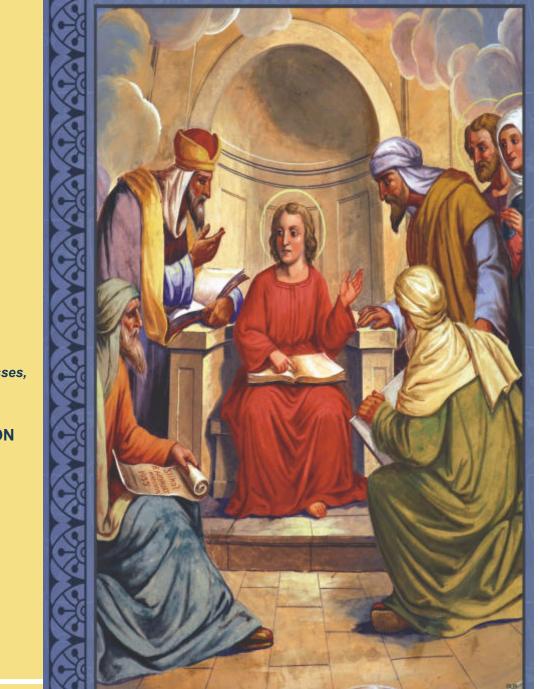


MASS SCHEDULE All Masses indoors with the Medfield Norfolk Catholic Collaborative St. Edward & St. Jude

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 26, 2021



THE HOLY FAMILY

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. - Lk 2:46-47 Excercts from the Lactionary for Mass 0:2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

Social Distancing Section available.

St. Edward: 9am

Saturday St. Edward: 4pm St. Jude: 5pm

Sunday St. Jude: 8am ** 10:30am Family Mass

St. Edward: 9am ** Family Mass 12pm 5:30pm

**televised and live-streamed

Per the Archdiocese: Masks required at all indoor Masses, effective 12/18/2021.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION St. Jude (side parking lot): Monday - Friday 10:15-10:45am

Sunday 9:00-9:30am

CONFESSIONS *St. Edward (in the chapel):* Mondays, 7:00 - 8:00pm

St. Jude (in room left of altar): Saturdays, 4:00 - 4:30 pm

Want to receive our Thursday email? Contact:

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to be put on the list.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners and Extended Family Members,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Merry Christmas!

As we celebrate this day we all have been looking so forward to, I invite you, once again, to stop and consider why we celebrate. Human beings, by their own free will, chose to introduce sin into our world. Jesus, who we believe to be the Long-Awaited Messiah, came to save us by taking on our human condition that he may accept the punishment for our sins so that we may live with Him forever in heaven. By becoming one of us, he has restored the dignity of the human person to a level that is beyond comprehension.

As we remember this, we do well to consider how not only society, but the world community presently regards the dignity of the human person. In general, there is a tendency to reduce the whole human person to a particular trait. There are other instances which threaten human dignity such as human trafficking, sexual harassment in the workplace, and the disrespect that is more freely publicly expressed since both public officials and ordinary citizens get to do so on social media hiding behind their computer screens. We have witnessed this within the borders of our own country. Of course, we have also seen that some priests and bishops, through abuse, have disregarded the dignity of the human person.

The human dignity that inherently belongs to each and every person from the first moment of conception to the last moment of natural death is something each of us possesses because each of us is made in God's image and of the same "stock" Jesus freely chose to be born into.

This Christmas, let us carry the Light of Christ in ourselves. As we do so, we have the choice each and every day to ignore or build up the dignity of each and every human person we encounter, regardless of the manner in which we are treated by them. As bearers of Christ's Light, let us do this as we seek to proclaim the Newborn Christ in all we think, say, and do. The humanity Jesus Christ freely embraced to be our Savior is shared by each of us in all its glory as well as in all of its downfalls. Perhaps the best gift we can give to each other this Christmas is seeing the face of Christ when we look at each other.

Gratefully yours in the Newborn Savior, Fr. Steve

from This Week In Church Signs: "Are you part of the inn crowd or of the stable few?"

