

Sacred Hearts Parish Bradford ~ Groveland



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28b

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.,

Immaculate Heart of Mary 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.

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POINTS TO PONDER

Reflect on Sunday's readings: John 10:27-30

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Psalms 100:1-2, 3, 5

- Have you ever been invited to participate in an activity, party, or group that makes you uncomfortable because it requires you to challenge yourself? Why did you hold reservations? Did you eventually join?
- Recall a time you turned down an opportunity to be charitable in word or deed because it would have upset your routine. (We have all done this.)
- Who is your shepherd? Is it material success? Professional gain? Social acclaim? How can you reorient your tendencies to follow Christ?
- If you were a first-century Jew, how do you think you would have reacted to Peter in the square in the first reading? Would you have listened with curiosity, suspicion, or interest?

A Mother's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, hold my mother close to Your heart as I hold her close to mine. Let her know today and every day how much I love her. Lord, comfort her mind and reassure her that her motherly care was everything I needed and wanted and that I love her dearly.

Heavenly Father, hold all those women who have loved me with a mother's love: grandmothers, aunts, friends, this special day, as in all the days of my life, I ask blessings for my mother and for all women in my life whose own faith and care have been a life-long gift to me. Bring all good things to these women, dear God, and bless them every day, in every way.

Amen.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, May 7, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Carmela Gallo, Month's Mind

4:00 p.m. ~ All Mothers Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, May 8, 2022

7:30 a.m. ~ All Mothers Living and Deceased

9:00 a.m. ~ All Mothers Living and Deceased

10:15 a.m. ~ All Mothers Living and Deceased

11:30 a.m. ~ All Mothers Living and Deceased

MONDAY, May 9, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Linda Arscott, Month's Mind

TUESDAY, May 10, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Loretta Rabuczewski

WEDNESDAY, May 11, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Vivian Forrest

THURSDAY, May 12, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ José Gustavo Cueva Cabrera

FRIDAY, May 13, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Thomas F. Quinlin, III, Month's Mind

SATURDAY, May 14, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Greg Keefe

4:00 p.m. ~ Carol Strudas

SUNDAY, May 15, 2022

7:30 a.m. ~ Ann Sign

9:00 a.m. ~ John W. Atwood

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

11:30 a.m. ~ John R. Elder

UKRAINE RELIEF

A parishioner is traveling to eastern Poland to assist in the Ukraine refugee resettlement efforts. He is willing to bring travel size items donated by Sacred Hearts Parish to help the Ukrainian people. Any small items are welcomed such as soap, shampoo,



hand sanitizer, toothpaste, and toothbrushes, etc.

Items may be left in the box located in the back of our churches until this Sunday, May 8th.

THANK YOU.

Miraculous Medal Novena

The Miraculous Medal Novena will be prayed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass each remaining Saturday in May, the 14th, 21st, and 28th in Sacred Hearts Church. *Please join us.*



Dear Friends,

All three readings today reference the same thing, the grace of God and how He is giving us all the choice of salvation and eternal life, and that Jesus is the Lamb of God and that all who believe are welcome. All three could not be any clearer in this message of this Easter Season.

In the first reading, Paul and Barnabas do not allow the violent contradictions of the Jewish leaders to dissuade them. They continue to preach as Jesus had instructed them and open their teachings to the Gentiles. This allows them to spread the Word of God to more people and the number of believers grow.

In the Book of Revelation, John foresees what is happening with Paul, Barnabas, and the other disciples. He sees the multitude of people from all nations standing in front of the lamb. This is exactly what was started with the teachings of Paul and Barnabas following Easter.

John's Gospel continues with Jesus saying, "My sheep hear my voice" and that they will have eternal life. He says that no one can take them out of God's hand.

What a beautiful group of readings to impress on all of us what is accomplished by Jesus with His Easter resurrection: that eternal life is there for all who believe and no one can take that away from any who believe. This eternal life is open to all of us and to everyone. What an amazing Easter gift for all!

