Sacred Hearts Parish Bradford ~ Groveland

Jesus took Peter, John and James and went up to the mountain to pray. While He was praying His face changed in appearance and His clothing became dazzling white. - Luke 9:28-29

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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., IHM Chapel and upon request.

Baptism: Please call the Pastoral Center for available dates to schedule a small group baptism on select Sundays at 1:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

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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.

LENTEN PROJECT: WEEK 2

As we pray, fast, and give alms this Lent, we invite you to specifically *pray* and *give* together as a community. Each week, parishioners are invited to participate in a Lenten activity.

This week, please join us in *giving clean sheets* to those who need them. In this week's Gospel, the story of the transfiguration tells us that Jesus' clothes become "dazzling white" (Luke 9:28), even as "white as light" (Matthew 9:4), whiter than "anyone on earth could bleach them." (Mark 9:4). Isn't it a lovely feeling to use fresh, clean linens and towels? The Gospel story indicates that there is a taste of Heaven itself in such comfort! As an act of charity this week, please bring in *new* twin sheets to benefit Emmaus house. There is a basket in the back of the church. Thank you for bringing comfort to those in need!

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, March 12, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Louise Waters

4:00 p.m. ~ William "Bill" Bateman

SUNDAY, March 13, 2022

7:30 a.m. ~ Jennie and Paul Credit

9:00 a.m. ~ Parishioners of Sacred Hearts Parish

10:15 a.m. ~ Parishioners of Sacred Hearts Parish

11:30 a.m. ~ Mary Clarke Cocchiaro

MONDAY, March 14, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Josephine Pizzurro

TUESDAY, March 15, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Clifton James Perkins, Month's Mind

WEDNESDAY, March 16, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Robert Richard

THURSDAY, March 17, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Anna Labianca, Month's Mind

FRIDAY, March 18, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Rev. John Leonard

SATURDAY, March 19, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ David Dadekian

4:00 p.m. ~ Fanny Shea

SUNDAY, March 20, 2022

7:30 a.m. ~ Jane Rubino

9:00 a.m. ~ Virginia Woodside

10:15 a.m. ~ Leo W. Worden

11:30 a.m. ~ Robert Casoli

Lent 2022



Drawn to Jesus

WEDNESDAYS

MASS, ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHAPEL, 6:00 p.m.

Throughout Lent, Mass will be held on Wednesday evenings in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel beginning at 6:00 p.m. Following the Mass, Adoration and the opportunity for Reconciliation will begin and continue until 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAYS BIBLE STUDY

Sacred Hearts is pleased to invite you to attend a Zoom Bible study on Thursday evenings throughout Lent.

The next opportunity will be Thursday, March 17th. Join us any Thursday, through April 7th. The Bible study will be hosted by Fr. John Delaney and Dr. Elizabeth Woodard. It will run each week from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Our text will be the Sunday readings for the

FRIDAYS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Fridays: March 18, 25, April 1, 8; 3:00 p.m., Sacred Hearts Church,

Bradford and Live Stream

Good Friday: April 15th, 12:00 p.m. Sacred Hearts Church, Bradford and Live Stream

upcoming weekend. Participants are encouraged to attend any and all sessions for which they are available, and can participate even if they cannot make all six meetings. The Zoom link can be accessed at tinyurl.com/sacredheartsbiblestudy. Or, to log in directly through Zoom, please use meeting ID 895 2420 8160 and Passcode: 240336. (Please email ewoodard@sacredheartsparish.com with any questions or technical difficulties).

Dear friends,

Today we celebrate the second Sunday of Lenten. I hope and pray that your Lenten journey will deepen your intimacy with Jesus.

In our Gospel reading, Luke's description of the transfiguration of Jesus, is one of the most amazing events in the Bible. Jesus takes three of His apostles with Him to a mountain top to pray. There, a miracle happens, as Jesus is joined by Moses and Elijah, Jesus' appearance "became dazzling white." They witnessed Jesus in His glory. They heard God affirm Jesus as His Son with divine authority. Just imagine seeing that!!

I have watched the first two seasons of the TV series *The Chosen*, which tells various Bible stories from the life of Jesus – from the perspective of the apostles and other background characters – in a very relatable way. I highly recommend watching the show. Seasons three through seven are expected in the future. The program makes it easier for me to place myself in the stories, to imagine what the apostles experienced. I wonder if the producers will include the transfiguration in a future episode. How could they do justice to such an event? No wonder Peter, John and James were "frightened" and "fell silent." Eventually, they came to realize that Jesus was not someone to be frightened of or to remain silent about.

