Saint Nicholas of Myra Catholic Church

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The offices of St. Nicholas of Myra Church are located in the Pastoral Life Center (499 Spring Street, behind the Church)

The Parish Office is open

Monday-Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays
4:00 p.m.

Sundays
8:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass
Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.
Holidays, 8:00 AM

First Friday, 8:00 a.m., Benediction, 4:00 p.m.
Rosary, 7:30 a.m.

Adoration every Wednesday,
Following 8:00 a.m. Mass, conclude our day of Prayer with benediction at 4:00 p.m.

BAPTISM

Sundays, 11:30 AM by appointment

PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 3:15 - 3:45 p.m. and by Appointment

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least eight months before the proposed date of your wedding.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Parish prayer request line: 508-822-1425
The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can take place in the church or at home. Holy Communion is brought to the sick and homebound upon request. In an emergency, please telephone the Parish Office at any time.

WELCOME!

We open wide our doors to you. Our wish is that you will find your time among us prayerful and inspiring. We hope you feel at home and among friends. If you are visiting, we are glad you have joined us for worship today. Enjoy your stay and come back soon. If you plan to make this your spiritual home, we ask that you formally register. Just speak to the priest after Mass and he will welcome you personally. If you have no church family to call your own and are interested in ours, we will help you make that important decision. If there is any way we can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die."
- Jn 6:48-50

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AUGUST 7—8, 2021

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	8/07	4:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	8/08	8:00 a.m.	Arthur P. Costa
		10:30 a.m.	Cecelia C. Kotuch
Monday	8/09	8:00 a.m.	George Cully
Tuesday	8/10	8:00 a.m.	Mira Rosario
Wednesday	8/11	8:00 a.m.	Norman Wing
Thursday	8/12	8:00 a.m.	Richard Floor
Saturday	8/14	4:00 p.m.	Maria C. Barboza
Sunday	8/15	8:00 a.m.	Jonathan Santos
		10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

JULY 31—AUGUST 1, 2021

OFFERTORY: $3,027.00

PETER'S PENCE: $ 637.00

If you are unable to attend Mass we ask you to mail your budget envelopes to the Parish Office at P.O. Box 564 North Dighton, MA 02764 or drop them off in the black mail box located outside the Parish Office Building. Please check the offering amount on the front of the envelope, which you enclosed. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:

No Adoration on Wednesdays; The Church will be open until 4:00 p.m.

Confessions: are available Saturdays in the Church Sacristy from 3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sundays before each Mass.

Stay up to date on COVID-19.
Please visit the Diocesan Website:
www.fallriverdiocese.org

The Parish Office is opened Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m..

You may make a visit to the church which is opened Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and on Wednesday until 4:00 p.m.

ADULT EDUCATION

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We highly recommend going on our parish website and click the link http://www.saintnicholas.formed.org/ as you begin to explore the rich truth and beauty of the Catholic Faith.

NEXT WEEKEND—AUGUST 15, 2021

Please plan on joining, with all parishioners, to bid a fond farewell to our pastor and shepherd, ***Father Paul Fedak.*** As you know, Father Fedak will be moving to Martha's Vineyard to accept his new assignment with the Diocese of Fall River. We will all miss him very much and want to show our appreciation and gratitude at this coffee social hour. Please mark your calendars.

When—-Sunday, August 15th
Where—St. Nicholas of Myra Parish Center
Time—Immediately following the Sunday 10:30 Mass.
Thank you & God Bless you all!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

August 8, 2021
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have? ©LPi

Monday, August 9—The Knights of Columbus Meeting, **Parish Hall** at **7:00 p.m.**

Monday, August 9—The Women's Prayer Group, **2:15 p.m.** in the **Ministry Room.**

Thursday, August 12—Join us to pray the Rosary for peace, in the world—at the church at 6:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY

On **Saturday, August 14** the Diocese is sponsoring a day-long event for young people with Bishop da Cunha on Martha's Vineyard. The day is free for participants and will include transportation, ferry ride to the Oak Bluff, lunch, opportunity to visit shops, activities, talks, music, adoration, and Mass with the Bishop.
Bus pick-up begins at 9:30 a.m., with attendees returning by 10 p.m. to their respective parishes. To register, please contact the parish.

10 MONTH CLUB

The 10 Month Club drawing for August took place after the 8 a.m. Mass, August 1.

Winners were:

Eleanor Boegler—	**$ 100**
Donna & Tammy Ryan—	**$ 50**
Arthur Martin—	**$ 25**

Membership needs to be paid by August 28/29 to be eligible for the September drawing.

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