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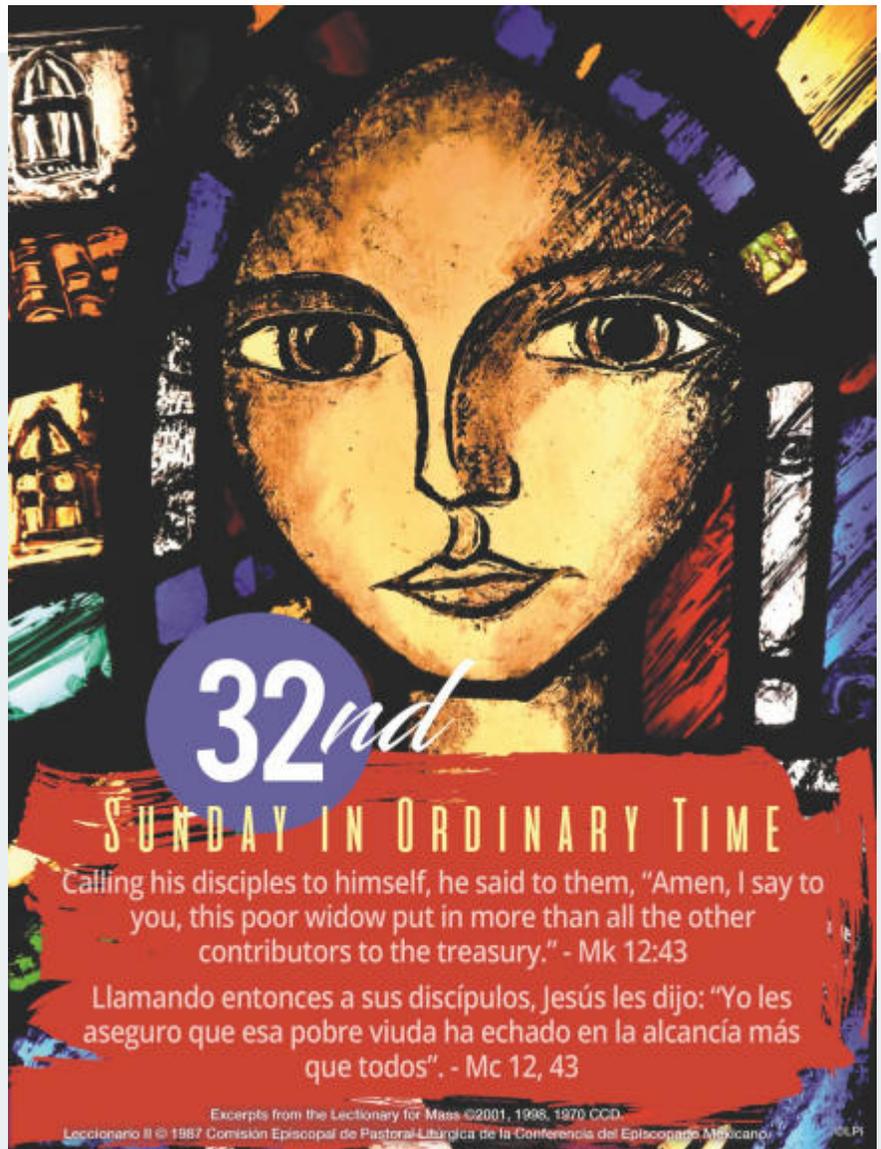
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We hope that you find us to be Holy Spirit-filled disciples of Jesus Christ, centered in the Eucharist.

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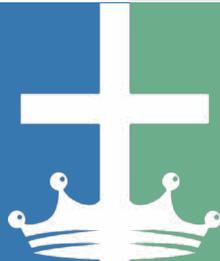
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:43

Llamando entonces a sus discípulos, Jesús les dijo: "Yo les aseguro que esa pobre viuda ha echado en la alcancía más que todos". - Mc 12, 43

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02 A MESSAGE FROM FR. MURRAY



This weekend, we will kick off a new chapter in the life of the parish. Twenty men from the parish have come together

to form a new Knights of Columbus chapter. The Disciples In Salem Chapter will be organized according to the updated vision of the Knights. Their mission is to grow in faith, to form and support the community within the parish, and to serve the parish—individually and as a council. I am pleased to support them, as they have indicated and shown already, before their official commissioning, a desire to serve and to help us as we move into the future.

