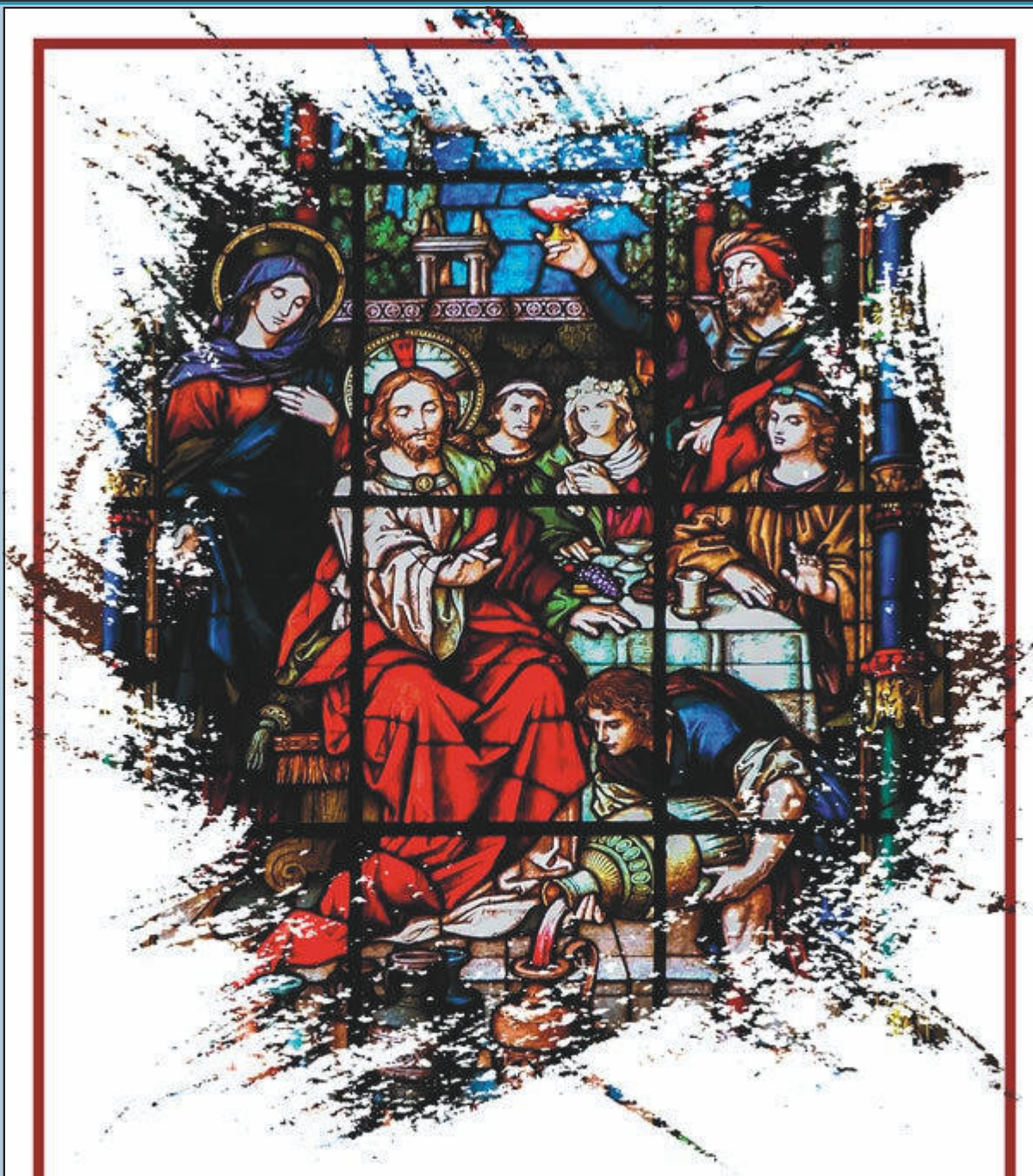


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JANUARY 15TH AND 16TH, 2022

THE 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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WHEN THE WINE RAN SHORT, THE MOTHER OF JESUS
SAID TO HIM, "THEY HAVE NO WINE." - JN 2:3

