Our Lady of Victory Parish Centerville, Massachusetts

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 16, 2022

Celebration of the **Eucharist**

Our Lady of Victory Centerville, MA Saturday, 4:30pm Sunday, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm **Daily Mass** Monday-Saturday, 9am

All Masses at Our Lady of Victory will continue to be Livestreamed on olvparish.org

Our Lady of Hope Mission

1581 Rt. 6A, West Barnstable Closed for the winter

First Friday

Anointing of the Sick following 9:00am Mass

Holy Day Celebration of Eucharist

As noted in the bulletin

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus

Rev. Gregory Mathias, Pastor

Mass Assistants

Rev. George Bellenoit

Rev. Richard Casey

Rev. Richard DeVeer

Rev. James Finley

Rev. Msgr. John A. Perry

Rev. Robert Soucy

Thank you to those priests who, although not assigned here, share their ministry with us, by helping us regularly and seasonally.

Rev. Deacon James M. Barrett Rev. Deacon Keith R. Caldwell Rev. Deacon Theodore E. Lukac

Confessions

Saturdays after the 9am Mass and 3:30pm to 4:15pm

Our Lady of Victory **Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday, 9:30am-2pm Friday, 9:30am-Noon

Parish Staff

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RCIA: 508-775-5744 **Baptisms:** Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements

Weddings: Arrangements must be made at least eight months in advance Knights of Columbus: 508-775-4054

New Parishioners: Please register in the Parish Office

Mass Schedule for OLV & OLH: 508-771-5035 Saint Vincent de Paul Society: For Assistance, 508-771-5104

Our Lady's Guild: For info or to join: Nuala Quinn, 774-361-8838 or Rosalyn Doran, 508-428-2757 **Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound:** Ralph Babusci, 508-778-0193; ralbabusci@aol.com

230 S Main Street, Centerville, MA 02632

Meets the second Thursday of each month at 7pm



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

January 15-16

4pm Mozart Moniz Sat

Anastasia Drozd Sun 9am Manuel Morgado 11am Sun

January 17-21

Mon 8am Fred and Eleanor Bean Tues 8am Elizabeth Garvey Olsen

Wed 8am Barbara Elmes Thurs 8am For the Parish 8am Louise O'Connor

January 22-23

Gail O'Reilly Sat 4pm

Sun 9am Anastasia and Frank Drozd Sun 11am Holbrook and Sarah Davis

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

January 15-16

Sat 4:30pm Rosemary O'Connor

9am Arlene DeMelo Sun John T. Donahue 11am Michael Falvey 5:30pm

January 17-21

Mon 9am Fred Williams Tues 9am Vany Glielmi Wed 9am Pat O'Connell Thurs 9am Geneviere Gedrim Fri 9am Bernadette Biela 9am Community Mass Sat

Sylvester Maloney, Loretta Childs

January 22-23

4:30pm Shane McDonough-Flynn Sat

9am Frank Bradley Sun

> Meghan Sullivan MCormack 11am

5:30pm People of the Parish

ALL ARE WELCOME

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., no matter what your own self image; you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

We are blessed at Our Lady of the Assumption, Our Lady of Victory and at Our Lady of Hope to have thoughtful, generous parishioners who support the good works of our faith community with their time, talent and treasure. Thank you for your spiritual and financial commitment to our Parishes.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

January 16: Through websites, social networks, television, radio, and print, the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) helps the Church spread the Gospel message through the media locally and nationally. Half of all donations to the CCC collected in our diocese stay in your diocese to support your local communications needs, such as radio and television programming and diocesan publications.

January 23: This second collection will be used toward the **Heating** of our wonderful churches and facilities.



Welcome

We welcome the following children into our faith family through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Matthew John Nelson Winnie Rose Walsh

May they grow in their awareness of the Lord's great love for them and celebrate that love in the Lord's family.

