

Sacred Hearts Parish Bradford ~ Groveland



Mass Schedule:

Sacred Hearts Church

165 South Main Street, Bradford, Massachusetts

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
and 11:30 a.m.

Daily: Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m.

Saturday, 8:00 a.m.

St. Patrick Church

114 Center Street, Groveland, Massachusetts

Sunday, 10:15 a.m.

The Church is open for prayer
Monday through Friday from
7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Adoration: Friday, 7:30 a.m. to
11:00 a.m., IHM Chapel

Penance: Saturday, 3:00 p.m. to
3:45 p.m., IHMC and upon
request.

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PASTORAL CENTER OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. • Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Mission Statement for Sacred Hearts Parish



Sacred Hearts Parish exists to serve as a living testimony to Christ's presence within its faith community which is strengthened and nourished by a firm commitment to the Gospel values through prayer, worship, faith formation and service.

Sacred Hearts Parish is on Facebook! 

<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartsbradford/>
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POINTS TO PONDER

Reflect on Sunday's readings: Luke 4:21-30;
Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; I Corinthians 13:4-13

- What are areas where you have failed to "be" love? Where do you tend to succeed?
- Is there any situation in which you would believe your neighbor if they imitated Jesus in this week's gospel?
- God knew you the moment of your conception. How does this intimacy inform your reverence for the vulnerable within your society?
- What does it mean that love never fails? People die, war continues, greed perseveres, and yet this is not a failure of love. Is it love's absence? Do we simply reject love?



NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK AND WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

The observances of National Marriage Week, February 7th - 14th, and World Marriage Day, Sunday, February 13th are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and family. This year's theme is "Called to the Joy of Love."
For more information go to www.USCCB.org

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, January 29, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Dr. Gene Grillo, Month's Mind

4:00 p.m. ~ Jeannette Heines

SUNDAY, January 30, 2022

7:30 a.m. ~ Jane Rubino

9:00 a.m. ~ Barbara Ann Rowell

10:15 a.m. ~ Jeannie Scollins

11:30 a.m. ~ Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murray

MONDAY, January 31, 2022

7:00 A.M. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

TUESDAY, February 1, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

WEDNESDAY, February 2, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

THURSDAY, February 3, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

FRIDAY, February 4, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Kenneth Marino, Month's Mind

SATURDAY, February 5, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Joseph D'Orazio, Month's Mind

4:00 p.m. ~ Marie Churchill

SUNDAY, February 6, 2022

7:30 a.m. ~ Bill and Geri Moran

9:00 a.m. ~ Edward Hartmann

10:15 a.m. ~ Martini Family

11:30 a.m. ~ Mary Clarke Cocchiaro

Year of the 
EUCCHARIST

Blessing of Throats

Next weekend, there will be a general blessing of the throats in honor of the Feast of St. Blaise. Parishioners are encouraged to attend their usual Mass, at which the priest will bless the congregation in their seats.



BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE



Next weekend's second collection is for Sacred Hearts Parish Building and Maintenance. Thank you for your generous support of this collection which allows us to keep our property in good condition.

Dear Friends,

Today’s readings remind me how sometimes it can be difficult to be a person of faith. In the first reading, God tells Jeremiah to stand firm as he shares God’s words with the Israelites, even when they reject him and the messages coming directly from God. In the Gospel, Jesus is driven from his hometown of Nazareth when the crowd becomes angry because Jesus not so subtly calls the residents out for a lack of faith. Jesus tells the truth, and then is rejected by the people who watched him grow up.

How many times in our lives have we agonized over things when our conscience tells us to do one thing, but societal pressure pushes us in another direction? Maybe it is something simple, like laughing at an improper joke when we should be cringing. Or maybe we have witnessed something more serious and have had to choose between intervention and just turning our back. Doing the right thing can cause a rift in friendships or could somehow endanger us.

In a time when “illegal immigrants” are vilified by many, our Christian calling should be to welcome them to a life of safety and abundance. When the homeless are pushed from view because they make the community look bad, do we take action to help, or join in the chorus telling them to “get a job!”? When the call goes out to help the hungry at our food pantry, do you make a cash or food donation, or do you take a more active approach and physically serve? Would you intervene if you saw someone being harassed by others?

It can be uncomfortable for us to see injustice, knowing that Jesus wants us to do the right thing, but also knowing it can be hard to do so. Will my friends think poorly of me? Maybe someone else will say something... I don’t want to get involved...

