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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.



**MONDAYS JULY 29 & AUGUST 5, 2019**

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

**WEDNESDAY JULY 31, 2019**

9:00AM Mass for William & Evelyn Hines



Offertory July 14th: \$2,249

On-line giving week of July 8-12: \$1,933.93

**Missionary Appeal weekend August 11th**

The Missionary Society of St. James the Apostle, founded by Richard Cardinal Cushing in 1958, is an international organization of diocesan missionary priests who volunteer a minimum of five years of their priestly lives to service in Peru (and previously in Ecuador and Bolivia). In our over 60 years of service, the St. James Society has welcomed members from the United States as well as from Canada, England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Australia, New Zealand, Ghana and the Philippines. We depend upon the prayers and the financial support of people like you who share our interest in spreading the good news of Jesus Christ and in creating a better world for people who have been called "the poorest of the poor."

**Travel with Fr. John Grimes, Pastor of Most Precious Blood, Dover & Saint Theresa, Sherborn, MA on our Holy Land & Italy Regular trip**

Where: Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Galilee, Capernaum, Rome, Tuscany, Florence, Assisi, Venice

Trip Dates: Oct 14-27, 2019

Cost: \$4,899.00 Airfare and ALL-Included

To register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. You can also register online at [www.proximotravel.com](http://www.proximotravel.com).

**Father Leroy update**

Father Leroy had successful hip replacement surgery on July 2nd and is on the road to recovery. If you are interested in sending him "get well wishes", you may do so at: Father Leroy, 37 Carlson Lane, #10, Falmouth, MA 02540-2529. We wish him a speedy recovery!

**Religious Education Registrations** were sent by email on June 19th. If you did not receive the email, please contact Sue Nealon at 508-653-6253 or [sue@mpb-stp.org](mailto:sue@mpb-stp.org) and she will send the registration via email to you. If you have a first grade student or are new to the Religious Education program, please make sure that you provide the office with the child's baptismal certificate at the time of registration. You may mail it to the parish or drop it off in the parish

**Transformed in Love Marriage Prep** is the Archdiocesan program for marriage preparation. For upcoming 2019 dates, locations, and registration information, visit [www.bostoncatholic.org/transformedinlove](http://www.bostoncatholic.org/transformedinlove); or

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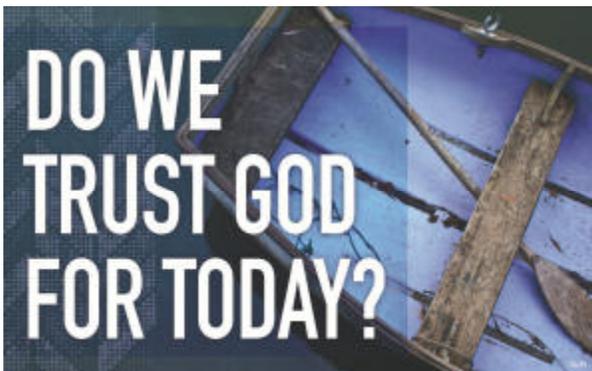
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**GOSPEL MEDITATION - July 28, 2019****17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Are you guilty of spiritual stockpiling? Spiritual stockpiling isn't an endless rotation of rosaries and novenas. It's accumulating emotional "goods" to meet your needs. Perhaps it's a collection of material objects you treasure. Maybe it's a preoccupation with money. It could also be relationships, making sure there's always enough friends and connections to never really feel alone. It's our tendency to let things add up so that we won't quite need God to fulfill our inner life. Yet in this Sunday's Gospel, we have that inescapable petition from the Our Father. "Give us each day our daily bread."

This life isn't an immediate arrival. And as much as we might try to shore up possessions and pleasures, we know the journey is unpredictable. Give us this day our daily bread implies enough for the next set of steps, but not enough to stockpile. So here's the big question: Do we trust God to give us what we need? After all, "What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish?... how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" At the Last Supper, Jesus said he would never leave us orphaned. God will not abandon us. And surely He wouldn't ask us to pray for what He does not intend to give.

Of course, sometimes our prayers for daily help can seem to go unanswered. Today's Gospel has advice for that, too. "I tell you... he will give up to him whatever he needs because of his persistence." Our spiritual stockpiling increases our self-reliance and decreases our openness to God's possibilities. Be persistent in your pursuit of God! Trust that He will keep His promises to provide for us, today and always.

**July 28 ~ Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

God was no stranger to Abraham. Our first reading gives us a glimpse into their relationship. Abraham's faithfulness and closeness to the Lord made him comfortable enough to bargain back and forth with God. This conversation would never happen between strangers. In our Gospel, Jesus tells us, "ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Friendship with God happens when we persevere in prayer and keep the lines of communication open to God. Do you have a pattern of daily prayer that keeps your relationship with God growing?

**August 4 ~ Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

"rest, eat, drink, be merry!" Sounds appealing, right! But Paul is wise and kind to caution us as he cautioned the Colossians in the second reading to "Seek what is above... Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly" We are called to be in the world, but not of the world. In fact, our task is to sanctify the world around us. Difficult? Sure. But not impossible – remember, with God all things are possible. This week make a concerted effort to 'seek what is above.' Try to add just five minutes to your daily prayer time with God who is just waiting to hear from you.

**Project Rachel: Post Abortion Healing Retreats (9/28, 10/19 & 11/16)**

"Project Rachel led me to a place of forgiveness and mercy. During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness. I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself." – A Project Rachel retreat participant. The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a "Come to the Waters of Healing" one-day retreat. Fall dates are September 28, October 19 and November 16 from 9 AM to 5 PM. Locations are confidential. Limited to ten participants per retreat.

For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or [help@projectrachelboston.com](mailto:help@projectrachelboston.com).

**Traveling This Summer?** Find a Catholic Church Anywhere in the World. If you are traveling this summer and won't be able to join us, here's a helpful website to find a church near you. Go to: [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) and type in the zip code or country where you will be visiting.



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