ST. FLORENCE PARISH

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PASTORAL TEAM

Administrator: Rev. Thomas J. Reilly

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Deacon: Rev. Mr. Joseph A. Cooley

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Parish Secretary: Josephine Olsen

Business Manager: Rose Tramontozzi

RE Coordinator: Anne Dooley

Operations: Joseph DiMauro

Music Director: Phyllis Bunnell
Cantors: Alison Creedon

Cory D'Arco Julie Kron Kellie Leavitt

Michelle Manzi-Grasso

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 AM-1:00 PM Monday—Thursday

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: 4:30 PM Saturday

8:00 AM & 11:00 AM Sunday

Weekday: 9:00 AM Monday-Thursday

The Holy Rosary: 8:25 AM Monday-Thursday

Adoration: 9:30 AM -2:00 PM

Monday-Thursday

Confessions: 3:15-4:00 PM Saturday

Holy Days: 9:00 AM

Baptisms: 2nd Sunday/Month 12:30 PM
Marriage: Contact Pastor 6 months prior

Scripture Study: 10:00–11:00 AM Thursday

Our Church is Open for Prayer:

 Monday-Thursday
 8:00 AM—5:00 PM

 Friday
 9:30 AM—5:00 PM

 Saturday
 9:30 AM—6:00 PM

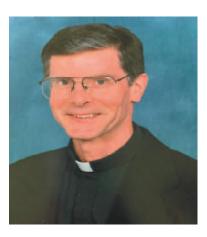
 Sunday
 7:30 AM—6:00 PM

On Tuesdays the church will close at 3:45 PM while Religious Education Classes are in session.

FROM FR. TOM REILLY

Dear Friends in Christ,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



It's been five months since I arrived at Saint Florence Parish. It is a beautiful Parish with wonderful people. Cardinal O'Malley assigned me here to be the Administrator and to establish a "Center for Healing." Monsignor Conte, who spent 30 summers at Saint Florence Parish, said that our Parish would become a Center for Healing. His prophecy is now being fulfilled. Monsignor Conte, a holy and learned priest, taught at the Vatican. Jesus called him home several years ago.

Many changes have occurred during the past 5 months. Deacon Joe Cooley has arrived. He's looking forward to assisting more in the Sacramental life of our parish. Deacon Joe is of great assistance in the healing and deliverance ministry. Anne Dooley is our new Faith Formation Coordinator. She is actively bringing more families into our Faith Formation program. Josephine Olsen is doing great as our new secretary. Rose Tramontozzi is a professional accountant and brings a lot of gifts as our new Business Manager. Phyllis Bunnell continues to bless our parish as our Music Director. Joseph DiMauro is our reliable operations person.

We continue to build our "Center for Healing". We've had many great events since June, including our monthly healing services, our parish mission with Fr. Pablo and Sister Briege McKenna, OSC, and our Exhibition of Vatican Relics with Fr. Carlos Martins, CC. Our next healing service is December 28th.

We are currently building up our Eucharistic Adoration Ministry. Our Adoration hours are from Monday through Thursday, 9:30 am till 2 pm daily. If you desire to sign up during those hours or wish to help at other hours, please email Fr. Reilly at his St. Florence email address. We are looking to expand the hours.

It is a great blessing for me to be here at St. Florence Parish. I love being a priest and helping people to find Jesus, our Divine Physician, in their lives. He is "The Way, The Truth, and The Life" (Jn 14:6). I have very much training and experience in the healing ministry.

If you have not been to our Parish recently, then please prayerfully consider joining us.. Only Jesus can fill that hole in your heart! It's essential that people help to support our parish, and in particular, our Center for Healing. We need your 3 T's of time, talent, and treasure. Please contact me if you are able to support us with any of the 3 T's. Our Center for Healing is meant to serve people throughout the Archdiocese.

Know that you are remembered in my Masses and prayers! Please pray for our parish staff and parishioners. There is great healing power in prayer.

Peace.

Fr. Tom



Please email your intentions to: stflorence@verizon.net

"Jesus healed the centurion's servant from afar." MT 8: 5-13

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever."