Being uncomfortable can be a good thing because it can force us to change things. Maybe that is why our second reading centers on LOVE?

Perhaps we need to remember what Paul tells us as we choose between publicly living our faith, and quietly doing nothing – “...Faith, Hope, and Love remain, these three, but the greatest of these is love.”

Jesus gives us love; how we share it is up to us. Maybe we are being called to respond to those hard issues of faith and Christianity. Be brave! Let everyone see Christ in you!

Tom Carbone,
Parishioner

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Sunday, January 23, 2021

130 envelopes:	\$ 4,376.00
Loose:	\$ 2,248.00
Online Giving (donors)	\$ 2,306.42
Total:	\$ 8,930.42



The Church in Latin America

84 envelopes:	\$ 1,005.00
Loose:	\$ 719.00
Total:	\$ 1,724.00

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Collection Box	\$ 113.00
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Thank you for your ongoing support!

**THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST CONTINUES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON
AND IN SACRED HEARTS PARISH**

During the Fall and early Winter, we heard testimonies from parishioners about the power of the Eucharist in their own lives, we experienced an Advent Holy Hour, and Dr. Elizabeth Woodard made two presentations to the children at Sacred Hearts School (one for grades 1-4 and another for grades 5-8) entitled "Everything You May Have Always Wondered About the Eucharist." The children had some great questions at those assemblies!

During the month of February, Fathers John, Dan, and Richard will lean heavily on the topic of the Eucharist in their homilies. On February 6th, we will hear the story about Simon catching so many fish that his nets almost burst (Luke 5:1-11). Jesus makes Himself known in the ordinary food of the people. Just as Peter looked with awe upon the impossibly great number of fish, so, too, our eyes should behold with wonder the mystery that is the infinite Lord of the Universe present in bread. Whether at Mass or in the sacrament of adoration (which takes place from 7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. every Friday in the chapel at Sacred Hearts Church!), to behold the Eucharist is to behold eternity itself, to behold infinity itself, to behold God Himself. On February 13th, we will hear in the Beatitudes, "Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied." (Luke 7: 21). Jesus is the food that will leave us never hungry again, the drink of infinite quenching. On February 20th, we will hear about Jesus' command to love our enemies and to give double to anyone who takes from us (Luke 6:27-38). This echoes the infinity introduced in the story of the fish and the nets two weeks prior. And on February 27th, we will hear Jesus compare humans to trees, noting that trees are known by their fruits (Luke 6:29-45). Can you and I eat, and therefore also bear, the fruit that is Christ Himself? Can we become a truly Eucharistic people, bearing the fruit of goodness, love, and piety, because we water and till the soil of our hearts with nothing less than the bread of the angels? Please listen for these themes throughout February and reflect on the ways that you might allow the Eucharist to have a deeper power in your life.

Please save the date for our three-evening Eucharist Retreat!

Sunday-Monday-Tuesday, March 13-14-15 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. each night at Sacred Hearts Church



Get Involved this New Year!

"It's our parish!" This powerful sentiment shared at our recent meeting of the Forming Leaders Committee came from a realization that if we, the faithful, don't respond to God's invitations when they arise, who will? There isn't someone else coming to do the work God has destined for each of us. A life of faith is not just about personal prayer and piety. Those things are important, but as we see in the Gospels time and again, being the "light of the world" and the "salt of the earth" is also about sharing our light, our gifts, with the whole body of Christ, the Church. This parish needs *you*! You may think you have nothing to offer, but God calls each one of us in unique ways. Please look at this list. Is God calling you through any one (or more) of these ways of stepping up in our community? Please email Dr. Elizabeth Woodard, pastoral associate, at ewoodard@sacredheartsparish.com if you would like to discuss these or any other ways you might say "yes!" to God's call!

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- Lector (Proclaim God's Word)
- Eucharistic Minister
- Greeter (Welcome people and chat with them as they arrive)
- Serve on a committee
- Teach kids (grades K-10)
- Teach adults (RCIA program)
- Play an instrument at Mass
- Sing at Mass
- Participate in a Bible Study
- Give a talk at a retreat
- Help in Stations of the Cross
- Homebound ministry
- Help sew baptismal robes
- Help serve at funerals
- Assist with parents and tots
- Have a talent? Share it!

