ST. MARY'S PARISH FAMILY





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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursday & Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All parish business should be conducted during this time.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES

Weekends

Saturday: Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every First Friday following 8 a.m. Mass Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. Benediction (please see First Friday Adoration bulletin announcement for time)

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Sundays at 12:30 p.m. Arrangements must be made in advance by calling or emailing the Parish Office. Baptismal Preparation meeting for first time parents can be scheduled by calling the Parish Office.

Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturdays from 2:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. in the Family Room (please enter through the side Church door) or call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

First Eucharist and Confirmation

A two-year preparation process is required for each sacrament. Contact the Youth Faith Formation Office for information.

Matrimony

An appointment is to be made with one of the priests at least 8 months prior to the intended date. Participation in diocesan and parish marriage preparation programs is required.

Holy Orders/Religious Vocation

Please pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. For information, speak with one of our priests or visit our Diocesan website <u>www.fallrivervocations.org</u>.

Ministry to the Sick

Please notify us if there is a sick or aged family member or friend who would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion at home.

RCIA

We welcome any adult who desires to complete their initiation into the Catholic Church. Contact the Parish Office for information.

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY

Cemetery lots are available. For information, contact the Parish Office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to our Parish family! If you would like to register as a parishioner, please speak with Fr. Mike or call the Parish Office. As a parish we encourage your involvement. For detailed information about ministries, parish activities and contact persons, refer to our parish website <u>www.stmarymans.org</u>. You may also fill out your registration census form there.

330 Pratt Street Mansfield, MA 02048 Church and Parish Center

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During the COVID-19 pandemic, let us continue to pray for one another during this difficult time. We need to keep in our prayers those who have died, those who are sick, the medical personnel and first responders who are tending to the sick, and all essential workers.



September 25 - October 3

SAT 4 p.m.	Timothy O'Connor III
SUN 7:30 a.m.	Elizabeth Vale
9:30 a.m.	All Funerals/Burials in August
11:30 a.m.	Francis "Dan" Annese
5 p.m.	People of the Parish
MON 8 a.m.	Llyod "Ken" Anderson
TUE 8 a.m.	Pierre E. Desrosiers & Ora E. Desrosiers
WED 8 a.m.	Msgr. Anthony Flaherty
THU 8 a.m.	Mary Ann Cuce
FRI 8 a.m.	Karen Tracz
SAT 4 p.m.	Ernest Fournier
SUN 7:30 a.m.	Timothy and Catherine Driscoll and
	Deceased Members of the Driscoll
	Family
9:30 a.m.	
11:30 a.m.	Respect Life Mass
5 p.m.	People of the Parish



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION IN THE CHURCH

** Please note the change in time -8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Solemn Benediction will take place this **Friday**, **October 1st**, following the **8 a.m.** Mass and will continue with Divine Mercy at 3 p.m. and will conclude with **Benediction which begins at 5:30 p.m.** All are invited to spend some time in quiet prayer with our Lord - come for even 15 minutes to spend time in the Real Presence of God!

Sign up sheets are at all the entrances.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE September 22, 2021 -October 31, 2021

You can protect mothers and children by joining this

worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

For more information go to - 40daysforlife,com/en/boston



SEPTEMBERFEST THANK YOU

God blessed us with a great day! I would like to thank Tom Davis who served as the chairman of the event. He was assisted by the following individuals who oversaw a particular area: Karen Arbuckle, Lindsey Camerlin, Pat Colbert, Judy Crowley, Fran Gallagher, Kellev Giambanco, Susan Jean, Cindy Loncar, Erica Mancini, Debbie McCormick, Phil McLaughlin, Adria and Chuck McPherson, Lisa Muller, Diane Shiek, Lucille Stewart and Nate Tyler. I want to extend a big "thank you" to Cameron Symonds, our own award-winning grill-master, for overseeing the cooking of the food - and all who assisted and volunteered throughout the day, including many members of the Knights of Columbus, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. It was great to see so many folks - particularly the young families participate in the fun activities. So thank you to all who served on the committee, to all who volunteered their time, and to all who attended! A financial report will be forth coming.

