

Holy Apostles Parish

JANUARY 29TH AND 30TH, 2022

THE 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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	<u>Parish Office Hours</u>
Sunday	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

Priests
 Rev. Michael A. Hobson
 Pastor x211

Rev. Kwang Lee
 Parochial Vicar x215

Deacon
 Deacon Marc Gervais
 Deacon Jim Theriault

Visiting Priests
 Rev. Jack Schatzel

Administrative Manager
 Cheryl Hunnewell x110

Parish Secretary
 Susie Scholl x115

Financial Advisor
 Stephen Strug

Musician/Organists
 Paula Black
 Maura Gilmartin

Cantors
 Keith Baker
 Christine Patnaude

Director of Faith Formation
 781-293-7971
 Matthew Chick x112
 Office Hours:
 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 1/17/2021 to 1/23/2022

Masses:	\$4,410.00
Online Giving:	\$1,018.00
Total	\$5,428.00

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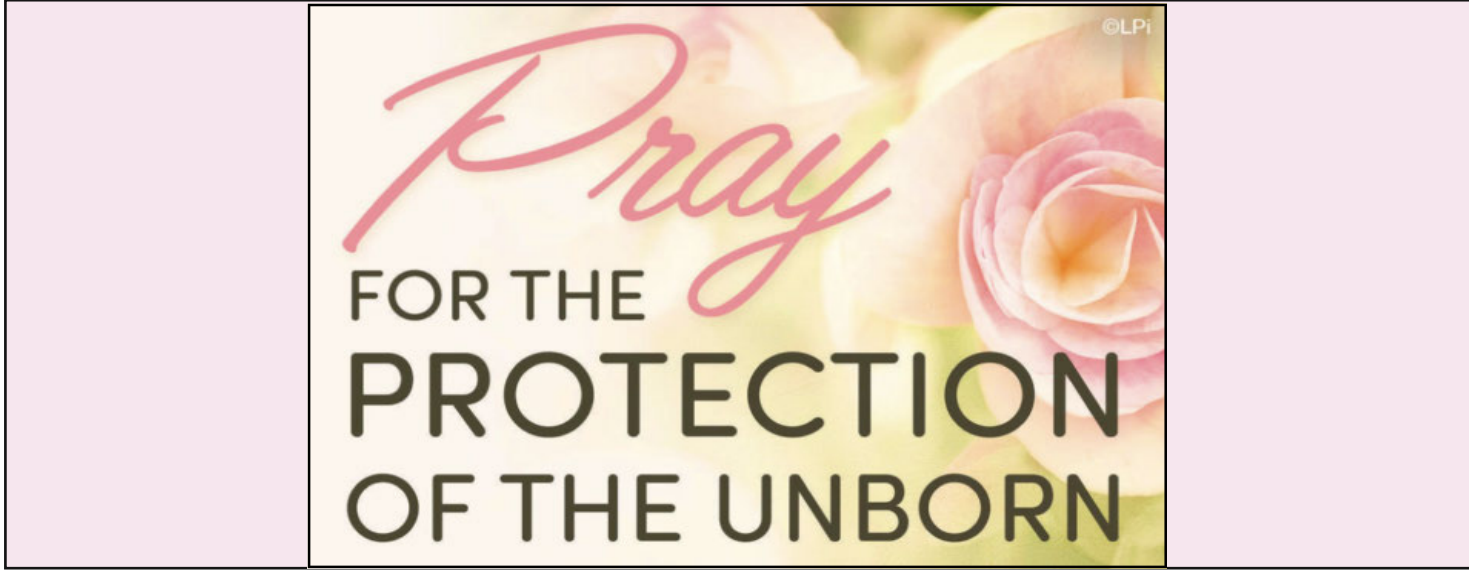
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Mass Cancellations due to Inclement Weather

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 message (if there are no power outages).