St. Edward Offertory

Mass attendance 12/11 & 12/12: Mail in:

\$ 3,568 \$ 878

Mass attendance 12/11 & 12/12:	\$ 2,879
Mail in:	\$ 1,500

St. Jude Offertory

Over the coming months, Catholics from around the world will be participating in the Synod on Synodality.

What does that mean?

Here in Boston it means that we will be gathering, as parishes and as a diocese to pray together and to invite the Holy Spirit to help us to listen deeply to one another, and we will talk together about how best to do that.

So, for instance, a parish council may get together and ask "How can we as a parish council do a better job of letting the voices of all our parishioners be heard, even those who are not a part of an inner circle or who might be marginalized for whatever reason?" The archdiocese and the church around the world will be engaging in the same sort of conversation.

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Sun. Dec. 26	8am 9am 12pm 5:30pm	Milton Bergerson Alma and Cornelius Hart Those fallen away from the faith Joseph Trinity, month's mind
Mon. Dec. 27	9am [.]	Claudette Rochefort
Wed. Dec. 29	9am	People of the Collaborative
		2022
Sun. Jan. 2	9am	Brendan 'Bing' Hanrahan
	10:30	Dorothy Love McCarthy,
		1st Anniversary
	12pm	Ann Kennedy

The Holy Family December 26, 2021

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"I prayed for this child, and the LORD granted my request. Now I, in turn, give him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD." (1 Sm 1:27-28)

Psalm:

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. (Ps 84)

Second Reading:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And so we are. (1 Jn 3:1)

Gospel:

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. (Lk 2:46)

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

Hannah, the mother of Samuel, and Samuel's father are portrayed as parents of deep prayer and great faith. How would you describe the faith of your mother or father?

Second Reading:

John teaches us that if we believe in Jesus and love one another, "we may be called children of God." How do you show gratitude for being part of this holy family?

Gospel:

Luke is the only Evangelist to preserve a story about Jesus from his youth. In this account, Mary and Joseph are filled with "great anxiety" as they searched for Jesus who they thought was lost. How do you seek God's help for the anxious moments in your family?



Please note the Collaborative offices will be closed from Monday, December 27th through Friday, December 31st.



We are most grateful for those who contributed to the **Christmas Flower Offering**. The names of all those to be remembered will be placed near the altar and in our prayers from Christmas Day through the Epiphany of the Lord on Sunday, January 2nd, 2022.

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Mass Schedule: Friday, December 31st: Vigil Mass – 4pm at St. Jude

Saturday, January 1st: Holy Day Mass - 10am at **St. Edward**



Thank you to all of our St Edward parishioners for your response to this season's Jesse Tree. Because of your commitment and generosity, we were able to deliver a total of 573 gift cards to St Mary's of The

Angels, Roxbury and The South Boston Seaport Catholic Collaborative.

Both parishes were delighted and most appreciative. This is a long-standing tradition here at St. Edward. How wonderful that we continue to do so in these very challenging times.

A Blessed Christmas to all!!!

Giving Tree - St. Jude Parish - Gift Cards

Just wanted to thank everyone at St. Jude Parish for helping out with the collection of Gift Cards for the Santa Foundation. We did very well this year and the Santa Foundation thanks you from the bottom of their heart.



They were able to help many families with your very generous contribution of Gift Cards. They also said that St. Jude Parish has been a very generous contributor over the years, and they don't know what they would do without our support.



Confirmation candidates Allison Whitaker and Paige Twomey organized a drive for much needed baking supplies for the Medfield Food Cupboard. Thank you to all who supported their project!