Michael Scanlon
Grand Knight, Christ the King Council

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know on May 13th the Church celebrates the feast day of **Our Lady of Fatima**? On that date in 1917, the Blessed Virgin Mary began appearing to three shepherd children once monthly for six consecutive months. Initially, the reports by Lucia Dos Santos, Francisco Marto, and Jacinta Marto that they had seen a "beautiful lady" who spoke to them were met with skepticism; however, on October 13, 1917, at the last apparition, 70,000 people were in attendance, many of whom reported seeing a phenomenon where the sun appeared to dance in the sky. Our Lady's message at Fatima was one of prayer, repentance, and conversion to obtain peace for souls and for the world. She identified herself as "The Lady of the Rosary," and advocated its recitation daily. In October of 1930, the Church declared the apparitions to be "worthy of belief," and each year Fatima now welcomes about four million pilgrims. The two younger seers were canonized on May 13, 2017, and Lucia's cause for canonization is on-going. The message of Fatima, given to us just over one hundred years ago, remains a powerful and pertinent one for our violent and war-torn world today.



Parish Support

Sunday, May 1, 2021

174 envelopes:	\$ 7,704.00
Loose:	\$ 2,672.00
Online Giving (107 donors)	<u>\$ 3,307.42</u>
Total:	\$13,683.42

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Building and Maintenance

106 envelopes:	\$ 1,634.00
Loose:	\$ 580.00
Online Giving (45 donors)	<u>\$ 980.00</u>
Total:	\$ 3,164.00

Thank you for your ongoing support!



**JESUS IS
HERE**

FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

**Friday, June 17, 2022
7:30-9:30 PM**

Cathedral of the Holy Cross



**Calling ALL Teens and Young Adults
Jesus is Here for Youth and Young Adults**

is a pre-event to Saturday's Eucharistic Congress. The evening will include Praise and Worship by Village Lights, a talk by Bobby and Jackie Angel, Adoration, Confession, and a visit by Cardinal Seán. Our Cardinal Archbishop looks forward to gathering with the young people of the diocese to encounter our Lord truly present in the Eucharist together. Tickets are \$10/ per person. For more information, please contact Ms. Mae, mba@sacredheartsparish.com, or, Dr. Woodard, ewoodard@sacredheartsparish.com.

Pictures from the Paschal Triduum
Throughout the Easter Season, we will share photos taken from this year's Paschal Triduum, the sacred three days' that began our Easter Season (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil).



Pictured this week: scenes from Good Friday. Fr. John falls prostrate at the liturgy at St. Patrick's (above) and people venerate the cross at Sacred Hearts (below). Gestures of love and repentance.



Visit Marian sites at Sacred Hearts Parish: statues inside St. Patrick Church and Sacred Hearts Church, the Marian Grotto outside Sacred Hearts Church, and outside at the ECC and St. Patrick Church.



2023 MASS INTENTIONS
We are now accepting requests for Mass intentions for 2023. Please call the Pastoral Center at 978-373-1281.



**Mother's Day
Spiritual Bouquet**

This Mother's Day I would like to pray for:

_____ Living _____ Deceased

Requested by: _____

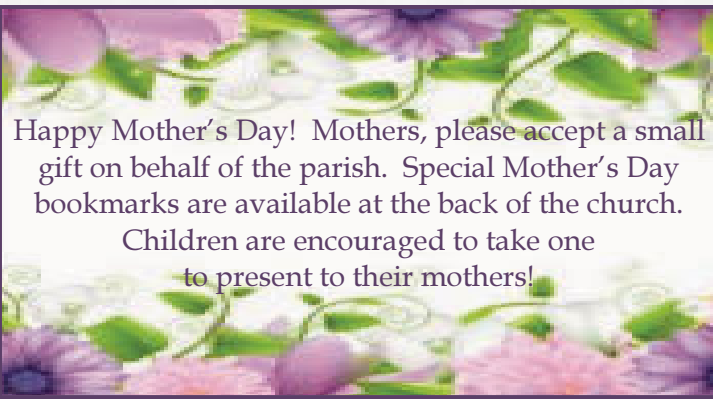
Rest in Peace

Joan M. Coppola and John Cartier



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.