Rest in Peace

**Richard J. Michaud, Sr.
and Brendan Morillo**



We remember in prayer those who are ill and suffering in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for our nursing and homebound parishioners.

Please pray for all medical professionals, first responders, and all working on the front line.

Sanctuary Lamps

The **Sanctuary Lamp** next to each Tabernacle in our worship spaces burn brightly to remind us of the real presence of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



For the week of **January 30, 2022**

The Sacred Hearts Church lamp burns for **Katherine and Eilif Olsen, Roger and Pat Olsen, and William Olsen.**

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE

Sacred Hearts Parish has low gluten hosts available for anyone wishing to receive Communion and has a gluten allergy or intolerance. Please contact Fr. John or the Pastoral Center 978-373-1281.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVdP) has a long history of helping those in need living in Bradford and Groveland. Our Help-Line can be reached by calling 978-372-5824 or by emailing us at SVdPBradford@gmail.com

Are you feeling called to help? Contact Tom Carbone at tgcarbone@comcast.net or 978-314-4733.



ADORATION

Adoration is held Fridays from 7:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel.



PRAYER LINE

For prayer support call the Sacred Hearts Prayer line.
Eileen Clarkson at 978-373-0951 or
Priscilla Delong at 978-372-9353

Did You Know?

Did you know that **St. Blaise**, whose feast day is February 3rd, is the **patron saint of those suffering from ailments of the throat**? He was a late 3rd/early 4th century Christian in Armenia who began as a healer of both humans and animals, eventually becoming a "physician of souls," and living a life of prayer in a cave among the wild animals. Later, as a Bishop, he was arrested for being a Christian. On his way to jail a woman approached him laying at his feet her only son who was choking to death on a fish bone; St. Blaise cured the child. Another story is that a woman implored his help when a wolf was attacking her pig, and at Blaise's command the wolf let the pig go. In gratitude, the woman brought two candles to him in jail so that he would have light to read the scriptures. It is said St. Blaise performed many other miracles before his martyrdom around the year 316 A.D. Today, many parishes commemorate his feast day with the blessing of throats using two crossed candles.




Online Giving

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MASKS FOR SAFETY

In the light of the spiking numbers of new COVID cases, Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the Archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks. This mandate is now in effect. It will expire on Thursday, March 3, 2022.





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, January 30th
Sunday Classes Grades K-8th meet from 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. at Sacred Hearts School Gym

Wednesday, February 2nd
Wednesday Classes Grades K-8th meets from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Sacred Hearts School Cafeteria

Friday, February 4th
God Squad for 3rd - 8th grade meets at 6:30 p.m. in St. Patrick Church Hall


DIAPER DRIVE

Faith formation students and families, grades K-10th will be sponsoring a Diaper Drive from January 23rd to February 16th. **We need sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6** to benefit Sacred Hearts Food Pantry and local families. **Donations can be dropped off during faith formation classes, at the Pastoral Center, or in a box labeled in the back of the church.** Thank you in advance for your generosity. Any questions, please contact Mae.

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One of our 2nd grade classes on Wednesday shared their handmade name tags. They are learning about how blessed they are in Jesus' love.

Faith Formation online resources for grades K-8th grade are accessible through our webpage:
sacredheartsparish.com/religious-ed/

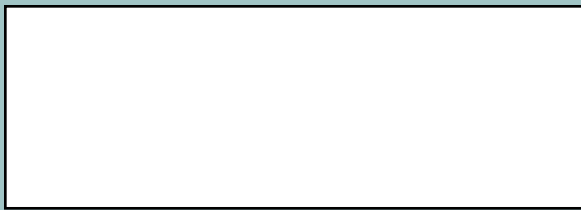


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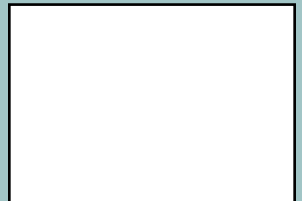


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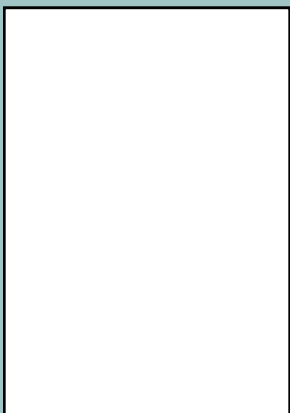


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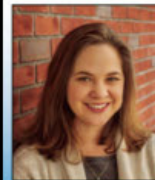
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