



Holy Name Parish

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Riley J. Williams
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Laurent Valliere
School Principal: Mr. David J. Flanagan
Director of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry:
Ms. Dorothy Mahoney-Pacheco
Director of Music: Mr. Erik Thompson

SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass - 4:00 pm Saturday;
Sundays: 8:30, 10:30, and 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 AM (Monday - Friday)
8:00 AM (Saturday and Holidays)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. and 3:15-3:45 p.m.
Anytime by appointment - please contact Fr. Williams.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ROSARY

Twenty-five Minutes before Daily Mass
Monday - Saturday

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR & CONFESSION

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Wednesday at 3:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment. Parents must contact
the Pastor for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact the Pastor AT LEAST EIGHT MONTHS
before the date of the wedding. No arrangements should be
made for a reception until you have made arrangements
with the Church.

VISITATION AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We are pleased to anoint and/or bring Holy Communion to
any parishioner who cannot participate at Mass
for any legitimate reason. Please contact us.

Holy Name Parish Mission Statement

Holy Name Parish is a Eucharistic Family of Faith, united with
Catholic people throughout the world. Nourished by Word and
Sacrament, we strive to help each member grow in their Faith.
We seek to imitate Christ by assisting others in their spiritual and
material needs, as we journey toward achieving our ultimate goal
of eternal life.

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Welcome to New Parishioners

If you are new to our Parish, we offer you a warm welcome.
We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence,
and your stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure. We would
be happy to have you be a registered member(s) of our parish.
It's easy to do. Call Fr. Williams at 508-679-6732 to set up
a time to meet with him and be registered.



**DECEMBER 25 & 26, 2021
THE HOLY FAMILY OF
JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

Friday	12/24	4:00 p.m.	A Special Intention
		6:00 p.m.	James & Madalaine Maddock Gerald & Patricia Dugan, James Maddock, Jr., John Maddock, Theodore Pearson, Theodore Pearson, Jr., J. Stephen Pearson, David Pearson, Christopher Heslin, and Michelle Ross
Saturday	12/25	12:00 a.m.	The People of the Parish
		8:30 a.m.	Wayne Dickinson
		10:30 a.m.	Jordan Medeiros
		(No 4:00 p.m. Mass)	
Sunday	12/26	8:30 a.m.	Leo T. Chippendale, 15th Anniversary
		10:30 a.m.	The Plichta, Nowak & Rebello Families
		5:00 p.m.	Maria A. Aguiar
Monday	12/27	7:00 a.m.	Jeanne & Roger Langlais
Tuesday	12/28	7:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Wednesday	12/29	7:00 a.m.	Wilfred Pontes
Thursday	12/30	7:00 a.m.	Roland Frazier
Friday	12/31	7:00 a.m.	Mary Theresa Hodkinson
		5:00 p.m.	Special Intention
Saturday	01/01	8:00 a.m.	Michael Connolly
		4:00 p.m.	Mary Jane Reilly
Sunday	01/02	8:30 a.m.	Edward T. Dwyer
		10:30 a.m.	Claudette Woss
		5:00 p.m.	Christine D'Errico

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: Due to the early transmission of this weekend's Bulletin the Sacrificial Giving for December 18 & 19 will be in next week's Bulletin.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1 is the **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD.** We will have a **Vigil Mass on Friday, December 31** is at **5:00 p.m.** and **Mass on January 1** at **8:00 a.m.** The collection taken up on all Holy Days is for the work of our St. Vincent de Paul Society among those in need here in our own area.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2022: If you would like to schedule Mass Intentions for 2022, please call the rectory (508-679-6732) Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A REGISTERED MEMBER? It's very easy. Call Fr. Williams at the Parish Office (508-679-6732). If he is not available when you call, leave a message with your phone number and he will get back to you. Welcome to all our new parishioners!

From the Pastor's Desk

The Vocation of Every Family

A vocation is a calling, and each of us has one. In virtue of our Baptism, by living out the vocation that God has given us in life we become holy – drawing closer to God by becoming the people He made us to be, and, in that process, helping others to experience Him through us.

