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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.

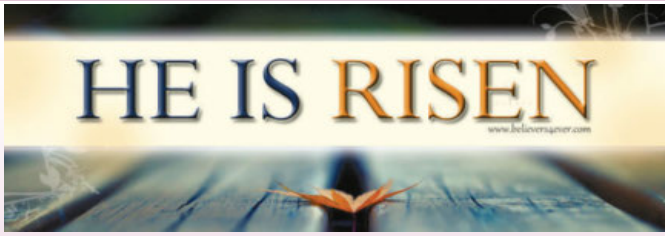
Last Rites of the Church for the Dying: Call the Rectory.

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 SCHEDULE FOR EASTER SUNDAY—2022

<u>Holy Saturday</u>	9:00 AM Morning Prayer – Mary’s Chapel
Saturday, April 16	7:00 PM Easter Vigil Liturgy - Main Church English and Portuguese
<u>Easter Sunday</u>	7:30 AM Main Church
Sunday, April 17	10:00 AM Main Church
	7:00 PM Portuguese Mass– Main Church

BREADS AND WINE

The Breads and Wine for the month of April are in memory of the deceased members of the Botelho and Kawa Family lovingly donated by Kathy and Fred Kawa.



Banns of Marriage

3. Matthew Rakowski and Paige Lambert

CLERGY TRUST: EASTER COLLECTION 2022

Each Easter, parish collections benefit Clergy Trust which cares for the health and well-being of all active and senior diocesan priests in good standing. By supporting this year’s collection, you can show your appreciation for the priests who continue to build stronger communities for all through their ministry. For more information or to donate go to www.clergytrust.org

Readings for the week of April 17, 2022

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or,
Lk 24:13-35
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/
Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/
Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/
Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/
Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/
Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-
21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/
Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Jesus is Here: Archdiocese of Boston Eucharistic Congress

**SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022
8:30 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.
TSONGAS CENTER AT UMASS LOWELL**

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!

PLEASE RETURN YOUR RICE BOWLS

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda and commit to share our Easter joy with those in our local community and



THE LITTLE WHITE BOOK

The Little White Book is meant to help you enjoy six minutes a day in prayer during these next 50 days of the Easter Season.

Booklets are available in the Church foyer.



LIVING FAITH DAILY CATHOLIC DEVOTIONS APRIL—JUNE 2022

The Living Faith Booklets are available in the Church foyer. Copies for the Homebound are marked and available in the information center.

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

My thanks to all who have contributed so far to our Grand Annual Collection. As of April 4, we have received \$79,141 which is 49.4% of our goal of \$160,000. However at this point last year we had received \$81,295 or 50.8% of our total. So you can see we are just a little behind in comparison. So allow me to encourage everyone who has not yet given to give that suggested gift of \$200. More if possible. And of course less if your situation means your gift has to be smaller. Inflation is affecting everyone. Just let’s all do the best we can. As in everything “welcome be the will of God!”

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

FAMILY NOTES, Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022

THE GLORIOUS AND HOLY EASTER SUNDAY

There is a significant link between the Christian Easter and the Jewish Passover since Christ died on Passover Day. The Jewish custom is also symbolical of Christ, "the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world" (John 1:29). Hence the name and signification of the Hebrew Pasch was devoutly accepted and used by the Church.

On this glorious and holy day, the whole Church celebrates with joy the final triumph and life-giving resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. After the long period of darkness brought about by original sin, after the seemingly endless expectation of the prophets, after the glad tidings of the nativity that came to pass when the time had come, after the thirty hidden years and the three years of public life, after the frightful passion which had seemed to be the end of all hope, after the two days in the depth of the tomb, behold: CHRIST IS RISEN! Indeed, indeed, He is risen, and all is true, every promise of God has been fulfilled: the Savior has come, the Lamb of God has been sacrificed to take away the sins of the world, and supremely triumphant in his apparent defeat, He has crushed death by his death and restored everlasting life through his resurrection! The time of weeping is over: now is the time for joy! Now that we have been cleansed by the passion of Christ, now that we have repented and atoned for our sins during the penitential season of Lent, let us rejoice: let us give one another a Christ-like kiss of peace, confirming our love towards all, our reconciliation through Christ. Easter is truly for us the Passover: for Christ, through his passion and resurrection, made us return from the curse of Adam and the bondage of Satan to the state of Children of God.

The day after the Sabbath was called by the Hebrews "the First Day." In the early age of the Church, it was dedicated to the glorification of the Lord and called in Greek "Kyriake," or "Day of the Lord." The apostles transferred to it the dignity of the Sabbath of the Old Testament and prescribed that it be a holy day and a day of rest. Thus did the first day of the Hebrew week become Sunday, the Day of the Lord.

The Glorious and Holy Easter Sunday, Archbishop Joseph Raya, from Byzantine Daily Worship Alleluia Press, 1969, Allendale, NJ p. 844

Fr. O'Driscoll

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday is intended to proclaim and celebrate God's tender mercy, which is available to all who turn to Him with trust.

All are welcome to join us at Holy Family Parish on the Feast of Divine Mercy, on **Sunday, April 24th, from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.** The Holy Hour will include: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy, Singing the Chaplet of Mercy and Benediction. Pamphlets are available in the Main Church foyer and the Parish Information Center.



DIVINE MERCY PRAYER by Pope Saint John Paul II

GOD, merciful Father, in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have revealed your love and poured it out upon us in the Holy Spirit the Comforter.

