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Welcome to all new parishioners!

There is a ramp for handicapped access to the upper Church located in the rear parking lot.

Saint Joseph Chapel is open daily from 6:00am - 11:00pm. The Church is open daily from 7:00am - 7:00pm.

The Parish Family of

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of the Assumption

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Pastor

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In Residence

His Excellency Bishop Arthur L. Kennedy Rev. Eric F. Cadin

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, & 5:00pm ~ LifeTeen Weekdays (Monday - Friday) 7:00am & 12:10 p.m. Saturdays 8:00am

In addition to the above schedule an extra Mass has been added for

Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm Thursday evening Latin Mass at 7:00 pm

Confession Schedule

Tuesdays 11:00 - 12:00pm Church 3:00 - 4:00pm Church Fridays 3:00 - 4:00pm Church 6:00 - 7:00pm Church Saturdays 2:30 - 3:45pm Church

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration St. Joseph Chapel

Want to be an Adorer or Substitute? Visit: https://adorationpro.org/maryma.



St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly

hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen!

Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 22nd~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time James & Marjorie O'Neil 4:00 pm

Sunday, January 23rd ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Colin O'Rourke 7:00 am 9:00 am Daniel Loewen 11:00 am Robert Attaway

5:00 pm Frank & Rosina Colantoni & Frank

Colantoni, Jr.

Monday, January 24th ~ St. Francis de Sales

7:00 am David Walker

Peace of mind for Florette 12:10 pm

Tuesday, January 25th ~ Conversion of St. Paul

Paul Van Ryzin 7:00 am 12:10 pm Faride Halifa

7:00 pm Deborah M. Carney

Wednesday, January 26th ~ Sts. Timothy & Titus

Irene Starsiak 7:00 am

12:10 pm Rick McVay (31st anniversary)

Thursday, January 27th ~ St. Angela Merici

Veda Daly 7:00 am

12:10 pm AOPD Association who prays for the

Holy Souls in Purgatory

Traditional Latin Mass 7:00 pm

Friday, January 28th \sim St. Thomas Aguinas

7:00 am Arthur O'Neil

12:10 pm Fernanda, Nunzia & Gerardo

Petruzziello

Saturday, January 29th

8:00 am **Ernest Caruso**



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mark Martinelli and Mary Connolly whose Funeral Masses were celebrated at St. Mary's this past week.

This week's St. Mary's Church Sanctuary Candle shines in loving memory of the unborn

> This week's St. Joseph Chapel Sanctuary Candle shines for protection of the unborn

The Bread and Wine for the offertory at this weekend's Masses are donated in thanksgiving for all who took part in the March for Life

From the Pastor's Desk . . .



Coming off the heels of our Lady's instructing us to "do whatever He tells you," this week we encounter our Lord in the Synagogue. What is He doing? He is reading from one of the Sacred

Scrolls. What is He reading? The most famous prophecy of Isaiah regarding the Messiah. So, let us listen in to what He is saying:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.

As He is reading this passage, an image of the Messiah must have come to the minds of those listening. Then, He seizes the moment and tells those gathered: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." In other words, I am the One that Isaiah is speaking of in the prophecy. This must have grabbed their attention. The long-awaited Messiah is right before their very eyes. As would be the case, some would embrace the reality and others would reject it.

Each and every time we come to the celebration of the Holy Mass, we hear about the Messiah and we get to see Him in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. How privileged we are to hear and see the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Wayne

> St. Mary's Prayer Line number is 781-326-0550, ext. 5.

EXODUS

The Parish's Exodus 90 Men's Group will have the opportunity to participate in one of the following three weekly fraternity meetings.

Saturday Morning after the 8:00 am Mass Saturday Evenings at 6:15 pm Monday Evenings at 6:15 pm

Despite our best intentions and efforts, many people (and I include myself in this group) find themselves at times distracted during time they have set aside for prayer. This is an all too human tendency that occasionally plagues many believers, including some of our most revered saints. Distraction can be discouraging and can lead us to feel that we have failed in our prayer. Recognizing that a wandering mind happens to almost everyone from time to time, perhaps we should go easy on ourselves when we find we have become distracted. Following are some quotes on this subject from some holy men and women; I hope you find their words reassuring, I know I do.

"If the heart wanders or is distracted, bring it back to the point quite gently and replace it tenderly in its Master's presence. And even if you did nothing during the whole of your hour but bring your heart back and place it again in Our Lord's presence, though it went away every time you brought it back, your hour would be very well employed."

St. Francis de Sales

"When you want to pray, it doesn't matter if you can't meditate. Make little acts of love to God, but gently, without forcing yourself."

