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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

Saint Mary

of the Assumption

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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!

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Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 19th~7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Frederick Milliken, Jr.

4:00 pm

Sunday, February 20th ~ 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pat & Dick Penni (living) 7:00 am

9:00 am Richard J. Jr., Marjorie, Richard and

James Fogarty

Irma & Italo Conte 11:00 am

5:00 pm Laurie Aupont

Monday, February 21st ~ St. Damian

7:00 am Vincenzo Petruzziello

12:10 pm Eva Wasserman

Tuesday, February 22nd ~ *The Chair of St. Peter*

7:00 am Mary P. Hale

12:10 pm Patricia McNeil Raftery

Ann Ryan 7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 23rd ~ St. Polycarp

Anthony Capucci, Alfonso Cornelio, 7:00 am Nevio Paolini and Giorgio Delle Monache

12:10 pm Rosaria Alesso

Thursday, February 24th

7:00 am Tara Gleason 12:10 pm Paul Van Ryzin

7:00 pm Traditional Latin Mass

Friday, February 25th

7:00 am John, Nora, Paul & Jace Barrett 12:10 pm Legal protection of the unborn

Saturday, February 26th

8:00 am Louis A. & Teresa Neal



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Dorothy Powers, Joanne Kempt, Helen Doherty and Stanley Graham 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 Rene Poirier

This week's St. Joseph Chapel Sanctuary Candle shines in loving memory of Stanley Graham

The Bread and Wine for the offertory at this weekend's Masses are donated in loving memory of Stanley Graham

From the Pastor's Desk . . .



In the very opening line of the Gospel this weekend, Christ challenges us to show love to our enemies and repay those who wish us harm with acts of mercy and forgiveness. This truly is a moment in which Christ is calling us to go beyond what we may be

accustomed to doing and to consider what God would expect from us. Far too often revenge, anger, and/or retaliation dictate how people act and react when confronted by an enemy or one who displays hostility. Yet, today Christ is telling us ~ no, rather, He is **commanding** us to love. Again listen to His words: "love your enemies . . . pray for those who mistreat you . . . give and don't demand it back . . . lend expecting nothing in return . . . stop judging . . . forgive. In other words, He is asking us to go the extra distance in our relationships with others. When we do so, we give them an opportunity to have an encounter with our merciful and loving God through our actions. Think about that for a minute. When we show mercy and love to others they encounter the love and mercy of God who is acting through us. Showing love, forgiveness, and mercy can make a huge difference in others' lives and in our lives as well. So, do what Christ tells you today and make a difference in a world so marred by violence, hatred, and anger.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Wavne

St. Mary's Library & Book Store

With Lent just around the corner, check out the Parish Library (in the Parish Center) for spiritual reading. Also, located in the library is a book case that has books for sale.

The Custom of the Seven Sundays of St Joseph



A long-standing pious tradition in preparing for the Feast of St. Joseph on March 19th is to dedicate the seven Sundays prior to his feast to his seven sorrows and seven joys. This week is the fourth sorrow and joy for reflection:

4th Sorrow: "Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'Behold, this child is set for the rise and fall of many, a sign that is spoken against ... that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed."" (Lk 2:34-35)

4th Joy: "For my eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, a *light for revelation to the Gentiles.*" (Lk 2:30-32)

"Celebrating the "Chair" of Peter...means attributing a strong spiritual significance to it and recognizing it as a privileged sign of the love of God, the eternal Good Shepherd, who wanted to gather his whole Church and lead her on the path of salvation."

Pope Benedict XVI, General Audience, February 22,

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

On February 22nd, Tuesday of this week, we celebrate the feast day of The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle. This feast recognizes that there is a relic of St. Peter's chair, known as the *Cathedra Petri*, located in the apse of St. Peter's Basilica. In addition, the celebration focuses on the authority Jesus Christ himself gave to St. Peter and his successors, including our Holy Father Pope Francis.

The website mycatholic.life offers the following explanation of the deep meaning of this feast day:

"Authority attaches to the Office of St. Peter and endows its occupant with the charisms promised by Christ to Saint Peter. And this charism will endure until the sun sets for the last time. As long as there is a Church, it will teach objective truth, and objective truth requires objective leadership. And that objective leadership, symbolized in the Chair of St. Peter, is directed towards unity. One Lord, One faith. One Shepherd. One flock. The united fabric of the Church, so fought for, so torn, so necessary, is worth honoring in the liturgy of the Church."

God in Heaven, we thank You for the ordered community of faith we enjoy in the Catholic Church. Your chosen vicar, Saint Peter, guided this early Church and guides Her still, ensuring that we remain one, holy, catholic, and apostolic until the end of time. Continue to grace Your Church with the unity so necessary to accomplish Her mission on earth.

Elizabeth Healy, Pastoral Associate

De Colores!

We will be hosting an ULTREYA evening on Tuesday, February 22 at 7:00nd at PM. The night will begin with Mass followed by a 4th Day witness and discussion. Please join us and bring a friend!



Mustard Seed Communities are looking to fill multiple positions in their Medfield location.

For more information, please see their website at www.mustardseed.com/careers.

