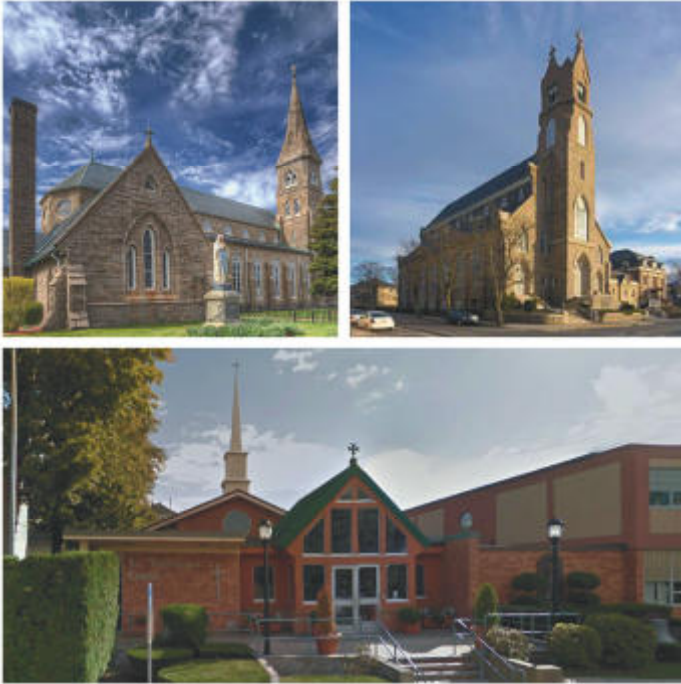




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4:00 p.m. (English) St. Mary's Cathedral
4:00 p.m. (English) Good Shepherd Church
7:00 p.m. (Brazilian Community) St. Mary's Cathedral

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. (English) St. Stanislaus Church
10:00 a.m. (bilingual) Good Shepherd Church
10:30 a.m. (English) St. Mary's Cathedral
1:00 p.m. (Spanish) St. Mary's Cathedral
6:00 p.m. (Youth Mass) St. Stanislaus Church

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Monday - Friday: 12:00 Noon
St. Mary's Cathedral

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Saturday, January 1:

4:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)
4:00 p.m. (Good Shepherd)
7:00 p.m. (Brazilian)

Sunday, January 2:

9:00 a.m. (St. Stanislaus)
10:00 a.m. (Good Shepherd-bilingual)
10:30 a.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)
1:00 p.m. (St. Mary's—Spanish)
6:00 p.m. (St. Stanislaus)

Monday, January 3:

12:00 noon (St. Mary's Cathedral)

Tuesday, January 4:

12:00 noon (St. Mary's Cathedral)

Wednesday, January 5:

12:00 noon (St. Mary's Cathedral)

Thursday, January 6:

12:00 noon. (St. Mary's Cathedral)

Friday, January 7:

12:00 noon

Saturday, January 8:

4:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)

4:00 p.m. (Good Shepherd)

7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral-Brazilian)

Sunday, January 9:

9:00 a.m. (St. Stanislaus)
10:00 a.m. (Good Shepherd)
10:30 a.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)
11:30 a.m. (Good Shepherd—Portuguese)
1:00 p.m. (St. Mary's—Spanish)
6:00 p.m. (St. Stanislaus)

Epiphany of the Lord (Vigil)

Timothy Mitchell
Sheila Washburn
For all parishioners of the Collaborative

Epiphany of the Lord

Genevieve Pietraszek: requested by Joan Holt
Paul Thompson: requested by his mother
Maria Fonseca Oliveira
For the sick in hospitals and nursing facilities
Living and deceased members of the Holy Rosary Sodality

Monday of Christmas

For the Souls in Purgatory most in need of prayers

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

Timothy Mitchell
For all parishioners of the Collaborative

Saint John Newman, Bishop

For those who died of the Coronavirus
For the prisoners in need of prayers

Thursday of Christmas

Virgilio Andrade and family
For Madeleine Yuk on her birthday

Friday of Christmas

Purgatorial Society.
For those ill with the Coronavirus

Baptism of the Lord (Vigil)

Manuel V. Pimental, Jr. (15th anniversary): requested by Joyce Marie
Rev. John Kelly
For all parishioners of the Collaborative

Baptism of the Lord

Birthday remembrance for Bob and Victoria Polak
Stanislaus Piekos: requested by Albert Cartier
Frank and Sophie Stefanik: (birthday remembrance for Frank)
For all parishioners of the Collaborative
For the sick in hospitals and nursing facilities
Jose Francisco Teves

The Sanctuary Lamp (St. Mary's Cathedral): Maria Fonseca Oliveira

The Sanctuary Lamp (Good Shepherd): Almeida, Medeiros and Goncalo families

The Our Lady of Angels (Good Shepherd): In memory of Manuel and Maria Raposa

The Sanctuary Lamp (St. Stanislaus): Pierogi makers: requested by Valerie A. Butler

