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# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CC

Weekend Mass Schedule

*St. Denis:* Saturday, 4:30 PM • Sunday, 8 AM and 10:30 AM *St. Margaret Mary:* Saturday, 4:30 PM • Sunday, 10 AM and 5 PM (outside, weather permitting)

> Daily Mass Schedule St. Denis: Monday – Wednesday at 9 AM St. Margaret Mary: Monday – Friday at 7:30 AM

> > Confessions

*St. Denis:* Saturdays at 3:45–4:15 PM *St. Margaret Mary:* Wednesdays at 7–8 PM



#### From the Desk of Father Bob

A word of warm welcome to **Sally Arpino** who joins the collaborative staff as secretary! Sally has been a long time parishioner of St. Margaret Mary and is a person of deep faith who has roots in the community. **Cindy Carlo** is moving on, sadly. She has been a tremendous blessing to us since

Fr. Paul and I arrived and in the initial months of bringing the two parishes together to form the Westwood Catholic Collaborative. She is highly organized, efficient and embodies all that is good of our Catholic faith! She is still in the parish so will be around!

Having tried various schedules in recent months we have figured out that the best time to **hold office hours** for the two parishes is **Monday-Thursday**, **9:30-4:00**. The collaborative offices are located at St. Margaret Mary, 845 High St. It doesn't make sense to be duplicating staff and services by having offices at both parishes. Given that St. Margaret Mary has dedicated space for staff, we decided to locate offices there. The office space at St. Denis will still be used for meetings and various appointments.

As you well know, the staff is very dedicated and work at all kinds of hours depending on what is going on in the parishes on any given week. In attempt to serve our people in the best way, we will try these office hours for a while. Hopefully, they will meet our needs. Of course, if you need a priest in an emergency, you can get us by calling the office number and following the prompts.

The third week of January puts before us three important matters for our prayer.

The first is **praying for an end to racism**. The Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday affords us the opportunity to intercede to the Lord on behalf of our country for the graces to end the hatred which keeps people of various ethnic backgrounds separate. The underlying fear of encountering people of cultures than our own has lead to unspeakable violence over the years, and sadly, continues to this day. There will be one Mass for the collaborative on MLK day, at 9:00 at St. Denis.

This week is the **octave of prayer for Christian Unity**. For over 100 years Christians of various traditions have committed themselves to a week each year dedicated to praying for unity of all the Baptized. Whilst at the Last Supper, Jesus prayed explicitly "that all may be one" (John 17:21). At all the Masses this week there will be intentions for an end to what keeps Christians divided as well as asking the Lord for the graces needed to have one Church, professing one faith and one Baptism.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal designates January 22 as a day of prayer and penance for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. As such, Catholics in the United States are asked to dedicate this day to pray for this particular intention. Abortion and the legal rights surrounding abortion are two issues that separate Americans. There are few people who do not have strong feelings around this issue. All the more reason why we need prayer and penance for our social and cultural repentance. The word "repent" as used by the Lord, by the way, comes from a Greek word meaning "a turning of the mind." There will be a Mass on Saturday morning at 9:00 at St. Margaret Mary Church to pray for forgiveness for the sins committed against the human person. The Mass will be followed by a holy hour lead by Deacon Steve which will include exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the recitation of the Rosary and Benediction.

#### **2021 Year End Financial Tax Statements**

Year-end financial acknowledgement statements for tax purposes for those who use **envelopes and**/ **or online giving** are available by contacting the parish offices at 781-326-1071 or 781-326-5858.

#### Next Weeks Special Collection — Church in Latin America

Next week's second collection supports the Church in Latin America (CLA). The CLA provides support for pastoral projects in financially poorer dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. CLA funds catechetical and lay leadership programs, youth ministry, evangelization programs, and formation programs for religious, priests, and deacons. CLA is making it possible for the Catholic faithful in the Western hemisphere to help each other. Please visit <u>www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/index.cfm</u> for more information.

### Second Sunday of Ordinary Time — January 16, 2022

"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

#### **Religions Education for Children and Young Adults with Special Needs**

If you have a child or young adult who, for whatever reason, would be better served learning in a different formation, St. Margaret Mary in Westwood offers a Religious Education Program individually designed for him or her (beginning at age 6). This one-on-one program includes weekly gospel study, preparation for Penance, First Eucharist, and Confirmation which will take place in the lower church. Bob Smith is the Director and Lead Catechist. The multi-age class meets every other Saturday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the lower hall at St. Margaret Mary. The next class will be January 22, 2022.

This program is open to children and young adults from all parishes.

Contact St. Margaret Mary at (781) 326-1071 if you are interested in learning more about this program which accommodates for individual student's needs.

#### St Vincent de Paul Volunteers Needed

"The poor you will always have with you." (Matthew 26:11 (NAB).

Jesus taught that love for God joyfully impels us to love His greatest creation, humankind, and even more so the poor, needy, sick, lost and hurt among them. Inspired by Gospel values, the St. Vincent de Paul Society leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering. Westwood's St. Vincent de Paul Conference serves the needs of the Greater Westwood community and is looking for new members *from both parishes*, parishioners driven to love and help the People of God who are in need. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, making no distinction in those served because, in them, we see the face of Christ. Volunteers will attend periodic meetings and, if willing, make home visits and return phone calls to families in need. Time commitment varies with need. To learn more about what being a Vincentian means, please contact the office at 781-326-1071 for more information.

#### Prayer of Surrender - by Thomas Morton

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you and I hope that I have that desire in all that I am doing. And I know that if I do this, you will lead me by the right road although I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death, I will not fear, for you are ever with me and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

#### **Epiphany Chalk Home Blessing**

Traditionally on the feast of Epiphany, Catholics bless their homes by writing the letters C, M and B and the numbers of the year, for example 2022, at the top of their doors. The letters stand for the names of the three Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. They also represent the Latin blessing *Christus mansionem benedicat*, which means "May Christ bless this house."

