



29th SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:45

ST. MARY OF THE ANNUNCIATION PARISH

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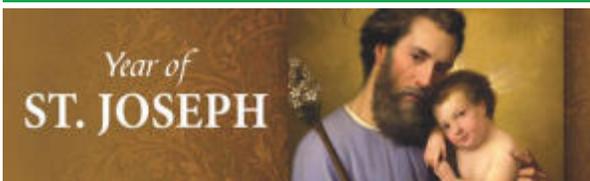


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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The first Thursday of each Month from 6:30-7:30pm.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 8:30-9:30 am.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To schedule your Baptism or for more information, please call Lisa Hudson at the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to begin the preparation process and to confirm a date and time for your wedding. This process should begin at least six months in advance of the desired date.

MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Mary of the Annunciation is a Roman Catholic Christian Community centered around the Eucharist, welcoming all, while growing through faith and stewardship.

Saint Mary of the Annunciation Parish, Melrose, MA

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S!

If you are visiting and looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you to our Saint Mary of the Annunciation Parish Community. We hope that you find the worship and liturgy uplifting and an encouragement to your faith. We invite you to participate in the life of our parish. Whatever your age or walk of life, we want this parish to be your spiritual home. We are a community centered on excellent liturgy, helping people of all ages grow in relationship with Jesus, and welcoming all. Please introduce yourself to Fr Shawn, our Pastor. We want to know you and serve you.

MASS Intentions

4:00 pm	Saturday, October 16 Ida and Lea Sciarra
7:30 am	Sunday, October 17 For the People of the Parish
9:30 am	Mary G Allen
11:30 am	Julene Zaino
9:00 am	Wednesday, October 20 Paul Tighe
9:00 am	Thursday, October 21 Louis Fabbri (Living Intention on 95th Birthday)
4:00 pm	Saturday, October 23 Morton C Flint
7:30 am	Sunday, October 24 For the People of the Parish
9:30 am	For the People of the Parish
11:30 am	Marie A & John L Scanlan

Prayer Requests



Please pray for those who are ill especially for

Ellie Pistorino
Patricia DeGaravilla
Katherine Connolly
Stephen Patrick Donahue
Madeleine Boucher

Please pray for our recently deceased loved ones especially for

Sally deGeorge
Quincy King

SCHEDULED PRESIDERS

Saturday, October 16
4:00 pm Fr Janko

Saturday, October 23
4:00 pm Fr Shawn

Sunday, October 17
7:30 am Fr Hughes
9:30 am Fr Shawn
11:30 am Fr Shawn

Sunday, October 24
7:30 am Fr Shawn
9:30 am Fr Hughes
11:30 am Fr Janko



Please pray that God will watch over and safeguard our men and women serving in the military. We thank you for your service.

PO2 Patrick Casey, USCG SSgt Marcy Munday, USAF
Cpt Evan Dimakis, USArmy SSgt Daniel Munday, USAF
Col Eric DiNoto, USArmy ACA,N William Muzarol, USN
Cpl Mark Gentile, USMC SSG Jacob Pezzini, USArmy
SSgt Mickail Jean, USArmy SFC James Wilson, USArmy

Should you wish to have the names of your family members and friends on our military prayer list, **please complete the form below and drop it in the collection baskets or email ketarmey@gmail.com or marjk50@comcast.net**

RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	BRANCH OF SERVICE

Name of person submitting:

Telephone number:

RESERVED SEATING FOR THOSE WHO PREFER TO WEAR A MASK AND SIT NEAR PEOPLE WHO ARE WEARING MASKS

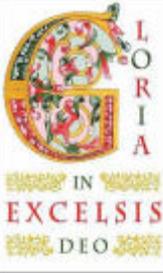
As mandated by the Archdiocese, the first 3 pews on the right hand side of the church facing the altar are reserved for those who are wearing masks and are more comfortable sitting in an area with mask wearers. Mask wearing is encouraged but not required. Mask-wearers may sit anywhere in the church. Non mask-wearers are asked to avoid the first 3 pews on the right side facing the altar. As of now, social distancing is not mandated. We will let you know of any changes in policy as they arise. Thank you for your cooperation.