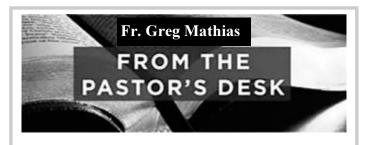


Kindly remember in your prayers the recently deceased and all those who We Penember have asked for our prayers.

Hugh White



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Day.



Why does it have to be so complicated?

The Simple Story:

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (John 3:16)

God is the name we give the Creator of all that is. God is the only "necessary" being. God is the un-created One who is the source of existence itself. Before there was anything, there was only God: God is the uncaused cause. Everyone and everything else exists simply because God wills it.

God reveals himself to those creatures with the capacity to receive him and relate to him in a personal way: In some sense, God is personal in the way human beings are personal. Or, more properly speaking, human beings seem to share, uniquely, in God's personal nature.

God is not bound to time and space like other creatures. But, when he reveals himself to us, this occurs in a particular time and place and to particular people. The small nation of Israel in the ancient near east is that people.

Israel experiences God not only as personal but as "Father." The narrative of Creation in the Book of Genesis tells of a God who generates human life, provides a garden to nourish that life, and protects the life he has created. These attributes evoke the name "Father" in the people he has chosen, (Psalm 89:27) After successive covenants and repeated failures of the Chosen People to remain faithful to God, God enters time in physical, human form, in the person of **Jesus Christ.** He is the offspring of the Father who comes from within the Father's own being. He is one with the Father and the perfect expression of the Father's being; even though his stature is necessarily lowered by submitting to time and space. His coming immensely amplifies the message that God loves human beings. The Chosen People would say, "What great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the Lord, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him?" (Deut. 4:7): These words are super-affirmed by the coming of Jesus Christ, Son of God. By assuming our human nature and stepping foot in the created world, Jesus is said to inaugurate a "new creation."

What is wrong with the world, as a result of human rebellion against God, will be remedied by Jesus' act of perfect obedience in his human nature. His purpose is to reclaim humanity and creation back from the forces of death and annihilation. For human beings, the Resurrection of the Body and Life Everlasting is the very meaning of Salvation.

Particulars make it complicated:

Culturally, we are not Ancient Israelites. Their customs, traditions, names and world view are quite alien to us.

Primitive responses to God, like the sacrificing of animals, strike us as simply bizarre. We need to get behind the meaning of these gestures to understand how they dramatically express subservience, repentance, dependence, awe and other aspects that are proper to the human relationship to God.

Our faith emerged from the faith of Israel. Jesus entered specifically into the history of that people in the first century of the last millennium. And so, we cannot really understand what the Church does or teaches without some understanding of how Israel worshipped God and related to him.

Interpretive keys to the Mass and Sacraments: Essentially, our faith is about living in the End Time or the time of fulfillment for the re-creation mentioned above, ("See, I make all things new," Rev. 21:5)

In Holy Communion, Jesus left us the perfect sacrifice to offer God in worship. No longer do we slay animals, but we re-present to God, our Father, the "Lamb who was slain." In essence we say at Mass "Here! I offer to you, Father, what has been given me to offer; your only begotten Son. Accept me as you accept him." And, our sacrificial offering is sent back to our altar on earth as the Sacrament of His Body and Blood . . . the Bread of Life and "Our Spiritual Drink." Jesus assumed physical existence and he continues to communicate to us through it in the sacraments. His life enters into ours through the signs of Bread and Wine.

The other sacraments are also actions of the Savior in the service of our "re-creation" into his likeness as the Risen Lord. They too come in forms that are connatural to our human nature as physical beings. Jesus did not come as pure spirit, but in flesh and blood: He remains, really present, until that day we greet him face to face.

Holy Hours

Holy Hour For Life at Our Lady of the Assumption: January 18

In observance of the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade on January 22, we will be holding an **Holy Hour for Life on Tuesday, January 18** immediately following the morning Mass, 8:30am-9:30am. Please join us.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Each Wednesday, from 9:30am to 10:30am we will have a Holy Hour for Vocations at OLV. Please consider joining us as we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the Diocese of Fall River.

