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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

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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 FEBRUARY 4, 2019

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

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2019

5:30PM Mass for Robert & Mary Dorry

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16, 2019

5:30PM Mass for Evelyn Hines

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2019

5:30PM Mass 1st Anniversary of Anne Spurr



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ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE THROATS: In honor of the Feast of St. Blaise, this devotion will be celebrated after all Masses this weekend. St. Blaise, Physician, Bishop and Martyr, is invoked against diseases of the throats and other ailments.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In speaking to the prophet Jeremiah, God reminds him “before you were born, I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations, I appointed you.” What we are to proclaim is best described by St. Paul in the second reading when he speaks of what love needs to look like in our lives. Being patient, kind, not jealous, not rude, not quick tempered, hopeful, truthful – this is a tall order for each of us and yet there is no doubt that this is our task as disciples of Christ. As difficult as it may be to love in this manner, trust God’s grace at work in you.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

No one wants to listen to a prophet, especially when the prophet is someone close to us. We have a hard time accepting that ordinary associations can develop the type and depth of wisdom that can not only positively change lives but profoundly challenge them. To many folks, Jesus was simply the son of Joseph, even though his words caught their attention and amazed them. After his words sunk in, they were infuriated and drove him out of town. Is Jesus simply the son of Joseph to us as well, or is he the God who knew us before we were formed in the womb? If he is God, then we need to heed his message and change our lives accordingly.

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>)

Useful items:

Individually wrapped snacks (for children’s school snacks and lunches), microwavable mac and cheese, pastas and soups, fruit cups & applesauce, cereals, peanut butter & jelly, juice boxes and granola bars. Please no big cans of soup, large containers of cooking oil, etc. Also the Food Pantry can not except any items that have passed their expiration date.

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,

Saint John School Open House

Are you considering a Catholic education for your child(ren) age 2.9 - Grade 6? If so, Saint John School in Wellesley is the place for you! All are welcome to attend our Open House on Sunday, February 3rd, from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM following the 9:00 Family Mass. Please join us for coffee, donuts, and tours to see what makes our school so special. We are also offering Walk-In Wednesday tours from 9:00 - 10:00 AM through April 3rd. If you would like to learn more about Saint John School and how your child(ren) can benefit from our values-based education, please visit www.saintjohnschool.net or call 781-235-0300.

Retrouvaille Christian Peer Ministry

Retrouvaille, a Christian peer ministry for hurting and struggling marriages is planning couples weekends on February 8-10, 2019 and June 21-23, 2019 in Framingham, MA. Over 76% of those who attend a weekend are still married five years later. Over 95% would recommend a weekend to a struggling couple. For more information, please contact: Allison & Ted Beauparlant, Community Coordinators Retrouvaille of New England (508) 271-7155 or email: RetrouvailleNE@gmail.com

BOSTON COLLEGE—Summer at STM

Summer at STM offers a robust roster that includes three-week, three-credit courses on topics in theology, ministry, and education; an introductory Latin course; one-credit weeklong courses for enrichment or renewal; an online course; and on-campus special lectures. Important Dates 2019 Online Course: May 13 -June 21 On Campus Session 1: June 24-July 11 On Campus Session 2: July 15-August 1 Conference Week: July 8-July 11 Registration begins February 18, 2019 If you have any questions about our summer offerings, do not hesitate to contact us. The STM Admissions Office is always available to answer any questions. Contact us at stmadm@bc.edu or 617-552-6506. We're looking forward to hearing from you!

Discipleship Week 2019: Forming the Next Generation of Saints!

Calling all high school students - come and be transformed into a leader! Join other teens from all around New England to dig deep in your Catholic faith, learn more about the Gospel, prayer, leadership, and how to live as a disciple of Christ. The week will take place on Assumption College's beautiful campus, Wed. June 26 – Sun. June 30. For more information, visit disciplesinmission.com/discipleshipweek.

Retrouvaille is a Christian peer ministry, Catholic in origin, that invites hurting couples to see that ordinary struggles of family life are an invitation to holiness. We want the couples to believe they are not alone, but part of a Church family which cares about and supports its sacraments. The first phase of Retrouvaille involves a weekend together, which takes place on **February 8-10, 2019**.

For more information about **our next weekend February 8-10, 2019, or the next one on June 21-23, 2019**, please visit our website helpourmarriage.org or call us. We would be happy to provide informational materials for your parish.

St. Blaise—Feast Day February 3

According to tradition, Blaise had been a doctor before he was ordained a priest. He became the bishop of Sebaste (now in central Turkey). During a period of persecution, he fled to a cave where he lived as a hermit. It is said that he cured and tamed the wild animals there. One day hunters discovered him and took him to the governor, who sentenced him to be tortured and killed.

About four hundred years after his death, many stories began to be told about Blaise, and he became a popular saint, especially in France and Germany. One legend says that while Blaise was in prison, a mother brought him her small boy, who was choking on a fishbone stuck in his throat. Blaise prayed over the child, and he was healed. Every year on St. Blaise's feast, two candles in the shape of an X are used to bless throats. In the prayer the Church prays that those blessed may be delivered from diseases of the throat and from every other illness. Candles are used because of another story: It is said that while Blaise was kept in a dark prison, a woman secretly brought him some candles and food.

Blaise is one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers, saints who were patrons for almost every aspect of life. People in the Middle Ages showed devotion to these saints as a group.

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