Fr. Michael

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SEPTEMBERFEST RAFFLE WINNERS

Early Bird Drawing: Anne Conlon, Mansfield 1st Prize \$1,000: The McSheffrey's, Mansfield 2nd Prize \$500: Beth Laplante, Mansfield 3rd Prize \$100: Julia Russell, North Easton

Consider the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life

2021 RED MASS

Bishop da Cunha, S.D.V., will celebrate the 24th annual Red Mass for the Fall River Diocese at 4 p.m., on Saturday, October 2, 2021, in St. Mary's Cathedral.

Offered widely throughout the country, the Red Mass is celebrated to invoke God's guidance on judges, attorneys and others working in the area of law and justice.

All are welcome to attend.

The Mass will conclude with the presentation of the St. Thomas More Award to members of the legal community to recognize dedicated service. For more information, please contact Red Mass Committee Chair man, Attorney Michael Harrington, at <u>harringtonpc@aol.com</u> or by telephone at 508-994-5900.



St. Mary's **Catholic School** www.StMaryMansSchool.org

Thank you to all who contributed to our **Reach for the** Stars campaign earlier this month! We raised \$12,218.00 from parish families for the Guardian Angel Scholarship Fund, which provides tuition assistance to families who would otherwise not be able to send their children to St. Mary's and \$20,909.75 from school families that will go toward new bleachers in the gym. A total of \$33,127.75 was raised.

Our students will participate in Walk to School Day on Friday, October 1 - give us a wave and a honk if you see us walking to St. Mary's on the 1st!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We extend prayerful congratulations to:

Sofia Margarita Cortejoso daughter of Carlos and Corina Cortejoso

Vy Nguyen Huynh daughter of Kiet and Phyong Huynh

Adalynn Rose Moniz daughter of Matthew and Caroline Moniz

who were baptized and welcomed into our faith community this past weekend.



The Children's Choir is looking for new members to sing at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday experience Cusack at

e.cusack@comcast.net for more details.

PRACTICAL IDEAS FOR FAMILY FAITH

On Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 7 p.m., Katie Warner, author of the book Head & Heart: Becoming Spiritual Leaders for Your Family, will be having a virtual talk for the Diocese. This talk is especially relevant for parents, grandparents, and parish leaders. To register for free, visit: https://bit.ly/ Warner21

Katie Warner is a Catholic wife, homeschooling mom, and author who loves creating and sharing resources for Catholic families. Katie received her graduate degree in theology from the Augustine Institute and is a Catholic speaker, an EWTN TV segment host, and a correspondent for the National Catholic Register. Katie has authored several prayer journals and bestselling Catholic children's books. She is also the part-time Communications Manager for the national evangelization apostolate: Catholics Come Home. Katie, her husband Raymond, and their four young children live in Georgia.

For more information, or to register for this free event, visit www.fallriverfaithformation.org/stioseph.

BISHOP da CUNHA'S 4TH PASTORAL LETTER

On Friday, September 24th Bishop da Cunha issued his 4th pastoral letter, Journeying Together: With Jesus on the Path of Faith & Hope. The Bishop shares "God is calling us to move forward and not stand still. My hope in this pastoral letter is to offer you a vision for how we can do this and how you can join us in moving forward into the future as a Diocese." The letter focuses on three areas: Invitational Witness, Sacramental Living, and Vocational Pathways with each section offering mission steps - the actions that individuals, parish communities, and diocesan ministries need to take to make the vision a reality over the next 4 years. Please take this opportunity to review the letter along with the accompanying guidebook at www.fallriverdiocese.org/journeying-together.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL

St. Marv's Conference - Mansfield

OPEN HOUSE TODAY! SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th

You are cordially invited to our "Open House" this Sunday between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Rose Garden Hall

Please stop by to hear what we do, and how you may want to help!

Coffee and light refreshments will be served. We look forward to meeting you. The whole family is welcome!