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Sunday	<u>Parish Office Hours</u> 9:00am to 12:00pm
Monday	10:00am to 2:00pm
Tuesday	9:00am to 2:00pm
Wednesday	10:00am to 2:00pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	10:00am to 2:00pm
Saturday	10:00am to 3:00pm

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 Pastor x211

Rev. Kwang Lee
 Parochial Vicar x215

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 Deacon Marc Gervais
 Deacon Jim Theriault

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 Rev. Jack Schatzel

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 Cheryl Hunnewell x110

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 781-293-7971
 Matthew Chick x112
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 Mon-Wed 10AM to 5PM

Facilities Managers
 Paul Desmond (OLOL)
 Rick Weston (SJTW)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:00 PM	SJTW (Live streamed)
Sunday	7:30 AM	OLOL
Sunday	10:30 AM	SJTW (live streamed)
Sunday	5:00PM	OLOL

Daily Masses are held at OLOL at **9:00AM**
 Monday, Wednesday through Saturday
 (No Daily Mass on Tuesday)

SJTW = Saint Joseph the Worker Church
 (Open 8am-8pm except Tuesdays)

OLOL = Our Lady of the Lake Church (open for Mass only)

Funeral Masses are scheduled as needed at **9:00AM** at **Our Lady of the Lake Church on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday OR 11:00am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at either** Saint Joseph the Worker or Our Lady of the Lake churches as available. **No Tuesday funerals.**

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER

SJTW church will be open from **8am to 8pm** every day of the week except for **Tuesdays**.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT/BENEDICTION

(with rosary hosted by the Sodality of Our Lady) will be held at SJTW on **Mondays from 1pm-2pm and Thursdays 6pm-7pm.**

ROSARY: a PUBLIC ROSARY will be held from **11:35am to 11:50am on Sundays** (immediately following the 10:30am Mass) at SJTW and from **6:30pm to 7:00pm on Wednesdays.** *All are welcome!*

Confessions 3:00pm to 3:45pm on Saturdays at SJTW
 4:00pm to 4:45pm on Sundays at OLOL

Baptisms are scheduled through the Parish Office. None during Lent

Weddings are scheduled only after meeting with a priest or deacon at least one year in advance.

Bulletin Prayer Requests: Please call to include your loved ones in our prayers.

Please Pray for: Michael Durante, Fran Jutras, Heather March, Cein Monahan, Janet Fougere, Marygale Theresa, Joanne Johnson, James Fiorenza, Vincent Pesta, Sandra Lane, Ricky Coste, Eileen, Patty, Ken Duty, Dennis Hill, Pat, Stanislaw Zieba, Rachel, Ryan, Teddy, Isabella, Lori Mahoney, Carol Maines, Norma Rello, Pat Lyons, Jason, Mark, Mario, Patricia Appen, Joseph Taugus, Rebecca Shipman-Hurst, Maureen McLaughlin, Peter Muise, Marla and John Likanchuk, Ken Snow, Jessica Nihan, Jennifer H., Nick Wencis, Chris Keene, John O'Loughlin, Joel & Jackie Gervais, George & Deborah Cofrancesco, Vicky McKay, Rose B. & Maria and Tom E., Thomas D., Thomas Coen, Ernie Jutras and special intentions.

Offertory 1/3/2021 to 1/9/2022

Masses:	\$4,257.00
<u>Online Giving:</u>	<u>\$2,985.00</u>
Total	\$7,242.00

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ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES & MASSES will be cancelled for the day/evening whenever there are Town School cancellations (except for funerals which might be rescheduled). This will allow for the safety of parishioners and parking lot snow removal. Mass cancellations for either church will be posted on our Holy Apostles Parish website, Facebook page, and Parish Office phone greeting

HOLY APOSTLES PARISH Mass Intentions

Sat. 1/15/2022	9:00 AM	LOLO	All Souls
	4:00 PM	SJTW	Theresa McDonnell (4th Anniversary), Stephen McDonnell (5th Anniversary), John McDonnell (38th Anniversary)
Sun. 1/16/2022	7:30 AM	LOLO	
	10:30 AM	SJTW	5th Anniversary Mass For Olinda Goncalves
	5:00 PM	LOLO	Birthday Remembrance For Gregory Pike
Mon. 1/17/2022	9:00 AM	LOLO	
Wed. 1/19/2022	9:00 AM	LOLO	
Thurs. 1/20/2022	9:00 AM	LOLO	
Fri. 1/21/2022	9:00 AM	LOLO	
Sat. 1/22/2022	9:00 AM	LOLO	All Souls
	4:00 PM	SJTW	
Sun. 1/23/2022	7:30 AM	LOLO	
	10:30 AM	SJTW	Holy Souls in Purgatory
	5:00 PM	LOLO	



Knights of Columbus News

POSTPONED DUE TO COVID CONCERNS.