We had a joyful time at our last Family Faith Fundays on 12/5 and 12/12! Thank you to all of the families that attended and to our Confirmation student volunteers! Save the dates for our next Funday's! St. Edwards 1/23/22 and 1/30/22 St. Jude 1/9/22 and 1/23/22

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Thank you to all of the parishioners for the successful school supplies drive. We organized and sorted all the collections and were able to pack 100 bags to give to the kids in the Philippines. We will send the 4 boxes in a few weeks after we've done some fundraising for the shipping cost. Thank you again for all the support. God Bless, Elyza and Bess



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Have you ever thought about becoming Catholic? Would you like to know more about God and the Church? Or, are you already baptized but still lack the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation? If so, RCIA is for you! RCIA is a process of learning about and experiencing the Catholic faith with others in a friendly, small-group setting. It can lead to full membership in the Church through the Sacraments, but is also an open-ended process of asking questions and exploring. Come, discover what you've been missing! If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Fr. Gregory directly or call our parish offices.

Please keep in your prayers Daniel Kane (Army), Michael A. Kiessling (Army), Michael O'Farrell (Navy), Eric J. Doucette (Coast Guard), Matthew Murby (Coast Guard), Lucas D. LeBleu (Air Force), Scott H. Grealish (Marine Corps), John Sharkey (Army), Jake Munger (Marine Corps) Timothy Irwin (Marine Corps), Alex Burrell (Navy), John Donald Tamulionis (Army), Peter Barrette, (Navy), Mark FitzPatrick, (Army), Scott Woodward, (Army)



COMING ATTRACTIONS

HEY OPERA FANS!

Please reserve Saturday, January 29, 2022 to see "RIGOLETTO with Father Steve broadcast live from the Metropolitan Opera House in New York at Patriot Place.

Details to follow!!

One Family Knitters Prayer Shawls

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Prayer shawls are available from One Family Knitters for anyone who is experiencing illness or death in the family. The shawls are blessed and accompanied by a prayer card.



If you wish to receive a prayer shawl for you or a loved one, please contact Nancy @ 508-359-7251, Ann @ 315-481-5013 or email OFKnitters@gmail.com

Changes to Live Streaming at St Jude's Parish

Please note, as part of the changes that have taken place to automate/simplify the live-stream to NCTV, the "Live" transmission to YouTube will no longer be taking place. Rather, our viewers can view the stream "Live" at the Norfolk Cable web site, at: <u>https://norfolkcable.com/watch/publicchannel/</u>

New Mask Mandate for Parishes as of December 18, 2021

In 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.

Children under the age of five are not required to wear masks. Children under the age of two should not wear masks.

If you have any prayer requests that we may lift up at Mass and include in our daily prayers, please email <u>Deacon Fred</u> at <u>fhorgan@ejcatholic.org</u>



who are courageously serving our country. Also, please Remember in your prayers Everyone Deployed.

<u>Prayers for Our Service Men and Women</u> We would like to offer our prayers for the service men and women in our community. If there is someone in our church community or someone you would like to honor who is serving our country, please email Louise Caussade, <u>stjudeadmin@ejcatholic.org</u> or Eileen Trinity, <u>stedadmin@ejcatholic.org</u> The following are the Medfield Food Cupboard's current needs :

Flour Sugar Oil Boost Ensure 100% Juice

Thank you for all your efforts. We try to be specific so that people know what we really need, but as always, **any donations are greatly appreciated**. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Prayer for Racial Healing* God of Justice, God of Mercy, God of Wisdom

Triune God, in your Love you create all people in your image, without exception.

Through your goodness,

† Open our eyes to see the dignity, beauty, and worth of every human being.

† Open our minds to understand that all your children are

brothers and sisters in the same human family.

† Open our hearts to repent of racist attitudes, behaviors, and speech which demean others.

⁺ Open our ears to hear the cries of those wounded by racial discrimination, and their passionate appeals for change.

Strengthen our resolve

to make amends for past injustices and

- to right the wrongs of history.
- Fill us with courage that

+ we might seek to heal wounds,

- + we might build bridges,
- + we might forgive, and.
- + we might accept forgiveness,

and that

+ we might establish peace and equality for all in our

communities.