ADORATION and MONTHLY CONFESSION

The first Thursday of each month, an hour of Adoration and Reconciliation will be held in the upper church. Father Shawn will be available in the confessional for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 6:30 to 7:30 pm and there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Please join us for as we gather in quiet prayer and foster a deeper spiritual union with our Lord.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at

the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 53:10-11

The LORD was pleased
to crush him in infirmity.

If he gives his life as an offering for sin,
he shall see his descendants in a long life,
and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished
through him.

Because of his affliction
he shall see the light in fullness
of days;

through his suffering, my servant shall justify many,
and their guilt he shall bear.

Responsorial Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Upright is the word of the LORD,
and all his works are trustworthy.

He loves justice and right;
of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him,
upon those who hope for his kindness,
To deliver them from death
and preserve them in spite of famine.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Our soul waits for the LORD,
who is our help and our shield.
May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us
who have put our hope in you.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.



Second Reading Hebrews 4:14-16

Brothers and sisters:

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin.

So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.



Gospel Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him,

"Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?"

They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can."

Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you.

Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant;

whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.

For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."



Even with the relaxed precautions, **bulletins and music booklets must be removed from the Church at the end of Mass. Please do not leave these bulletins in the pew or return them to the table.** We cannot reuse them so take them home and recycle them. Thank you!

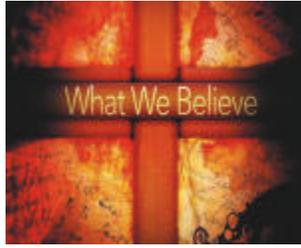


For everyone's safety, if a young person needs to go downstairs to use the bathroom, please make sure they are accompanied by an adult. Thank you.

MONTH OF THE Rosary

THE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.



God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

Say NO to Physician Assisted Suicide

The Massachusetts State Legislature is considering passing into law two deeply troubling bills this session which would legalize Physician Assisted Suicide. The bills, House 2381 and Senate 1384, are identical in text and titled "An Act relative to end of life options". "The Catholic Bishops of Massachusetts stand united in our strong opposition to Physician Assisted Suicide. It is an affront to life and a dangerous precedent for determining end of life issues. Physicians are trained to care for the ill, not to hasten death."1 Here are some facts to consider before you take action: 1) The bills would allow a physician to provide a deadly drug mixture to an individual diagnosed with less than 6 months to live that, when consumed, would cause death. NOTE- That diagnosis could be wrong. Countless individuals have outlived that 6 month diagnosis and enjoyed many more precious months and years with family and friends. 2) No Real Safeguards - A vulnerable individual (who could be depressed or fears being a "burden") may be subject to undue influence by others to take the drug mixture, especially if there is a financial benefit as an incentive. 3) The primary focus of elected officials should be dedicated to legislation providing quality health care, mental health care and palliative care to the sick and dying - particularly in the underserved, poor and minority communities that suffer the most at the time of need. How can your voice be heard? Call or email your legislators, let them know you are a Massachusetts voter, and say NO Physician Assisted Suicide! Log on to www.macatholic.org and follow the links to find contact information for: • Your individual State Senator and Representative via address and zip code link. • Members of the legislative Joint Committee on Public Health who will be considering these bills. For individuals without internet access, please call the Massachusetts Catholic Conference at 617 -746-5630 for legislative contact information.

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

Every year in the month of October we launch our GRAND ANNUAL APPEAL. This appeal supplements our weekly offertory and enables us to keep up with ongoing maintenance of our buildings, which are all 50 to 100+ years old. This past fiscal year we managed to keep spending in line with expenses and ended the year with income being about \$1,600 more than expenses. While our Offertory was down last year, your generosity to the Grand Annual Appeal offset the deficit. Our parish goal is the same as last year, \$80,000.

