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Food Pantry Open Tuesdays 5:30–6:30pm weather permitting

Helpline (401) 253-8366

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00pm Advent to Easter

5:00pm Easter to Advent

Sunday at 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:00pm

Português - Domingo às 7:30

Weekday Mass at 7:30am (bilingual):

No Mass on Thursday

Holy Days of Obligation and Holidays:

As listed in the Parish Bulletin

Baptism

After the birth of the child, parents are invited to contact the rectory to schedule the Baptism.

Sponsor Certificates

Please contact the parish office.

Marriage

Upon engagement, couples should contact the parish office to schedule a wedding date and initiate the preparation process that ordinarily requires a period of six months – one year.

Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:20pm – 3:50pm or by scheduling a time with the parish office

Anointing of the Sick

Those in need, or a family member, are encouraged to contact the priest

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults who believe they are being called to receive the Sacraments of Initiation should contact the parish office.

Holy Orders – Vocations to the Priesthood

Discerning a vocation to the priesthood? Speak with the priest or contact Fr. Brian J. Morris, Director of Vocations, at (401) 331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

Rectory Hours:

Monday through Friday*

9:00AM to 4:00PM

*** Wednesday to 3PM**

Gospel Reading *Luke 4:21-30* Jesus is rejected in his hometown of Nazareth.

Family Connection - Jesus' statement that no prophet is accepted in his home town reminds us that it is often difficult to hear a challenging message from those who know us best, even if it is true. Perhaps we remember and even regret this aspect of our childhood and adolescence. We may have overlooked the wisdom and guidance of our parents, while allowing the voices of others—teachers, friends, and counselors—to carry more weight, even when these people were telling us the same thing. Perhaps this developmental stage is unavoidable. Perhaps as we have matured, we have come to a new appreciation for our parents and others whose perspective and experience we once rejected. Today's Gospel provides an opportunity to talk about and to learn from such experiences.

As you gather as a family, consider proverbs or otherwise sayings that are familiar to your family (“Blood is thicker than water;” “All that glitters is not gold.”). Consider what these proverbs mean and whether you believe them to be true. Why or why not? Jesus challenges the people of Nazareth by reminding them of old sayings that seem to have a lot of truth in them. Let's listen to this Gospel and consider what these proverbs mean. Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 4:21-30. Ask: **What were the proverbs that Jesus quoted?** (Physician, cure yourself; No prophet is accepted in his native place.) Consider the meaning of these proverbs and look for examples from your own family life that show their truth. Consider how your family might accept one another's wisdom and guidance and not reject the prophets in your midst. Conclude by praying together the Prayer to the Holy Spirit. ~ From Loyola Press Sunday Connection

In the Gospel and through the teaching of the Church, we hear the words of Jesus. We can trust these words because they are the voice of experience, an expert's words, and the words of a trusted friend. We pray that we will allow these words to influence us and to change us.

What is a synod?



Synod
2021
2023

For a synodal Church
communion | participation | mission

The word "synod" comes from the Greek word *σύνοδος* (synodos). This word is comprised of two root words: syn, meaning "together" and hodos, meaning "the way, path, or journey." You will sometimes hear people say that the word synod means to "journey together." That's true, but there is an important element that one could easily miss. We could ask: journey together where? Where are we headed on our journey? In the Gospel according to St. John, we read the words of Jesus Christ: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6). The Greek word of the New Testament for "the way" here is the word hodos. This passage inspires us to consider where our journey together should be headed: we journey together, following Jesus

Christ, prompted by the Holy Spirit, toward God the Father.

The Church has long used the term synod to refer to a gathering of bishops or priests who come together to discuss matters doctrine or ecclesial life. In 1965, Pope Paul VI established the Synod of Bishops that would meet every few years. This next Synod planned for 2023 with the theme "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission" will be the 16th ordinary synod since 1965. In preparation for this Synod, Pope Francis has outlined several phases, including a diocesan phase.