We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Adapted from Catholic Charities USA Prayer for Racial Healing

Gilly's House is a 501c3 nonprofit 12 step recovery men's sober home located in Wrentham, MA. We are so blessed to be able to continue to do God's work with the support of the community.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS AT THIS TIME:

-HP 63 black ink for printer; Advil and Tylenol; large bath

towels & standard size bed pillows; 55-gallon trash bags; 4 gallon trash bags; 13 gallon trash bags; men's size medium boxer briefs; men's white crew and ankle socks; dental



flosser; Bounty paper towels, trifold paper towels and Scott 1 ply toilet paper; Tide Pods and Bounce fabric sheets; Swiffer wet pad refills; Carpet Fresh powder, Resolve Carpet cleaner; household cleaners (Pine Sol, Fabuloso concentrate, Fantastic, 409, Windex, Scrubbing Bubbles bathroom cleaner, Comet, furniture polish etc...); dishwasher detergent pods and dish liquid; individually wrapped hard candies, chocolate candies and snacks (pretzels, chips, popcorn, peanuts, etc...; caffeinated K-Cups; ground caffeinated coffee; sugar; half & half cream; gift cards to BJ's, Shaw's, Big Y, Stop & Shop, Market Basket, Roche Bros, Target, Walmart, CVS, Walgreens, Mobile, Cumberland Farms, Uber

There are drop off boxes in the front and back of St. Jude Church and at St Edward in the narthex.

Or to make a monetary donation please visit our website <u>www.gillyshouse.com</u> click on DONATE tab or mail to: Gilly's House, P. O. Box 110, 1022 West Street, Wrentham, MA 02093 ATTN: Maureen Cappuccino

All donations are tax deductible #82-1696539 Please call Maureen at 508 384 2251 or email <u>maureen@gillyshouse.com</u> with any questions.

The Norfolk Food Pantry

As we being the Season of Advent, let us remember those who are less fortunate. The Food Pantry is accepting afterschool snacks, as well as, any toiletries (soap, toothpaste and brushes, tissues, etc.)

The Norfolk Food Pantry is thankful for our generous contributions and support which benefits all the members of our community.

Per Town of Norfolk: No open packages, no expired dates, no packages without expiration dates appearing can be accepted.



Cafe Justo Coffee FOR SALE: It's MORE than fair trade!

Cafe Justo is a coffee collaborative of farmers. They are paid approximately \$2.25 per pound of coffee, higher than even fair trade standards, and roughly three times the 35-50 cents that growers are typically paid by commercial operations. Cafe Justo is about strong futures. All growers and employees of Cafe Justo and its member cooperatives receive medical benefits and a pension plan, which is far better than most Fair Trade models. Support Cafe Justo and support their farmers and their just model.

Please visit <u>ejcatholic.org</u> and click the Cafe Justo: Click to order coffee tab on the home page. Coffee can either be delivered in Medfield or waiting for you at Mass. Please email <u>cafejusto@ejcatholic.org</u> with questions.

Dignity Matters

This non-profit organization collects personal products and underwear for women and girls who are homeless or living in very low income situations, in order to help them stay healthy, regain self-confidence, and live with basic dignity. Donations of pads (all types, including Depends), tampons, new underwear and new/ gently used bras may be left in the blue bin in the lobby.





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The strength of our communities depends on the well-being of our priests who tirelessly serve others.

