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Weekday Mass

(Monday thru Saturday) 9:00 am Mary's Chapel

Weekday Mass in Portuguese: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
Pelo tel: 781-871-5754

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday Vigil Mass - English - 4:00 pm

Saturday Mass - Portuguese - 7:00 pm

Sunday Mass - English - 7:30 am - Main Church
10:00 am - Main Church

Sunday Mass - Portuguese - 7:00 pm - Main Church

Mary's Chapel will be opened during the week, Monday – Friday, from 8:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. for personal prayer and adoration.

Confessions/Reconciliation: Saturdays from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. in Saint Mary's Chapel.

Baptismal Arrangements: Parents register for baptism by contacting Mrs. Elizabeth Davis at 781-871-1244.

Marriage Arrangements: Couples should arrange an interview with one of the priests of the parish at least six months prior to the planned wedding date.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the sick: Especially prior to entering hospital, call the rectory.

Last Rites of the Church for the Dying: Call the Rectory.

St. Vincent de Paul: Call 781-792-0168 and follow taped directions

Alcoholics Anonymous: Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. Holy Family Parish Center

Narcotics Anonymous: Mondays 7:00 p.m. St. Joseph's Center

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, Jan 8 4:00 Fr. Thomas DiLorenzo (L)

Sunday, Jan 9 7:30 Parker Ford

**10:00 Ted Pearson, Sr. and
Stephen Pearson**

Saturday, Jan 15 4:00 John and Dorothy McLoughlin

Sunday, Jan 16 7:30

**10:00 Robert Christie, Sr. and
Robert Christie, Jr.**

We are celebrating Mass on Saturdays at 4 p.m. in the Main Church and Sundays at 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. in the Main Church. Mass will continue to be taped for public showing on Rockland Cable TV Channel 32 on Verizon and Channel 15 on Comcast on Sundays at 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 5p.m. and can be viewed on our website: www.holyfamilyrockland.org.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Andrea Mastrodomenico, Joseph F. Mullen, William McDonough, Marian Smolinsky and all who have died during the Covid-19 pandemic.



Classes with Fr James O'Driscoll on Facebook/YouTube channel (Holy Family Church, Rockland, MA)

Monday - Spiritual Book Club with Fr. Philippe's *Fire and Light*.

Tuesday - Bible Study, 2 Thessalonians, at 2 pm on Facebook and Youtube at Holy Family Church Rockland MA.

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/

Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/

Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/

Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/

1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-1

January 9 ~ The Baptism of the Lord

Our gospel recounts the story of Jesus' baptism and the important words spoken by God about Jesus, "You are my beloved Son." Isaiah uses similar words "Here is my servant, my chosen one with whom I am pleased. . ." During the coming week, take some time to pray and reread these scriptures. Hear God say these words to you, "I formed you and set you as a light" "You are my beloved. . . with you I am well pleased." As you acknowledge God's love and delight in you, ask God for the courage to witness to his love in your actions and words this week.

CHRISTMAS BOOKS FOR THE PARISH

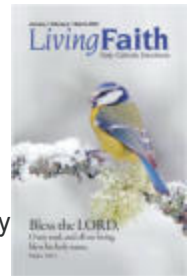
The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen



This book is a powerful collection of inspiring quotes from Bishop Sheen's life and works that will encourage you to think differently about yourself and what God is calling you to do. Bishop Sheen was considered a great communicator and the face of American Catholicism. He is famous for reminding millions of television viewers each week that "Life is worth living."

Books are available in the church foyer and the Parish Information Center.

LIVING FAITH Daily Catholic Devotions for January, February, March 2022



Parishioners:

Living Faith provides daily reflections based on a Scripture passage from the daily Mass. This booklet is available in the Main Church foyer. Please help yourself to a copy.

Outreach Ministers to the Homebound:

The new issue of *Living Faith* is available for pick-up after Mass this weekend in the Parish Information Center. They have been **separated** and marked for your convenience.

ULTREYA will be meeting January 14th at 7:00 PM in the Main Church at Holy Family. All are welcome.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER LINE

Call and ask for prayers for someone you know.

1-617-746-2054 Monday- Friday 9 AM- 4 PM

On weekends & after 4:00 PM, you may leave a prayer request message or visit www.csjboston.org.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

FAMILY NOTES, Baptism of the Lord, January 9, 2022

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

What is Baptism?

