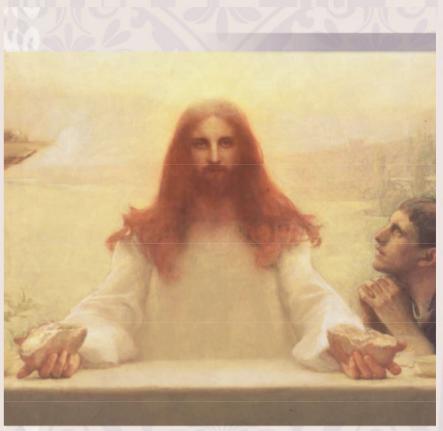
Sacred Hearts Parish Bradford ~ Groveland



6[™] SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." - Jn 14:27

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 as part of a small group baptism on select Sundays at 1:00 p.m. and to register for Baptism Instruction class.

Parish Staff

Very Rev. John Delaney, V.F., Pastor
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Dr. Elizabeth Woodard, Pastoral Associate
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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.

Sacred Hearts Parish is on Facebook! facebook



https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartsbradford/ Like" us. You will be able to keep up with our events.

POINTS TO PONDER

Reflect on Sunday's readings: John 14:23-29 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Revelations 21:10-14, 22-23

- What area of your life currently gives you the most peace? Why do you think this is the case?
- What area of your life is in the greatest need of peace? How can you ask the Holy Spirit to address this aspect of your life?
- How do you look for movements of the Holy Spirit in your life?
- Have you ever considered that God blesses all nations?

Miraculous Medal Novena

The Miraculous Medal Novena will be prayed after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday, May 28th, Sacred Hearts Church. Please join us.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED THEIR FIRST HOLY **COMMUNION THIS MONTH**

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



ANNUAL MAY PROCESSION

We welcome our First Holy Communion students at this weekend's 9:00 a.m. Mass to join our Annual May Procession.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, May 21, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Edith Doucette

4:00 p.m. ~ Kathy Early Casey

SUNDAY, May 22, 2022

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

9:00 a.m. ~ Vincent and Lorraine Clark

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

11:30 a.m. ~ Brenda Azzarito

MONDAY, May 23 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Nicoletta Brigham

TUESDAY, May 24 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Paula Cox

WEDNESDAY, May 25, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Ann M. Matarese

4:00 p.m. Vigil ~ Intention of the Celebrant

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

THURSDAY, May 26, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Joseph Richard

9:00 a.m. ~ Intention of the Celebrant

12:00 noon ~ Intention of the Celebrant

6:00 p.m. (SP) ~ Intention of the Celebrant

FRIDAY, May 27, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Jack Delaney

SATURDAY, May 28, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Joseph J. Cellucci

4:00 p.m. ~ Bruno Buccini

SUNDAY, May 29, 2022

7:30 a.m. ~ Janice A. Buckley

9:00 a.m. ~ Robert Casoli and the Mongiello Family

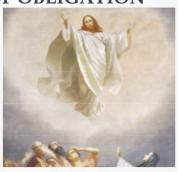
10:15 a.m. ~ Parishioners of Sacred Hearts Parish

11:30 a.m. ~ Walter and Rita Murray

ASCENSION OF THE LORD HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

THURSDAY MAY 26TH

MASS **SCHEDULE**



Vigil, Wednesday, May 25th: 4:00 p.m., Sacred Hearts Church Thursday, May 26th: 7:00 a.m., Sacred Hearts Church 9:00 a.m., Sacred Hearts Church 12:00 p.m., Sacred Hearts Church 6:00 p.m., St. Patrick Church

Dear Sacred Hearts Family and Friends,

Many of us have a hard time of letting go – I'll be the first to admit it! Finishing a school year, sorting out items to donate, leaving a place, or saying good-bye to family and friends are all emotionally challenging experiences. The gospels during the Easter season have all been a series of "farewells" from Jesus providing consoling words of comfort and encouragement. In each of the gospel scenes where Jesus appears and speaks of His imminent departure, I find myself clinging to Him asking Him not to leave us; to please stay with us longer.

In the sixth Sunday of Easter, the Gospel of John is one of my favorite passages of love, farewell and encouragement. For the first time during the Easter season, Jesus names *The Advocate*, the Holy Spirit, who is to come. There is evidence of the Holy Spirit co-existing throughout all of Holy Scripture, yet, it wasn't until Jesus' Ascension that allowed the Holy Spirit "whom the Father will send...[who] will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you" to be directly given to us on Pentecost. In God's plan of divine goodness, there was an order to salvation's history.

As we prepare for Jesus' Ascension, we are reminded of the love shared between and within the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Trinity's love sustains us, continually seeking to dwell within our hearts more fully. *It IS* hard to let go, so Jesus promises: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." The words of scripture can be easy to read at times, but harder to live out.

By the time this bulletin is published, over eighty plus young people of our parish will have received Jesus in First Holy Communion. May we continue to pray for each of the young people and their families and that Jesus be a central part of their lives. May the glory and graces of the Eucharist be with them always. I echo what was shared during rehearsals: "First Communion is not to meant to be the first and last communion. The Eucharist is spiritual food for our souls on this journey on earth. We are nourished by receiving Jesus into our mind, body and souls as frequently as possible."

I don't like saying good-bye. Rather, I prefer to say, 'I'll see you later.' This week's gospel was Jesus letting us know He'll be seeing us later too. Jesus says: "If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father." Lord Jesus, we do love you! Give us the strength to let go of the people, things, and places that prevent us from being closer to you. Help us to let go more fully in thanksgiving and trust in God's plan of divine goodness. Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Peace and blessings, Mae Ba Director of Faith Formation

Sunday, May 15, 2021 \$ 4,608.00 146 envelopes: \$ 2,257.00 Loose: \$ 2,730.88 Total: \$ 9,595.88 St. Vincent DePaul Collection Box \$ 169.38 Thank you for your ongoing support!

