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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

MASS SCHEDULE FOR

Saturday, May 28	4:00 PM	John Gordon
Sunday, May 29	10:00 AM	Robert Smith
Saturday, June 4	4:00 PM	Todd Fournier
Sunday, June 5	7:30 AM	Deceased members of the Burnieika & Berlo Family
	10:00 AM	Warren & Dorothy Woodward, Jr and Rita & Paul Kreckler

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.

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



REMEMBER IN PRAYER THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Patricia Lochiatto, Christine Kampmila

Banns of Marriage

3. 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.



GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Dear Friends, Peace! You listened!

To date we have received \$111,760 or 70% of our goal of \$160,000 for the Grand Annual Collection. Please, if you haven't given yet, know we need your help. Let's all do the best we can. May Our Jesus be praised.

JFH

The next Ultreya at Holy Family will be on Friday, June 17th at 7:00 PM in the Main church. All are welcome. Please join us for an evening of Holy Mass, music, and a short witness talk from a member of our community.

SEEKING HEALING AFTER ABORTION?

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



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

GROWTH THROUGH GRIEF RETREAT FOR FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES

A day of retreat for men affected by a loss from addiction and substance use disorder.

Date: June 11
Location: Boston College High School,
150 Morrissey Blvd, Boston
Time: 10am-4pm Light breakfast & lunch
included
Cost: \$25 (cash or check on June 11)

To register: Contact Karen Farrell at kfarrell@rcab.org or call 617-746-5843

Readings for the week of May 29, 2022

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/ Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/ Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/ Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/ Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/ Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FAMILY NOTES, VII Sunday of Easter, May 29, 2022

Dear Friends, Easter Peace!

I was impressed by an essay in *The Pilot* on May 6th by Michael Pakaluk. It seems he read and contemplated “The Passion and Death of Jesus Christ” by St. Alphonsus Liguori for Lent but hadn’t finished it so he continued reading and pondering even into the Easter Season.

Note that Liguori bases all of reflections on the Gospels.... Yet, the details he mentions are astonishing. His thoughts have filled me with an appreciation of Our Lord’s great love.

“For example, the Agony in the Garden, Liguori says, was not something one-off, a few hours’ struggle the evening before. Rather, it was the culmination and explicit expression of Our Lord’s life-long contemplation of his suffering and death. His manner of death was never unknown to him. He was and understood himself to be the Lamb of God from the beginning.

“Or take the scourging: Liguori corroborates its devastating brutality. The scourging was so severe, he says, that one could see Our Lord’s ribs. Flesh was hanging down in one of his arms. And, but for an exercise of divine power, Our Lord would have expired. He deliberately strengthened himself, Liguori remarks, so that he could suffer more.

“After the scourging, St. Ambrose says, Our Lord had to be put into his own garments again, simply so that the people could even recognize him—so severely had he been disfigured. His whole body was as if a single bleeding wound, one saint remarks.

“Again, the thorns were really a helmet more than a crown, and it extended down to the middle of Our Lord’s forehead. You no doubt know how profusely the scalp bleeds. His face was a mass of blood, as was his body. His blood was truly “poured out” for us.

“And they really did need to use a rope to pull one arm out (of its socket) to nail it down—so St. Bridget says—dislocating the limb. The pain in his hands and feet was excruciating. Our Lord’s death lacked even the slightest alleviation or consolation, even from the Father (hence Ps 22:1). Remarkably, neither did Mary’s presence comfort him: her pain only added to his affliction. “The Mother being filled with pain, the ocean of her sorrow poured itself back upon the Son,” (St. Bernard).

“Thus, I wondered as I reflected on Liguori. Yet, while doing so, I also realized that I had attained only a familiar insight—since what is the Mass, after all, except a real remembrance of the Passion of Our Lord? And the best celebration of Easter is the Mass.

“I thought: the Church, which never ceases to wonder over the Passion, does so especially in the Easter Season.”