Church Women United (Women of Faith): Updated Information

Due to the Covid surge, the Church Women United Human Rights Celebration scheduled for Tuesday January 18, 2022, will be "livestreamed." There will be no brunch but you can view the service by going to the OLV website, www.olvparish.org and clicking on "LiveStream." The service will take place at 10am. Please join us to honor this year's honorees, Theresa Brosnan, Patricia Morell, and Rev. Wesley Williams. You may join also us in the church, but please wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

Theresa Brosnan is well known at Our Lady of Victory for she is involved in numerous Church related activities. In the community her involvement with the underserved and needy population deserves recognition. She has touched the hearts and souls of those at the Barnstable County Correctional Facility, an Outreach program and presently her involvement at Homeless Not Hopeless.

We are committed to provide as safe an environment for worship as possible. Please continue to utilize hand sanitizer and if you are ill, please worship with us from home. The Diocese of Fall River continues to strongly encourage all parishioners to wear masks while attending Mass or any other liturgical celebration unless unable because of a medical condition or under the age of two.

On-Line Giving Is Easy At OLV and OLA

Please prayerfully consider giving to our parish community online as it does benefit our parish in many important ways. It's safe. It's simple. It's convenient. Donations can be made using credit or debit cards, checking or savings account. Go to olvparish.org or assumption-capecod.org and click on the WeShare link. Thank you!

Cape Cod Caring Cards...For Your Groceries!

Have you wondered what our dedicated volunteers are selling after Masses? Do you food shop at Shaw's or Stop and Shop? How about dinner out at the 99 Restaurant? Coffee and donuts at Dunk'n? After most Masses you can buy Cape Cod Caring Cards. These are cards that you can purchase for face value and use when you food shop or eat out. 5% of the cost of the card is donated directly to Housing Assistance Corporation's Project Prevention Program. So, if you food shop or eat out, why not buy a card and use it for your groceries or purchases? By doing so, you are helping others in need...at no additional cost to yourself!

Weather Cancellations

During the week, if Barnstable schools are cancelled, Mass and all activities, whether parish or community sponsored, are cancelled as well.

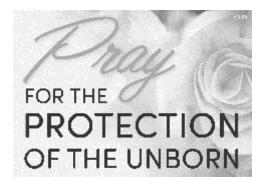


If schools are delayed, morning Mass is cancelled, but the Parish Office will be open as soon as we can safely travel. All morning events, parish or community event, held in the Church or Parish Center will be cancelled; afternoon activities will be held.

On the weekends, we will make the decision as early as possible.

In any case, please use your best judgment on travel, since conditions can change rapidly.

We will post closings on the TV on WCVB, and on the radio stations WXTK, WCOD and Cool-102, as well as WQRC, WOCN, WKPE, and capecod.com. If we are able, we will also post on Facebook as well as our websites.



All Are Cordially Invited

On January 30 at the 11am Mass at Our Lady of Victory, I will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at the occasion of the 60th Anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood.

After Mass, light refreshments will be served in the Parish Center.

Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory and Our Lady of the Assumption are cordially invited.

A prayerful remembrance, from those who cannot be present, would be greatly appreciated. God Bless,

Fr. Bob Soucy

Health Care Proxy

At the doors of the church is information about the **Catholic Health Care Proxy**. Please consider a Catholic Health Care Proxy instead of the Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (MOLST). See flyer for information.

Tax Donation Letter

If anyone would like to request their tax donation letter for OLV, they can do so by calling the parish office or emailing Kelley at kjs@olvparish.org or 508-775-5744. Those that need a letter from OLA, contact Gillie at 508-428-2011.

Gathering Grandmothers

The Gathering Grandmothers meet each Friday at OLV at Noon. We welcome all new members. Please join us.