Our parish must be a place that first fosters discipleship in Jesus Christ and devotion and support to the Church. As men who are called to be disciples, that is, to live lives of prayer and of action, the Knights will be examples for everyone in our parish. This Sunday, we will have the ceremony to bless our new Knights and to receive the official charter. I hope that we will continue to see men from the parish growing in their faith and

living it in concrete ways. We have asked that all of them attend the Alpha program (if they haven't already), and then continue to grow through the Beta groups and the other programs we offer. Knights, we welcome you. We look forward to serving God with you.

This week we begin the month of All Souls and will include prayers for the deceased written in our Book of Remembrance at every Mass.

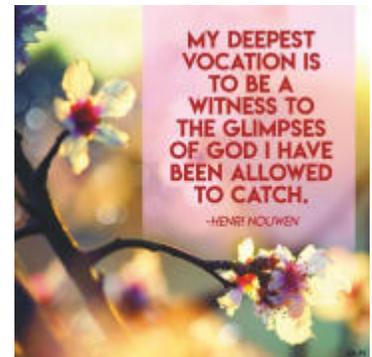
This week, I also received a letter from a priest in Tor, Nigeria, thanking us for supporting them by using some of our tithing money to build a well. Previously, they would send their children to walk to a pond a great distance away to obtain water. This well (you can see a picture of it on our blog) will furnish water from four spigots, and the pump is powered by solar panels. It is a momentous change in these people's lives, and I am pleased that people in this parish have rallied around this community effort.

Thank you to anonymous donors and all those who contribute regularly to the parish. These types of projects are made possible by your generosity and

trust in God. We have also helped a woman with a bio-generator. This machine burns garbage to produce electricity and heat. It helps to keep the environment from being polluted and reduces the need for kerosene to be used as a fuel. It results in the improvement of the environment and increases the economic stability of this family.

Peace, Father Murray

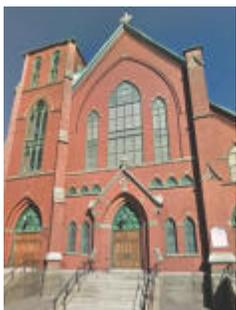
Building News. The power outages due to the storms last week knocked our bell timer at IC out of commission. The good news is that the new system will be installed on Thursday, November 18. With the new electronic system, I hope that there is no longer any problem with the bells and after final adjustments are made, the clock will automatically correct itself. Thanks for your patience.



PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Offices: 158 Federal St. Salem, MA 01970 | 978-745-9060

The office is not open for visitors at this time. Please call to make an appointment.



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158 Federal St.

Rear Hall: enter from rear parking



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Rectory: 30 Union St.

UN MENSAJE DEL PADRE MURRAY 03

Este fin de semana iniciaremos un nuevo capítulo en la vida parroquial. Veinte hombres de la parroquia se han unido para formar un nuevo capítulo de Caballeros de Colón. Los discípulos en el capítulo de Salem se organizarán de acuerdo con la nueva visión de los caballeros. Tendrán como misión crecer en la fe, formar y apoyar a la comunidad dentro de la parroquia y servir a la parroquia como miembros y como consejo. Me complace apoyarlos como han indicado y ya han mostrado su deseo de servir y ayudarnos en nuestro camino hacia el futuro.

Nuestra parroquia debe ser un lugar que primero fomente el discipulado en Jesucristo y la devoción y el apoyo a la iglesia. Como hombres llamados a ser discípulos, hombres de oración y hombres de acción los caballeros, espero que sean un ejemplo para todos en nuestra parroquia. Los caballeros requieren que comencemos con veinte hombres y así hemos ganado ese número. Este domingo tendremos la ceremonia para bendecirlos y recibir la carta oficial. Espero que sigamos viendo a los hombres de la parroquia crecer en su fe y viviéndola de manera concreta. Les hemos pedido que todos asistan al programa Alpha y luego sigan creciendo a través de los

grupos Beta y los demás programas que ofrecemos. Bienvenidos caballeros. Esperamos poder servir a Dios con ustedes.

Esta semana comenzamos el mes de las Almas e incluiremos oraciones por los difuntos escritas en nuestro Libro del Recuerdo en cada Misa.

Esta semana también recibí una carta de un sacerdote en Tor, Nigeria, agradeciéndonos por apoyarlos usando parte de nuestro dinero del diezmo para construir un pozo. Anteriormente, enviaban a sus hijos a caminar hasta un estanque que estaba muy lejos para obtener agua. Este pozo, que se puede ver en la publicación de nuestro blog en el sitio web, suministrará agua de 4 grifos y la bomba funciona con paneles solares. Es un cambio trascendental en la vida de estas personas y me complace que la gente de esta parroquia se haya unido a esta comunidad.

