

NORTH QUABBIN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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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



24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." - Lk 15:7b

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

That is the Good News for this Sunday: Our God is the God of the lost, and the God who celebrates when the lost are found.

Jesus does this. Jesus leaves the 99 to search for the lost. Jesus sweeps the house and then throws a party when the lost are found. It's totally and thoroughly insane. And, that's why the Gospel it is such Good News. Jesus is the Savior who "welcomes sinners and eats with them." This is something for us to celebrate. Something for us to be excited about. Something for us to get others excited about.

No—the church isn't just for the self-proclaimed self-righteous. The ones who can't help but tell us how faithful, prayerful, and saintly they are. The ones whose Instagram, Pinterest, and Facebook feeds drip with verse after verse of scripture and bumper-sticker quips of how God is for this and against that.

No, the followers of Jesus are the ones who follow Jesus. And not just to the cross. But to the field and the valley and the mountains, looking through the scrub for a well-loved and well-lost sheep. We're the ones who are to be pulling the world's refrigerator out from the wall to find the long-lost treasures underneath that are so precious to God.

Oh, if only people would accuse Jesus' Church of "welcoming sinners and eating with them." Because nobody does that. Except Jesus, and those who follow him.

RCIA ~ RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

All adults who are open to learning more about the Catholic faith in order to receive or complete their Christian Initiation are welcome to join the RCIA program that will begin in October. This process can be applied to: unbaptized, baptized in another Christian Church and wish to join the Catholic Church, and baptized Catholics who have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information and registration please contact Fr. Edwin

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY



The Public Square Rosary will be held on October 12th at 12Noon at Fish Park. For more information please contact Cora Maramag at 978-249-9569 or 978-857- 8306.

Thank you.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

Our Lady Immaculate ~ Goal \$23,800 To Date: \$19,920

St. Francis of Assisi ~ Goal: \$5,300 To Date: \$1,715

St. Peter's ~ Goal: \$6,000 To Date: \$3,100

ADULT EDUCATION/BIBLE STUDY

"The Eucharist in Scripture" by Dr. Scott Hahn

Beginning September 19th, "The Eucharist in Scripture" Bible Study series will begin at the CCD Center at 7pm and will run for 7 weeks. Registration after the 11am mass at OLI Sept. 8th. Fee is \$15.00. For more information call Sharon at 978-400-6460.

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your support! This week we will collect:

Jams / Jelly / Canned Chicken~Meat~Spam

OUR LADY IMMACULATE COLLECTION

Sunday: \$1,865.50; Bldg: \$264.00; Fuel: \$75.00; Initial: \$5.00;
CCD: \$200.00; Window: \$557.00 SOFB: \$162.00. Weekly Goal:
\$2,465.00— Under -\$260.50

SHARING OUR FATHERS BREAD

Our Lady: 45.00; St. Peters: \$15.00; St. Francis: \$2.00;
Individual: \$100.00.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Repairing the exterior trim around the stained glass windows in
the church ~ \$32,000. To date \$38,006.31 has been collected.

OUR LADY'S FAIR!!!

The Our Lady Immaculate Church Fair will take place on
Saturday, October 5th from 9am-3pm at the **CCD Center**. If you
can help in any way please contact a chairperson or call Gayle at
978-249-2738.

Center Table/Quilt—Gayle Bassett ~249-2738

Children's Table—Elaine LeBlanc ~249-2016

Baked Goods—Kristin Riordon—978-575-0146

Fudge—Irene Drozdowski—978-660-0334

Eatery—Bob Sisson—978-249-7603

Crafts/Knitted—Kathy Bryce ~ 249-3771

Hannaford/Walmart—Mallet Family Donation Thank You

Hoover Carpet Cleaner—Donation

Religious—Brenda Black

Lottery Tickets—Donation

CCD Family Raffle Basket—Irene Inness ~978-502-3575

QUILT RAFFLE

Take a look at the choir loft to see this years Fair Quilt. Tickets
will be on sale after masses at OLI the weekends of September
15th & 22nd. Tickets are \$2.00 per chance or 3 chances for \$5.00

FUDGE FUDGE FUDGE!!!

We are beginning to accept donations to help the Fudge Table.
Ingredients needed are: White Sugar, Light Brown Sugar,
Marshmallow Fluff, Creamy and Chunky Peanut Butter, Real
Semi-Sweet Chocolate Chips, Canned Evaporated Milk. Items
can be dropped off at the Church Office marked "Fudge".

CENTER TABLE/CHILDREN'S TABLE

We are now accepting donations for the Center Table Chinese
Auction and the Children's Table Auction. **BRAND NEW
ITEMS ONLY PLEASE.** Items can be dropped off at the
Church Office marked "Auction" THANK YOU!!

APPLE CRISP

Donations are being accepted for the Apple Crisp. Apples, White
and Brown Sugar and Margarine (tubs) are needed. Deliver to the
Rectory M,T,W before 3:30pm.

