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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



Sunday, Jan 23 4:00 Marthin and Maria Clarita

Mangoba

7:30 Jack Hoadley

10:00 John Gilbert

Saturday, Jan 29 4:00 Thomas Casey and

Eleanor Cole

Sunday, Jan 30 7:30 Cora Holbrook (L)

10:00 Margaret Beary

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 continued 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

Bette Burrill, Robert Strang and all who have died during the Covid-19 pandemic.



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

Monday - Spiritual Book Club with Fr. Philippe's The Way of Trust and Love, A Retreat Guided by St. Thérèse of Lisieux

<u>Tuesday</u> - .Bible Study on the Book of Hebrews, at 2 pm on Facebook and Youtube at Holy Family Church Rockland MA.

Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

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

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/

Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-

30/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12,

13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd

-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-

17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

January 23 ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Re-read today's Gospel. Put yourself in the scene: you are in the synagogue, perhaps your family is beside you. Jesus, the carpenter's son, gets up to read - He is serving as "the lector." The carpenter's son reads a passage from the prophet Isaiah about the promise of the Messiah. Upon finishing, he looks at the people gathered and says: "Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." Who are the blind, or the oppressed or the poor in your life that need to hear the "Good News" of Jesus Christ? Today, you are that lector!

CHRISTMAS BOOKS FOR THE PARISH

FULTON SHEEN

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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

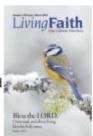
"Life is worth living."

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.



GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Dear Friends,

Our Grand Annual Collection has started 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. 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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAMILY NOTES, III Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 23, 2022

ECUMENISM

The restoration of unity among all Christians is one of the principal concerns of the Second Vatican Council. Christ the Lord founded one Church and one Church only. However, many Christian communions present themselves to men as the true inheritors of Jesus Christ; all indeed profess to be followers of the Lord but they differ in mind and go their different ways, as if Christ himself were divided. Certainly, such division openly contradicts the will of Christ, scandalizes the world, and damages that most holy cause, the preaching of the Gospel to every creature.

The Lord of Ages nevertheless wisely and patiently follows out the plan of his grace on our behalf, sinners that we are. In recent times he has begun to bestow more generously upon divided Christians remorse over their divisions and longing for unity.

Everywhere large numbers have felt the impulse of this grace, and among our separated brethren also there increases from day to day a movement, fostered by the grace of the Holy Spirit, for the restoration of unity among all Christians. Taking part in this movement, which is called ecumenical, are those who invoke the Triune God and confess Jesus as Lord and Savior. They do this not merely as individuals but also as members of the corporate groups in which they have heard the Gospel, and which each regards as his Church and indeed, God's. And yet, almost everyone, though in different ways, longs for the one visible Church of God, a Church truly universal and sent forth to the whole world that the world maybe converted to the Gospel and so be saved, to the glory of God.

The sacred Council gladly notes all this. It has already declared its teaching on the Church, and now, moved by a desire for the restoration of unity among all the followers of Christ, it wishes to set before all Catholics guidelines, helps and methods, by which they too can respond to the grace of this divine call.

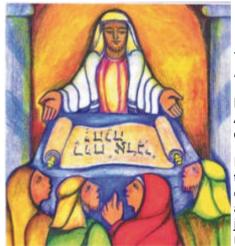
What has revealed the love of God among us is that the only-begotten Son of God has been sent by the Father into the world, so that, being made man, he might by his redemption of the entire human race give new life to it and unify it. Before offering himself up as a spotless victim upon the altar of the cross, he prayed to his Father for those who believe: "that all may be one, as you, Father, are in me, and I in you; I pray that they may be one in us, that the world may believe that you sent me" (John 17:21). In his Church he instituted the wonderful sacrament of the Eucharist by which the unity of the Church is both signified and brought about. He gave his followers a new commandment to love one another, and promised the Spirit, their Advocate, who, as Lord and life-giver, should remain with them forever.

After being lifted up on the cross and glorified, the Lord Jesus poured forth the Spirit whom he had promised, and through whom he has called and gathered together the people of the New Covenant, which is the Church, into a unity of faith, hope and charity, as the Apostle teaches us: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism" (Eph. 4:4-5). For "all you who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ…for you are all one in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:27-28).