A "Question and Answer" Session will be held on Monday, October 4, from 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. in the Rose Garden Hall. Please join us if you'd like to learn more about the Vincentian calling. You will learn about the Society, and how the Vincentian Mission is a path toward deepening your faith through our charitable works! We look forward to seeing you there!

We welcome you to join us, and share in our journey!

Please call us at 508-369-4300 to provide your contact information, or contact us through email at stmarymans@svdpattleboro.org

We look forward to communicating with you!

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FAMILY ROSARY

Church Thursdays 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. Booklets and Rosaries provided Michael Casey (774) 266-7402



YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1 - 8

Office phone number 508-339-4621

Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Closed on Friday

We are happy to announce the beginning of our Grades 1-8 program!

Grade 1 - Sunday, Sept. 26 - 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Grade 2 - Sunday, Oct. 3 - 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Grade 3 - Wednesday, Sept. 29 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Grade 4 - Wednesday, Sept. 29 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Grade 5 - Tuesday, Sept. 28 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Grade 6 - Tuesday, Sept. 28 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Grade 7 - Monday, Sept. 27 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Grade 8 - Monday, Sept. 27 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Parent Meetings for all families with children attending inperson classes and the Home School program

We are having parent meetings in the Parish Center during the date/time of the first class listed above for parents with children in the in-person and Home School programs. If you have children enrolled in the Home School program, you should attend the parent meeting (your child does not need to attend) that corresponds to your child's grade listed above and will receive the Home School materials after the meeting. You only need to attend one parent meeting if you have multiple children in the Grade 1-8 program. Everyone is required to wear masks.

If you have not registered your child yet for this year, please stop by the Parish Center <u>as soon as possible</u> to register on Monday - Thursday, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the end of September.

PARISH NECROLOGY

A parish necrology is a listing of the anniversaries of those parish members who have gone before us over the past 25 years - so we ask that you keep these folks in your prayers, particularly on the anniversary of their death.

September 25	Joaquin Ricardo Girolamo Ceccarelli Joseph C. Shea Mary R. Chandler Timothy Thayer	1996 1998 2009 2015 2020
September 26	Jessimina Morini Antone Porfido Thomas J. Lydon Robert E. Weldon	1999 2008 2011 2014
September 27	Steven K. Gilleran Stephen M. Gannon, Sr. Alonzo Ruth McPherson	2014 2015 2018
September 28	Evelyn L. Guillette Joseph M. Cutillo	2000 2009
September 29	Mary Louise Martell Edmund Deltano Lucille R. Comey Deborah Harris	2001 2011 2014 2014
September 30	Danunzio Alessandri Patricia A. Papagno Alfonse E. Bielan, Jr. John C. Stone Eileen Dardinski Morgan C. Smith Bernard W. Pizura Doreen H. McPherson	2003 2003 2005 2008 2009 2011 2018 2020
October 1	Eleanor M. Ottaviani Lina J. Roberge John J. Botelho Thomas V. Conte	2006 2011 2014 2020

DIOCESAN UPDATE ON THE COVID-19 RESPONSE

As most of you know, on Tuesday, July 27, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced a change to its mask-wearing guidance and now advises that fully vaccinated persons wear a mask in indoor public places, in areas of the country with "substantial and high" transmission of Covid-19. This is to reduce the risk of being infected with the more transmissible Delta variant of the virus and possibly spreading it to others.

Currently almost all territory of the Fall River Diocese lies in counties classified as either "substantial" or "high" areas of community transmission. In light of this, the Diocese of Fall River is **strongly encouraging all parishioners** to follow the CDC guidance and to wear a mask while attending Mass or any other liturgical celebration unless unable because of a medical condition or under the age of two. This is particularly important for anyone with a weakened immune system; anyone at risk for severe disease because of age or underlying medical condition; or anyone in a household with someone having these conditions or with someone who is unvaccinated.

The recent uptick in virus transmission in some places is a reminder that the pandemic has not yet passed, and continued vigilance is required. Parishioners are asked to please keep in mind the need for a collective commitment to the overall good of the parish community.