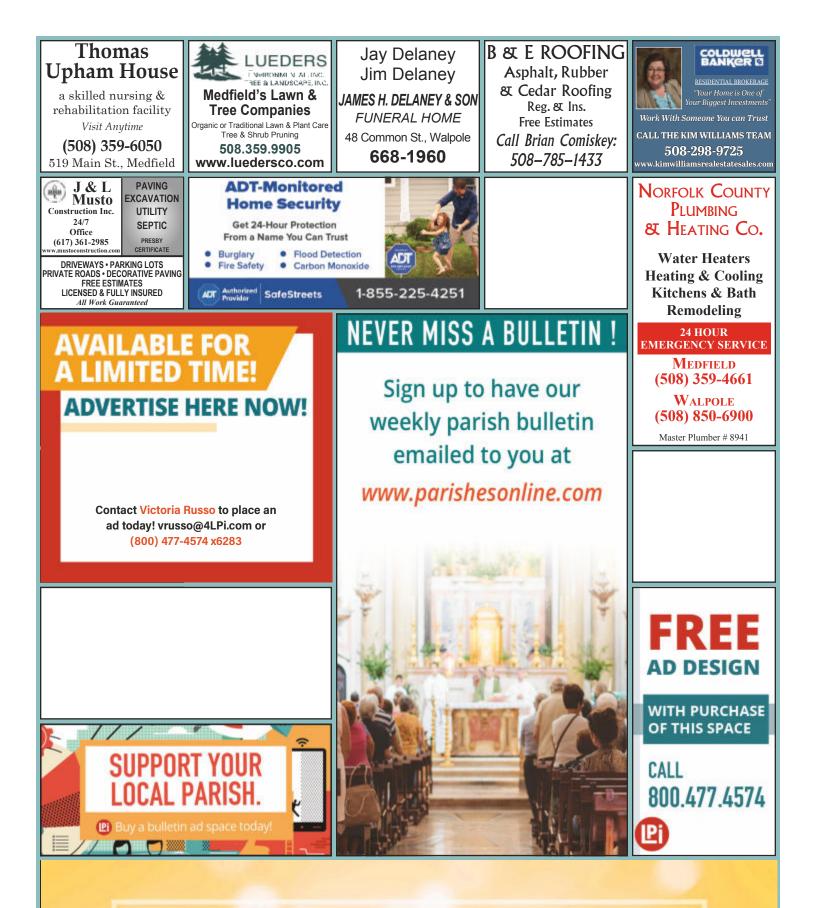
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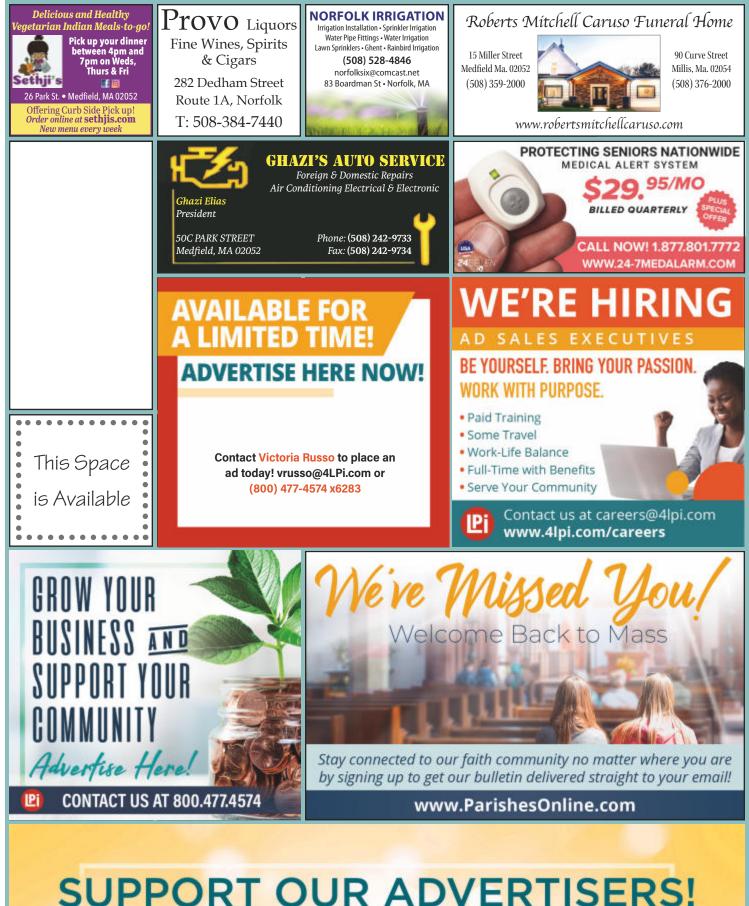
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