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OUR LADY IMMACULATE

192 School Street, Athol MA 01331

Church Office Hours:

M, T, W 8:30am-3:30pm

Masses:

Lord's Day ~ 4pm (Vigil) & 11am

Holy Days of Obligation ~ 12:10pm

Weekday ~ 7am M, T, W

First Saturday ~ 8:00am

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 3pm, First Saturday ~ 8:30am

Eucharistic Adoration:

Tuesday ~ 7:30am-3:00pm

Rosary:

Mon, Tues, Wed, ~ 6:30am

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Saturday ~ 3:30pm & Sunday ~ 10:30am

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

101 Main Street, Athol MA 01331

Masses:

Lord's Day ~7:00am

Holy Days of Obligation ~7:00pm

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 3pm at OLI

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Sunday ~ 6:40am

Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:

Wednesdays at 9:00am

SAINT PETER

18 North Street
Petersham MA 01366

Mass:

Lord's Day ~ 9:00am

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 3pm at OLI

Rev. Edwin Montaña, Pastor

Bryan Lagimoniere, Deacon

Gayle Bassett, Secretary

Irene Inniss, CCD Administrator

OLI & St. Francis

& Safe Environment Coordinator

Islay Boeri, CCD Administrator St. Peter

Terry Parker, Cindy Winters & Rene Gagliardi

Music Ministry

Christian Cormier, Maintenance



15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:33

Excerpts from the Lectio for Mass ©2001, 1996, 1970 CCD.

Visitors and New Parishioners

Please introduce yourself. We want to meet you.
Registration forms are available in the sacristy.

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on Saturdays and Sundays. Please contact the Church Office for the preparation session, which includes parents and godparents.

Marriage

Contact the Church Office **one year** in advance.

Visitation of the Ill and Homebound

Please contact the Church Office if you know of anyone who is in need, so a Priest, Deacon or Eucharistic Minister may visit.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults seeking information about the Catholic Faith or seeking full admission into the Church through Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist ~ Please call the Church Office.

Lending Library

The lending library is located in the vestibule of Our Lady Immaculate Church. Books can be borrowed for a period of 4 weeks.

NQCC Facebook Page

For those of you with a Facebook page, please "LIKE" the North Quabbin Catholic Community Facebook page. Stay up to date with all the happenings in the Cluster

Sharing Our Fathers Bread

Meals are served Wednesdays, Sept.-May, at St. Francis Hall at 5pm for those in need. Donation baskets are located at each church for your convenience to support this important program. For questions please call 978-249-7304.

Healing and Prevention

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings, please call the Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363. A 24 hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

Other Information

Prayer Line: Please notify the Rectory
Bulletin Deadline: Prior Monday by 12N

THIS SUNDAY'S WORD

In today's gospel, Jesus directed a young man to the scriptures. By doing this, Jesus tries to let him understand that, God could be found in his Word which is close to him. To love God therefore is to love his Word. He further buttressed this by telling the story of the Good Samaritan. The Word of God is personified in the Good Samaritan in today's gospel. The word of God is Jesus himself, who speaks to us, and Jesus who is ever close to us like the Good Samaritan.

Today's gospel also presents to us another way through which God is Close to us. That is, in our neighbor. As a humble master, he is always available to us in simple ways and things. He is close to us in the scriptures, in the poor, in the just, in the pious, in the marginalized, in the sick, and in the weak. Like the Good Samaritan, if we search for God in these we will find Him. The good Samaritan saw God in the victim, and so was moved to help him.

The Good Samaritan represents those who seek Christ in the weak, wounded, and the poor. He also represents Christ who himself is a Good Samaritan *per excellence*. He is quick to come to our help when we are weak, despised, and abandoned. He is ever ready to help us to recover from our injuries, and He is so close to take care, and to heal us. Hence, the Psalmist asks: "...*What great nation is there that has its gods so close to it as the LORD, our God....?*" (Dt 4, 7).

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*"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight."  
- Lk 10:30b-31, 33*



Please remember **Leo Boudreau and Helen Grant** who passed away recently, as well as their families. Always remember the power of prayer in helping others.

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

What does it mean to give of yourself completely, without reservation, without fear, and without a concern for the cost? Should it matter if the person who needs us is unlike us in skin color, religion, or nationality? What does real mercy look like?

Jesus answered these questions beautifully in perhaps the greatest of the stewardship parables, the story of the Good Samaritan. Here a Judean traveler has been attacked, beaten, and left for dead on the side of the road. Others see him, but the cost to them to stop and help is too great. It is a Samaritan, one who is despised by most in the area, that stops, and he gives of his time, talent, and treasure to help the poor victim.