St. Paul of the Cross

"Distractions are one of the more common difficulties in prayer. They are absolutely normal and should neither surprise nor sadden us. When we realize that we have become distracted from our prayer and our thoughts are wandering, rather than getting discouraged or angry, we should simply, peacefully and gently bring our minds back to God."

Jacques Philippe

"We must not leave off our prayers because of distractions and restlessness of mind, although it seems useless to go on with them. He who perseveres for the whole of his accustomed time, gently recalling his mind to the subject of his prayer, merits greatly.

St. Philip Neri

"Gently recall your mind when it wanders....unceasingly gather up again our scattered spirit. Turn your inward eye once more towards Him...persevere with an unconquered heart."

St. Teresa of Avila

Blessings & best wishes, Elizabeth Healy, Pastoral Associate

Wisdom of God in the Lives of the Saints by Fr. Dominic

"The devil is afraid of us when we pray and make sacrifices...He is especially afraid when we love Jesus very much." -Saint Anthony of the Desert

There is nothing like seeing an underdog victorious over their opponent. One may recall David's triumph over Goliath in the first book of Samuel. David demonstrates a profound love of God by saying he will go against Goliath, even after being told he cannot. David's decision is a testament to his faith and his complete trust in the Lord. The fruits which flow from David's love of God are the strength and courage he needed to fight Goliath. Following David's example, we ought to be reminded that when we encounter evil in our own lives, the evil one cannot do anything to a friend of Christ. As a matter of fact, the devil is very much fearful of a soul who is closely united to Christ. Union with Christ is the effect of charity which is expressed in prayers and sacrifices made by a faithful soul to God. We witness this reality in the lives of countless saints who have gone before us. Their profound love for Jesus echoes these words of Saint Paul, "If God be for us, who is against us?... For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor might, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:31, 38-39). May these words serve as encouragement for us as we always strive to love Christ, to be loved by Him, and to remain in His charity.

Consecration to St. Joseph



On Tuesday, February 15th we will begin a 33 day Consecration to St. Joseph, using Fr. Donald Calloway's book *Consecration to St. Joseph*. More information will follow in the weeks ahead. The Consecration will conclude with a

Mass of Consecration in honor of St. Joseph on Saturday, March 19th at 8:00 a.m. ~ *The Feast of St. Joseph*

Consecration to Our Blessed Mother



On Monday, February 21st we will begin a 33 day Consecration to Our Blessed Mother, using Fr. Michael Gaitley's 33 Days to Morning Glory. More information will follow in the weeks ahead. The Consecration will conclude with a

Mass of Consecration in honor of Our Lady on Friday, March 25th at 12:10 p.m. ~ *The Feast of the Annunciation*

Tuesday Morning Gospel Study

Our weekly Gospel Study has moved to Tuesday mornings (11am –noon). Please join us to become better acquainted with the Sunday Gospels. No commitment or prior knowledge of Scripture Study is required; we learn and share together in a relaxed atmosphere. Please call Elizabeth (781-326-0550, x119) for more information.



Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed daily (Monday-Friday) at 3:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's Chapel.



Please join Fr. Wayne and Elizabeth for another session on the Sacraments. On Monday, January 31st we will meet in the rectory at 5:30 to watch Bishop Robert Barron's presentation on The Anointing of the Sick ,which will be followed by a discussion. Please call Elizabeth at 781-326-0550, x119 for

questions or to sign up.



To obtain a contribution statement for your 2021 tax preparations, please call the Parish Office.



On Saturday, February 26th St. Mary's once again will be hosting a Marriage Preparation program. If you or anyone you know may be interested in this program, please contact Dolores in the Parish Center at 781-326-0550 ext. 111.



Knights of Columbus Annual Boys & Girls Free Throw Contest

Please join us on Saturday, January 29, from 5:00 -6:00 PM at the Dedham High School Gym. Boys and Girls from ages 9 through 14 are eligible to partici-

The winners from each age group will receive medals and move on to the Regionals in March to compete with kids from surrounding towns.

Please email: lindsayb@uwinc.com for any questions or to learn more please visit our website at: https://www.dedhamkofc234.org.

Religious Education News!!!

If you have any questions regarding the programs, please reach out to the individual directors listed below. Recordings for EDGE & ROC lessons can be found on the website under the "Faith Formation" tab. Click on your program to view.

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-http://usccb.org/prolife/programs/rlp.williams.pdf

"Whatever you do to the least of these you do unto me.." - Matthew 25:31

PARISH SUPPORT

The Offertory for the weekend of January 16, 2022 (For Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

Year to Date Year to Date Surplus Income **Expenses** (Deficit) \$584,835 \$678,170 -(93,335)

Weekly Goal: \$ 12,438 \$ 9,388 **Offertory 1/16/22:**

Thank you for your continual support and generosity!