St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry

Please consider donating some items for the St. Francis Xavier Food Pantry. Needed are sample size toiletries, cereals, canned items with pop tops, etc. At OLV: there is a white box by the **side entrance of the church** by the parking lot and at OLA: there is a **basket in the back of the church**. Please do not drop off expired foods. Thank you.

Email Scam Alert!

Please note that fake emails are sometimes sent to some of you purporting to be from the Fr. Greg or Parish Staff. Emails either ask for help or for purchasing gift cards. We encourage you to delete these immediately. **None of the clergy or staff will ever contact you on such matters**. Please know we are addressing the issue and we apologize for any confusion.

New Ministries

Catholic Divorce Healing Program

We are pleased to announce a new session of divorcé ministry for men and women who have suffered from divorce: Surviving Divorce. The twelve-week program features discussions and a thirty-minute DVD presentation each week that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, the courts, the kids, the ex-spouse, annulment, dating, sexuality, spirituality, remarriage or staying single and much more. Experts in the series include some of the best and brightest teachers, counselors, and authors in Catholic media. The DVD series also includes Catholic men and women who share their gut-wrenching but inspiring stories of divorce and recovery. You will cry, laugh, and be encouraged. Please join us, beginning on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 6:30 PM in M1 at OLV. The program continues select Thursdays for twelve weeks. Confidentiality will be assured. No one can be admitted after the third session because of the need to preserve group mutual trust and congeniality. The only cost is about \$27 for the Student Workbook. Childcare is not available. Pre-registration is required to ensure that we have enough workbooks and to ensure the program is right for you. Please call Frank at 207-337-2076 or email at f.h.patch@gmail.com. For more information go to https://ascensionpress.com/collections/surviving-divorce

Memory Care Support Group

With the goal of becoming a Dementia-Friendly (supportive) parish, we invite you to come for coffee and conversation after the 9am Mass on Tuesday, January 11. If you or someone you care for is dealing with memory loss, please come join us.

When: 9:45am on the second Tuesday of the month

Where: Room U1 at OLV

What: Exploratory session to determine need

Who: Caregivers and persons dealing with memory issues

Why: to provide a faith-based support group to pray together and share helpful hints for dealing with

worrisome issues related to memory loss. For more information contact Pat at 774-487-0076

WINGS Book Group...Returning!

The Thursday morning women's Book Group is planning to reconvene on **Thursday**, **January 20 at 11am** in room U1 at OLV. All are welcome! Have you read anything of interest spiritually lately? Please come and bring suggestions. Any questions, call: 508-737-4672.

TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH!

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

Sunday, Jan 16, 2022 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

You are gifted, any way you slice it
We're all good at something. But not all of us consider
our talents and skills as assets given to the Body of
Christ. Say you can sew, make people laugh, fix an
engine, bake a great pie, or balance a mean checkbook.
Of what use are these things to the church, you might
ask. Discernment of gifts is something Saint Paul took
very seriously in the early community. In our faith
sharing, we might ask each other how "mighty deeds"
or knowledge or healing might be translated into
modern needs the church has. Don't underestimate the
healing value of a great pie!

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."

Reading for the Week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1

Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21

and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/

Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2,

9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a,

10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk

3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3,

5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Support Group Meetings—*One Day at a Time*

AA Meetings— Our Lady of the Assumption

Church Basement: Sun. and Wed., 7pm;

Sun., 5:30pm/Beginner Mtg

AA Meetings—Our Lady of Victory - L.C.

Monday – Saturday, 7:30am

Saturday, 7:30pm

AA Meetings—Our Lady of Hope

Monday, 7pm

Tuesday and Wednesday, 7:30pm

NA Meeting—Our Lady of Victory

Friday, 7:30pm

Monday, Jan 17, 2022

Help the dream awaken

One of the many things Martin Luther King, Jr. taught Americans was that faith could—and should!—be a driving force for positive social change. He also showed that people of all faiths could put aside differences and do this work together. A Baptist minister, King met with Pope John XXIII and many other faith leaders who later together publicly lamented his death. Keep King's spirit of faith-based social action and interfaith cooperation alive—gather with Catholics and other people of God to discuss, learn, pray, plan, and act on a peaceful journey toward healing all forms of inequality.