Where the Samaritan was going we cannot know for sure, but he stopped to give his time to the beaten man. Using oil and wine, he bandaged the wounds. Not everyone has the knowledge and skills to care for someone in this manner. Here, he gave of his talent. Then he placed the man on his own animal and carried him to an inn the rest of the day. The following day he pays the innkeeper, yet leaves explaining that if the payment is not enough, when he travels back on through he will repay him whatever the cost. Of course, here he shares his treasure.

The sharing of these things is profound enough, but it is the statement of his willingness to pay whatever the balance is that elevates this tale to an ultimate example of stewardship. The Samaritan does not care how high the cost. He will give whatever is needed. This is mature discipleship, to respond to the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. This is true stewardship.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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Our Lady Immaculate Parish welcomes **Melanie Elizabeth Munson** with great joy into the faith community, the Catholic Church. Congratulations and may the flame of the Christian faith be alive in her heart.

### FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your support! This week we will collect:  
**Jams / Jelly / Canned Chicken~Meat~Spam**

### PARTNERS IN CHARITY

**Our Lady Immaculate** ~ Goal \$23,800 To Date: \$19,125  
**St. Francis of Assisi** ~ Goal: \$5,300 To Date: \$1,635  
**St. Peter's** ~ Goal: \$6,000 To Date: \$3,000

### OUR LADY IMMACULATE COLLECTION

**6-30-19:** Sunday: \$1,895.50; Bldg: \$248.00; Peter's Pence: \$58.00; SOFB: \$43.00. Weekly Goal: \$2,465.00— Under: \$-321.50

**7-7-19:** Sunday: \$1,470.50; Bldg: \$264.00; Window \$252.04; SOFB: \$47.00. Weekly Goal: \$2,465.00— Under: \$-730.50

### SHARING OUR FATHERS BREAD

**6-30-19:** Our Lady: \$31.00; St. Peters: \$10.00; St. Francis: \$2.00.

**7-7-19:** Our Lady: \$34.00; St. Peters: \$5.00; St. Francis: \$8.00.

### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Repairing the exterior trim around the stained glass windows in the church ~ \$32,000. To date \$36,876.21 has been collected.

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI COLLECTION

**6-30-19:** Sunday: \$394.00; Monthly: \$10.00; Fuel: \$35.00; Peter's Pence: \$69.00. Weekly Goal: \$992.00— Under: \$-553.00

**7-7-19:** Sunday: \$783.00; Monthly: \$38.00; Reno: \$113.00; Fuel: \$188.00; Peter's Pence: \$5.00. Weekly Goal: \$992.00— Over: \$17.00

### ST. PETER'S COLLECTION

**6-30-19:** Sunday: \$488.00; Building: \$55.00; Peter's Pence: \$15.00. Weekly Goal: \$650.00— Under: \$-107.00

**7-7-19:** Sunday: \$637.00; Building: \$168.00. Weekly Goal: \$650.00— Over: \$155.00



*JULY 14, 2019*

## **Hymnal Readings: 897**

Readings for the week of July 14, 2019

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 [cf. 33] or PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9a]/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10--12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42



### **Saturday, July 13th Vigil: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 PM **OLI:** +Wesley Berg & Dean Fulkerson  
By Charles & Paula Thibault

### **Sunday, July 14th 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 AM **St. Francis:** +Ann Natale  
by Jacqueline Doherty  
9:00 AM **St. Peter's:** +Mona, Leonard & Donna  
DeTour by Wes & Joyce Laford  
11:00 AM **OLI:** +Harold Torstensen by his Family

### **Monday, July 15th St. Bonaventure**

7:00 AM All Parishioners

### **Tuesday, July 16th**

7:00 AM +Blanchard Family by the Family

### **Wednesday, July 17th**

7:00 AM +Marcial & Emerenciana Yandoc  
by the Family

### **Saturday, July 20th Vigil: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 PM **OLI:** +Joan Dubois by Normal Lively

### **Sunday, July 21st 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 AM **St. Francis:** +Stephanie Krustapentus  
By her Family  
9:00 AM **St. Peters:** All Parishioners  
11:00 AM **OLI:** All Parishioners

***JULY 14, 2019***



*Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.*

**SATURDAY 13th**

4:00 PM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

**SUNDAY 14th**

7:00 AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi

9:00 AM Mass at St. Peter's Church

11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

5:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry at CCD

**MONDAY 15th**

7:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

**TUESDAY 16th**

7:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

7:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00 PM Divine Chaplet, Prayers, Benediction

**WEDNESDAY 17th**

7:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

9:00 AM Prayers to Our Lady at St. Francis

**SATURDAY 20th**

4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

**SUNDAY 21st**

7:00 AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi

9:00 AM Mass at St. Peter's Church

11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

**DEVOTION**

Every 13th of the month parishioners are invited to pray the Rosary at 6pm at the OLI Chapel. Please come join us!



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