<u>Decree On Ecumenism</u>, <u>Vatican II, Unitatis Redintegratio, 21 November, 1964</u>, The Vatican Collection, Vatican Council II Vol.1, The Conciliar and Post Conciliar Documents, pp. 452-454, Costello Publishing Co., Inc. Northport, NY



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Sunday of the Word of God The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today, we celebrate the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. *In 2019, Pope Francis instituted that the Third Sunday would also be known as the Sunday of the Word of God.* His goal was to create a day to remind Catholics of the importance of knowing Scripture – the writings found in the Bible. Pope Francis said in his Apostolic Letter, "...the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God".

In his letter, Pope Francis recounted that great story from Luke's gospel, the **Road to Emmaus**. As you know we always use the wonderful Emmaus story as the overarching theme of our Religious Education Program here at Holy Family. We look

at those disciples that meet Jesus as they journeyed on the road to Emmaus and do not recognize him. And as we know, it was through Jesus's explaining to them the

Scriptures and His breaking of the bread with them that their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus.

"Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" (Luke 24:32)

Sunday of the Word of God Home Project: To show that God is at the center of our lives, many families "enthrone" the Bible, the Word of God, in a visible place in our homes.

- This week consider placing your family Bible in a very prominent spot in your home that can be seen by all. If you have children or grandchildren consider using a Children's Bible with pictures. (The Daughters of St. Paul have some beautiful ones available that are reasonably priced if you need one.)
- Pick a place where the Bible can be honored (on a table or shelf).
- The Bible should be placed where it will be seen regularly as you will want to find a few times during the week that, as a family, you can sit down and read a story from it together.
- Decorate the area around the Bible with a cloth, flowers, and/or a candle—whatever makes sense to you.
- Place the Bible, opened to a favorite passage or the readings of the day (these can be found online at www.usccb.org/nab), or here in our bulletin.
- After creating the area and placing your Bible, pray the following:

Jesus, Your words give us joy and bring light and truth into our lives. Your presence gives us peace in our troubled and divided world. Let your Word create in our hearts a deep desire for you. Be with us in our hearts and homes, in our community and country. Give us your Holy Spirit to help us to understand your Word.

We enthrone now this Holy Bible in our home. **Make your Word the center of our lives**. May your Word inspire all that we think and say and do. May your Word bind us together in unity with each other. May we draw from it inspiration for our decisions, strength for

our work, and comfort in suffering. Jesus, help us to be faithful to our promise, You who live forever and ever. Amen.



THANK YOU FROM THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH PRISON MINISTRY

Dear Fr. Hickey and Holy Family Parish,

I'm writing to you to thank you, once again, for your thoughtful, faithful and generous contribution of \$1,182.00 to our Sisters of St. Joseph Prison Ministry Program at Christmas time.

As you know, your gift is used to help women incarcerated begin to plan for a new life - re-entry back into society. The Christmas remembrance means the world to them.

Promising prayers for you this NEW YEAR!

Sr. Maureen Clark, CSJ

LOCKS, SOCKS, HATS AND GLOVE DRIVE

Pine Street Inn of Boston needs Socks, Hats and Gloves for the cold winter nights and Locks for lockers at Pine Street to store their belongings. Holy Family will sponsor a Drive THIS



Weekend, January 22/23 and next weekend, January 29/30.



Standard size locks with keys **No combination locks**

Socks, Hats & Gloves for women/men 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!



Our Baby Shower for the Unborn will be on the weekend of February 5/6. God bless Trish Kelliher who for years organized this lovely ministry. Sadly, we lost Trish to cancer last year. Her husband Mike is being supportive in her place.

If you desire to make a financial donation, please make out your check to "Pregnancy Help."

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- Boys & Girls Winter Sleep n Play Outfits- sizes newborn, 3 – 6 months
- Boys & Girls Transitional Outfits (Fall outfits long sleeve top and pants) sizes: 3 6 months.

Many of these items can be acquired at www.carters.com as stores have low inventory.

Thanks for your always vibrant support of this needed ministry.

JFH



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