We ask you to consider a donation of \$350, or more if possible. Given everyone's differing financial circumstances, many may not be in a position to respond at that level. We are grateful for every gift we receive. It is your participation in the Appeal, not the amount of your donation, that strengthens our faith community. Donations may be made online (stmarysmelrose.org) by going to our Online Giving site and choosing the "Grand Annual" fund option. Gifts may also be made in several installments if that works best for you. Envelopes are available at Mass from the ushers and may be placed in the offertory baskets.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity to Saint Mary Parish.

Baby Bottle Campaign



Don't forget to place a donation to A Woman's Concern - Your Options Medical in your baby bottle! Return your full baby bottles to the church on the weekend of October 23rd and 24th. If you decide to give a donation by check, please make the check out to Your Options Medical. Thank You!!

***DUE TO VIRUS CONCERNS, PLEASE WIPE OFF YOUR BABY BOTTLE WITH A DISINFECTANT WIPE BEFORE PLACING IT IN THE COLLECTION BOX. ***

Make your New Year's Eve special by having your Marriage Blessed in the presence of God. If you are married, but not in the Catholic Church, you are invited to a Marriage Validation Ceremony. Officiated by Bishop Mark O'Connell. Friday, December 31 at 6:00 PM. Saint Theresa Church, 63 Winter St., North Reading. Celebrate the sanctity of marriage by ending 2021 in this wonderful way, and together look forward to the blessings of 2022. During the wedding ceremony, each couple will say their vows separately before Bishop O'Connell and their two witnesses. To get more information about how to register, please contact the Regional Bishop's Office at 978-531-1013 or northregion@rcab.org. There is no cost to the couple. Since 2018 over 20 couples have participated in this joyous event.

Saint Mary Parish Faith Formation and School Information



Faith Formation

OUR NEXT CLASS IS TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17th

Grades 1-8 classes are held in the Parish Center from 10:45—12:15

Confirmation 1 is held in the Lower Church Hall and Confirmation 2 is held in the Parish Center. Both classes are from 4:00—6:00pm

2021-2022 class calendars are on the website under the Faith Formation tab!

Online Registration is now closed. Please call Karen Tarmey, Coordinator of Faith Formation at 781 590 4948 for information.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATE

Community service is an important component in our Faith Formation program this year.

When we delivered the donations from our food collection, we learned that another item is helpful for the homeless people they serve. They distribute travel size hygiene products. You know the **shampoo, lotion etc that you get in hotel rooms**. If you have any of these items and would like to donate them, just send them in to our Faith Formation classes and we will collect them and then deliver them.

THANK YOU!

Our November Community Service Project is making Thanksgiving cards to distribute to individuals in Nursing Homes, Shelters, etc.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Thursday, Oct 21**—Progress Reports
- Friday, Nov 5**—Early Release Day
- Thursday, Nov 11**—Veterans Day—NO SCHOOL
- Wednesday, Nov 24**—Early Release
- Thursday, Nov 25**—Thanksgiving Day—NO SCHOOL
- Friday, Nov 26**—Thanksgiving Recess—NO SCHOOL
- Wednesday, Dec 1**—Reports Cards
- Friday, Dec 3**—Early Release
- Thursday, Dec 23**—Christmas Vacation Begins
- Friday, Dec 24**—Christmas Eve—NO SCHOOL
- Saturday, Dec 25**—Christmas Day—NO SCHOOL

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY! Have you said a Rosary recently? Now is the Time!

MUSIC MINISTRY Welcomes singers and instrumentalists!

If you would like to learn more about music, and would like to sing or play an instrument at Mass, please join us!

Contact: Paula Lowell, Dir. of Music, 978-658-0161 **Email:** plowell88@gmail.com

Youth Choir (Grades 2-8)—The Youth Choir sings weekly at the Sunday 9:30am Mass.

Rehearsals: Fridays from 4:30—5:30pm in the Parish Center.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN



Grade 4 Students through High School

Want to Train to Become an Altar Server? Want to return to Altar Serving? Please call the Rectory at 781 665 0152 and put your name on our list. **Thank you!**



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