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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 15 4:00 John and Dorothy Loughlin
Sunday, Jan 16 10:00 Robert Christie, Sr. and
Robert Christie, Jr.

Sunday, Jan 23 7:30 Jack Hoadley
10:00 John Gilbert

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

Reta Treall, Robert Fitzgibbons, Josephine L. Lally and all who have died during the Covid-19 pandemic.



January 16 ~ Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
"Do whatever he tells you." These are the words of Mary at the end of today's gospel! Mary is saying these words to us – to each and every one. What is Jesus telling you to do? The psalm gives us one way – 'proclaim God's marvelous deeds.' St. Paul also reminds us that each one of us has special gifts, gifts that are different in each person. As you take time this week in prayer, humbly acknowledge the gifts that are uniquely yours from God. Then, like Mary, do whatever Jesus tells you, putting your gifts at the service of others.



GLASTONBURY ABBEY'S Hybrid Events

Our *Listening to Other Voices* interfaith lecture series returns via Zoom on Thursday, January 20, at 7 PM (Eastern) with Cantor Rosalie Will. Worship leader & performer, Cantor Rosalie

will present "Prayer, Song, Breath...Healing for Self and Community." All are welcome! Click on the link for more information or to register:

<https://gacc.retreatportal.com>

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 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

CHRISTMAS BOOKS FOR THE PARISH

The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen



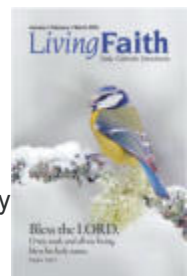
This book is a powerful collection of inspiring quotes from Bishop Sheen's life and works that will encourage you to think differently about yourself and what God is calling you to do. Bishop Sheen was considered a great communicator and the face of American Catholicism. He is famous for reminding millions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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAMILY NOTES, II Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 16, 2022

Dear friends, Peace in Jesus!

REFLECTION

As Christmas closes out I remain impressed with St. Luke twice telling us that Our Blessed Mother “kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart” (2:19 & 51). In that context and for both of our spiritual reflections I offer you the following pieces. I trust that they may bless you as they have me.

VALUABLE

Quoting St. Augustine, Fr. William R. Bonniwell, O.P. writes, “Nothing can more powerfully arouse my hopes of gaining the glory of heaven (glorious immortality) than the realization of how much God loves me and how valuable I am in his sight.” From Magnificat, January, 2022, p.101.

I have ever heard that God loves me but I never heard before that I am “valuable” to Him. I keep reflecting on that and what it means.

Long ago on retreat with many priests Jesus Our Lord told me, “My Father’s greatest gift to me is you!” So each of us is so ‘valuable’ to God that the most ‘valuable’ gift He could give to His Jesus is each of us! **THAT IS WORTH REFLECTING ON!** Check Jesus in John 17:24.

NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT

Archbishop Alfred Hughes in his book “Priests in Love with God”, p.163, writes this. “The core message of the Gospel: God has created every human being; he sustains each in existence; even after the original fall and personal sin, he offers redemption in Christ Jesus; this Lord and Savior died for our sins and rose for our justification; nothing is more important than eternal salvation and life with him forever. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Good News.”

SACRIFICE / LOVE

From the Rite of marriage, 1964: “Sacrifice is often difficult and irksome, love can make it easy and perfect love can make it a joy.”

MORE!

From Galatians 2:19-20: “...that I might live for God, I have been crucified with Christ, yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me.”

GRIP

Finally, I found an alternate translation of II Corinthians 5:4. Usually one hears “For the love of Christ impel us.” Powerful certainly. The other? “The love of Christ holds us in its grip!” Yes! As Jesus Himself said, “My sheep ... shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand” (John 10:27-28).

God bless. JFH

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Dear Friends,

Our Grand Annual Collection began last weekend and will 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 me and all our staff in yours.

God bless. JFH

JANUARY 16, 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 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Dear Students and Families: I am praying that you are well and taking good care of each other in the New Year. We will continue with remote, home lessons for the remainder of January. Lessons will be sent home each week in an email and posted online to your child's grade level page at holyfamilyrockland.org. We anticipate returning to in person classes the week of Sunday, February 6th.

If you and I were together for class this week in person, we would be looking at our big Liturgical Calendar, like the one pictured to the left, and talking about what comes next, now that the Christmas season has ended. (Remember, the liturgical calendar is the calendar the Catholic Church uses to celebrate Sundays, Saints feast days, and special seasons in the Church.)

Today, we celebrate the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Ordinary time is green on the calendar. For many Sundays in this lectionary cycle (Cycle C), our readings will be taken from the Gospel of Luke. Occasionally, however, we will read from John's Gospel. This is true of today's Gospel reading, which describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry and his first miracle at the Wedding of Cana.

This weekend, we celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (1/15/1929). He is one of the most important leaders in U.S. history and one of the iconic figures of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States during the 1950s and 1960s. Dr. King's fight against discrimination and segregation changed American history and gave hope to millions of a future of equality.

Dr. King's call for racial equality is echoed in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. "Created in the image of the one God and equally endowed with rational souls, all men (and women) have the same nature and the same origin. Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, all are called to participate in the same divine beatitude: all therefore enjoy an equal dignity." (CCC 1934).

Pope Francis, in his address to Congress in 2015 noted that King's message of equality is rooted in the Gospel passage of the Golden Rule. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Mt 7:12).

As the Holy Father stated: "This Rule points us in a clear direction.

- Let us treat others with the same passion and compassion with which we want to be treated.
- Let us seek for others the same possibilities which we seek for ourselves.
- Let us help others to grow, as we would like to be helped ourselves.
- In a word, if we want security, let us give security; if we want life, let us give life; if we want opportunities, let us provide opportunities.
- The yardstick we use for others will be the yardstick which time will use for us.
- The Golden Rule also reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development."

Adapted from an article at: <https://cacatholic.org/article/dreams-lead-action-dr-martin-luther-king-jr>



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS IN MEMORY OF:

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January 29/30.**



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of all sizes and colors.

Please leave your donations in the marked baskets in the Main Church foyer. All CCD students will be participating in this project. The Confirmation class will sort and organize the donations for Pine Street Inn.



For more information call Teresa Doyle Smith at the rectory (781-878-0160).

Jesus is Here: Archdiocese of Boston Eucharistic Congress

6-18-2022

We are excited to announce that registration is now open for the 2022 Eucharistic Congress, Jesus is Here - a day-long event featuring Mass with the Cardinal, dynamic speakers including Bishop Robert Barron, Bishop Daniel Flores, Bobby and Jackie Angel, and Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Adoration, and a Eucharistic procession. Visit jesusishereboston.org for more information and to register!

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