The Diocese of Fall River continues to monitor all Covid-19 advisories and orders by both the CDC and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and will amend diocesan guidelines and directives on an ongoing basis as needed.

FORMED'

ONLINE ADULT FAITH FORMATION -FORMED.ORG

The start of a new school year is gearing up. And now is a good time to consider adding a FORMED educational program to your Fall lineup, regardless of age. Below are a few suggestions.FORMED.ORG is free to all parishioners, and has extensive video, audio and reading selections.

You may want to consider the following:

For young children, under 10: Adventure Catechism, each segment presents a basic teaching from the catechism in a cartoon format for young children.

For children, 10 and up: Books in a variety of formats suitable for older children, including Ask the Bible Geek.

For older teens and adults: Opening the Word, a series of videos for each Sunday of the liturgical year. The videos include discussions of the Sunday readings.

To access these and to browse other books go to the 'books' tab on the FORMED homepage. You can also use the SEARCH function on the website to find specific books, as well as audio tapes and videos.

All parishioners at St. Mary's have access to the FORMED.ORG website; all of the content is free of charge to St. Mary's parishioners. To access videos, click ON DEMAND, then use the WATCH heading to find and stream these and other videos. You can also use the SEARCH function on the website to find specific videos, as well as audio tapes and books.

To register, Go to formed.org/signup; select our parish -St. Mary, Mansfield MA 02048; register with your name and email address; check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

A word of thanks to Dr. Ann Orlando for overseeing this program.



DECEASED

The following individuals died this past week: Henry J. Shachoy and Kathleen Fennell (mother of Marie Palardy). Let us keep them and their families in our prayers.



PRAYER CHAIN

Do you or a loved one need the support of our St. Mary's family for a special intention? Anyone wishing or needing prayers for themselves, a loved one, friend, etc., are encouraged to contact Gerrie Saulnier at 508-238-6650. The Prayer Chain Ministry includes confidential prayer requests in their daily personal prayer life and passes on these prayer requests through a telephone prayer chain. An invitation to join this ministry is extended to individuals interested in praying for the needs of others.



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC WOMAN'S CLUB

It was wonderful to see so many members at our first meeting. Our next meeting will be held on

Thursday, October 14th at 7 p.m. It will be our craft night where we will be doing rock painting. If you have any special rocks that you would like to paint bring them along. We will supply rocks, paints, brushes, etc. It will be a good meeting to bring a friend. Hope to see you there.

Thank you to the many generous members and parishioners who supported our annual calendar and made it a great success. Because of you, we will be able to continue our donations to many worthwhile charities in our area.

Congratulations to the Winners of the third week of the September Calendars:

Sept. 12	John Souto	Sept. 13	Diana Reeves
Sept. 14	Cecelia Rabuck	Sept. 15	Philip Costa
Sept. 16	John Souto	Sept. 17	Deb Szrom
Sept. 18	Rena Annese	_	

TWENTY WEEK CLUB will be starting in November. We will be continuing with one winner of \$100 per week for 20 weeks. As you know the money raised from this fundraiser goes to two scholarships given to two students of our parish who will be going on to college after high school. More details to follow in the coming weeks!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Did you know that the Mansfield Knights of Columbus are active in many community programs? Below is a partial list of some of the community activities where you can find a Knight.

- * Keep Mansfield Beautiful * Blood Drives
- * Septemberfest * Boston Marathon
- * Our Daily Bread Mansfield's Food Pantry

If you are not a Knight and are involved in any of the above activities you may also want to consider joining the Knights of Columbus. Together, we will build a stronger community!

MEMBERSHIP We're stronger together! Will you join the Knights of Columbus? The Knights of Columbus welcomes all practical Catholic gentlemen to join Council #420 here in Mansfield, MA. Please email us at info@kofc420.org or join online today KofC.org/JoinUs!



The Annual Pro-Life Month Mass will take place at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption on Sunday, October 3, 2021. The Mass is to take place at 10:30 a.m. with Most Reverend Bishop da Cunha as celebrant and in collaboration with the Knights of Columbus.



ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE **WHO**....

- * Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- * Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group (socially distanced) to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. The process will begin in the fall. For more information, please speak to Fr. Mike after Mass, or call the parish office at (508) 339-2981 or email office@stmarymans.org.



THE MUSEUM OF FAMILY PRAYER

Can Faith & Fun happen together? YES! At the Museum of Family Prayer In North Easton, MA. The Museum provides an

immersive, inspiring, educational, and unique experience of prayer. Come for a few hours or the entire day and learn about the power of daily family prayer and be "The family that prays together stays together." For more info call 508-238-4095 or go to www.MuseumofFamilyPrayer.org.

PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SCHEDULED FOR HOSPITAL PROCEDURES

If you are scheduled for surgery or a procedure that will require hospitalization, please speak to Fr. Mike about the possibility of receiving the Sacrament of the Sick beforehand. It is an important spiritual benefit for those who are sick.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Sharing The Word Of God In **Our Parish Family And Our Homes**

It is wonderful to hear how many families are using the "Question of the Week" to discuss the readings at Mass on the way home from church or around the dinner table. How about trying it with your family?

Read Today's 2nd Reading: Jas 5:1-6

Question for Adults: In today's worldwide community, who are the rich and what does God want of them?

Ouestion for Youth: Who are the people you have met who are against you? Are there people who persecute you because of your faith? How do you treat these people?

Question for Children: In what specific ways do you share with the poor from what you have been given?



PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick within our parish community, especially: Diane Barry, Joshua Bowen, Verna Buote, Sean Canavan, John P. Collins, Christopher Conti, Kailyn DeAngelis, Max Derva, Brooke DuBeau, Mark

DuBeau, Katherine Finegan, Kim Fletcher, Steven Fletcher, Aiden Goodreau, Rita Hindman, John Horan, Ginny McDonnell, Marie Mullaly, Kathy Murchinson, Tara O'Regan, Julia Russell, Roger Sequin, Gregory Simpson, Rocco Spagna, and Jon Weinstein, as well as our homebound, hospitalized, and those in nursing care.



SCOUTING AT ST. MARY'S Scouts BSA (Troop 51)

Did you know that St. Mary's sponsors Scout Troops for the entire family?

Scouting is for both boys and girls now. The mission of Scouts BSA is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes...and they do this through fun and challenging activities that promote character development and physical fitness. Programs are Kindergarten - 12th grade.



BISHOP FEEHAN HOMECOMING

FEEHAN Join Bishop Feehan High School on HIGH SCHOOL Friday, October 1 and Saturday, October 2 for two days of family