Every family has a vocation as well: to be a sign of God's love and presence in the world, both through the love shared within the family, and how the family as a whole shares love with others. This can be experienced in many ways: the love of affection, of service, of sacrifice, and, yes, of forgiveness and mercy too.

A few years ago Pope Francis wrote a letter on family life that concluded with a prayer I want to offer you on today's Feast of the Holy Family. May our reflection on the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph awaken in each of us a realization of how we are called to make our families holy as well.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendor of true love;
to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again experience
violence, rejection and division;
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness
and inviolability of the family,
and its beauty in God's plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer.

Amen.

-Pope Francis, 2016

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Jesus was born into a Holy Family, not a storybook Family. Today, pray for married couples and for parents, who strive to remain faithful to their commitments in a changing and challenging world.

IN SUPPORT OF LIFE

“Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, ‘in every situation, Joseph declared his own ‘fiat’ ” (PC 3). His ‘yes’ to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph’s devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.” From the U.S. Bishops 2021 Respect Life Reflection.

A WARM WELCOME to all who have joined us for Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, those who are visiting family and friends, our college students home on Christmas break, and those who join us each week for Mass. All are welcome to join us each week to praise and thank God and to receive strength from Him through His Word and the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

THANK YOU!! to all who gave so generously to our “Giving Tree”. We were able to send over **\$4,000.00** to **Citizens for Citizens** and **The Salvation Army** to provide coats, toys and grocery Gift Cards for many people during this holiday season. Thank you also to our St. Vincent de Paul Society for making this possible.

POINSETTIAS AND HOLY NAME PARISH

Do you know about poinsettias (*Euphorbia pulcherrima*)? Poinsettias are associated with Christmas because of the star-shaped flower brackets. The red poinsettia was brought to the United States by our first ambassador to Mexico, Dr. Joel R. Poinsett. It immediately became the rage in the Victorian Age. One wealthy Fall River businessman, a certain Mr. Brayton, was an amateur horticulturist. He succeeded in hybridizing the first white poinsettia. Mr. Brayton lived in a mansion atop of President Hill. His greenhouse was behind the estate. The address is 709 Hanover Street, Fall River. The greenhouse is long gone, but Brayton’s home is still there. It is the rectory and Office of our Parish.

TO ALL LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: The Schedules for the **MONTH OF JANUARY** are available in the Sacristy. **ALTAR SERVERS** Schedules for the month of January have been mailed to all Altar Servers.

HOLY NAME MEMORIAL PLAQUE

OUR NEW MEMORIAL PLAQUE HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE BACK WALL OF OUR CHURCH ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE. These Plaques serve as memorials for deceased parishioners, family members or friends. Each name plate may serve as a Memorial for a donation of \$100.00. If you wish to have such a memorial for a loved one, please call the Parish Office (508-679-6732).



OUR LADY OF GRACE ADORATION CHAPEL

Our Chapel, located to the right of the Sanctuary (as you look from the pews), is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The entrance is at the top of the ramp on the right side of the Church. Come and spend some time in prayer and peace with our Lord.

WHY DO YOU GENUFLECT TO THE TABERNACLE (behind the Main Altar) BEFORE GOING INTO YOUR SEAT BEFORE MASS?

The “Red Sanctuary Lamp” next to the Tabernacle indicates the presence of Jesus Christ. We genuflect on one knee before entering our pew as a **SIGN OF LOVE AND RESPECT** for the **REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE TABERNACLE**.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

THE HOLY NAME VOCATION PRAYER CROSS is being taken home this week by Paula Rego. The Cross and Prayer Book should be picked up in the Sacristy and **returned there the following week**.

PRAYERS FOR THE SOULS

We pray for the souls of *Joseph Torres, Kathleen Willette, Norma M. Nicoletti, Evelyn B. Lavoie, and Alfred R. Levesque* whose Funeral Masses were celebrated here at Holy Name. May they rest in peace. We extend our sincere prayers and sympathy to their families. May they be strengthened by the Lord.

PARISH PRAYER LINE

If you have any prayer petitions please call Debbie @ 508-678-8006, Nancy @ 508-567-6556, or Pat at 508-678-1766.