Happy Mother's Day! Mothers, please accept a small gift on behalf of the parish. Special Mother's Day bookmarks are available at the back of the church. Children are encouraged to take one to present to their mothers!

Catholic Appeal Update



Goal:	\$53,777
To Date:	\$50,368
% of Goal	94%
Donors:	169

We are so close to our goal – please help us get there! If you have not had a chance to do so, please consider making your gift to the Appeal today by picking up an envelope at the back of the church or make an on-line donation at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. Participation from every household in the parish is important and every gift makes a meaningful difference in putting faith into action to support the parishes, schools, and communities within our Archdiocese. Thank you.

PRAYER LINE

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



Please pray for our second grade girls and boys in our parish family who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion in the coming weeks.

MAY IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY ROSARY OPPORTUNITIES

6:35 a.m. Monday thru Friday, Sacred Hearts Church
7:00 p.m. Thursday, Zoom
Meeting ID 829 6519 3212 | Pass code 7YQpuf
9:30 a.m. Sunday, St. Patrick Church



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to (L-R) Laurie, Angela, Adam, and Joanne, pictured with Fr. John and Dr. Elizabeth. These are the four people from our parish who participated in this Lent's Confirmation preparation class and received the sacrament of Confirmation at the our region's adult Confirmation this past Sunday. Bishop Hennessey presided at the Mass, which was held at St. Lucy Parish in Methuen.



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2022
LENTEN SERVICE PROJECTS



The students in grades 1-8 enjoyed a visit with Oksana Kovtanyuk (parent of Kristina, Grade 6). She expressed her gratitude for the generosity of our school community in raising \$2,700.00 to help the Children's Hospital in Ukraine. The students asked tremendous questions and it was an extremely valuable experience.



Additionally, Sacred Hearts students from nursery through grade 8 handmade beautiful Easter cards in religion class. We sent these lovely creations to other Sacred Heart schools across the nation, to spread the Good News of Christ's Resurrection.



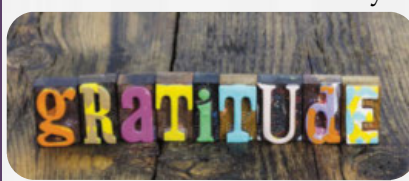
UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday, May 12th**
First Communion Rehearsals begin at 5:30 p.m. (Mrs. Dick's class) and 6:30 p.m. (Mrs. White's class) at Sacred Hearts Church.
- Sunday, May 14th**
First Communion Masses at Sacred Hearts Church as follows: 10:00 a.m. for Mrs. Dick's class and 1:00 p.m. for Mrs. White's class
- Thursday, May 19th**
First Communion Rehearsals begin at 5:30 p.m. for Mrs. Bronson's and Mrs. Forde's class and 6:30 p.m. for Mrs. Fellow's and Mrs. West's class at Sacred Hearts Church.
- Sunday, May 21st**
First Communion Masses at Sacred Hearts Church as follows: 10:00 a.m. for Mrs. Bronson's/Mrs. Forde's class and 1:00 p.m. for Mrs. Fellow's and Mrs. West's class.

Join us in praying for all our young people preparing to receive First Communion this month. May the transformative power of the Eucharist be a part of their lives and always draw them closer to Jesus.



With love and gratitude to all our students, families, catechists, and volunteers who helped make our Faith Formation year possible. You are God's *beloved*. Continue to 'Shine All Day' wherever you go.



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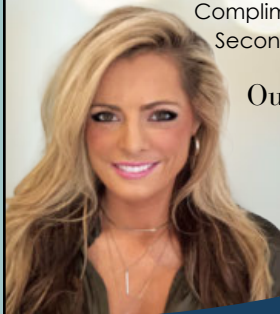
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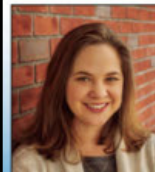
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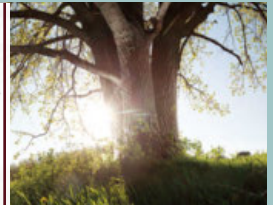
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