

Sacred Hearts Parish Bradford ~ Groveland



7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one.” - Jn 17:22-23a

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

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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/>
Like" us. You will be able to keep up with our events.

POINTS TO PONDER

Reflect on Sunday's readings: John 17:20-26;

Acts 7:55-60; Revelations 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

- When in your life to you feel that you are a gift to others?
- Have you ever had a moment in which you were certain you were "filled with the Holy Spirit"?
- When you think of Jesus sitting on a throne of justice, does it fill you with hope, or does it make you nervous?
- If Jesus came back to earth tomorrow, how confident would you feel in the way you have lived your life and the decisions you have made?

COURT SACRED HEARTS #864 CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS 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.

Mass Intentions

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

MONDAY, May 30, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Brenton C. Graham, Month's Mind

TUESDAY, May 31, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Leo Goddu

WEDNESDAY, June 1, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

THURSDAY, June 2, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ John May (Living)

FRIDAY, June 3, 2022

7:00 a.m. ~ Elizabeth Lynch

SATURDAY, June 4, 2022

8:00 a.m. ~ Matthew C. Rorke, Month's Mind

4:00 p.m. ~ Phil Salem

SUNDAY, June 5, 2022

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

9:00 a.m. ~ George Borucki

10:15 a.m. ~ Teresa and Frank Battistello

11:30 a.m. ~ Paula Cabral



God of power and mercy,
you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
Banish violence from our midst
and wipe away our tears,
that we may all deserve
to be called your sons and daughters.
Keep in your mercy those men and women
who have died in the cause of freedom
and bring them safely into your kingdom
of justice and peace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

– from *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers*



HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY
The Pastoral Center will be closed on Monday, May 30th, in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 31st, at 8:30 a.m.

Bulletin Reflection**May 29, 2022**

Today is the last Sunday of Easter. This past week we celebrated the Feast of the Ascension. While John's Gospel today tells of Jesus' prayer in the Garden on Holy Thursday, it speaks very much about Jesus' hope for His disciples and the world in general as He leaves for Heaven. He asks God to allow them to carry on His work, and to bring them to Heaven some day.

As I read today's Gospel, it reminded me of the song "The Commission", sung by Cain (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=APATH3ea-D0>). The song is basically Jesus commissioning His disciples to "Go tell the world about Me", and it promises that we will be with Him someday. Here is one verse and the chorus.

*Don't forget the things that I taught you
I've conquered death and I hold the keys
Where I go you will go too, someday
But there's much to do here before you leave*

*Go tell the world about me
I was dead but now I live
I've gotta go now for a little while
But goodbye is not the end.*

As Christians, we are also commissioned to tell the world the story of Jesus' teachings, both in words and in deeds. If we can do that, we fulfill Christ's desires for us, and we cement our place in Heaven with Him. Living a Christ-centered life makes us joyful, and others will see it, and will want it too. Are we living our lives in a way that inspires others to emulate us? Have you invited someone to join you at church, either for worship, or for a function? My favorite line in the Gospel is "Father, they are Your gift to Me." How will you be that gift to others?

This weekend we also celebrate Memorial Day; it is a time when we remember those who died in service to our country, but also those we love, who are no longer with us. As Jesus says, "Where I go, you will go too someday...". It is comforting to think that those we have lost are with Him in Heaven now, and that we will reunite with them when we are done with our work here on earth. When we miss our loved ones, we remember the good that they did - they are God's gift to us. How will we be remembered by those we leave behind? Will others think of us as God's gift to them?

It is never too late to start over as we try to be good Christians. God loves that we try, even when we aren't perfect. We "practice" our Catholicism so that we get as close to perfect as possible; don't let a stumble slow you down. Remember, "Goodbye is not the end."

Tom Carbone
Parishioner

Sunday, May 22, 2021

137 envelopes:	\$ 4,529.00
Loose:	\$ 2,264.00
Online Giving (96 donors)	\$ 2,252.42
Total:	\$ 9,045.42

St. Vincent DePaul Collection Box	\$ 120.00
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Thank you for your ongoing support!

Parish Support**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.

CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE



We are happy to report that we have exceeded our Catholic Appeal goal of \$53,777. As of 5-24-22 we have raised \$54,373! Thank you for your wonderful support and generosity. What a tribute to the spirit of Sacred Hearts' parishioners!!

We are truly grateful to the parishioners and families that helped us reach this important milestone. The Catholic Appeal makes a meaningful difference in putting faith into action to support the parishes, schools, and communities within our Archdiocese. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to our parish and to our Church.



Congratulations to all of our Sacred Hearts Parish graduates. We wish you all the best as you

venture off to new schools, new jobs and new adventures. May God's teachings always guide you and His love always surround you.



ADORATION

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

A Letter and Thank You From Our Volunteer in the Ukraine

"I must say that I am humbled by the generosity shown by Sacred Hearts parishioners who donated goods for Ukrainian refugees, thank you. Because of your efforts, two completely full suitcases were bought to Poland for distribution to Ukrainian refugees. (Shout out to Delta Airlines for waiving the overage fees). In Poland, I was in a resettlement center where refugees would come to transition prior to their relocation into other parts of the globe. Initially, 650 beds were available for this effort, but the Polish authorities required the center to reduce to 450 as we were no longer going to be housing persons staying within Poland. Our guests included young families, the elderly, cancer patients, and even an injured Ukrainian soldier awaiting transport to a hospital for a leg amputation. As no young men are allowed to leave Ukraine, when I say families I really mean mothers and children. Another casualty of the war - the family unit.