St. Paul tells us in the second reading what awaits us in heaven. "He will change our lowly body to conform with His glorified body." We have the opportunity to experience our own glory. What stands in the way of our citizenship in heaven? Having a mind "occupied with earthly things" does. The key to having a mind not solely focused on things of this world is trusting in Jesus. Spending quiet time in thankful prayer with Jesus and trusting Him with your problems. Jesus set the example for our prayer life, as He was always "escaping" to a mountain top or other quiet place to talk to His Father.

This Lenten season is the perfect opportunity to spend more time in prayer to strengthen your relationship with Jesus. Additionally, you could watch *The Chosen* or a similar production to get closer to Christ. Confession and daily mass attendance are also wonderful ways to feel God's presence in our lives. Seek Him and you will find Him, I guarantee it!!

Actually, Jesus guaranteed it.

In His Name,

Joe Kennedy

Pastoral Outreach Coordinator

| Sunday, March 6, 2021 156 envelopes: Loose: Online Giving (109 donors) Total: | \$ 6,885.00 \$ 2,604.00 \$ 3,187.42 \$12,676.42 | Parish Support | Catholic Charities - Ash V 54 envelopes: Loose: Total: | Wednesday \$ 691.00 <u>\$1,011.00</u> \$1,702.00 |
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| Building and Maintenance 114 envelopes: Loose: Online Giving (51 donor) Total: | \$ 1,791.00 \$ 798.00 \$ 1,045.00 \$ 3,634.00 | | St. Vincent de Paul Collection Box Thank you for your ong | \$ 153.06 going support! Page 3 |

Pray for Ukraine

O Lord Jesus, Servant and Master, Bringer of Peace and Reconciliation, with deep sorrow and concern, we cry out to you for the beginnings of this war now occurring in Ukraine. We long for you to arrest this violence and destruction, to bring this war to a just end, and for your protection for all innocent victims and everyone directly involved in military action, in Ukraine and in Russia. Lord, in your mercy.

Mark Labberton President, Fuller Theological Seminary

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POINTS TO PONDER

Reflect on Sunday's readings: Luke 9:28-26, Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1

- Have you ever met one of your heroes? How did you react? Did you, like Peter, start speaking without knowing what you were saying?
- If you were on a camping trip and woke up to find your best friend or spouse talking to Jesus in the flesh, how would you react?
- What's one of your most memorable mountaintop experiences? What do you still reflect on from that time?

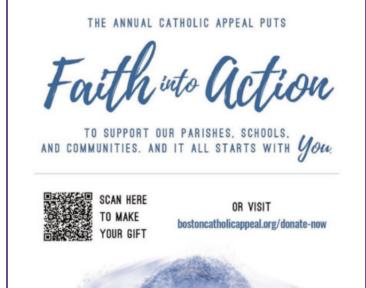


GOD SQUAD EMBRACES LENT

The God Squad talked about their Lenten journey during their latest meeting. They got together and made crowns of thorns. The thorns are



represented by 40 toothpicks to account for each day of Lent. The children will remove a tooth pick each time they follow one of the pillars we focus on during Lent - prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Their goal is to remove all 40 before Good Friday. Let us all pray for their success. Page 4



ICON OF SAINT JOSEPH COMING TO SACRED HEARTS CHURCH

Next weekend, we will be blessed to have an icon of Saint Joseph on the altar of Sacred Hearts Church present for the Sunday Masses. We hope it is a prayerful tie-in to the Year of Saint Joseph, which recently concluded. It is being sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

HAVERHILL CATHOLIC DAILY MASS TIMES DURING LENT

| TIMES DURING LENT | | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|--------------------|--|--|
| | Sacred Hearts | 7:00 a.m. | Monday thru Friday | | |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | Saturday | | |
| | | 6:00 p.m. | Wednesday | | |
| | All Saints | 12:10 p.m. | Monday thru Friday | | |
| | | 9:00 a.m. | Saturday | | |
| | | 6:30 p.m. | Mon, Thurs, Fri. | | |
| | | | (Spanish) | | |
| | St. John | 9:00 a.m. | Monday, Wednesday, | | |
| | | | and Friday | | |
| | St. James | 9:00 a.m. | Tuesday, Thursday, | | |
| | | | and Saturday | | |
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Adoration is held Fridays from 7:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel.

