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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 Especially prior to entering hospital, call the

of the sick:

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



MASS SCHEDULE FOR

Saturday, May 14 4:00 PM Daniel O'Handley Sunday, May 15 10:00 AM Rosemary Dennehy

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.

Livestreaming of Mass is now available on the website at holyfamilyrockland.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.

Also we will be livestreaming the Saturday 4p.m. Vigil Mass each week.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER THE RECENTLY **DEPARTED**

John R. Holmes, Gregory Burgess, Tia Mastromatteo. Dolores Zaborski

Banns of Marriage

1. Sean F. Payne and Mari A. Nasser



BREADS AND WINE

The Breads and Wine for the month of May are in memory of Beatrice Botelho and Eleanor Kawa lovingly donated by Kathy and Fred Kawa.



Readings for the week of May 15, 2022

Sundays: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/

Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/

Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11 Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21 Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/ Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-2

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!

SEEKING HEALING AFTER **ABORTION?**

Project Rachel Retreats offer hope, healing and reconciliation in a confidential setting. Project Rachel

> **SPRING 2022 RETREATS** Saturday, June 4

Sponsored by the Project Rachel Ministry -Archdiocese of Boston Location is confidential. Pre-registration required. Limited to 10 participants.

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

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - THURSDAY, MAY 26

Vigil Mass: Wednesday, May 25 4:00 PM

Feast Day Masses: Thursday, May 26 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Dear Friends.

At this point our Grand Annual Collection, with its goal of \$160,000, has received \$94,491 or 59% of that goal. At this point last year we had received \$105,480, or 65.9% of our goal.

I need to express my appreciation for your loyal support of Holy Family all through the pandemic and your generosity to our (perhaps too many) second collections. Further, I am aware of increasing inflation (the worst in 40 years!). So I'm finding it harder than usual to push for your generosity to the Grand Annual Collection. So, if you've given: thanks very much. If you haven't, as you can see we need your gift. And if \$200 is too much to ask for, just do the best you can. But simply put, we are behind and I have the job of asking for your help. Sorry.

Thanks and God bless. JFH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FAMILY NOTES, V Sunday of Easter, May 15, 2022

From a commentary on the Gospel of John by Saint Cyril of Alexandria, bishop.

Christ gave his own body for the life of all men.

"I am dying for all men," says the Lord. "I am dying to give them life through myself and to redeem the whole human race through my humanity. In my death, death itself will die and man's fallen nature will rise again with me. I wanted to be like my brothers in every respect, so I became a man like you, a descendant of Abraham." Understanding this well Saint Paul says: As the children of a family share the same flesh and blood, he too shared our human nature so that by his death he could destroy the power of the devil, the prince of death. Death itself and the prince of death could be destroyed only by Christ, who is above all, giving himself up as a ransom for all.

And so, speaking as a spotless victim offering himself for us to God the Father, Christ says in one of the psalms: You desired no sacrifices or offerings, but you have prepared a body for me. You took no pleasure in holocausts or sin offerings. Then I said, "Behold, I am coming." He was crucified for all, desiring his one death for all to give all of us life in him. It was impossible for him to be conquered by death; nor could he who by his very nature is life be subject to corruption. Yet we know that Christ offered his flesh for the life of the world from his own prayer, Holy Father, protect them, and from his words, For their sake I consecrate myself. By saying that he consecrates himself he means that he offers himself to God as a spotless and sweet-smelling sacrifice. According to the law, anything offered upon the altar was consecrated and considered holy., So Christ gave his own body for the life of all, and makes it the channel through which life flows once more into us. How he does this I will explain to the best of my ability.

When the life-giving Word of God dwelt in human flesh, he changed it into that good thing which is distinctively his, namely, life; and by being wholly united to the flesh in a way beyond our comprehension, he gave it the life-giving power which he has by his very nature. Therefore, the body of Christ gives life to those who receive it. Its presence in mortal men expels death and drives away corruption because it contains within itself in his entirety the Word who totally abolishes corruption.

Office of Readings, Saturday, Third Week of Easter, 1976 by Catholic Book Publishing Corp.; N.Y. pp.743-744.



Religious Education News and Calendar
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"The Body of Christ... Amen."

Last Saturday, May 7^{th,} our final group of young people made their First Holy Communion. Please continue to keep them and their families in your prayers.



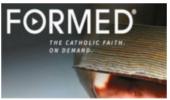












This week on FORMED® - May 15

To celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima (which we celebrated on May 13, FORMED recommends the following two shows.

1. FORMED NOW – Our Lady of Fatima Join Sr. Maris Stella of the Sisters of Life and Dr. Tim Gray for today's discussion on Our Lady of Fatima. (30 min.) https://

watch.formed.org/videos/formed-live-our-lady-of-fatima

2. The Day the Sun Danced: The True Story of Fatima (Animated for Families 30 min.) The Day the Sun Danced is the inspiring true story of Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta, whose great faith and courage brought the message of Our Lady of Fatima to the entire world.

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- 4. Choose Holy Family Parish from the drop-down menu
- 5. Click next and enter your name and email address
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Second Season of Two-Season Program, Talking of Palliative Care, now being broadcast!

The second season of our two-season program, Talking of Palliative Care, is now being broadcast on Catholic TV. Each season consists of thirteen half-hour episodes, each dedicated to a specific topic in Palliative Care. The first season is available at the Catholic TV website for streaming at your convenience. After the second season has fully aired, it too will be available on the Catholic TV website for viewing at your convenience. Please see www.CatholicTV.org for further information.

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Upcoming weekends: August 12-14, 2022 - November 11-13, 2022

MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY

Marian Devotions are held during the month of May to honor the Virgin Mary as The Queen of May. Booklets and pamphlets for Marian devotions are available in the Church foyer and the information center by Mary's Chapel.





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 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 *Nine Days to Welcome Peace*.

Tuesday - Bible Study on the Book of Hebrews.

May 15 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

In today's Gospel Jesus gives a simple command but one that we often find difficult to live by. "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Notice Jesus' words. We can't be content with being nice to others, simply saying that we love others. No, our love must go further - we are to love others in the same way as Jesus loves, with mercy, forgiveness and compassion! That is where the difficulty often lies for many of us. Yet, this is the mark of a disciple - loving as Jesus loves! Imagine what life in your family, in your parish and in our world would be like if you were to take this command to hear.

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