In addition to being provided a clean, safe bed, our guests were offered hot food, clothing, bedding, and personal hygiene supplies. While some people arrived with a suitcase, others were forced to evacuate with nothing but the clothes on their back. As needed, people were given a suitcase or bag in which to store their family's newly acquired goods. In fact, one woman was overjoyed just to receive a plastic bag in which to put the blanket she had been just given. I was taken aback by the compassion of the volunteers at the center. Guests were escorted to their cots and these volunteers insisted on carrying the guests' bags along with the bedding, like a bell hop would do. And they did so with humility, respect, and a smile. Truly Christlike!

Finally, I guess the biggest lesson I took away from this endeavor is that somethings are important and the rest is just a distraction. Having a roof over your head, not having to worry about bombs dropping around you, having electricity and water, and not having to run for your life is important. That car that just cut you off, despising the person who doesn't like your political candidate, talking about others behind their back, or not being able to find your favorite brand of peanut butter are just distractions. I, for one, will concentrate even more on what it means to follow the path of Jesus. "SLAVA UKRAINI!"



Rest in Peace

Deceased Parishioners of Sacred Hearts Parish



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 Lamps 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 May 29, 2022

The Sacred Hearts Church lamp burns for Paul and Theresa O'Brien

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that a **novena** is a nine-day period of prayer usually said to petition God or to give Him thanks? The word "novena" comes from the Latin word "novem," meaning "nine" (...though in our present day, novenas can last for longer periods). On May 26th, the Church celebrated Ascension Thursday in observance of when, forty days after His resurrection, Jesus ascended to His Father in Heaven. We know from Acts 1:14 that after Christ's ascension, the disciples were gathered together praying for the coming of the Holy Spirit who then descended upon them at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4), fifty days after Easter. It is believed that possibly those nine days of the disciples' prayer between the Lord's ascension and Pentecost served as a model for the first novena. Regardless of the actual origin of novenas, the Church today still encourages the faithful to use these nine days between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost to pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in their own lives, in our Church, in our country and in the world.

PRAYER LINE

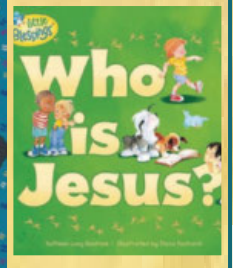
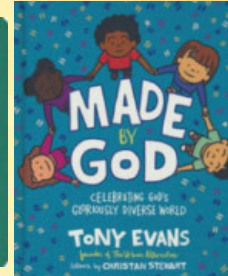
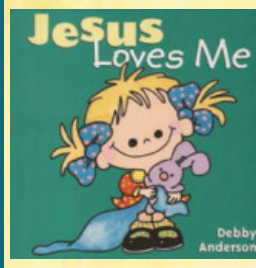
For prayer support call the Sacred Hearts Prayer line.
Eileen Clarkson at 978-373-0951 or
Priscilla Delong at 978-372-9353

Seeking Christian Children's Books

In preparation for our parents and tots group, which will begin this September, we are seeking children's books for ages 0-5 that have a Christian message.

There are many stories out there with colorful pictures about Jesus, the Church, the sacraments, and more. We hope to use these books to help our young ones develop a love for God. If you have (or are willing to purchase) any such books do donate for this purpose, you are invited to please bring them to the back of the church over the coming weeks.

Thank you for your generosity!



Haverhill Community Blood Drive Sponsored by the Armenian Apostolic Church at Hye Pointe



Church Hall
1280 Boston Road
Haverhill, MA 01835
Wednesday, June 1, 2022
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

American Red Cross

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Haverhill to schedule an appointment or download the Blood Donor App.

This Month Visit Marian Sites at Sacred Hearts Parish
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2022


TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

A HUGE thank you to the Sacred Hearts School PTO for showering our teachers and staff with appreciation throughout Teacher Appreciation Week. Each day the staff enjoyed a special treat donated by a local business (in red) or provided by the generosity of the PTO.




Monday: a morning coffee bar (Heavenly Donuts).

Tuesday: a mid-day mini treat bar (thank you cards on display in each lounge) (Carbone's Kitchen and Sweet Affair)

Wednesday: a lunchtime salad bar (Jocelyn's)

Thursday: a lunchtime taco bar to celebrate Cinco de Mayo (a sign displayed in front of the church) (Costello Insurance and Acio's Family Take-Out)


Friday: an ice cream bar (thank you sign displayed in front of the church)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, Jun 20th to Thursday, Jun 23rd
Vacation Bible School is here from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Sacred Hearts Church Hall.
Registrations required (see below).

Lessons learned from our Kindergarteners, 1st, and 2nd graders...



"Our Souls are Jesus' Garden."

"God plants love, joy, happiness, blessings in our souls."

"I liked learning about all the sacraments and receiving my second sacrament, Reconciliation."

"Everyday we should try to be a better version of ourselves."

"Jesus always forgives us."

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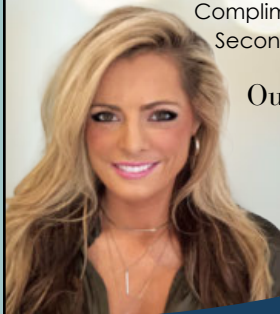
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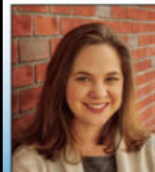
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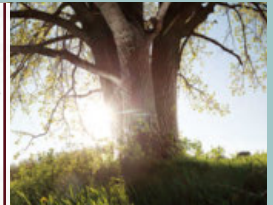
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