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Jesus waits for you ~ Let your heart be moved by Him! He waits to see you and longs for your friendship. He waits to hear your needs and concerns. He waits to encounter your love. He is present in the Eucharist and in every person you meet. Pray to Him daily ~ Visit Him in Eucharistic Adoration.

Consider giving the Lord one hour a week, it will be time well spent. If you would like to sign up for an hour please visit the website:

http://adorationpro.org/maryma.

I Came That They May Have Life & Have it Abundantly John 10:10 Prayer Ministry

For babies, little ones, and families www.john1010abundantlife.blogspot.com Submit prayer requests to: john1010abundantlife@gmail.com

A Kiss of Mercy Apostolate for healing from abortion

To be recited after kissing an image of Jesus. Jesus I trust in You. May my kiss and Your grace convert, heal and reconcile to the Father one soul wounded by abortion. Amen. Recite one Hail Mary.

http://www.kissofmercv.org ***********

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Pray for our Military

Our Military Prayer Book is located at the Altar of our Blessed Mother. If you would like to add a name to the Military Prayer Book, then please stop by the Parish Center.

God Bless all our Military Service Men and Women and their Families ~ Thank you for Your Service and Sacrifices.

Knights of Columbus Corner



The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal Catholic men's organization whose mission is charitable works. For more information on the Knights of Columbus or if you wish to join our ranks, please email us at dedhamkofc234@gmail.com.

Join us for Family Rosary

Monday evenings at 5:00 p.m inside the church

St. Mary's Knitting Group



Join St. Mary's knitting group each Thursday from 10:00 am—12:00 pm in the Parish Center dining room. Great conversation and snacks, too!

Seniors Exercise Group

Exercise classes for seniors meet in the Parish Center Frassati Room on Tuesdays from 9:00 to 10:00 am and Fridays from 9:30 to 10:30 am.



Please continue to remember the work done by the St. Vincent de Paul Society for those parishioners in need. Donations are greatly appreciated!

St. Mary's Library & Book Store

The Library, located in the Parish Center, has received new books, come and check it out. Also, located in the library is a book case that has books for sale.

St. Mary's Young Adu



Join us every Tuesday Evening for Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. in the Church followed by the Rosary & Group Presentation in the Rectory.

Join Young Adults from the parish, as we minister to our homeless brothers & sisters in Boston.

We meet every 3rd Saturday of the month (February 19th) at the Church and then head into Boston. Our day is from 9:00 am~2:00 pm.

> For information, please email: stmarysdedhamcya@gmail.com

Young Adult Dinner

Please join us for our next Young Adult Dinner on Friday, January 28th at 7:00 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. by Thursday.

January 27th at

stmarysdedhamcya@gmail.com



ST. MARY'S LIFE TEEN





"Teach me to do Your will, For You are my God; Let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground." (Psalm 143:10). For the past two weeks, we have been learning more about the Holy Spirit. Psalm 143: 10 beautifully articulates what we should all pray as we continue to deepen our relationships with Him. Remember, God sent the Holy Spirit to us in order to guide us in doing His Will. Before Jesus ascended into heaven, He said "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever." (John 14: 26). Read that again... The Holy Spirit is always with us! Last Sunday, Matthew and I taught you all about the fruits and gifts of the Holy Spirit. In total, there are seven gifts and twelve fruits. The gifts of the Holv Spirit are wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. Would you like to know something super duper exciting!? The Holy Spirit has all of these gifts to share with us... all we have to do is ask! The more we get comfortable asking Him for particular gifts, the more fruits we will begin to bear in our own lives! The fruits of the Holy Spirit are charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity.

Following Mass tonight, Jamie and Thomas will be leading us in a night on the corporal works of mercy! The corporal works of mercy pertain to the body. The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains that "The corporal works of mercy consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead." (CCC. 2447). Join us tonight to learn more! "The King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.'" (Matthew 25:40)

Elizabeth Balzarini ~ Youth Minister ~

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St. Mary's Life Teen Prayer to the Archangel St. Raphael

Most perfect Archangel St. Raphael, ever standing before the throne of the Most High to praise Him, to bless Him, to glorify Him, and to serve Him, obtain for me the grace never to lose sight of the divine presence, so that my thoughts, my words, and my works, may be directed always to the glory of God and to my own sanctification. St. Raphael watch over, protect, and strengthen St. Mary's LifeTeen Program. Amen.

St. Mary's Life Teen GoFundMe page is found at gofundme.com (Saint Mary's Life Teen 2021-2022)

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

LIFE



Life Teen Mass & Life Night 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Wednesday

Pizza and Prayer Night 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Homework Days



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