

SAINT MARY PARISH

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Randolph, MA 02368



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me." - Mk 9:38-39



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WELCOME

WE'RE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all guests and parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish. We are delighted that you have come to worship with us, and we very much hope that you feel at home here!! Newcomers are encouraged to register as members of the Parish. Registration forms are available in the entryways of the Church and in the Parish Office and can be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to the Parish Office.

Join us on Facebook!

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a vibrant faith community committed to living out the gospel of Jesus Christ in the Roman Catholic tradition. As a Eucharistic people, we seek to deepen our personal union with Jesus Christ through the ministries of Word, Worship, Community, and Service. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we devote ourselves to the Catechetical Ministry of Youth and Young Adults and to ongoing Adult Faith Formation. We seek to continue the mission of the Church by extending hospitality and outreach to all the People of God.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 26, 2021

10:00am *Joseph, Evy, Joanne & Thomas King
Barbara, Herman & Angela Hemingway and
Ernestine*

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

9:00am *William Kelly*

PET Blessing

St. Mary's will be having a "Blessing of the Animals" service on **Sunday, October 17th at 2:00pm**. It will be held outside the side door of the Church.

There will be scripture readings, music and a reflection by Fr. Phil. There will also be a general blessing for all the animals as well as an opportunity to have your pets blessed individually. Looking forward to seeing you and meeting your pets!



FILL THE CHURCH WITH MUSIC!

St. Mary's Parish will be offering another "Fill the Church with Music" event on **Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 3:00pm**. Part of the program will consist of classical piano pieces performed by Felicia Kopelman Hayes. The second part will consist of songs from the Great American Songbook and sacred pieces performed by Bob O'Connor.

There will also be a special appearance by vocalist Paul Kopelman!

This event won't conflict with the 8:25 Patriots Game, so please bring your friends and family out for an afternoon of varied music. The concert is free and all are welcome!



It is a privilege to welcome new members into our Church family. This begins with the celebration of Baptism. We are proud to inform you that the following children have recently been welcomed into the Catholic Community of St. Mary's.

Joseph Patrick Benson-Carter

Vincenzo Louis Benson-Carter

SEPTEMBER 1000 CLUB WINNERS

*Congratulations to our September
1000 Club Winners*

\$100	#591	Mary V. Conroy, Randolph, MA
\$100	#616	Joan Smith, Randolph, MA
\$100	#570	Fr. Phil E. McGaugh, Randolph, MA
\$200	#055	Jean M. Hartley, Randolph, MA
\$300	#655	Bridget McDonald, Randolph, MA
\$1000	#279	Virginia Aiello, Randolph, MA

HAITIAN

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Le Groupe Renouveau Charismatique de Notre Dame d'Altagrâce Vous invite a participer tous les Vendredis á partir de 7:00 PM á 9:30 PM. Venez adorer, glorifier Dieu a des prières de guérison et de libération.

Come and join Haïtian Charismatic prayer group every Friday 7:00pm to 9:30pm for Healing and Blessings!!!



FR. PHIL

Reflections for 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our God is a many splendored God of love, justice and mercy. Do we ever picture what a beautiful world we have and what it could be? Realistically do we ever picture what we can do to help, even when we are down? The reading today quotes “But they are not one of us” and Jesus answers he who is not against us is with us”. What is Jesus wishing to say to us in this gospel? Jesus sets a powerful example of tolerance for all of us. The readings today which are quite serious are Jesus’ message to alert us of how dangerous sin and selfishness are. Life is not always easy. To what degree do we trust God? These are the times when each of us can find ourselves drawn to tears and pain or we can see in these times a call to prayer and greater spiritual refinement. There are no boundaries to the message of Jesus. What we do to another we do to Jesus.