HEB 13:8

For more information, please call the office at 781-245-2711

Your Sacrificial Offering ASS INTENTIONS

Offertory— December 19, 2021: \$2,665.00 Parish Capital Campaign (to date) \$34,735.00

Saturday December 25th

9:00 Mass for the People of Saint Florence

Sunday December 26th

8:00 am Mass for the People of Saint Florence

11:00 am **Dr. Frederick & Selma Wagner**

Anniversary Mass

Monday December 27th 9:00 am **Werner Colerico**

Tuesday December 28th 9:00 am Anne and Family

Wednesday December 29th

9:00 am For the Intentions of Jesus and Mary

Thursday December 30th

9:00 am **Magda Obermueller**

Saturday January 1st 4:30 pm **Louis Bunnell**

12th Anniversary Mass



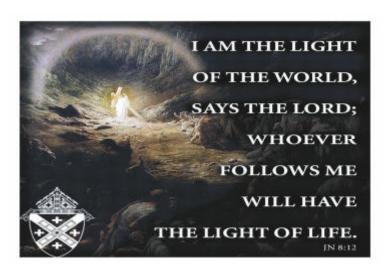


In the light of spiking numbers of new COVID cases and the likely increase in those numbers in the upcoming holiday season, Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the Archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks. This mandate takes effect the weekend of December 18 & 19, 2021, and expires on January 17, 2022. Mass celebrants, deacons, readers, servers, choir members, and instrumentalists, should all wear masks except when they are speaking. Children under the age of five are not required to wear masks. Children under the age of two should not wear masks. In addition, all churches must continue to provide a designated area in which social distancing is respected for those who want to use it.



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St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting McDonald's Gift Cards. These will be distributed to the homeless in Wakefield prior to Christmas. We ask that the cards be in either \$5 or





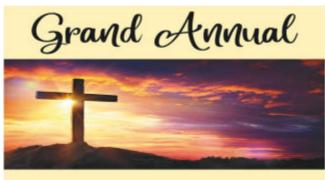
Christmas Eve Masses (Friday) 4:00 pm

6:00 pm

Christmas Day Masses (Saturday) 9:00 am

11:00 am

Please note there will not be a 4:30 pm weekend vigil mass on Saturday, December 25th.



We have launched our Grand Annual Campaign at St. Florence; an effort that our church has done successfully in prior years. This year the money will predominately be used to address our current financial deficit. Any additional funds will be used for making our church completely handicapped accessible and for any unexpected heating repair costs. The money we receive through this important effort is essential to meeting our financial needs. As such, we are asking people, through prayer, to discern what you can give. Our goal is \$60,000. We understand and recognize not everyone has the same ability to give. Our hope is those who can, will support our campaign with a donation of \$200— \$300. Please use the green Grand Annual Campaign envelopes located at the church entrances. Thank you.

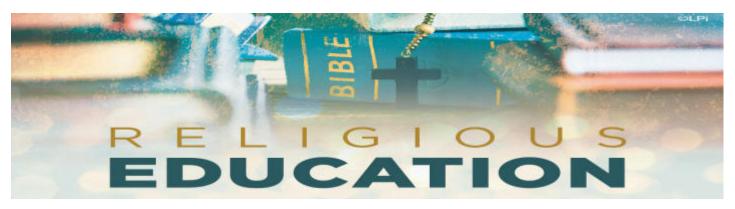


St. Florence Parish will now celebrate Eucharistic Adoration Monday through Thursday from 9:30 AM—2:00 PM. We are looking to expand Adoration times. If you would like to volunteer to spend time with Jesus, contact Diana at (781) 244-9070



Confessions are heard on **Saturdays** from **3:15 PM** to **4:00 PM** and by appointment.





Grades 3–5 Family Workshops will take place on the following dates:

1/22/22 5:30 PM—7:00 PM 2/5/22 5:30 PM—7:00 PM

3/5/22 5:30 PM—7:00 PM

4/2/22 5:30 PM—7:00 PM

5/8/22 May Procession & Crowning at 11:00 AM Mass

Please plan to join us! The first hour is devoted to a lesson and activity; during the final half hour we enjoy pizza and fellowship. Those who have not yet picked up a textbook for their child should contact the Religious Education Office at stflorencewakefield@gmail.com to arrange to meet staff to discuss the homeschooling portion of the year.

Other Important Dates:

Confirmation Sponsor Night Sunday, January 9th 6:00 PM-8:00 PM in the Church

Grade 3-5 Family Workshop Saturday, January 22nd 5:30 PM—7:00 PM in the Hall

Confirmation Retreat Friday, February 11th 5:30 PM-9:00 PM in the Church and Hall

First Reconciliation Saturday, February 12th 10:00 AM in the Church



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