We are a bit late (this year) but our celebrants will bless chalk next weekend at the masses and it will be available along with the blessing for you to take to your home/little church.





#### **Mass Links**

St. Margaret Mary's Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday 10 AM and 5 PM, as well as the daily Masses are livestreamed on the website at <u>www.saintmmparish.org/live-streaming</u>. The 5 PM is also streamed on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/</u> <u>saintmmparish.org</u>

To watch the Sunday, 10:30 AM Mass at St. Denis please use this link: https://vimeo.com/event/693318/5fd168d1dc

**5 PM Mass at St. Margaret Mary** The Sunday 5 PM Mass at St. Margaret Mary will be inside for the winter.

#### MLK Jr. Trip Postponed

The MLK Jr. trip has been postponed to February. An announcement will be made once a new date is established.

#### **In Loving Memory**

Please pray for all the deceased of our parishes, including Beverlyann Mazzarella who was recently born into eternal life, as well as all of our sick and those who have asked for our prayers.

#### **Events**

**Tuesday** — Rosary at 8:10 PM at St. Margaret Mary after religious education classes. Also on Facebook live.

**Wednesday** — Adoration & Reconciliation from 3-8 PM at St. Margaret Mary. The Blessed Sacrament will be solemnly exposed on our altar. There will also be the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 7-8 PM.

**Friday** — Adoration from Noon-3:00 PM. Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM at St. Margaret Mary.

**Saturday** — Rosary at 9 AM outside by the statue of Our Blessed Mother Mary at St. Margaret Mary. If weather does not permit, we will pray inside the church.

#### **New Office Hours**

St. Denis and St. Margaret Mary Monday through Thursday 9:30 AM to 4 PM Closed on Friday



### St. Denis

Sat, Jan. 15 Sun, Jan. 16 Sun, Jan. 16	8 am	Pro Populo Guerino & Drusiana DiMascio
Mon, Jan. 17	9 am	Paul McNulty
Tue, Jan. 18	9 am	William & Bridget
		O'Sullivan
Wed, Jan. 19	9 am	Mass of Thanksgiving

## St. Margaret Mary

Sat, Jan. 15	4:30 рм	Timothy Curtin
Sun, Jan. 16	10 am	Mr. & Mrs. James J. Sullivan
Sun, Jan. 16	5 рм	Pro Populo
Mon, Jan. 17	7:30 ам	No Mass
Tue, Jan. 18	7:30 ам	Gail Miskell
Wed, Jan. 19	7:30 ам	Esther Doyle
Thu, Jan. 20	7:30 ам	Jean Murphy
Fri, Jan. 21	7:30 am	Elaine Canavan

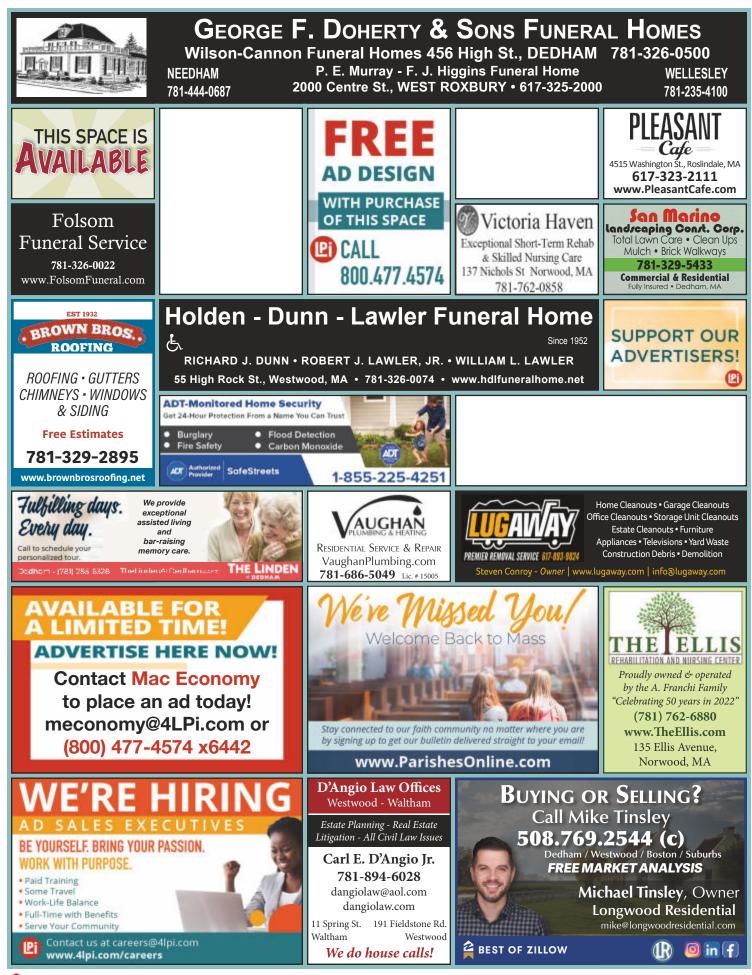
# St. Denis Lector Schedule

Sat, Jan 22	4:30 рм	Matt Abraham
Sat, Jan. 23	8:00 AM	Jack Patterson
Sat, Jan 23	10:30 ам	Faith Formation

# **Sacramental Giving** Collections: January 9, 2022

SAINT DENIS Weekly Collection	\$5,517
SAINT MARGARET MARY Weekly Collection	\$8,588

**St. Margaret Mary Grand Annual** As of Monday, January 10th 87 families have contributed \$56,608 Thank you for your generosity!



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