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

"Temperance is simply a disposition of the mind which binds the passion." —Saint Thomas Aquinas

Temperance is one of the four cardinal virtues which "moderates the attraction of pleasures and provides balance in the use of created goods" (CCC, 1809). Since man is a composition of body and soul, there are many material and physical goods the body enjoys. While the bodily goods, in and of themselves, are not evil, they can lead us to sin when they are enjoyed in an excessive, or even disordered, manner. For example, it is good to eat delicious food and drink fine wine. However, one should not over indulge in eating and drinking as that would result in gluttony and drunkenness. For this reason, Saint Paul firmly reminded us that "the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord...glorify and bear God in your body... whether you eat or drink, or whatsoever else you do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Cor. 6:13, 20; 10:31). It is important to bear in mind that by growing in the virtue of temperance, one is better able to control their instincts and desires "within the limits of what is honorable" (CCC, 1809). As a rational creature, right reason should always govern man's actions and direct them accordingly for the well-being of the whole person. God created the fine things of this world and has given us stewardship over them so that we may use and enjoy them for His Glory. May we strive to grow in temperance!

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. The Consecration will conclude with a Mass of Consecration in honor of Our Lady on Friday, March 25th at 12:10 p.m. **Those wish**-

ing to do the Consecration are asked to reach out to Fr. Wayne at 781.326.0550 ext. 135 to register.

Please pray for the intentions on St. Mary's Prayer Line.

If you would like to leave a request, the Prayer Line number is: 781-326-0550, ext. 5.

St. Mary's Cemetery

There are many plots still available at St. Mary's Parish Cemetery. If you would like more information, please call Rich Killgoar at 781-326-0550 ext. 132.

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.



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.



Mass Schedule: 7:00 am, 12:10 pm, 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Lent is one of our five liturgical seasons in the liturgical year. It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday and lasts for 40 days. During this time we are called to commemorate and reflect on the Lord's passion through spiritual preparation, conversion and penance. This Holy Season is an invitation to renew our baptismal call. To live as sons and daughters of God and disciples of Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Our Lenten calendar will be available next week. There are many opportunities available for you to deepen your Lenten experience and draw closer to our Lord, Jesus.



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

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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In 2018, Mississippi passed a law protecting unborn children after 15 weeks of gestation. The law was challenged and the case, known as

"Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization," is being heard by the Supreme Court.

This Mississippi case seeks to ban abortion starting after 15 weeks gestation. If this case is supported, it will overturn or weaken Roe v. Wade. This would not ban all abortion in America, but it would send abortion legislation *back* to the individual states.

*In these next crucial few months, let us Fast & Pray Faithfully for the 9 Supreme Court Justices of the United States to rule on a just outcome for DOBBS!

"O Lord, Please send Your Holy Spirit upon our 9 Supreme Court Justices who stand between life and death.

Login at www.40daysforlife.com/boston and sign up for prayer vigil hours now! https://www.prayfordobbs.com

Download SCOTUS at: https://www.hosea4you.org

PARISH SUPPORT

The Offertory for the weekend of February 13, 2022 (For Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

> Year to Date Year to Date Surplus Income **Expenses** (Deficit) \$671,793 \$723,568 -(51,775)

Weekly Goal: \$ 12,438 **Offertory 2/13/22:** \$10,304

Thank you for your ongoing 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 ************

Project Rachel confidential line 508.651.3100 http://www.projectrachelboston.com/ Pregnancy Help free & confidential line 617.782.5151 http://www.pregnancyhelpboston.org/

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

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Please join us on **Tuesday**, February 22nd at 12:45 pm (after the 12:10 pm Mass)

for a late St. Valentines

celebration and Luncheon. Hope to see you there!

St. Mary's Knitting Group



Knitting Join St. Mary's knitting group each Thursgroup day 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.

Mary's Young Adv



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.



The Exodus 90 Men's Group offers three weekly fraternity meetings.

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

Join other Young Adults for Mardi Gras ~ Tuesday, March 1st. Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Rosary, discussion, and food! Come and celebrate with us!!!

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

We meet every 3rd Saturday of the month (March 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





Happy February Break! I am sure you are all super excited to be on vacation. Oftentimes, we can feel like we are always on the go with school, sports, homework, work, etc. Breaks allow us to rest our minds and our bodies. Maybe you will be going away with family and friends this week or perhaps you just plan on catching up on some sleep. Whatever your plans may be, I encourage you to find rest for your soul! Jesus tells us, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

True rest and relaxation comes when our souls are at peace thinking about God and/or being in His Presence. So you might be wondering... "How do I find rest in Jesus?". To begin, I suggest that you bring yourself to Him and simply ask Him to show you how and He will. There is absolutely nothing more that God desires than for you to be in relationship with Him. He loves you so much! As you enter into this week of vacation, find a time to rest your soul. Go to the chapel and/or attend a daily Mass. He will lead you to finding rest in Him.





Join us tonight after Mass for Supper for the Soul and a trip to King's Bowling!

Please see below for important dates and upcoming events:

- March 2: Ash Wednesday (Lent begins!)
- March 5: Girl's night out! Get ready, ladies!
- May 13-15: SPRING RETREAT!
- June 27- July 1: Life Teen Leadership Conference (For rising juniors and seniors!)
- July 29-31: Steubenville East Conference (See me for more details!) 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 Teen Mass & Life Night 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Wednesday

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

Homework Days



The Life House will be open every Monday & Wednesday from 2:30 -4:00 p.m. for Homework Days. Come on by to "study" or even just

hangout after school. Snacks are always provided for good "brain food"!

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