MAY IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY ROSARY OPPORTUNITIES

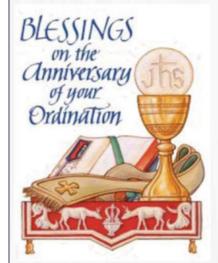
6:35 a.m., Monday thru Friday, Sacred Hearts Church

7:00 p.m., Thursday, Zoom Meeting ID 829 6519 3212 | Pass code 7YQpuf

9:30 a.m., Sunday, St. Patrick Church

Congratulations!

Our priests are celebrating their anniversaries in the coming weeks...



Fr. John May 20th

27 years

Fr. Dan May 24th 19 years

Fr. Richard June 13th 30 years

We thank them for their dedicated service to Sacred Hearts Parish.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know the sacrament of Holy Orders is the means our Church has received from Christ to continue the same mission He entrusted to His Apostles? When a man is ordained by a bishop to the priesthood, he then becomes someone who acts in persona Christi, or in the person of Christ. During Mass, when the priest says the words of consecration and repeats the words of Christ from the Last Supper ("this is my body..."), he is speaking as Christ. When we confess our sins during Reconciliation, we are confessing them not to the priest, but to Christ; and it is Christ who forgives us through the priest's words of absolution. This presence of Christ within the priest does not mean the priest is preserved from human weakness or sin, but the human failings of the priest do not impede the legitimacy of any sacraments he confers. With this teaching, the Church assures us that every sacrament conferred correctly by our priests is valid and efficacious. It is up to us to worthily receive and accept these gifts of the sacraments, given by Christ to His Church, to help us live our lives in authentic love and faith.

This Month Visit Marian Sites at Sacred Hearts Parish
Visit the 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.

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COURT SACRED HEARTS #864 CATHOLIC DAGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE WITH THEM IN HONORING OUR VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED OUR COUNTRY.

This Memorial Day weekend, May 28th and 29th, you are invited to bring items to the church that will be donated to the Veterans Northeast Outreach Center in Haverhill. Items that may be donated for both men AND women include:

T-shirts – sizes large and extra large Gym shorts – sizes large and extra large Socks, Underwear – sizes large and extra large Toiletries – deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, nail clippers, body wash, shampoo, etc.



laundry soap latex gloves



PLEASE NOTE: All items must be NEW due to the rules and requirements of COVID Please contact Maureen Trainor, Regent, at 508-517-2944 with any questions.

Rest in Peace

John Fiato, Jr., Georgia Venturo, Janice Mallette, and Thomas Ferlito



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.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE IMPORTANT MINISTRIES OF LECTOR OR EUCHARISTIC MINISTER?



Lector: Proclaims the Word of God during Mass.
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Jesus' Body and Blood with the Faithful during Mass.
Eucharistic Homebound Ministry: Brings the
Eucharist to those who cannot come to Mass.

Please contact Dr. Elizabeth Woodard, ewoodard@sacredheartsparish.com.

Catholic Appeal Update



Goal: \$53,777
To Date: \$52,943
% of Goal 98%
Donors: 187

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

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: Newly baptized Taylor, Abigail, Wilber, and Joshua, and newly confirmed Shikimah present the gifts of bread and wine that will soon be

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consecrated into
the body and blood
of Christ during
the Easter Vigil.
The five then
received the
elements back as
their First Holy
Communion.
Outside the church,
a cross, white
sheet, and banners
proclaim the
Good News of
Easter:

Alleluia! He is Risen!



ADORATION

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



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Sacred Hearts Radio Theatre Proudly presented Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs







Sacred Hearts Radio Theatre Players presented one of the most beloved folk tales of all time; Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. It was brought to life as a radio show, complete with full musical score and sound effects! This year's production was a unique take on a classic fairy tale and it was MAGNIFICENT! A huge thank you to our Director: Mr. Bob DeLibero, Musical Director: Michael Grady, Lighting Design: Mike Ferrara, Production Extraordinaire: Sheila Torrisi.



Congratulations to our eighth grade students on their final SHS Theatre Production: (Top picture, left to right) Cody Walsh, Molly Jordan, Cihara Mathieu, Elizabeth Ferrara, Bridget Torrisi, Haley Runnals, and Julia Cavanaugh. T i

"Faith formation is more than a subject to be taught- it is an invitation to a way of life." Paprocki

FAITH FORMATION

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 22nd | Annual May Procession

Mary's Crowning at the beginning of 9:00 a.m. Family Mass; all First Communion students are invited to participate in Mary's crowning.

Monday, June 20th to Thursday, June 23rd

<u>Vacation Bible School</u> is here from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Sacred Hearts Parish Hall.

Registration details forthcoming.

With great thanksgiving to God for wonderful First Communion

celebrations. Special thanks to Fr. John and Fr. Dan, Mrs. Downer and Mrs. Silva, our teachers, and our catechists who have shared their love and knowledge of the Eucharist. May the transformative

power of the Eucharist be a part of their lives and always draw them closer to Jesus.



Vacation Bible School - Spark Studios is here!

Ideal for students entering grades K-5th. Students in grades 6-8 are invited to be camp leaders. The registration link is forthcoming. Come discover the unique, gifted, and talented way God made you. You have a mission in the world and God wants you to live the best version of you.



Monday, June 20th to Thursday, June 23th, 2022

Ideal for students entering gr. K-6th, in-person: 9 a.m. to 12p.m.

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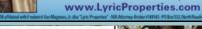


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