The Synod on Synodality is a two-year process of listening and dialogue which began with a solemn opening in Rome in 2021 on October 9/10 with each individual diocese and church celebrating the following week on October 17. The synodal process will conclude in 2023. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to reflect on a theme that is decisive for its life and mission: "It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium." This journey, which follows in the wake of the Church's "renewal" proposed by the Second Vatican Council, is both a gift and a task: by journeying together and reflecting together on the journey that has been made, the Church will be able to learn through Her experience which processes can help Her to live communion, to achieve participation, to open Herself to mission. Learn more about the synodal process by visiting the Vatican Synod website <https://www.synod.va/en.html>.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Image – will be traveling around the state of Rhode Island.

Monday, January 31, St. Luke, 108 Washington Street, Barrington, all day from 7AM Mass, Veneration, Adoration all day to 7PM Holy Hour, Rosary, Presentation, and Benediction

Tuesday, February 1, Our Lady of Loreto, 346 Waterman Street, E. Providence, 9:00AM presentation, Adoration, Veneration, Rosary, 1:00PM Mass.

Saturday, February 5, St. Brendan's, 60 Turner Avenue, Riverside, 7:15-7:45AM Confession, 8AM Mass, Adoration until 9:30AM Presentation, Veneration, 1:30PM Presentation, Veneration, ending with 5PM Vigil Mass. View the complete schedule at dioceseofprovidence.org/life-and-family-respect-life.

The Word Among Us - We have a limited number of "The Word Among Us" for February. Ask Father if you would like one to take home.

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The Anointing of the Sick “is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived.” CCC, no. 1514, citing SC, no. 73

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick/O Sacramento da Santa Unção

In last week's bulletin, we published a summary from the Catechism of the Catholic Church regarding the Sacrament that the Church in the present day calls the Anointing of the Sick. Our reason for doing so was to facilitate some thought and reflection about this sacrament amongst the parishioners and friends of St. Elizabeth's of Bristol. Also, we wanted to take the opportunity to further reduce the number of well intentioned, but mistaken, people who often times in the present day continue to make use of pre-Vatican II terminology such as “Extreme Unction” (i.e., final anointing) or “Last Rites” when talking about this sacrament. By way of review, the Catechism of the Catholic Church states *“If a sick person who received this anointing recovers his health, he can in the case of another grave illness receive this sacrament again. If during the same illness the person's condition becomes more serious, the sacrament may be repeated. It is fitting to receive the Anointing of the Sick just prior to a serious operation. The same holds for the elderly whose frailty becomes more pronounced.”* With that said, we encourage all parishioners, or one of their family members or friends, to contact us as soon as a need for the Anointing of the Sick arises. We are encouraging this because all too often family members or friends do not call the priest until a loved one, who has been coping with an illness over a period of time, becomes unconscious and is actively dying. In such situations, whether the person is being cared for at home or at some hospital or other health care facility, be assured that we will always do our best to respond in a timely manner. However, because of a variety of factors, it is important that parishioners are aware that in some of these emergent situations, especially when someone is being cared for in a hospital or hospice center, the Catholic priest assigned by the Diocese to that particular facility, will likely be able to respond to the sacramental needs of the person in a more timely manner. Be assured that we are mindful that there will inevitably be unexpected and unforeseen situations in which family members or friends will have no choice but to call for us at the last moment. However, based on experience, more often than not, there will usually be time for someone to call for the priest long before death is imminent. We believe that calling for the priest prior to the time that death is imminent will not only minimize the uncertainty and anxiety that is often experienced by family members and friends when they are confronted with the reality of the approaching death of a loved one, but it also might provide the individual who is sick with the opportunity to receive the Anointing of the Sick, Reconciliation and Viaticum (i.e., Provision for the Journey – Final Eucharist) as well as discuss or resolve any spiritual concerns. As we conclude this section of our reflection on the Anointing of the Sick, parishioners are reminded that when faced with an emergency situation, they should never hesitate to call the rectory regardless of the time of day or night. **Please leave a message if no one is currently available.**