We entrust to you today the destiny of the world and of every man and woman.

Bend down to us sinners, heal our weakness,
conquer all evil, and grant that all the peoples of the earth
may experience your mercy.

In You, the Triune God, may they ever find the source of hope.
Eternal Father, by the Passion and Resurrection of your Son,
have mercy on us and upon the whole world!

APRIL 17, 2022



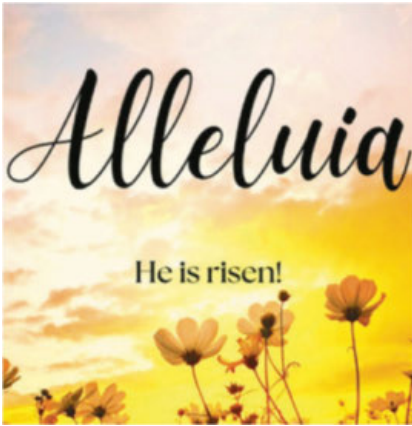
Religious Education News and Calendar

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

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Easter Sunday

The Resurrection of the Lord



Lent has come to an end, and we celebrate Easter with joyful hearts! We again sing, "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!" (One just isn't enough.) Easter celebrates Jesus' Resurrection. This is the very heart of our faith: that God raised Jesus, who was crucified, from the dead. The promise of Jesus is that all who believe in Him will be raised up to new life with God. Jesus' appearances after his Resurrection show that life with Him is love, forgiveness, service to others, and giving one's life for one's friends. It reminds us that light follows darkness, spring follows winter, and that eternal life follows death. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! (Pflaum)

This week we move into a new section on our Liturgical Calendar. Remember, the liturgical calendar is the calendar the Catholic Church uses to celebrate Sundays, Saint's feast days, and special seasons in the Church. We look at it each week when we gather for class. On the Liturgical Calendar the Easter Season is the large beige section that lasts for 50 days until the Feast of Pentecost (which celebrates the Holy Spirit coming down upon the Apostles).



Our take home lesson this week tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb and that the disciples did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Even having seen the empty tomb and the



burial cloths, the disciples do not yet fully understand about the Resurrection.

Over these next fifty days of the Easter season the scripture readings will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through His appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.

**We are praying that all our students and our families
have a blessed Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

BIBLE STUDY with FR. JIM O'DRISCOLL



Join Fr. O'Driscoll on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the St. Joseph Center for **in-person** study on the Book of Psalms.

OR

Join Fr. O'Driscoll on Mondays and Tuesdays at **2 p.m. on Facebook at James O'Driscoll** for the following programs:

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

Tuesday - Bible Study on the Book of Hebrews.

SEEKING HEALING AFTER ABORTION?

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SPRING 2022 RETREATS

Saturday, April 23

Saturday, May 14

Saturday, June 4

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Location is confidential. Pre-registration required.
Limited to 10 participants.

For more information:
Project Rachel at (508) 651-3100
help@projectrachelboston.com

April 17 ~ Easter Sunday ~ The Resurrection of the Lord

St. Peter reminds us today that Jesus Christ "... commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God". Who are the people you might speak openly to about your relationship with Christ? Pray for the courage to be like Peter and Mary Magdalen and tell your story – the story of how God has worked and continues to work in your life. This is not just good news; it is *The Good News of Jesus Christ*. Share it!

Livestreaming at Holy Family

Livestreaming of Mass is now available on the website at holymfamilyrockland.org. If you scroll almost to the bottom of the homepage, you will see a box that reads: Holy Family Rockland Live Stream - Click to Watch. Click on that link and you will be taken to the live Mass.

We will be livestreaming the Saturday 4PM Vigil Mass each week.

Wellness Day for Grieving Mothers

For mothers who have lost children to substance use disorder.

Saturday, April 30, 2022 - 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Our Lady of the Lake Church (Holy Apostles Parish)
575 Monponsett St., Halifax, MA 02338

Cost Per Person:

\$25.00 (Includes morning refreshments and lunch)

Space is limited, please register early by calling

Sr. Maryadele Robinson - (617) 464-8501 or

maryadele_robinson@ccb.org or

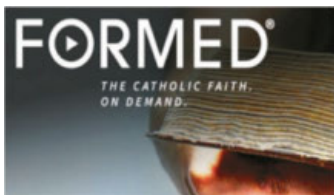
Karen Wenger at kwenger224@comcast.net

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Holy Family Decorating Ministry is looking for a couple of people to help water the Easter flowers in the Main Church twice a week from mid-April to mid-May.

If you can help, please call **Julie Mahoney** at

781-789-4080. Thank you.



This week on FORMED® - April 17

1. Easter - FORMED is excited to present special content to help us journey through the Easter season and deepen our understanding of Christ. You will find resources on prayer, the lives of the saints, and great spiritual content to help guide you and your family through the Easter season and draw you deeper into the mystery of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, and Pentecost. All listed under the Easter link on the FORMED home page.

2. Brother Francis: He Is Risen! The Power of the Resurrection An animated presentation of key points in the life of Jesus Christ, His Death on the Cross, triumph over death, and Ascension to the Father. Join Brother Francis as he celebrates the power and splendor of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ in this moving and instructive animated presentation! Steeped in Scripture and instruction this 30-minute video is a wonderful reminder of the reality of God's power and presence!

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