HOLY APOSTLES PARISH Mass Intentions			
Sat. 1/29/2022	9:00 AM	OLOL	Anniversary Mass For Marilyn Wright
	4:00 PM	SJTW	
Sun. 1/30/2022	7:30 AM	OLOL	Birthday Remembrance for Ellen Young
	10:30 AM	SJTW	Ann Marie Bithoney Months Mind
	5:00 PM	OLOL	
Mon. 1/31/2022	9:00 AM	OLOL	All Souls
Wed. 2/2/2022	9:00 AM	OLOL	2nd Anniversary Mass For John Abusherry
Thurs. 2/3/2022	9:00 AM	OLOL	2nd Anniversary Mass For Maria Dutczak
Fri. 2/4/2022	9:00 AM	OLOL	Special Intention
Sat. 2/5/2022	9:00 AM	OLOL	
	4:00 PM	SJTW	1st Anniversary John Ornellas and 27th Anniversary for Gina Ornellas
Sun. 2/6/2022	7:30 AM	OLOL	16th Anniversary Mass For Gasper Bukujian
	10:30 AM	SJTW	Holy Souls in Purgatory
	5:00 PM	OLOL	



“INVITATION”

Standing before me at the door
Calling to me from the beach
Gazing at me across the fields
Walking toward me near the temple
Turning to me on the mountain

Over and over, my Lord
You reach out to me
With the power of Your heart
With the might of Your love
With the force of Your fidelity

What is it that You ask of me?
What is it that You offer to me?
To come? To follow? To belong?
To leave all? To let go? To be freed?

Over and over, my Lord,
You invite me to Yourself
You extend wholeness to me
You welcome me to Your people

The invitation is there
I know it in my heart
I believe it in my being
I catch it in my prayer
I breathe it in my life

Your welcome
Your waiting
Your very Self is there
Wanting me to come
Desiring me to respond

O my Lord, I accept your invitation
O my Lord, I return the greeting
O my Lord, I want to see where You live
O my Lord, I will go where You will

From Fresh Bread, by Joyce Rupp

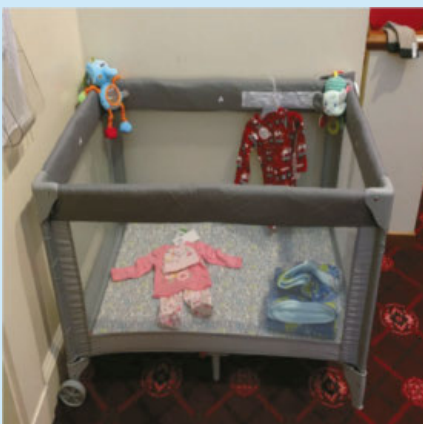
Calling all Nurses and others interested in health ministry!

The February Coffee and Donut hour will be hosted by the Holy Apostles Parish Nurses. We are looking for people to join our team to better minister to our fellow parishioners' body, mind, and spiritual health.

If you feel called to respond to this invitation, or for more information, please contact:

Karen McWilliams (603) 682-7933

Karen Wenger (508) 345-1768



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 Are at St. Joseph the Worker and/or the entry of Our Lady of the Lake. **Thank you.**

Palms Needed

Please bring with you to Mass any Palms from last year so that we may prepare them for Ash Wednesday services. Thank you in advance for your assistance.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 30, 2022 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980) was a “Salvadoran Roman Catholic archbishop who was a vocal critic of the violent activities of government armed forces, right-wing groups, and leftist guerrillas involved in El Salvador’s civil conflict (Encyclopedia Britannica).” As a voice of the voiceless, he was an outspoken champion of the poor who were the ones most affected by the civil unrest and violence. His advocacy provoked several attempts on his life. Nonetheless, St. Oscar Romero was convinced that before all else his faith in the resurrected Christ and the values of the Gospel trumped any earthly concern or worry. He walked with complete confidence and trust. On March 24, 1980, St. Oscar Romero was assassinated while celebrating Mass. Such is often the fate of those who challenge the socio-political agendas of the day.

We may look at the example of witness of St. Oscar Romero as something extraordinary. In one sense it is. Through the power of God, an ordinary human being did extraordinary things. But, in and of himself, St. Oscar Romero was simply a humble, loving servant of God. Oscar knew not only the power of love but the risk that comes when loving unconditionally. The beauty of God’s message was able to shine in and through him because he was able to step out of the way and be a vessel. One can assume that for St. Oscar Romero, one’s earthly life has no merit when faith, integrity, conviction, zeal and love are jettisoned. Fear and apprehension had no grip on this man who not only saw but spoke the truth.

Do we speak the truth? It makes us feel good to speak of God as love. But have we ever considered the ramifications of this radical message? There are assaults on human life occurring daily. More and more the value and worth of a human being is being reduced and minimalized. We are becoming widgets in the production of life. In our whole simple humble ways, we too are called to be prophets. Knowing who you are and what is within your means to do, how can you make God’s love real, stand up for what is right, and give witness to the sacredness of all that is around you?