No boletim da semana passada, publicámos um resumo do Catecismo da Igreja Católica relativo ao Sacramento da Unção dos Doentes, hoje chamado Santa Unção. O motivo porque o fizemos prende-se com o facilitar de uma necessária reflexão entre os paroquianos de Santa Isabel de Bristol. Com isto queremos também aproveitar a oportunidade para reduzir o número de paroquianos que embora bem-intencionados continuam erradamente a referir-se ao Sacramento da Santa Unção usando termos como “Extrema Unção” e “Últimos Sacramentos” que estão hoje ultrapassados e fazem apenas lembrar a terminologia anterior à reforma do Vaticano II. Recordamos que o Catecismo da Igreja Católica diz-nos o seguinte acerca da Unção dos doentes: *“a Unção dos Enfermos não é sacramento só dos que estão prestes a morrer. Por isso, o tempo oportuno para a receber é certamente quando o fiel começa, por doença ou por velhice, a estar em perigo de morte.”* *“Se um doente que recebeu a Unção recupera a saúde, pode, em caso de nova enfermidade grave, receber outra vez este sacramento. No decurso da mesma doença, este sacramento pode ser repetido se o mal se agrava. É conveniente receber a Unção dos Enfermos antes duma operação cirúrgica importante. E o mesmo se diga a respeito das pessoas de idade, cuja fragilidade se acentua.”* Dito isto, encorajamos todos os paroquianos, um familiar ou um amigo que nos contactem sempre que a necessidade da Unção do Doentes surgir. Chamamos atenção para isto porque com demasiada frequência tanto familiares como amigos optam por não chamar o padre quando um ente querido se encontra doente durante um largo período de tempo, e depois acabam por fazê-lo quando o doente fica inconsciente e à beira da morte. Perante estas situações e quer esteja o doente em casa, no hospital ou num “hospice center”, podem ter a certeza que daremos sempre o nosso melhor para responder atempadamente. Todavia, tendo em conta uma enorme variedade de fatores, é importante que os paroquianos saibam que nestas situações de emergência, especialmente quando alguém está hospitalizado, podem sempre recorrer ao capelão indicado pela diocese para o referido estabelecimento e que poderá responder mais atempadamente às necessidades sacramentais do doente. Temos a consciência de que haverá sempre inevitavelmente e inesperadamente situações imprevistas nas quais familiares ou amigos não terão outra hipótese senão chamar-nos na última hora. Todavia e fruto da experiência haverá assim mais tempo e mais cuidado em chamar o padre antes da iminência da morte. Acreditamos que ao chamar atempadamente o padre antes que a morte se torne eminente, vamos fazer diminuir a incerteza e a ansiedade dos familiares e dos amigos ao serem confrontados com a realidade da morte iminente de um ente querido e permitirá também ao indivíduo o que está doente receber a Unção dos Doentes a Reconciliação e o Viático (pão para o caminho - Última Comunhão Eucarística) bem como a oportunidade de falar sobre, ou resolver qualquer preocupação de ordem espiritual. Ao concluirmos esta secção da nossa reflexão acerca da Unção dos Doentes, recordamos aos paroquianos que quando confrontados com situações de emergência, nunca devem hesitar em chamar para a reitoria seja qual for a hora do dia ou da noite. **Deixe uma mensagem se ninguém estiver disponível atualmente.**

Covid Self-test Kits

The Bristol Health Equity Zone has given us another 2 cases of Covid self- test kits. Please contact the rectory (253-8366) during normal office hours if you are in need of one. First come first serve – no reservations.

Mass Intentions

Saturday – January 29

4:00PM – Edmund D. & Lydia S. Borges, Maria Jose & Norberto Cabral, Justin & Jose Jorge Machado, Clara Mello, John & Dorothy Travers, Manuel Gomes, David deCastro

Sunday – January 30 (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:30AM – Russell Serpa, Gilbert Neves, José Jacinto Botelho, Duarte Botelho, Fernando Raposo, Jacinto Almeida, Maria das Merçes Almeida, Manuel Joaquim Almeida, Jr.