*The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a "Spaghetti dinner & Movie" night on
SATURDAY NIGHT FEBRUARY 26, 2022
at the Holy Apostles Parish Hall, 575 Monponsett Street Halifax, MA.*

Details will be forthcoming as the Knights are able to work them out. The dinner will start after the 4:00pm Mass and the showing of a movie right after.

This is a family event, and so the movie will be appropriate for all ages and entertaining for all ages.

The Knights are grateful for anyone who would like to help out.

Volunteers are always greatly appreciated. If you are able and interested please call John at 781 293 5660 or email the council at Bishopcheverus11390@gmail.com, or see any of the knights.

Of course gift baskets for raffle and donations are also appreciated.

The Bishop Cheverus Council Knights of Columbus, Holy Apostles Parish are delighted for this opportunity to be involved in this community event and hope to make it a great success. See you then!

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 16, 2022

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great?" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

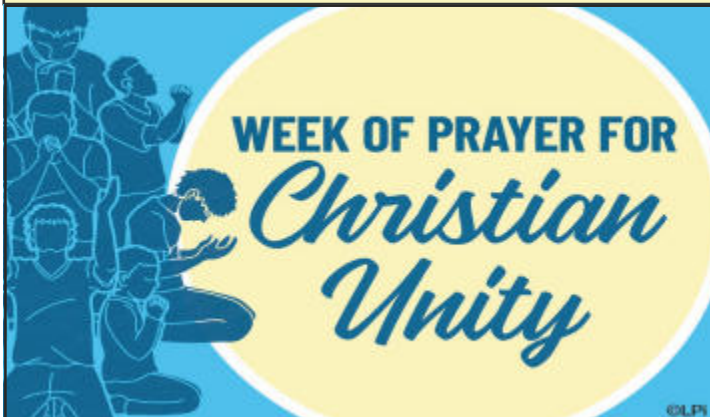
Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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January 18, 2022 to January 25, 2022



Monday January 17, 2022

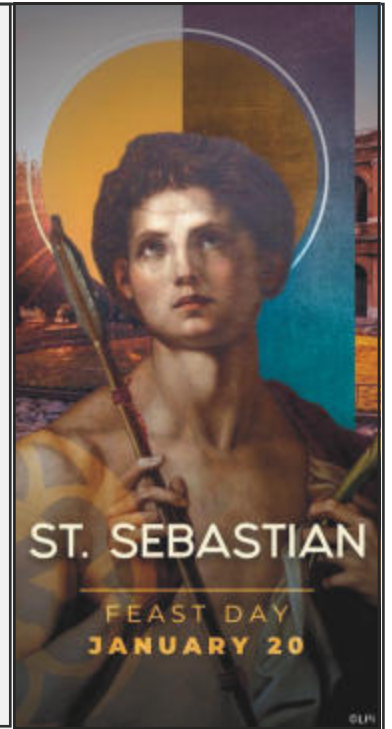
St. Sebastian | January 20

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.

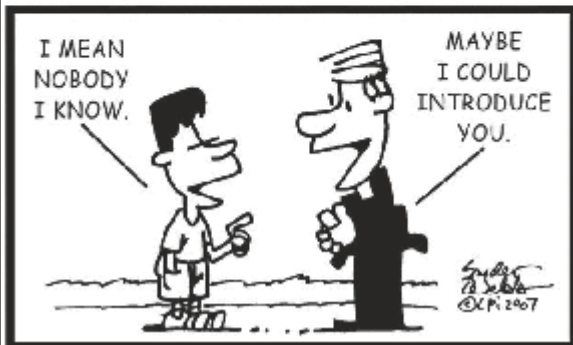
We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing 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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Confession

En route to church to make his first confession, my nervous seven-year-old grandson asked me what he could expect.

"Confession is where you tell all the bad things you've done to the priest," I told him. He looked relieved.