Baptism is the way out of the kingdom of death into life, the gateway to the Church, and the beginning of a lasting communion with God.

Baptism is the foundational SACRAMENT and the prerequisite for all other sacraments. It unites us with Jesus Christ, incorporates us into his redemptive death on the Cross, thereby freeing us from the power of Original Sin and all personal sins, and causes us to rise with him to a life without end. Since Baptism is a covenant with God, the individual must say Yes to it. In the baptism of children, the parents confess the Faith on behalf of the children.

Who can be baptized, and what is required of a candidate?

Any person who is not yet baptized can be baptized. The only prerequisite for Baptism is faith, which must be professed publicly at the Baptism.

A person who turns to Christianity is not just changing a would view. He or she travels a path of learning (the Catechumenate), in which he becomes a new human being through personal conversion, but especially through the gift of Baptism. He is now a living member of the Body of Christ.

How is Baptism administered?

The classical form of administering Baptism is the threefold immersion of the candidate in the water. Usually, however, water is poured three times over the head of the candidate, while the minister of the sacrament speaks the words, "N., I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

Water symbolizes cleansing and new life, which was already expressed in the baptism of repentance performed by John the Baptist. The Baptism that is administered with water "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" is more than a sign of conversion and repentance; *it is new life in Christ*. That is why the ceremony also includes the sign of anointing, the white garment, and the baptismal candle.

What happens in Baptism?

In Baptism we become members of the Body of Christ, sisters and brothers of our Redeemer, and children of God. We are freed from sin, snatched from death, and destined from then on for a life in the joy of the redeemed.

Being baptized means that my personal life story is submerged in the stream of God's love. "Our life", says Pope Benedict XVI, "now belongs to Christ, and no longer to ourselves... . At his side and, indeed, drawn up in his love, we are freed from fear. He enfolds us and carries us wherever we may go—he who is Life itself" (April 7, 2007).

YOUCAT (English) Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church (Ignatius Press San Francisco 2011) pp 116-119, #194ff.

Fr. Jim O'Driscoll

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Dear Friends,

Last weekend I announced that our Grand Annual Collection will begin today and last until the end of June. We have a goal of \$160,000 and are asking everyone who can to give \$200 over this 6 month period and more if possible. However, as usual, let each of us do the best she or he can; give in installments if you like. St. Joseph is our model in this basic "nuts and bolts" aspect of being the Church in Rockland. St. Joseph provided for the Holy Family, getting Jesus and Mary a proper house in Bethlehem (See Matt 2:11 for mention of a "house") where the Magi found "the child with Mary his mother." Here and now, you and I take up the role of St. Joseph. We provide for "the house" of this Holy Family Parish. Let me thank you before hand for your always generous response. And let us put our trust in the Lord, the foster son of Joseph (See Luke 4:22), who always takes care of us. You are always in my prayers. I ask you to keep all our staff in yours.

God bless. JFH

JANUARY 9, 2022



Religious Education News and Calendar

Director of Religious Education: Mrs. Elizabeth Davis; Assistant: Mr. Bob Fullam

Contact Information: Phone (781)-871-1244 or Email to holyfamilyreligioused@yahoo.com



The Baptism of the Lord

This Sunday, January 9th is the last day of the liturgical season of Christmas. It may come as a surprise that our Gospel for today does not tell us a story about Jesus' childhood. Instead, we have fast-forwarded about thirty years in Jesus' life. We hear about how Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist in the Jordan River. The picture to the left is our beautiful stained-glass window right here at Holy Family showing this event. Make sure to take a look at it before you leave church today. This feast confirms that the baby Jesus, born at Christmas is indeed God's "beloved Son."

John baptized with water; those baptized in Jesus' name will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.

- You and I receive the gift of the Holy Spirit when we are baptized.
- Our sins are forgiven, and we are made children of God.
- The gifts of the Holy Spirit are strengthened in us through the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- Jesus' baptism marks the beginning of his public ministry.
- Our Baptism marks the beginning of our own identification as God's beloved sons and daughters.
- Our Baptism begins our mission and ministry as Christians.
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May we be faithful in supporting and sharing in Christ's mission to share God's love in our families, community and in our world!



We welcome through the
Sacrament of Baptism:
Emma Quynh, Riley
Rae, and Nora McKenzie!



BAPTISM OF THE LORD

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS IN MEMORY OF:

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Please state below in the appropriate space if your donation is being given in HONOR of or In MEMORY of a loved one

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