9:00AM - Belmira Ramos, Fortunato & Deolinda Ramos, Elaine Polucci, Maria Adelaide Mello, Mary Lou Daniel, Anne Ramos

10:30AM – Daniel DeMatos, Antonio DaSilva, Zelia & Gil Amaral, John Amaral, Maria Julia Borges, Manuel Cabral, Maria dos Anjos Cabral, Julieta Cabral, Hilda deJesus, Jose Leitao, Rosa Leitao, Nathan Correia, Jonathan Sousa, Maria Jose Ribeiro

Monday – January 31 (St. John Bosco)

7:30AM – Christopher St. Pierre, Emily St. Pierre, James Henderson

Tuesday – February 1

7:30AM – Maria Adeline Toras, Virgínio dos Santos, Carlos Santos, Jose Franco, Duarte Botelho

Wednesday – February 2 (Presentation of the Lord)

7:30AM – Andrew Michael Almeida

Thursday – February 3

NO MASS - NÃO HÁ MISSA - NO MASS

Friday – February 4 (First Friday)

7:30AM – Elizabeth Alves

1:00-4:00PM – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday – February 5

4:00PM – Patricia Scalera, John & Julia Sousa, Jose Luis & Guilhermina Cabral, Norberto Cabral, Artur & Conceicao Placido, Carlos Placido, Edward Sardinha, Thomas Sardinha, Sister Mary Sardinha, SSD

Sunday – February 6 (5th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:30AM – Maria M. & Manuel Cardoso, Marta Carvalho, Antonio & Maria Silveira, José & Filomena Avila, Conceição Maria Botelho, João & Mariana Simas, Joaquim & Maria Medeiros, José Sousa Mendonca, Duarte Botelho, José Silva

9:00AM - John Anderson, Olivia Belmore, Eugenia Borges, Jacinto Rosa, Maria Rosa, Luisa Rosa, Carlos Vieira, Flaminio & Mariana Costa, John Soares, George Braz, Jose Pavao, Conceicao Franco, Jose Andrade, George Carinha

10:30AM – Jose & Maria C. Tavares, Virgínio & Germina Almeida, Crystal Rainey, David DaSilva, Ines DaSilva, Manuel Enes, Manuel Batista Enes, Jr., Antonio & Teresa Enes, Antonio C. DeSousa, Manuel & Jesuina Sousa, Maria das Mercedes Oliveira

5:00PM – Pro Populo

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Sanctuary Lamp

This week the sanctuary lamp burns in memory of
Patricia Scalera

2022 Mass Book is Open - The Mass book for 2022 is open to record Mass intentions **TUESDAYS thru FRIDAYS (not on Mondays).**

Livro de missa está aberto - Você podem marcar Missas para 2022 pelas suas intenções das **terça-feira às sextas-feiras** (não Segundas)

JANUARY 30, 2022

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit
you have taught the hearts of your faithful.
In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right
and always rejoice in your consolation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure

Weekly Budget, January 16 - \$4,829.60

E-Giving, January 16 - \$547.29

Thank you! Obrigado!

We have Electronic giving available at St. Elizabeth's. Please visit the church website, www.saintelizabethchurch.net, and click on myEoffering. Or you could set us up on your electronic bill pay with your bank (ACH). Either way, we thank you for your continued support!

First Friday / Primeira Sexta-feira



Friday, February 4, is the first Friday of the month. We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 1-4PM. Confession will be from 1 – 2:30PM. At 3PM we will have an hour of prayers and will close at 4PM with Benediction.

Teremos Adoração do Santíssimo Sacramento no dia 4 de Fevereiro, primeira sexta-feira do mês, das 13:00 até às 16h. Haverá confissões das 13 até às 14h30.

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St. John Bosco, Feast Day January 31

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