:*

"In the Cross of Christ not only is the Redemption accomplished through suffering, but also human suffering itself has been redeemed. Christ, – without any fault of his own – took on himself "the total evil of sin". The experience of this evil determined the incomparable extent of Christ's suffering, which became the price of the Redemption. - Salvifici Dolores 18-

*"Those who share in Christ's sufferings have before their eyes the Paschal Mystery of the Cross and Resurrection, in which Christ descends, in a first phase, to the ultimate limits of human weakness and impotence: indeed, he dies nailed to the Cross. **But if at the same time in this weakness there is accomplished his lifting up, confirmed by the power of the Resurrection, then this means that the weaknesses of all human sufferings are capable of being infused with the same power of God manifested in Christ's Cross. In such a concept, to suffer means to become particularly susceptible, particularly open to the working of the salvific powers of God, offered to humanity in Christ. In him God has confirmed his desire to act especially through suffering, which is man's weakness and emptying of self, and he wishes to make his power known precisely in this weakness and emptying of self.** -Salvifici Dolores 23-" [Bold my emphasis]**

None of us want to suffer, but if we must, we have only two choices: To run from it, which will cause us even more pain as suffering becomes completely meaningless, or unite it to Christ, that we may share the burden with Him and let it be transformed in Him. May he may take our sorrows and bring about something more as He did on Easter Sunday.

God Bless,

Fr. Jim

*- <https://catholicstand.com/lent-christs-salvific-gift-of-suffering/>





3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“Go, eat rich foods
and drink sweet drinks,
and allot portions to those
who had nothing prepared...”*
NEHEMIAH 8:10

Ezra’s instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here’s the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.



*To All Our
Students
Welcome Back!!*

January 23rd, January 24th & January 25th.

January 2022

Living Faith
Daily Catholic Devotions

Our Living Faith Booklets have arrived!
Please get your copy at the
entrances to the Church.

Thank you for your patience.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Lector	Altar Server
1/22	5:00 PM	Pat Martin	Jack Fitzgerald
1/23	8:00 AM	Denise Skrocki	Annika Gunnard Colin Gunnard
1/23	10:30 AM	Nancy Mathieu	Michael Rotondo
1/29	5:00 PM	Kathy Troy	Deirdre Leahy Orla Leahy
1/30	8:00 AM	Robin Boucher	Matthew Moreno Emma Moreno
1/30	10:30 AM	Susan Lopez	Sydney Winer



We are happy to present
this year's
First Communion
Candidates
to our parishioners.

The students are beginning
their formal classes on the
Eucharist this week.

They did a fabulous job preparing for
and receiving their
First Reconciliation in December.
Now on to preparations to receive
their **First Communion** In May.

Please choose one student to pray for
over the next several months
as they learn and prepare to
receive the Sacrament.
As always, thank you
for supporting our young parishioners!

Our Students

Hailey Baril

Jack Caviston

Scarlett Coakley

Olivia Crowne

Jack DiFonso

Keegan Herlihy

Madelyn Hicks

Brendan Horner

Brielle Lacey

Peter Laurenzi

Madison Lavallee

Finnegan Leslie

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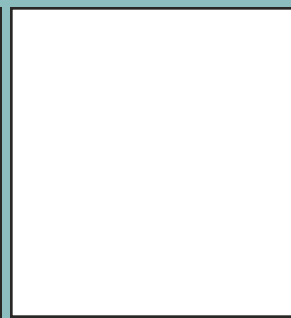
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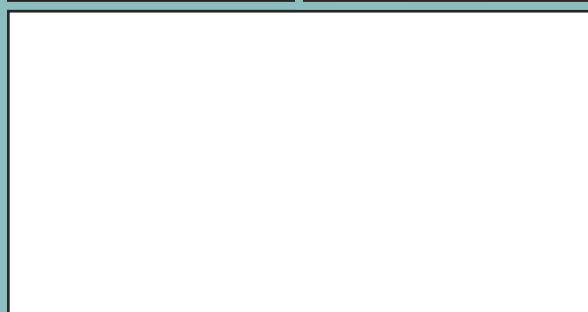
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