EATERY

Please contact Bob if you can help in the kitchen. Also, anyone
wishing to donate money to help offset the cost of food can do so
by sending it to the Rectory marked "Eatery". Thank you.

FAIR SIGNS READY

The fair signs have been repainted. If you live in a high traffic
area, please take one to display on your lawn. Thank You!!

SHARING OUR FATHERS BREAD

Sharing Our Father's Bread is in need of volunteers for our weekly
Wednesday (5:00 PM) meal program. A cook, and assistant cooks
to prepare one meal per month, volunteers for prep work, serving, or
clean-up either weekly or monthly are needed. Please contact Carol
Ambrozy at 978-249-7304 or Pat Killay at 978-249-6737.

MASS OF HEALING

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of Annunciation Parish in Gardner
cordially invites parishioners to a Mass of Healing to be held at Holy
Rosary Church on Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 2:00p.m. This
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will also be offered and is
appropriate for people of any age whose health is impaired and is also
suitable for those of advanced age. For more information, call
Annunciation Parish at 978-632-0253.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI COLLECTION

Sunday: \$440.00; Monthly: \$42.00; Renovation: \$42.00; Fuel:
\$168.00; Initial: \$10.00. Weekly Goal: \$992.00— Under: \$-342.00

120 RAFFLE – BENEFIT HEATING OIL

The St. Francis Women's Guild is sponsoring a 120 Raffle to help
offset the estimated high cost of heating oil this winter for St.
Francis. Tickets are \$20/ea and prizes range from \$500 to \$25. The
drawing will take place on Saturday September 14th! If you are
interested in purchasing a ticket, please contact Marie Shatos (978-
249-3638) or any other member of the WG. Thank you in advance
for your support!

ANIMAL FOOD DRIVE

St. Francis will be sponsoring an animal food drive during the month
of October in honor of our patron saint, St. Francis. A basket will be
put in the back of the church where cans or bags of cat and dog food
can be placed. The drive will begin Sunday September 29th but
donations will be accepted prior to this date. If you have any
questions, please contact Jackie Doherty at (978) 249-3638. Thank
you!

ST. PETER'S COLLECTION

Sunday: \$877.00; Building: \$170.00; Initial: \$10.00. Weekly
Goal: \$650.00— Over: \$397.00

ST. PETER'S APPEAL ~ Goal: \$6000—to Date: \$800.00

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Peter's Church 2nd Annual Christmas Bazaar

St. Peter's Church will hold its 2nd Annual Christmas Bazaar on
Saturday December 14th from 10am to 2pm in the Church Hall.
Homemade Cookies, Homemade Fudge, Baked Goods, Christmas
Greens- Swags, Holiday Gifts and many more items. Helpers are
appreciated and are invited to attend bazaar workshops on Mondays
(time to be determined). Contact Islay Boeri with any questions 978-
724-0205.

ST PETER'S BIBLE STUDY

St. Peter's Church invites you to attend an eight-week bible study on
Mondays in the parish hall from 1:00 - 2:30p.m. from September
23th through November 25th. The subject will be "Untold Blessings"
one of Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire study programs. Cost
of the work book is \$14.95. You can sign up at St. Peter's Church
after Mass on September 15th or call Anne Marie Goodfellow at 978
724-8801 or Delia Vogel at 978 724-3560. Workbooks will be
ordered on September 16th.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Hymnal Readings: 924

Readings for the week of September 15, 2019

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51 3-4, 12-13, 17, 19 [Lk 15:18]/1

Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9 [6]/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6 [2]/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 [cf. 1a, 7b]/1 Tm

2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13



Saturday, Sept. 14th Vigil: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **OLI:** +Charles Young, 18th Anniversary
By his Family

Sunday, September 15th 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **St. Francis:** +Margaret Shatos 4th Ann.
By Marie Shatos

9:00 AM **St. Peters:** +Elizabeth, Tuffield, & Reta
Laford by Wes & Joyce Laford

11:00 AM **OLI:** +Fran Grucan
by Sam & Joan Kaczmarczyk

Monday, September 16th Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

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

Tuesday, September 17th

7:00 AM +David Gauthier by his Sister Gail O'Malley

Wednesday, September 18th

7:00 AM +Ina Maga by Diane Page and Family

Saturday, Sept. 21st Vigil: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **OLI:** +Mary Blake by the Family

Sunday, September 22nd 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM **St. Francis:** +Ina Maga by Marie Shatos

9:00 AM **St. Peter's:** +Dominic Gingras Sr.
By his Family

11:00 AM **OLI:** +Etienne Lozier by his Family



SEPTEMBER 15, 2019



I will rise and go to my father.

SATURDAY 14th

4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SUNDAY 15th

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

MONDAY 16th

7:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

TUESDAY 17th

7:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

7:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00 PM Divine Chaplet, Prayers, Benediction

WEDNESDAY 18th

7:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

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

SATURDAY 21st

4:00 PM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SUNDAY 22nd

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



Sunday, September 15th

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