The Divine Mercy Lamp (St. Stanislaus): for the Souls in Purgatory

Our Lady of Czestochowa Lamp (Saint Stanislaus): Living and deceased Felician Sisters: requested by the Butler family

Pope Saint John Paul Lamp (Saint Stanislaus): For the Souls in Purgatory

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HAPPY, HOLY, HEALTHY, AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE! As we close out 2021 – another year of challenge in the midst of pandemic and so many other things going on all around us – we place our hopes on this new year of 2022; that things will at last get better. As we begin a new year, I don't want to talk about "resolutions"

because these can often be so superficial – lose some weight, exercise more, etc. Instead, we know that 2022 demands from us all something so much greater than shedding a few pounds. So, let us all pledge to set some serious and holy goals as we enter into this new year. Let us pledge to work on being **happy, holy, healthy, and making a real difference in our world.**

Happy. This is such an important one in no small part because we live in such a divisive time. We know that the divisiveness in our world rages at a fever pitch. I think we all need to set a goal to reject that negativity, and make a different choice – a choice to be happy. I, for one, choose to be happy. It is much less stressful, and can actually become contagious to those around you. Choose to be happy each day, and share that happiness with those around you.

Holy. Now when I say making holiness a goal, I don't mean becoming "holier-than-thou." This is not a self-righteousness, but rather a movement towards God. It means being holier-than-yesterday, recognizing that our holiness is a journey that leads us into greater union with God. But, it needs to be intentional. How will I pray more today? How will I be more like Jesus today? How will I grow in holiness today? Ask those questions every day and take the steps that the answers suggest. By the way, this one will also contribute to the last one. When you strive for holiness, it leads to greater happiness.

Healthy. Sickness and death defined so much of the last two years. We need 2022 to be a year defined by a return to health. Our bodies, after all, are living temples of the Holy Spirit. So, let's take those words seriously and treat our temple as the home for God's indwelling that it is. Again, this isn't about fad diets, and exercise regiments that won't last, but day-by-day choices for health. Can I walk a bit more today, can I think about my health and the choices I make every day to be stronger? Can I wear my mask, wash my hands, get my vaccination, and help others stay safe and healthy too? These all make me a better temple, and more able to be a servant of the Lord.

Making a Difference. All of these things lead us to be agents of change in our world. When we are happy, holy, and healthy, we are more able to be the change that our world so desperately needs. Has someone's life been made better, easier, comforted, changed because of my presence in it? How can I be a presence that is reconciling, compassionate, helpful, and joyful? These small daily things will make a difference in our lives and in our world.

So, let's not throw our hands in the air and decide that 2022 I already a loss, let's turn it around and make this a year to remember for all the right reasons.

Let me end with a few lines of verse from Alfred Lord Tennyson. This one called, *Ring out, wild bells*:

*Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.*

*Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.*

*Ring out the grief that saps the mind
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.*

*Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.*

*Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes
But ring the fuller minstrel in.*

*Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.*

*Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.*

*Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.*

Peace, love, and prayers,

Fr. Tom

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY



Join Fr. Tom every Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. for an online Bible Study. The link is posted each Tuesday on our facebook page and in our Flocknote email. This is lectionary based. We consider the readings for the following Sunday

Mass each week. Contact Fr. Tom with questions (frtom@3cfullriver.org)

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First Collection: \$ 3,146
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St. Stanislaus:

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Wednesday-Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
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Wednesdays: 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

FREE GRAB & GO MEALS

Wednesday & Friday: 2:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: We are in need of desserts for our Grab & Go meals. We distribute nearly 400 meals twice a week and include a **fresh baked dessert** (cookies, muffins, cupcakes, other single wrapped desserts). If you can help, please contact Leanne at lnelson@3cfallriver.org.



PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US

Join us each week for the prayer of the Rosary. The Rosary is prayed:



1. **St. Mary's Cathedral** - Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. before the daily Mass.

2. **Good Shepherd** - Eucharistic Adoration Wednesdays beginning at 12:00 noon, concluding with the Rosary at 6:00 p.m.

Observances for the week of January 2 2022

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
 Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
 Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
 Wednesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop
 Thursday: St. André Bessette, Religious
 Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
 Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
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POPE FRANCIS OUTREACH CENTER NEWS

PLEASE NOTE: Online donations to the outreach center can be made through Venmo. Search Pope Francis Outreach Center and then enter code 5868.



A sincere thank you from the Pope Francis Outreach Center to all those who donated food and toys this Christmas; to Jen Linehan and the campus ministry of Bishop Connolly; to Catholic Social Services, and to Father David Costa and the Catholic

Community of Somerset and Swansea. for all their gifts. We were able to give 71 Christmas food baskets and help 341 families with gifts for Christmas.

God bless each and every one of you for your generosity and may your holidays be as happy as you have made those less fortunate.