PRAYERS

We remember the sick and recuperating of our parish: Lenora Baker, Frankie Pimental, Maureen Ahern, Sheila Oliveira, Carol Power, Paula Costa, Helen Mello, Jo-Ann Carr, Claire Flores, Rosemary Reagan, Nicholas Suneson, Maria Victoria Montaya, Frances Bernard, Robert Lariviere, Sarah Hague, Margaret Ryan, Evelyn Lavoie, Alfred Audet, Normand Lariviere, Tina Rachel, Rachel Thibault, Louise Brouillard, Denise Castro, Philip & Mary Streeter, John Cormier, Marge Lavoie, Austin, Seferino Lecchi, Agnes P. Raposa, Kathy Fleming, Ed Arruda, Roger Hebert, Jim Richner, Dennis King, Lorraine Silveira, Mary Arruda, Laurence Lopes, the Perez Garcia Family, Cecilia Wrobel, Christine Napier, Georgette Levesque, Diana Dolan, Paul Boucher, Marjorie McHenry, Ed Johnson, Mark Lawton, Marnee Lancashire, Peter Pacheco, Jacob Charette, Lisa Andromalos, Taylor Beaulieu, Robert Carr, Chris Lyons, Charles O’Hearn, George M. Abdow, Karen Benevides, Alex Silvia Rogers, Tim Travis, Paul Chretien, Steve Lopes, Michael Santos, Raechel Maddock, Jack McElhinney, Jean Coursen, Margaret Lynch, Constance Daley, and Robert & Denise Rebello.

DECEMBER 26, 2021

HOLY NAME SCHOOL

PLEASE PRAY for everyone at **HOLY NAME SCHOOL** as we are on Christmas Break. Pray please for the health and safety of all, for a safe and blessed Christmas, and for a continued wonderful learning atmosphere and experience, centered on Christ's love for us and His desire for us to "come and follow him", when we return in January.

RESPECT FOR LIFE COMMITTEE

Please join us in collaboration with the Diocese of Fall River in 9 months of prayer and fasting to overturn Roe v. Wade on the 22nd of each month starting November through July 2022. The court will hear oral arguments on December 1, 2021 and the decision is expected to take place in June 2022. Ways to pray include a Divine Mercy Chaplet, a Rosary or Eucharistic Adoration. Ways to fast include fasting from a vice or one or more meals.

ANNUAL PARISH APPEAL

A Financial Report for the Past Fiscal Year for our Parish and an invitation to participate in this year's ANNUAL PARISH APPEAL has been mailed to all registered parishioners. In the past your generosity has helped us to undertake extraordinary repairs of our buildings and property. We have tried, with the help of our Parish Finance Council, to be good stewards of the generosity of our parishioners and benefactors. During these difficult times we simply ask you to do your best to contribute to the ongoing success of our Annual Appeal. Returns can be made through the collection basket at Mass, by mail, or by dropping it off at the Parish Office (located in the Rectory). **If you did not receive the Annual Parish Appeal mailing please call the rectory at 508-679-6732.** If each family does its fair share, we will have another Successful Appeal. As of **December 16** we have received **\$31,383.50** from **172 Families**. **THANK YOU.**

SACRED HEART/HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY

WE ARE GRATEFUL to the men and women of our parish who assist at the **Sacred Heart/Holy Name Food Pantry** each Monday at the former St. Bernadette's Parish. **Food Donations** may be dropped off at the former St. Bernadette's on **Mondays, from 1 - 3 p.m.** The **PANTRY COULD USE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:** Macaroni and Cheese, Peanut Butter, Canned Spaghetti & Meatballs & Ravioli, Hearty Soups and Stews, Canned Clam Chowder, Canned Fruits and Jelly/Jams. **Financial Donations** may be mailed to 709 Hanover Street, Fall River, MA, or dropped off at the Parish Office (same address). Please make checks payable to "**Sacred Heart/Holy Name Food Pantry.**" **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS** may now be brought to Church at the Weekend Masses and placed in the Bins at the Front Entrance of Church. **THANK YOU.**



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