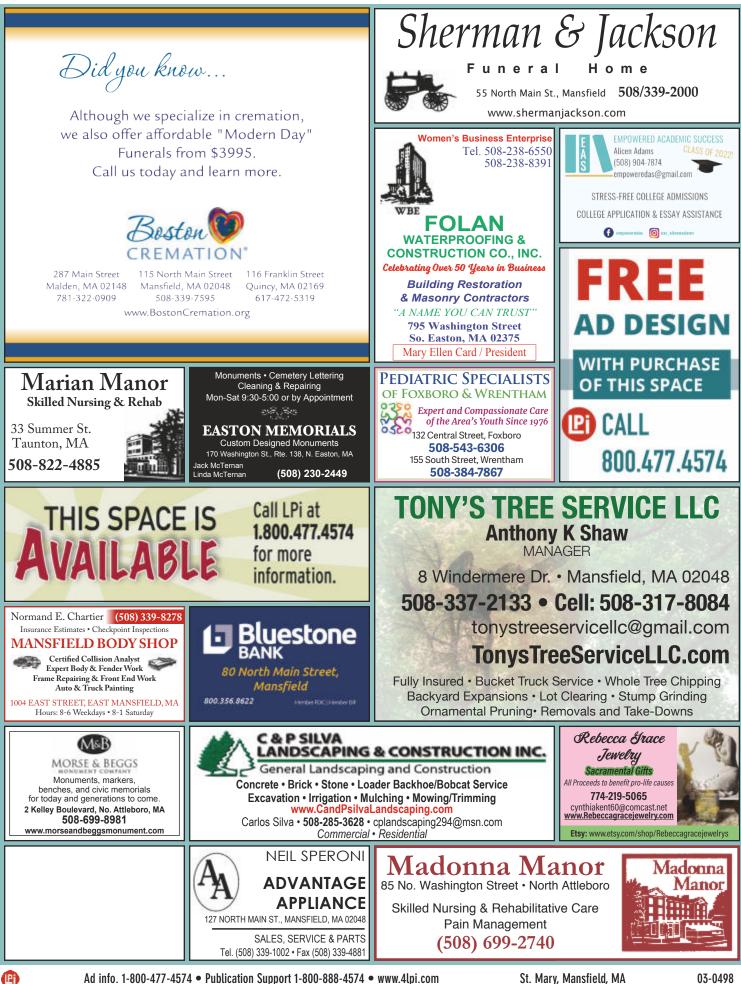
fun at its annual Homecoming celebration. Enjoy BFHS varsity sports games and local food trucks both days. Festivities run October 1 from 4-7 p.m. and October 2 from 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday \$5 admission fee includes athletic games, Family Fun Zone activities and music. Food trucks, concessions and Shamrock Shop items are additional.

Visit - BishopFeehan.com/Homecoming or contact advancement@BishopFeehan.com for more information.



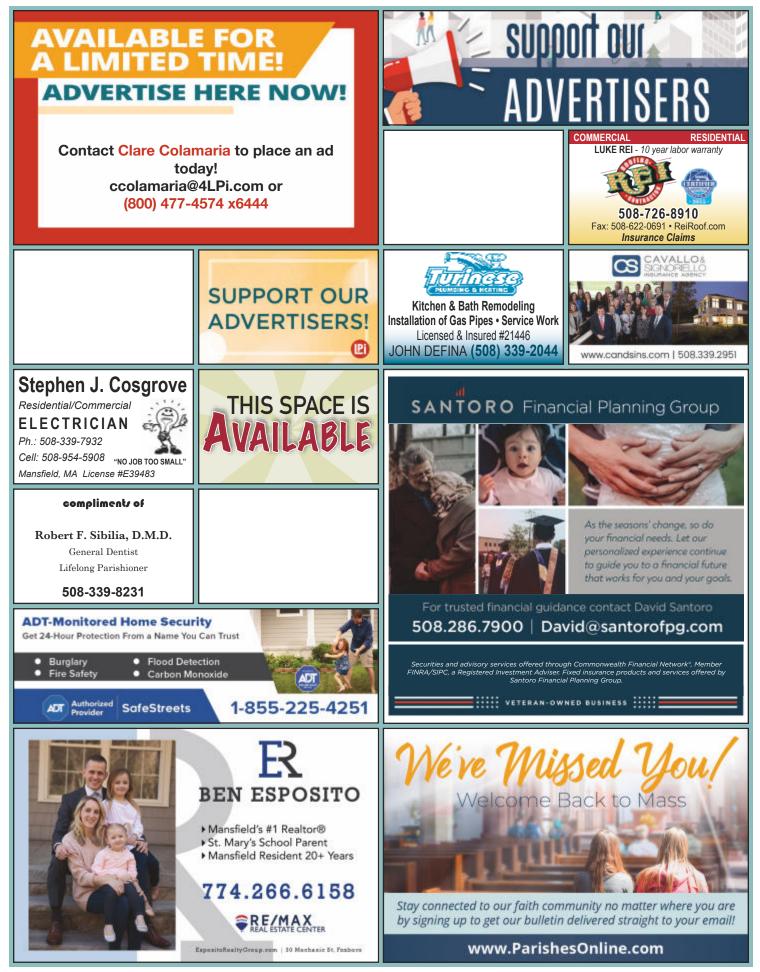
READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 26th

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



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