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Parish Office

645 Main Street Warren, RI 02885 Mondays-Thursdays 9am-12nn

New Members

If you are new to our parish, please take a moment to register through our parish website or by phone. Welcome!

Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday at 8am Saturday at 4pm Sunday at 8am & 10:30am Sabbath@Sundown Sunday evening Mass at 6pm

Confessions

Confessions are heard in the Reconciliation Chapel at the rear of the church on Saturdays at 3pm or anytime by appointment. Please note that the chapel accommodates both anonymous and face-to-face confessions.

Baptisms

Baptisms are typically celebrated at one Sunday Mass per month. Please contact Deacon John Pryor at 401.245.7000, extension 14, for more information. Private baptisms may also be arranged.

Weddings

Please call the parish office to discuss wedding preparations at least one year in advance of the intended date.

SMB Mountain Movers

Milly Grieve, Coordinator of Children's Ministries Email: smbmountainmovers@gmail.com

SMB Food Pantry

The Food Pantry operates out of the lower church hall and is open on Tuesdays from 3pm to 5pm and on Wednesdays from 9am to 11am. Wendy Baker, *Director* Phone: 401.245.7000, ext. 19 Email: smbfoodpantry@gmail.com

Parish Outreach

Parishioners and members of the local community in need should contact the rectory for assistance. Phone: 401.245.7000, ext. 13

St. Gabriel's Call

St. Gabriel's Call provides emotional and practical support to families in need, including diapers, baby clothing and much more. Barbara Fisher, *Coordinator* Phone: 401.245.7000, ext. 20

Welcome to Saint Mary of the Bay

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church, no matter your current family or marital status, no matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality, no matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue, you are welcome here! You are invited, accepted and respected at Saint Mary of the Bay. We hope to share our Roman Catholic way of faith and life in Christ with you!

Mass Intentions

Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

First Saturday, July 2

3:15pm: First Saturday Devotions 4pm: Deceased Members of the DeGoes & Kurowski Families Requested by Jeanne DeGoes & Family

Sunday, July 3

8am: Betty Francis Brown, Birthday Remembrance Requested by Charlie & Gigi Francis
10:30am: Carl Harper, 5th Anniversary Requested by loving wife & family
6pm: For all parishioners

Tuesday, July 5 8am: Norma Thivierge, Birthday Remembrance *Requested by Peggy Pevin*

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 9 4pm: Clara Mello Requested by Kevin & Karen Laroche

Sunday, July 10

10:30am: Peter Sepe, 18th Anniversary Requested by The Oliveira & McPhillips Families
6pm: Elizabeth Usher Requested by Cheryl & Harold Phillips



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Stewardship

Weekend of June 25 & 26, 2022

Budget Envelopes: **\$2,912.00** Loose: **\$1,488.00** Online: **\$1,918.45** (Average Online Gift: \$49.19 Number of Users: 39) <u>Total</u>: **\$6,318.45**

Diocesan Youth Ministry: \$813.00

Catholic Charity Appeal

2022 Parish Goal: \$58,900.00 Amount Pledged: \$62,198.00 Difference: **+3,298.00**

🔀 Please Take Note

- ⇒ In observance of Independence Day, the Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, July 4, although Mass will be celebrated as usual that morning at 8am.
- ⇒ Throughout the months of July and August, the Parish Offices will be open Mondays through Wednesdays from 9am to 12nn. Until the Fall, the Parish Offices will be closed on Thursdays and Fridays.
- ⇒ The registration deadline for SMB's 2022 Summer Camp, "Hero Central," has been extended to Friday, July 8. Please visit stmaryofthebay.org to register!

YOU'RE INVITED

Traditional Eucharistic Holy Hour

Wednesday, July 6

Saint Mary of the Bay 645 Main Street, Warren, RI First Wednesday of the Month 7pm in the Main Church

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Lo, I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing torrent. (Is 66:12)

PSALM:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66)

SECOND READING:

From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body. (Gal 6:17)

GOSPEL:

"Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.'

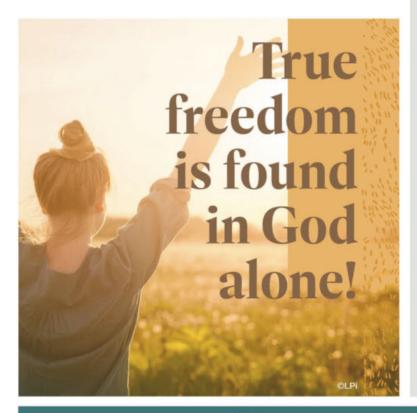
If a peaceful person lives there,

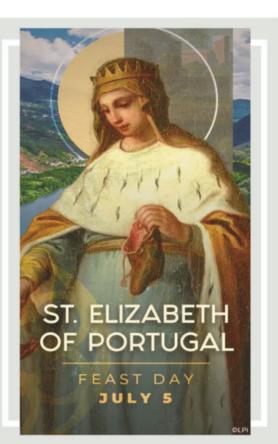
your peace will rest on him." (Lk 10:5-6)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 3, 2022

| Sunday: | 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Thomas, Apostle |
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| Monday: | Independence Day |
| Tuesday: | St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal |
| Wednesday: | St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr |
| Saturday: | St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs |
| Next Sunday: | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time |





Saint of the Week

St. Elizabeth was born to Peter III of Aragon and his queen Constantia in 1271. Like most royal girls of the time, she was betrothed at an early age, and was married to King Diniz (or Dinis, English: Denis) at the age of 12. Although her husband's infidelities and life of sin caused much scandal, Elizabeth was a good and pius queen. She attended Mass daily and dedicated her life to helping the poor. She established orphanages and shelters for the homeless. She also founded a convent of Poor Clares at Coimbra, Portugal.

Often called Peacemaker, Elizabeth was from her birth a reconciler of conflict. Her birth brought her father and his estranged father James to peace. Later when her own son and husband came to war out of jealousy, she rode between armies and reconciled the two men. After King Diniz died in 1325, she went to live as a lay member at the convent of Poor Clares that she had founded. But her fight for peace was not over, she undertook a long ride to keep the army of her son Afonso IV, from fighting that of Alfonso XI of Castile. Although she was successful, she died shortly after from a fever. Saint Elizabeth was canonized on May 25th, 1625, by Pope Urban VIII. In the United States her memorial has been transferred to 5 July since 4 July is Independence Day, a national holiday.

GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, "the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited." That same dictionary defines liberty as, "the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to." Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that "the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ." There are many other inspirational people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues



that enlighten one's soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one's character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. "I am sending you like lambs among wolves," Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That's what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others.

Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'" - Lk 10:8-9

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