So, dear friends, I am moved by Our Lord’s fidelity to us. Let us pray: “Praise the Lord, all you nations; glorify Him all you peoples, for steadfast is His love for us and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever!” (Psalm 117)

God bless! JFH

MAY 29, 2022



Religious Education News and Calendar

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

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Thank you: Students, Families, Catechists and Parishioners for all your efforts and support during this past year of Religious Education.

Returning to in person classes this school year was a blessing. We were grateful to be able to journey with our parents, grandparents and other family members who work with us in support of the promise made at their children's baptism, to be the primary teachers of the faith.

As you know we always use the wonderful Emmaus story as the overarching theme of our program. 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 His recounting of the Scriptures and His breaking of the bread with them that their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus.

As difficult as this past year has been at times as we continued to work through the Coronavirus and its variants, we too have continued on our faith journey, to grow in our friendship with Jesus and have our eyes opened to the wonder of God:

- through our study of the scriptures each week in our religious education lessons,
- in receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation
- by attending church each Sunday (either in person or virtually) to share in the Eucharist.
- by continuing to learn about the wonderful practice of Spiritual Communion.
- by celebrating the seasons of the church liturgical calendar through our weekly lessons – acting out the gospels, creating various arts and crafts activities to enhance our learning, memorizing our prayers, performing acts of kindness for family, friends and community, and
- by supporting each other **as we come to know, love and serve Jesus.**



Thank you also to all our parishioners for your prayers, kind words, and financial support of our Religious Education program here at Holy Family. We are grateful! We look forward to seeing all our students and families at church this summer and eagerly await the return to in person classes this September!

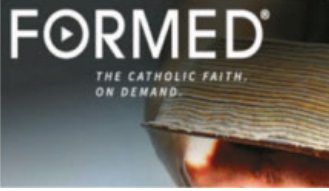
With gratitude ~ Liz Davis and Bob Fullam



Holy Family Religious Education Registration for Fall 2022 Available Mid-June

Registration Information will be emailed/mailed and available online in mid-June. If we do not have your family contact information, please call 781-871-1244, email (holyfamilyreligioused@yahoo.com) or drop by the Religious Ed. Office, to be included in our registration outreach. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN EASTER



This week on FORMED® - May 29

1. **Sacred Art** - Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down with different pieces of beautiful Sacred Art to discuss their theological meanings and how they can speak to us today. <https://watch.formed.org/sacred-art>

2. **FOR KIDS: Catholic Heroes of the Faith** - This series presents true stories of people whose example of service to Christ and his Church have made a lasting impression on others. These heroes lived truly great lives. Seeing the struggles they faced, and how they succeeded so gloriously, we are challenged to follow their sample of dedication. <https://watch.formed.org/catholic-heroes-of-the-faith>

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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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TSONGAS CENTER AT UMASS LOWELL

Registration is 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!

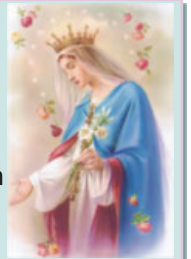


BIBLE STUDY

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.**

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.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Please remember to donate to Holy Family's St. Vincent de Paul Society during this time of economic uncertainty and struggles for our neighbors in need in Rockland. The St. Vincent de Paul food pantry receives phone calls daily from folks in need of food and assistance with rent, utility bills and other necessities of life.

Please make contributions/checks to the **St. Vincent de Paul Society**. You may drop off your gift at the rectory or mail to St. Vincent de Paul c/o Holy Family, 403 Union St., Rockland, MA 02370 or put in the collection basket at Mass. Any questions, please call the SVDP food party at 781-792-0169. Thank you for your continued support.

STANDING WITH MOMS IN NEED

The United States Conferences of Catholic Bishops has published a two page article regarding the Church's *"witness in word and deed to the beauty and dignity of every human life-including both mother and child...with both material resources and personal accompaniment so that no woman ever feels forced to choose between her future and the life of her child."*

Copies of the article are available in the Church foyer and in the Parish Information Center by the entrance to Mary's Chapel.

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