What are the things in life that tempt us? Each one of us runs the risk of getting caught with sins and bad habits if we do not stay focused on the message of Jesus. Each of us runs the risk of missing out on life if we are too self-focused. Christianity invites all of us to be the best person we can be in the name of Jesus. Jesus sees both the giftedness and brokenness of each of us. We are designed to seek after and look for God and his intentions for us. There are serious issues in the world today which we all need to deal with. Each one of us if we do not focus on the message of Jesus runs the risk of sin such as selfishness, pride, and conceit. We also can run the risk at times of being insensitive or thoughtless. When we do not seriously consider what lies behind what someone says or needs to do, we run the risk of causing great pain to that person. Sometimes decisions have to be made that are difficult and can bring pain to others. Often, if these decisions are not made in a timely manner, greater pain will come at a later time. When making a difficult decision what are our guiding principles?

There is more to life than all of this. How do we reach out to others in our faith and how do we welcome people? People who are different from us, can very much enrich us. God has given us His Word and prayer to focus on Him and to love Him and our neighbors. Jesus shows us the importance of making sacrifices to help others and ourselves. There is more to life than good intentions. How willing are we to share our time talents and treasures with others? Do we rejoice in the gifts and accomplishments of others? Do we accept when others reject? Do we support people in their moments of weakness and doubt? Are we there when someone is suffering? We can be a giant moment of grace and a light in the darkness for others or a stumbling stone. How vigilant are we in avoiding sin for the kingdom of God? What kind of example do we set for others? Jesus is inviting us to work hard to do good and to avoid sin. Jesus is inviting us to work hard to eliminate sin, which may call for drastic change in our behavior and attitudes. Removing or correcting sinful tendencies goes way beyond the superficial to painful and drastic changes. Life is so much more than this, and we must see this in terms of positive and hope. When we receive or give services to others do we give or receive them with love, which is a genuine concern and appreciation for the other or others? It is the work of the Holy Spirit to help us. We must be mindful of this and find the ideals and the goals and dreams to keep us hopeful.

A couple of weeks ago we celebrated Welcome Back Weekend. I hope we are all staying energetic and hope-filled.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

When we drift away from God, He invites us back. Each Saturday from 2:45 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. the Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered in the church hall. If other times are desired, please contact Fr. Phil.

ST. SEBASTIAN’S SCHOOL

St. Sebastian School, a Catholic, independent day school for 375 young men in grades 7-12, is hosting an Admissions Open House on **Thurs., Oct. 7th at 5:30pm**. All interested students & parents are invited to join us. Please visit www.stsebs.org/visit for event registration & details. For further info, contact the Adm. Office at: 781-247-0125 or visit website www.stsebastiansschool.org/visit

WELCOME BACK COMMITTEE

Our Welcome Back Committee will meet again on **Tuesday, September 28th at 7:00pm.** This marvelous group put into place by our Parish Council their time, talent, and treasure to plan a phenomenal Welcome Back Weekend. Every week more and more parishioners return to Mass at St. Mary's, and we are excited to plan more parish events.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our official Registration dates have ended but there are still two ways to register!

Call the Religious Education Office at 781-961-5009 for additional registration times.

Go to our website at stmaryrandolph.org to our news page to find our Registration Flyer. Print out registration forms from the website. Return forms and check to 30 Seton Way or scan and email to poconnorstmaryrandolph.org. (see below for payment by credit/debit.)

Families can also pay by debit/credit. Simply call us at 781 961-5009.

Class Times for 2021/2022

Grades K – 5 Sundays 11:30 am – 12:45 pm
Every Other Week!

Grades 6 - 10 Tuesdays 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm
Every Other Week!

Grade 11 Tuesdays 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm

Grade 11 will meet weekly from Oct. until Confirmation

Adult Classes

Classes can be arranged for any adult interested in receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Penance and/or Confirmation. Simply call 781 961-5009. Classes begin on **Tuesday October 5th** on Zoom.