"But the days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day."

Tuesday, Jan 18, 2022

Shop with a conscience

Today we note Mary Kenney O'Sullivan, who died on this day in 1943. A Catholic mother of three, she poured her considerable talents into organizing working -class women to demand the right to vote and expect justice in their workplaces. She fought for social justice even as the concept of Catholic social teaching was still being refined and formed into what it is today. O'Sullivan understood and lived out social teaching concepts of solidarity, the dignity of the human person, and the dignity of work. Can your shopping choices, voting patterns, and prayers help uplift workers who are currently mistreated?

"The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath. That is why the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

Wednesday, Jan 19, 2022

God loves an underdog

We all tend to cheer for the underdog. We find it inspiring when the person or team least expected to win triumphs. David's victory over Goliath appeals to us for this reason. But there's more to the story. When we have an unsurmountable task before us, it is wise to let God take control. After all, God is all powerful. History is full of saints who did the unexpected because they trusted that God would supplement their weaknesses. As Saint Catherine of Siena advises: "Start being brave about everything . . . Don't look at your weakness, but realize that in Christ crucified you can do everything." Today pray for God's will to be revealed to you and trust that he will give you the strength you need. "Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath rather than to do evil, to save life rather than to destroy it?"

Thursday, Jan 20, 2022 MEMORIAL OF SEBASTIAN, MARTYR

Listen to the peoples' laments

The anguish of physical pain can be a fact of life. In medieval times many artists were fascinated by the martyrdom of Saint Sebastian and created gruesome images of it. For practicing Christianity in the third century, Sebastian was ordered to be executed by arrows. He survived this ordeal, only to later be beaten to death for his faith. Father Robin Ryan, a Passionist priest, says when he encounters people suffering in any form, he avoids explanations as so much about God and suffering is a mystery. He tries to allow those in pain to lament and share their emotion with God, often using the psalms as a starting point as they "help us to recognize that we belong to a tradition and a community of faith; we are not alone in this experience." Draw solace from the lament tradition the next time you find yourself or others in pain.

Friday, Jan 21, 2022 MEMORIAL OF AGNES, MARTYR

I stand with Agnes

The stories of martyrs can make us feel a bit uneasy. They edify us, but they also can—and should—horrify us. Why? Because in every story, we encounter human violence, perhaps even a reflection of the violence we ourselves have suffered, committed, or ignored. While we laud fourth-century martyr Agnes of Rome for her sacred commitment to chastity, we must not overlook the fact that she was martyred for resisting a forced, unwanted relationship and inhumane treatment as mere property. Agnes' story is particularly relevant today because women continue to face the very real threat of personal as well as systemic violence. Will you stand with Agnes against gender violence in all its form?

Saturday, Jan 22, 2022 DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

Cradle-to-grave Catholics

To embrace a consistent ethic of life is to not only oppose abortion but also to support and defend the dignity and right to life in all conditions and under all circumstances. The term "the Seamless Garment" was coined by the Catholic activist Eileen Egan to characterize this position, later popularized by the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. He said: "Those who defend the right to life of the weakest among us must be equally visible in support of the quality of life of the powerless among us: the old and the young, the hungry and the homeless, the undocumented immigrant and the unemployed worker." Learn more about the Seamless Garment ethic and take a stand today for life in all its forms!

From Rome With Love

How many sick and elderly people are living at home and waiting for a visit!

The ministry of consolation is a task for every baptized person, mindful of the word of Jesus: "I was sick and you visited me" (Mt 25:36).