"Good. I haven't done anything bad to the priest."

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Holy Apostles Faith Formation

Happy New Year. Please contact Matthew Chick at "faithformation@holypostlescatholic.com" with any questions.

Please note the following upcoming classes:

- Grade 2: Sunday, February 6th - 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM
- Grade 3: Monday, February 7th - 4:45 PM to 6 PM
- Grade 4: Monday, February 14th - 4:45 PM to 6 PM
- Grade 5: Tuesday, February 8th - 4:45 PM to 6 PM
- Grade 6: Monday, February 7th - 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM
- Grade 7: Tuesday, February 8th - 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM
- Grade 8: Monday, February 14th - 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM
- Grade 9: Sunday, February 6th - 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM

Local Covid-19 14-day Percent Positivity Rates

	<u>11/4/21</u>	<u>11/11/21</u>	<u>11/18/21</u>	<u>11/25/21</u>	<u>12/2/21</u>	<u>12/9/21</u>	<u>12/16/21</u>	<u>12/23/21</u>	<u>12/30/21</u>	<u>1/6/2022</u>
Halifax	4.78%	4.10%	5.07%	8.06%	10.24%	9.95%	10.04%	12.02%	14.08%	18.78 %
Hanson	2.99%	2.41%	2.71%	5.17%	8.61%	10.13%	10.63%	11.38%	12.33%	20.01%
Pembroke	2.81%	1.73%	3.18%	5.40%	7.63%	10.08%	10.62%	10.35%	10.52%	17.66%
Whitman	2.77%	3.31%	3.97%	5.91%	8.66%	10.8%	10.85%	11.21%	12.18%	21.46%
E. Bridgewater	3.11%	4.10%	5.38%	6.98%	8.37%	10.11%	11.00%	9.77%	12.07%	18.43%

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), as of **1/3/2022** the “level of community transmission” for all 14 counties in Massachusetts are listed as **HIGH** transmissible areas, with positivity rates for Plymouth County at 22.61%, Bristol County at 22.23% and Barnstable County at 16.14%. The percent change in counties at each level of transmission is the absolute change compared to the previous 7-day period.

Please use the above information to assist your decisions regarding wearing a mask to church.

TO OUR WONDERFUL HOLY APOSTLES PARISHIONERS from your SAINT VINCENT de PAUL CONFERENCE members

Thank you for bringing joy - and the love of Christ - to so many of our neighbors in need this past Thanksgiving and Christmas season! Because of your generous donations, 27 families, totaling 97 recipients, received \$5,875 in gift cards to help them enjoy a happier holiday.

In addition, your donations to our Food Pantry at Our Lady of the Lake, in collaboration with the Greater Boston Food Bank, Halifax Walmart and Halifax Stop & Shop, helped 74 households with Thanksgiving meals and 76 households with Christmas meals. The total value for the meals and food gift cards was \$15,000.

May God bless each of you for all you do to help the less fortunate families in our parish community, not just during the holidays but all year long!



During the month of **January**, the Sodality of Our Lady will be hosting a **baby shower in support of unwed mothers**. Please place donations of **new** items in the playpen located in the Gathering Area at St. Joseph the Worker and/or the entry of Our Lady of the Lake. **Thank you.**

Holy Apostles Upcoming Important Dates

January 17, 20, 24	Adoration / Holy Hour for Life at SJTW
January 22	Food Pantry Distribution 9:00AM
January 22	Family Healing and Recovery Mass 11:00 AM
February 26	Knights of Columbus Spaghetti and Movie Night following 4:00 PM Mass



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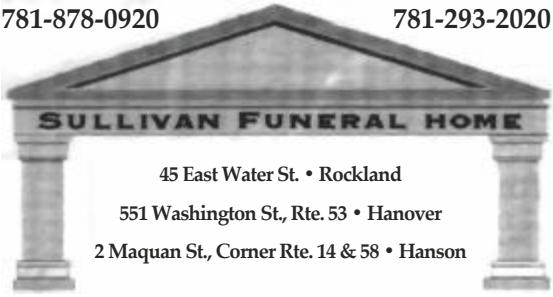
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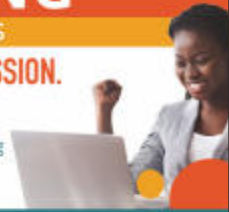
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