Gracias a los donantes anónimos y a todos aquellos que contribuyen regularmente a la parroquia. Este tipo de proyectos pueden ser posibles gracias a su generosidad y confianza en Dios. También hemos ayudado a una mujer con un bio-generador. Esta máquina quema basura para producir electricidad y calor. Ayuda a evitar

la contaminación del medio ambiente y también reduce la necesidad de utilizar queroseno como combustible. Se traduce en la mejora del medio ambiente y aumenta la estabilidad económica de esta familia.

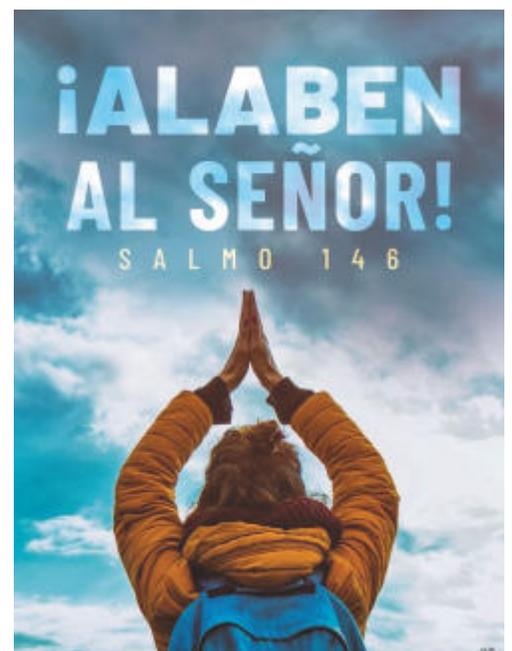
Paz, Padre Murray

Noticias de construcción. Con los cortes de energía de las tormentas de la semana pasada, perdimos el timbre. La buena noticia es que el nuevo sistema se instalará el jueves 18 de noviembre. Con el nuevo sistema electrónico, espero que ya no haya ningún problema con las campanas y después de realizar los ajustes finales el reloj se corregirá automáticamente. Gracias por su paciencia.

Readings for the week of November 7, 2021

Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/ Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday:	Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/ Jn 2:13-22
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/ Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/ Mk 13:24-32

Daily Readings can also be found at www.usccb.org



04 THIS WEEK AT MQOA

MQOA THIS WEEK

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS,
WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Daily Mass at IC chapel
7:30 AM

SUNDAY, NOV 7

MQOA Sunday
10:00 AM at

facebook.com/MQOASalem
Or wherever you listen to
podcasts!

Rosary and Reflection—
5:45 PM at IC Chapel

MONDAY, NOV 8

St. Vincent de Paul Meets
6:30 PM at SJ Conf. Rm.

TUESDAY, NOV 9

Healing & Prayer
7:00 PM at IC

FRIDAY, NOV 12

Mass en español
7:00 PM at IC

SATURDAY, NOV 13

Confession & Adoration
3:00 PM at IC Chapel

SUNDAY, NOV 14

Veterans Blessing
at all the Masses

MQOA Sunday
10:00 AM at

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Rosary and Reflection
5:45 PM at IC Chapel

FEELING GENEROUS? TELL US ABOUT IT!

As we all continue to navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic, MQOA has prayerfully decided to begin thinking more strategically about the future of our parish and the well-being of our people. As part of that effort, we want to understand how you, our parishioners, have been financially impacted by the pandemic and how you are presently viewing generosity, giving, and your financial priorities. We are partnering with Barna (www.barna.com) to offer an assessment that we hope will provide insights into the experiences and wishes of those in our faith community. We would love for you to take it so we can listen to and learn from you.

It should take less than 10 minutes of your time but will provide us with valuable insight into our congregation that will inform future actions.

The survey is easy to access:

1. **Text MQOA to 90888 to start the assessment**
2. **Type this address in your computer browser:**
www.tinyurl.com/MQOAGen
3. **Or scan the QR code:**



We will share our findings with you as soon as we have the results! Thank you for your participation!