Pope Francis @Pontifex 1/4/2022

Please Pray For A Priest Each Day

Lord God, Let us pray that our gratitude for those in ordained life may inspire us to serve with open hearts.



OLV SSS

January 16: Rev. Freddie Babiczuk January 17: Rev. Stephen Banjare, SSCC January 18: Rev. Msgr. Daniel Hoye January 19: Rev. Bernard Baris, MS January 20: Rev. Gerald Barnwell January 21: Rev. George Bellenoit January 22: Rev. Paul Bernier

Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests of the world.

Sanctify them. Heal and guide them.

Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your son,

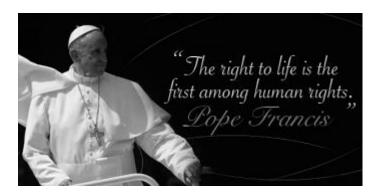
Jesus, the Eternal High Priest.

May their lives be pleasing to you.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

The Green Team

Only about 9% of US plastic gets recycled, while about 15% is incinerated to generate electricity. Some scholars have predicted that if we do nothing to stem the insane flow, plastic may outweigh fish in the ocean by 2050. Of the almost 300 million metric tons of plastic manufactured each year an estimated 8 million tons will wind up in our oceans. (Sierra Club)





Our Men and Women in the Service

Our parishes pray for those currently serving, at home and abroad, in the military.

PFC Grace Lehmann, **USMC** Captain Matthew R. Lutch, **USMC** Pvt. Jack DeLorey RCT Patrick MacNeely Warrant Officer Matthew Plicque, USA 2nd Lt Peter Murphy, Airborne Chaplain Bob Monagle Capt. Billy Murphy, USN Cpl. Patrick J. Kellev LCpl Andrew J. Kelley LCPL Robert Connolly IV Captain Sean P. Kelley, USN PFC William Russell Perry Sgt. Jacob W. Morash Capt. Jared A. Ripperger PFC Cory Briggs Lt. Kalen Kropa Capt. Michael Mayo Taylor, USA Brig. General Benjamin T. Watson, USMC Major John B. VanderVoort PFC Tim Strong, USN LCDR Conor O'Neil 1st Lt. Hannah E. 1st Lt. Lucas Pryg, USA

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1st Lt. Lucas Pryg, USA
Warrant Officer Steve
Capt. Matthew Antil
Goodwin, USMC
2nd Lt Thomas O. Mullen,
USAF
Staff Sgt. Joseph Moore
Specialist Jake Bryan, USA
SO1 Michael Reeves USN
CO Rusty Williamson, USN
Cpl Alexander Kelsall, USA
Capt. Michael D. Crowley,
USMC
Capt. Christopher Roy
SPC Tucker McLoughlin,

Lt. Robert Havens, USAF

Lt. Cmdr. Andrew Noddin Poulin, USN SFC Billy Farwell Lt. Tucker Symes USA Lt. Katherine Noddin Poulin, USN Lt. Stephen Noddin Poulin, **USA** Spc. Brooks Noddin Poulin, USA Lt. Cmdr. Catherine Long, Matthew Tutunjian, CG OM2 Daniel-Lee Searfoss, USN Pvt Louis Barrett Pvt 1st Class Michael Bilodeau, USM LT Marius Bernotas, USN ENS Andrius Bernotas, USN Capt. Tyler Jean Nauss. **USA** Capt. Sean Villano, USAF Capt. Jonathan S. DeMille, **USA** Sgt. Evan Salvaggio USA 2nd Lt. Liam G. Furey, USA Spec 4 Charles Furey, National Guard, USA Capt. Matthew Cavanaugh, **USA** Lt. Col. Dennis Williams,



1st Lt. Ian Horkan, USA

Capt. Justin M. D'Olimpio

Maj. Andrew Ryan Wing,

Cpl. Brian J. Sullivan,

USA

USAF

USMC

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To add a loved one or to let us know when they are no longer serving:

Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parishes

John Best Peter F. Brady Bill Cushing, Jr. Nancyjane Fox Chris Gallagher Mark Garafano Ann Colgan Gillis Steve Gradie Lorraine Gregoire Robert Gregoire David Held Gary Hildebrandt Kam Stephen Kelleher Mary Lemay Brenda Liakos Barbara MacLean **Brad Martin** Joe Mooney Griffin "Finn" David Munsell Kelsey Palmer Josie Pandolfino Nancy Pelland Beatrice Savio Rosemary Shinnick

Residents of local nursing homes and the homebound All Members of the Cancer Support Group

Chris Wallace

If you or your immediate family member need to be added to the list or removed, please contact, kim@olvparish.org.

Additions to "Our Sick" list will be printed for three months.

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You.

Hear us for Your sick servants for who we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, they may give thanks to You in Your Church.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER SHAWL REQUEST

If you wish to request a prayer shawl, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket. You may also contact Theresa McDowell, 774-219-2688; terrymcdowell@gmail.com

Name of recipient:

Your name:
Your phone number:
Phone number needed for delivery of Prayer Chaul



COMMUNITY NOTES



St. John Paul II School, Grades 5-12 Open House

Sunday, January 30, 2022, 1:00-3:00 P.M. Prospective students and their families are invited to join us for an open house. Meet staff and students, tour the campus, and learn about an education that changes lives. COVID protocols are in place. Accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Financial aid is available. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office, jcanzano@JPIIHyannis.org

Bereavement Support

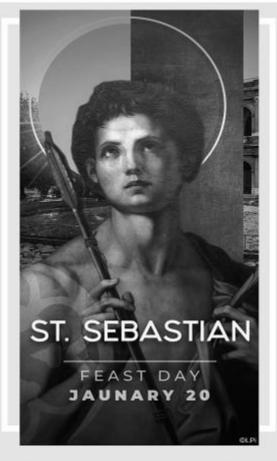
The Diocese offers online support groups. These online virtual programs are being offered through Catholic Social Services on Tuesdays. The links to register for either of the one-hour sessions are as follow: 4:30PM: https://bit.ly/SupportGroup4 or 7PM: https://bit.ly/SupportGroup7. In addition to the online sessions, one-on-one sessions are also offered via phone. FMI, contact Rose Mary Saraiva at 508-674-4681 Ext. 1111 or 774-253-4097, or by email at rsaraiva@cssdioc.org

K OF C: You're Invited To Join the 500 Club

The Knights of Columbus, Council 2525 has been running a 500 Club monthly raffle for the past six years. Proceeds aid local charities and help with our parishes financial burdens. Applications are available in the parish office. Five hundred dollars is awarded each month in cash prizes and shared by five lucky people. Annual raffle application price is \$50 which covers 12 months of drawings (60 chances to win). 1st prize \$250, 2nd prize \$100 and three prizes of \$50. To join the 500 Club fill out an entry form in the Parish Office or call 508-771-3251 or email kofc2525@comcast.net.

Refugee Resettlement in Our Area: Help Needed

A team of volunteers is supporting two Afghan refugees living in Centerville. They have asked for help in supporting these two individuals. The team is in need of: Your Love in providing companionship and practical support; Your Time in the form of rides, English lessons, help with employment, trips to grocery store, etc.; Financial Support to enable the team to help these refugees rebuild their lives. They will arrive with nothing. If you would like to get involved with the team contact, Steve Schrader, pigpen16@aol.com or 703-389-2497. Diane Kelly in the Corpus Christi Parish Office is holding donations in a designated account for this effort. Please make any checks payable to Corpus Christi Parish and write POWIR in the memo line. Send to: Corpus Christi Parish (Attn: Diane Kelly) 324 Quaker Meeting House Rd., Sandwich, MA 02537



Saint of the Week

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.



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