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MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Church of the Most Precious Blood of Dover, Massachusetts is —
“By Our Example to:
 • Love God
 • Reach out to those in need
 • Lead and Build a Catholic Community
 • Pass our Faith on to future generations”



Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of the month at 12:00 Noon. For the celebration of Baptism and preparation sessions, please contact the Parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance for marriage preparation and the desired date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday afternoons at 5:00 PM or by appointment.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

If a parishioner is in the hospital or confined to home, a family member is encouraged to call the parish office so that a pastoral visit, Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick can be arranged.

On the first Saturday of every month the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is offered after the 5:30PM Mass.

Sunday Coffee Hour

Conversation and refreshments available after the 9:00 am Mass, October through May.

Social Outreach

“Pine Street Inn”. . . third Sunday of the month, parishioners meet to serve Dinner to the residents of “The Pine Street Inn Boston. “Food Bin”. . . non-perishable food items are always needed and distributed to a neighboring parish food pantry.

The Parish Choir Ministry

Our Parish Choir enhances our sung prayer at Liturgy and supports congregational singing at the 9:00 AM Mass from September through June. Adults, young adults, and children are always welcome and there is always room.

Welcome to the Parish

We are happy to welcome new parishioners and urge you to register at the parish office. Please introduce yourself after Mass. We want to know you and serve you. We hope you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM
Sunday: 5:30 PM As Announced
 September through June

Weekday Masses
Mon, Wed, & Friday 9 AM

St. Theresa Parish

35 S. Main St,
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MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. THERESA

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
 Sunday: 10:00 AM
 Sunday: 5:30 PM As Announced
 September through June

Weekday Masses
Mon, Wed, & Friday 9 AM



If you are visiting today we welcome you to Most Precious Blood Parish and hope that through our liturgy and with our community you experienced the love of Christ and an opportunity to grow in faith. If you are looking for a spiritual home, please introduce yourself to any member of the parish staff or fill out a registration form, available at the entrances of the church. If you would like more information about the Catholic Church, please call the parish office and our pastor would be happy to meet with you.



MONDAY JANUARY 28, 2019

9:00AM Mass for our parishioners, relatives, and friends who are ill and confined to home or hospital

SATURDAY JANUARY 26, 2019

5:30PM Mass for Eileen M. Rose & Kathleen Rose-Fabis

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2019

9:00AM Mass for Gertrude Burns

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2019

5:30PM Mass for Evelyn Hines

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2019

5:30PM Mass 1st Anniversary of Anne Spurr



January Offertory weekend dates

1/6; \$ 7,131

1/13; \$5,902

1/20; \$1,467

On-line donations 1/1 through 1/17: \$4,875.59

For the purpose of wills, bequests, and living trusts, our official name is:

The Church of the Most Precious Blood
30 Centre St. P.O. Box 812, Dover MA 02030

During the Flu Season out of care for parishioner's health, we are suspending the reception of Precious Blood with the Consecrated Chalice and also suspending the handshake during the greeting of peace,

Church in Latin America Collection

This 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 www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/index.cfm for more information.

The PPC Collaborative meeting

The Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 29th at St. Theresa Parish, 7:00pm. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

Food Pantry

PLEASE Help us Donate to our new **FOOD PANTRY in Waltham**

To benefit: **Boston Health Care for The Homeless Program - Family Team**

<http://www.bhchp.org>

A list of needed items have been left out at the entrances to the church.

Support your church today using your debit, credit cards, checking, or savings accounts.

1. Visit mpb-stp.org or mpb-stp.churchgiving.com and click GiveOnline.
2. Select the collection or event of your choice.
3. Set up your donation or payment.

For support contact weshare@4lpi.com

CORI weekend

This weekend is CORI weekend. All active volunteers (17 years and older) must complete a 2019 CORI. Please stop by the table after the Masses to fill out your CORI form. Please make sure you have your drivers license with you. If you are unable to complete your CORI at one of the Masses this weekend please make arrangements with Anne Mangini to do so. You may email her at mpbdover@mpb-stp.org or call her at 508-785-0305. Thank you for taking care of this important part of Ministry.

Cursillo

Cursillo is a short course in Christianity. In Cursillo, you encounter Christ in a small community of the Church, in order to deepen your own faith and strengthen your ability to be a witness of Christ in the world.

The dates for the next weekends are:

Women's Cursillo Weekend February 28 - March 3, 2019

Men's Cursillo Weekend April 4-7, 2019

The weekend runs from Thursday evening through Sunday afternoon and is held at the Campion Center in Weston, MA.

A member of Saint Theresa Parish, Libby Yon, is on the team for the women's weekend this Spring.

For more information please check the Boston Cursillo website: www.bostoncursillo.org.

You may also phone Libby Yon at 508-655-3596.

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Re-read today's Gospel. Put yourself in the scene: you're in the synagogue, perhaps your family is beside you. Jesus, the carpenter's son, gets up to read - He is the lector. The carpenter's son reads a passage from the prophet Isaiah about the promise of the Messiah. When he finishes, he looks at the people gathered and says: "Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." What do you think about this? Do you believe that Jesus is your Messiah, the One sent by God? Pray that your belief in Jesus Christ will be strengthened.

St. Blaise and the Blessing of Throats

"Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, X and of the Holy Spirit" (Book of Blessings #1633).

Two candles crossed and placed against the throat is what many of us remember from childhood. Who was the saint that we remember each year?

He was a bishop in Sebastea, Armenia, in the early part of the fourth century. He was martyred in AD 316. Even though Christianity was legalized by the Edict of Constantine in 311, religious persecution was still raging in Eastern Europe. As the myth is told, he had fled to the countryside and was living peacefully with the wild animals. Some hunters came upon his cave and found him kneeling in prayer with all the lions and wolves and other wild animals sitting by his side. The hunters bound him and took him to prison. On the way a woman presented her son to Bishop Blaise for him to heal him, he had a fish bone stuck in his throat. Upon Blaise's blessing, the boy coughed up the fish bone.

Bishop Blaise eventually was killed for not worshipping the pagan gods of the region, and the story of Bishop Blaise's healing of the young boy became legend. His saint day in the Roman Church is February 3 and on February 11 in the Eastern Church. Remember the faith of this saint each year and pray for blessings upon those who suffer from throat ailments. Moreover, always remember this blessing is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for the sick, and for those who need our prayers.

LIVE THE LITURGY -

St. Theresa of Avila reminds us that, "Christ has no body now on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ must look out on the world. Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which He is to bless His people." We are, in every way shape and form, the Body of Christ. Our bodies are not just one single part but many. We are many, and we are all uniquely different. Yet each in his or her own way contributes significantly to the whole. We are all baptized in one spirit, and there are no distinctions that separate us. We must keep our eyes focused on the greater whole and not get distracted or consumed with particular parts. Everything and everyone must work together for the praise and glory of God.



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