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

First Corinthians and the Stewardship of Social Media

“Love is patient, love is kind ...” As familiar as these words are, they never seem to stray into the territory of becoming trite or silly. At their core they communicate a truth about us and about our Creator that never fails to inspire.

But despite the fact that you’ve probably heard it at many weddings over time, First Corinthians isn’t just for newlyweds. It wasn’t written for married folks. It’s for every single one of us, in every state of life and every social situation, in every country and culture and language across the globe.

Which means that First Corinthians is even for the online world. It’s for Facebook and Twitter and Instagram and all the other platforms I’m forgetting (there seems to be a new one every day, doesn’t there?).

A sense of division — whether rooted in politics, culture or anything else — is growing in our world, and it’s never more obvious than when we observe interactions online. It is far easier, after all, to remember what love is when a human being of flesh and blood stands before us. When all we see is an avatar or a profile picture on a screen — especially accompanied by an opinion with which we vehemently disagree — even the most loving Christians can throw First Corinthians out the window.

As everyday stewards we know that we are charged to be not only gracious but grateful. We receive others but we also give thanks for what they bring to us — even if that’s an opportunity to “strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts.”

So before the next time you post anything online, I suggest giving First Corinthians a read — and remember, love never fails.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Holy Apostles Upcoming Important Dates

- February 5** Family Healing and Recovery Mass/ guest speaker 11:00 AM
- February 6** Donut Sunday hosted by Parish Nurses
- February 12** Food Pantry Distribution 9:00AM
- February 26** **Knights of Columbus Spaghetti and Movie Night following 4:00 PM Mass (Postponed)**

Local Covid-19 14-day Percent Positivity Rates

	<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>	<u>1/13/2022</u>	<u>1/20/2022</u>
Halifax	8.06%	10.24%	9.95%	10.04%	12.02%	14.08%	18.78 %	27.22%	27.67%
Hanson	5.17%	8.61%	10.13%	10.63%	11.38%	12.33%	20.01%	25.07%	26.21%
Pembroke	5.40%	7.63%	10.08%	10.62%	10.35%	10.52%	17.66%	24.06%	25.40%
Whitman	5.91%	8.66%	10.8%	10.85%	11.21%	12.18%	21.46%	28.56%	26.08%
E. Bridgewater	6.98%	8.37%	10.11%	11.00%	9.77%	12.07%	18.43%	23.37%	22.05%

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), as of **1/17/2022** the “level of community transmission” for all 14 counties in Massachusetts are listed as **HIGH** transmissible areas, with positivity rates for Plymouth County at 22.13%, Bristol County at 24.81% and Barnstable County at 18.18%. 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.

Holy Apostles Faith Formation

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

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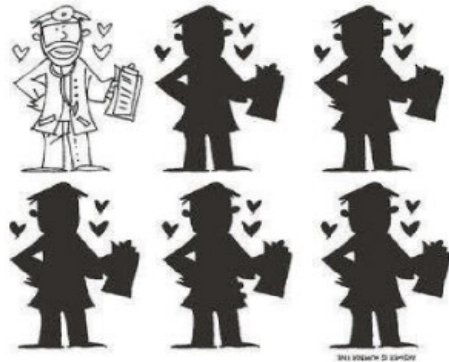
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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 4:21-30

 **PUZZLE**

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 **MISSION**

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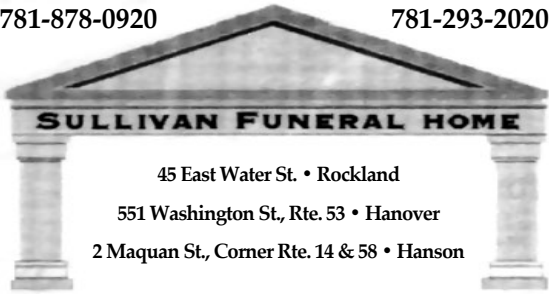
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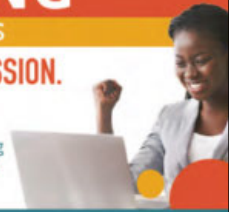
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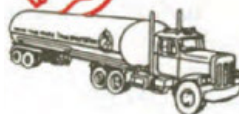
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