JOIN OR FORM A BETA SMALL GROUP

Mary, Queen of the Apostles Parish has a small group process we call Beta; it is produced every week and gives small groups a chance to talk about the Sunday Gospels as they relate to real life. You can start a Beta Group by checking out our weekly lesson, or jump into a group that runs every Monday morning and is always open to newcomers. Find out more on our website: www.MQOA.org/beta



HEALING SERVICE | TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9 AT 7 PM, IC

As Catholic Christians, we believe that God still heals in practical and visible ways today. Join us for this bilingual Healing Prayer Service. Our Healing Team consists of trained priests and lay ministers who guide prayers of healing for physical, spiritual, and emotional needs.



TIME FOR PEACEFUL, HEALING PRAYER

Join us to pray after the 5 PM Mass at IC every Sunday. We offer this healing space immediately following the 5 PM Mass. Come sit and enjoy the quiet. Join us in praying the Rosary, for the prayer requests sent to the parish throughout the week, the mission of the parish, healing for all friends and parishioners of MQOA, and other intentions and needs of the world from the week.





SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In your prayer and giving, please remember the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the work they do in Salem, providing for those hit hardest by this pandemic.

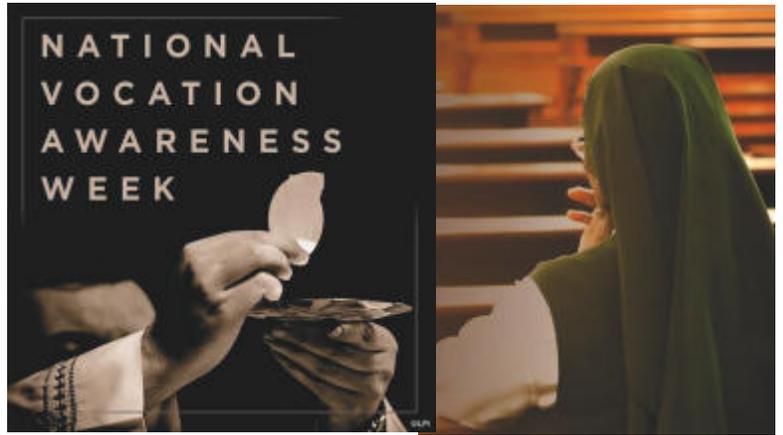
Every month SVdP Society helps those in need to avoid hunger, utility shut-offs and evictions. We rely on donations from generous people like you!

If you are financially able, please consider making a donation. You may place your donation in one of the **collection boxes at St. Anne's, St James, or Immaculate Conception.** Or, you may also **mail checks** made out to St. Vincent de Paul to:

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul
158 Federal St.
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St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

The next meeting for St. Vincent de Paul is November 8 at 6:30 PM in the conference room at St. James.



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"Come to the Waters of Healing" retreat



"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" retreat on **Saturday, November 20 from 9 AM to 5 PM.** Location is confidential. Space is limited. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.



Find information and links to the above online giving platforms by scanning the MQOA QR Code or visit:

<https://flow.page/mqoa>



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06 MQOA THIS WEEK

Synod on Synodality—Take the survey!



Over the next several years, the Church around the world will be participating in a process called the Synod on Synodality. The Holy Father will be meeting with Bishops from across the globe in 2023 to discuss ways of improving the process by which the Church on all levels is open to hearing the voices of people from all walks of life.

That process begins here in Boston now with asking as many people as possible to take a simple survey. The link to the survey can be found here: <https://forms.office.com/r/aPadVsPFt9>

Or, scan the QR Code to the right to go to the survey.



We hope to be able to make some contribution to the global conversation on synodality. More importantly, we hope to improve the synodality of various local institutions here in the Archdiocese, as well as of the Archdiocese itself.

This survey is a first step. Among upcoming events (which we will post in future bulletins), there will be an opening Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, on Saturday, November 27, at 4:30PM. The Mass will be broadcast on CatholicTV, as well being a live event. We hope you will take a moment to answer this survey.



Next weekend, at all the Sunday Masses, we will offer a special blessing to all our Veterans.

Thank you to all who have served and who are still serving. And, thank you to all their families who have made sacrifices in support of our troops.



THE SALEM PANTRY is looking for volunteers who are able to support distribution sites and sign up on a recurring basis. A current need is for people to assist distributing food on Tuesdays (between 11-2 PM) at three Salem Housing Authority locations; and, on Fridays at a few locations, including Pequot Highlands, Fairweather Apartments, and Salem Heights, from 8-10:00 AM (actual time may vary depending on location).

Other volunteer opportunities are available.