Rest in Peace Marie Caputi



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.

Welcome!

We welcome to Sacred Hearts Parish this weekend members of Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians who will be attending the 4:00 p.m. Mass.



After Mass they will have an installation ceremony for their new officers. Fr. John is the chaplain of the men's and women's A.O.H. organizations.

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.

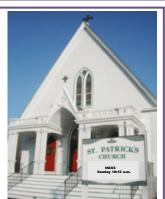
Are you feeling called to help? Contact Tom Carbone at <u>tgcarbone@comcast.net</u> or 978-314-4733.

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 our Saint Patrick Church is a tribute to both the glorious saint of Ireland and the faith of the Irish immigrants who built it? In the mid-1800s, the establishment of E.J.M. Hale's woolen mills brought many Irish families to



Groveland seeking work. With no Catholic church in town, Mr. Hale offered this small but growing Catholic community land to build a church, and they gratefully began raising funds. The construction of St. Patrick's followed with the first Mass celebrated on November 15, 1874. By 1900 the community had outgrown the original structure. Funds were again raised, and wings were added giving the church its cruciform shape and doubling its size. The work was completed in November 1902. The memorial stainedglass windows at St. Patrick's bear the names of many Irish families such as Keegan, Molloy, Walsh, and more. The large stained-glass window in one wing is of historical value, donated by the Div. 2 Ancient Order of Hibernians' Groveland chapter. The opposite wing's window bears the names of Ellen and Cornelius McCusker, the great-grandparents of our current and long-time parishioner Kay Crowley.

Please join Fr. John, pastor; Dr. Elizabeth, pastoral associate; and the Year of the Eucharist Committee for Sacred Hearts Parish's

Year of the Eucharist Retreat

Join us this Sunday night!

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. for each of three consecutive evenings: Sunday-Monday-Tuesday, **March 13th-14th-15th**

Sacred Hearts Parish Hall and Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel

Give yourself the gift of these three evenings of pause to experience the power of being **Drawn to Jesus** in His very body and blood. It will be a time of prayer, power, rest, Adoration, education, and inspiration.

Register Here: surveymonkey.com/r/YOTEretreat

Questions? Dr. Elizabeth Woodard, pastoral associate, ewoodard@sacredheartsparish.com



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Sacred Hearts School Spelling Bee Champions!

Grades 1-4 Champion Grades 5-8 Champion



Maya Fischer-Nova Grade 4



Mariam Khair Grade 6



Congratulations to our Spelling Bee Finalists:

Grade 1: Caeden Klanfer, Jacob Tagliaferro

Grade 2: Sam Khair, Julianne Repucci

Grade 3: Sean Carroll, Anna Donahue

Grade 4: Maya Fischer-Nova, Luke Simoes

Grade 5: Milana Lombardi, Ciera Naroian

Grade 6: Erin Drew, Mariam Khair

Grade 7: Marissa Chandler, Luke Murphy

Grade 8: Blanaid Conneely, Emmie Suria



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Mae Ba, Director of Faith Formation mba@sacredheartsparish.com Laura Montes, Faith Formation Assistant lmontes@sacredheartsparish.com Jillian Noonan, Youth Minister jnoonan@sacredheartsparish.com

EVENTS

Sunday, March 13th *Rescheduled SAFETY Lessons

<u>Sunday Classes</u> Grades K-8th meet 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. at Sacred Hearts School Gym <u>Confirmation Year 2</u> meets from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Hearts Church Hall

Wednesday, March 16th

<u>Wednesday Classes</u> Grades K-8th meet 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Sacred Hearts School Cafeteria

Sunday, March 20th

<u>Sunday Classes</u> Grades K-8th meet 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. at Sacred Hearts School Gym

Thank you to Fr. John, Fr. Dan, and Fr. Richard for offering First Reconciliation to our school and faith formation students. It was a great reminder that when we seek the Good Shepherd's forgiveness, we experience PEACE on our hearts.



YOU'RE INVITED!

LENT Family Gathering | Faith Formation and Sacred Hearts School families are invited to join us on Sunday, March 27th, for a Lent Family Gathering. We will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m., followed by light refreshments, family activity, and time for prayer and Lenten reflection. We begin at Sacred Hearts Church and finish at Sacred Hearts School auditorium. **RSVP required** at

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C4EA4A82FA1FE3-lent

Contact Ms. Mae with any questions. Volunteers welcomed, especially our Confirmation students.

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