PORTUGUESE MASS AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Beginning Sunday, January 9 we will have a Portuguese language Mass at Good Shepherd every Sunday at 11:30 a.m. The 10 a.m. Mass will be in English.



The Epiphany of the Lord



In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



Join us for Eucharistic Adoration on **Friday, January 7, 2022**. Adoration will begin following the 12:00 noon Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral and continue until 5:45 p.m. Come and spend some time with your Lord

Respect Life News

It is not enough to know that Jesus was born, like Herod, if we do not encounter him... Today we are asked to imitate the Magi. They do not debate; they set out. They do not stop to look, but enter the house of Jesus. They do not put themselves at the center, but bow down before the One who is the center. They do not remain glued to their plans, but are prepared to take other routes. Their actions reveal a close contact with the Lord, a radical openness to him, a total engagement with him. With him, they use the language of love, the same language that Jesus, though an infant, already speaks. Indeed, the Magi go to the Lord not to receive, but to give. Let us ask ourselves this question: at Christmas did we bring gifts to Jesus for his party, or did we only exchange gifts among ourselves? ~Pope Francis, Homily, Solemnity of the Epiphany, 2018



Respect Life Prayer Intention

For all Christians on this Solemnity of the Epiphany; may we follow the example of the Three Kings by seeking God and serving him and his people, especially the poor and vulnerable.

Hey Fall River Youth!



"Life Nights (Youth Group) are back!" Join us Sundays from 7-8:30pm in the St. Stanislaus gym (after the 6pm Youth Mass). Feel free to bring your friends!

Registration forms are available at the sign in table or by stopping by the Cathedral's parish office. We can't wait to see you there!

In Christ,

Madeleine "Maddie" Vuyk

Parish Echo Apprentice & Youth Minister
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Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam





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St. Stanislaus School News



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Kathy Banalewicz or Ms. Beth Mahoney.

We are looking for a volunteer(s) to assist with the students when eating lunch. Hours are: 11 AM —12:30 PM. Monday — Friday. If you have some free time and would like to help at the school, we could use your assistance.

Please call the school at 508-674-6771 and ask for Mrs. Kathy Banalewicz or Ms. Beth Mahoney.





We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year!

May 2022 be filled with Peace, Health and Happiness for you and your families!

Please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Banalewicz, Director of Faith Formation, with any questions via e-mail faith-formation@3cfallriver.org or cell phone at (508)241-6867.



Confirmation Classes

Confirmation 1 - next class is Sunday, January 9th. (The class begins at 4 PM followed by the Youth Mass at 6 PM and Youth Ministry at 7 PM.

Confirmation 2 - Next class is on Sunday, January 23rd at 4:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus School. Please plan to join your child for the 6:00 PM Youth Mass. Youth Group meets right after the Mass. Candidates are asked to attend at least 2 Youth Ministry sessions a month.

Please make sure your child is registered for Confirmation. Remember Youth Group meets right after Mass until 8:00 PM. Please email Beth Mahoney at bmahoney@saintstanislaus.com or call 508-880-7666 with any questions about Confirmation.

Please remember that all Confirmation Candidates are asked to be a greeter, server or reader at the Youth Mass. This is part of your preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Sign-up sheets are available at the church before and after 6 PM Mass. We will be connecting with you to make sure you are signing up for service at the Youth Mass.



RCIA 2021-2022 "What are you looking for?" (John 1:38) This is the question Jesus posed to His early disciples intrigued by His messages of love and hope. He is still asking us this question today!

We are excited to begin a new journey into faith:

for adults (18 and older) seeking to explore their spirituality more deeply, who may be interested in learning more about the many ways our Catholic faith is lived out, or

for those who may want to enter more fully into the Catholic faith through the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

If you are intrigued by the on-going question Jesus asks, or know someone who might be, please feel free to contact Debbie Zane, Pastoral Associate, by phone: 508-673- 2833 or by email: dzane@3cfallriver.org.

PRAYER LINE: If you are requesting prayers for anyone, please call (508) 496-0199

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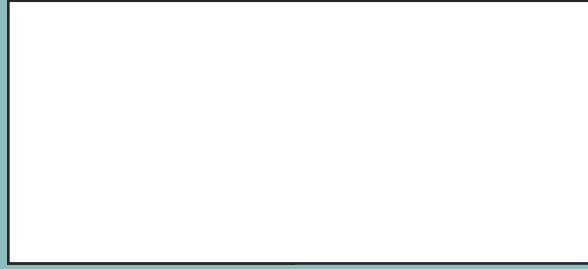
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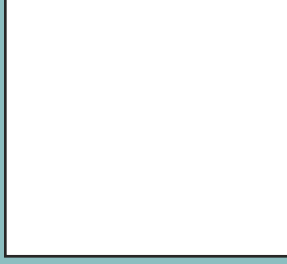
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