Go to: <https://www.thesalempantry.org/volunteer> for more information, or contact Samantha Johanson, Manager of Operations, at 978-552-3954, Ext 3, to find out more.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Look

Have you ever made the mistake of telling your spouse that you're out of something—only to see them respond with The Look? Then you realize it: of course, he or she knows you're out of butter. They knew it before a butter shortage was even a blip on your radar.

We might go to the fridge and lament the complete lack of ketchup. Then someone moves a couple items and show us the ketchup that so savagely eluded us just moments before.

Sometimes, we all have "the look" when dealing with God. We tell Him our stores are empty. "I'm out, God! I can't do any more! Can't give any more. Can't take any more. It's all gone." But we forget: God is the keeper of our stores. He is the one who fills them, and the one who watches as they empty.

See, we don't know how much we are capable of loving. We don't know how much we are capable of serving. We don't know how much we are capable of hoping. We see everything with spouse eyes. Only our Creator truly knows the limits of His creation.

Do you ever make the mistake of telling God "I'm done"? Be careful the next time you do. Chances are, He's far from finished working.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI



Sun., November 7

8:30 AM Rosa Bertoldi Memorial

Mon., November 8

7:30 AM Rose and Family Living Intention

Fri., November 12

7:30 AM Teresa Hoa T. Ngo Memorial

Sun., November 14

8:30 AM Dick Lowe Memorial



Jesus is Here: Archdiocese of Boston Eucharistic Congress

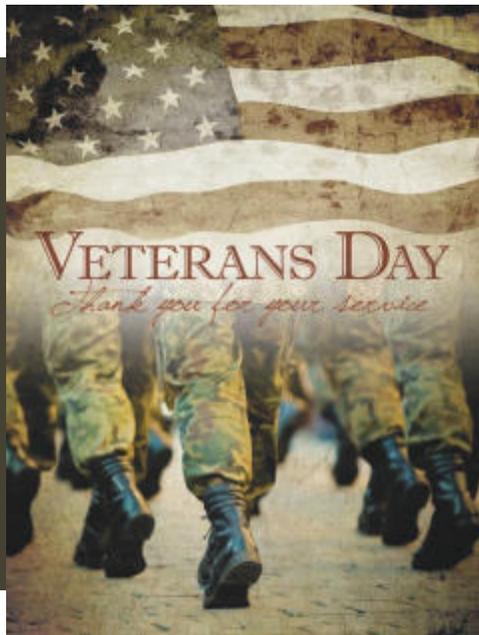
SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022

8:30AM – 6:00PM

TSONGAS CENTER, LOWELL, MA

We are excited to announce that registration is now open for the 2022 Eucharistic Congress, Jesus is Here—a daylong event featuring Mass with the Cardinal, dynamic speakers including **Bishop Robert Barron, Bishop Daniel Flores, Bobby and Jackie Angel, and Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Adoration, and a Eucharistic procession.**

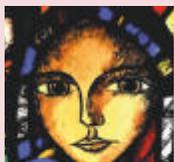
Visit www.bostoncatholic.org/jesus-is-here for more information and to register!



Project Nazareth: Advent Series

How can we help our families establish Catholic traditions at home? One way is by encouraging our families to live Advent in expectation of the coming of Jesus. Project Nazareth is offering a free 4-week Advent series to help families prepare for Christmas.

It's simple! All parents need to do is sign up and then each week they receive the resources in their inbox (beginning November 21). They also gain access to our Nazareth Nights, a virtual gathering for community among all Project Nazareth users. All you have to do is share the sign-up link (<https://bit.ly/PNAdvent>) with your parents and we do the rest! Let's help Advent begin at home!



November 7 ~ Gospel Reflection

Two readings from today's scriptures focus on stories of widows. Both were poor women in relation to worldly standards and yet when called upon to be generous they gave everything they had. In the gospel, Jesus points out the action of the widow with the words "she contributed all she had. . . ." Being a grateful disciple of Christ requires a spirit of stewardship of the multiple gifts God has bestowed on us. It means being willing, like the two widows, to make sacrifices, to offer prayer and service to the parish as well as to those most in need. Are you willing to share these gifts? This week, pay attention for opportunities that God will provide for you to share your time, your talent, and your treasure - and then - respond as a grateful disciple!



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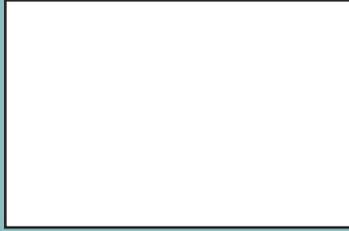

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