Classes Begin for Grades 1 – 10

Classes for Religious Education begin on Tuesday **October 5th** for grades 6 – 10 from 6:30 to 7:45 pm . Our grade 1 – 5 students will begin on **Sunday October 10th** from 11:30 am to 12:45 pm. Classes are scheduled for *every other* week. At the end of each class, a magazine lesson will be supplied to each student for use at home on the off week. Detailed schedules have been distributed to those registered for class. We are thrilled with the response.

Classes Begin for Confirmation Classes

Our Confirmation classes will also begin on **Tuesday October 5th** from 6:30 to 7:45 pm. These classes will have students in grade 11 and 12 as some families may have chosen to postpone the Sacrament of Confirmation last year due to the pandemic. Confirmation classes *attend weekly* until Confirmation scheduled for **Sunday December 5th at 2 pm.** Detailed schedules have been distributed to those registered for class. We are thrilled with the response.

Masks

As of this time, masks are required for all students and teachers.

Catechists

We are pleased to announce those who will be teaching for our children, teens and adults this year at St. Mary's: Michaelle Sylvestre, Nancy Harvey, Kathy Johnston, Debbie Batson, Shaquita Magera, Uche Nwazojie, Hanie Jean-Baptiste, Amanda Macias, Maureen Toscano, Jemma Joseph, Henjia Pean, Laurine Pean, Olivia Pereira-Clarke, Carol Bourne, Miochy Lamour, Fr Phil McGaugh, Deacon Vivian Blair, Carol Blair, Julie Pantazelos, Pegi Heenan and Patty O'Connor.

Our grades 1 – 11 Catechists are scheduled to meet on **Sunday October 3rd at 11:30 am** in the Religious Education Center.

ROSARY RALLY

Here at St. Mary's, we are participating in the 2021 Rosary Rally. We will be gathering in front of the Church on **Sunday October 16 at 12:30 pm** to say the rosary together. Look for our Rosary Rally banner and please join us. *“Finally, My Immaculate Heart will triumph!” Our Lady of Fatima, July 13, 1917*

PARISH SUPPORT

9/19/21

Offertory: \$ 3,709.00
Clergy Health & Retirement Trust: \$ 1,400.00
August Online Giving: \$3,200.00
Outreach: \$ 65.00

OCTOBER SECOND COLLECTIONS

10/03/21—Holy Father & Missionary Efforts
10/10/21—Building & Maintenance
10/17/21—Monthly Energy
10/24/21—Propagation of the Faith

PLEASE NOTE:

**Building & Maintenance Collection has been
changed to October 10th
Monthly Energy Collection has been
Changed to October 17th**

ALWAYS IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Men & Women in Service to our Country

- Jeremy Lucier*
- Kevin Ryan*
- Ryan Dornan*
- Paul Ellis*
- William Williams*
- Christopher Jackson*
- Ryan O'Keefe*
- Keith Littig*
- Timothy Walsh*
- Thomas Cheney*
- Elliot Trippel*
- Drake Barry*
- Tom Ram*
- David Preval*
- Matthew Lounsbury*
- William Boggan Murphy*
- Nicholas Dwyer*
- Christian John Cotton*
- Liam Brady*

Prayer For the Safety of our Military

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in
you will be glad and forever will shout for joy.

Protect these military men and women
as they discharge their duties.

Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep
them safe from all evil and harm.

May the power of your love enable them to return
home in safety, that with all who love them,
they may ever praise you for your loving care.

**St. Mary
Weekend Masses**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday Mass: 8:00am & 10:00am
10:00am Mass is also Live Streamed

**St. Mary
Weekday Masses**

Wednesday—9:00am
Thursday—9:00am

Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament is celebrated the
First and Third Sundays
of each Month at 12:30pm.
Please call
Parish Office to schedule.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please speak to a priest or deacon at least
six months prior to celebration.

Sacrament of the Sick

By Request

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday afternoons from 2:45pm—3:30pm
In the Church Hall
or
By Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Presently there is no Eucharistic Adoration
on Saturday

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