

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish

St. Ann Church

February 16, 2020

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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6th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Do not take a
false oath, but
make good to
the Lord all
that you vow.”
- Mt 5:33b

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Mass Schedule

Daily Mass:
9:00am
Tuesday & Thursday

Saturday Vigil:
4:00pm

Sunday:
7:00am & 10:00am

Confession:
2nd & 4th Monday of the month at
6PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 15:

4:00 pm Marie Comeau & Anita Jeffrey

Sunday, February 16:

7:00 am Jack Saniuk

10:00 am Anna McArdle

Tuesday, February 18:

9:00 am Michael Young

Thursday, February 20:

9:00 am Delia Murphy

Saturday, February 22:

4:00 pm Nunzie DiVito

Sunday, February 23:

7:00 am Jake Burke

10:00 am Special Intention

Next Week's Second Collection:

Support of the Church Around the World

In Loving Memory

Please remember in your prayers, James Ridge whose funeral mass was celebrated on February 14, 2020 and Catherine (Kay) Costa-Moleta whose funeral mass will be celebrated on February 20, 2020.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Amen



DISCIPLES IN MISSION



It's all about the Law this week. Sirach gives us great insight, "If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you." The choice is ours to live by the law or not. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus sets the bar high for us – it's not simply about doing good and avoiding evil, there's more: "whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do so will be called least in the kingdom of heaven." What kind of example do you set with adults and with children? Pray for what you need: Kindness? Patience? Temperate speech? Self-control?

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OFFERTORY: WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 8 - 9, 2020

TOTAL	Weekly Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	YTD Over/(Under) Budget	Second Collection
\$ 5,510.00	\$ 6,275.00	\$ (765.00)	\$(16,458.50)	N/A

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Saturday, February 15:

9:00am Pastoral Care Meeting

Sunday, February 16:

Live Lent sign ups after masses

Monday, February 17:

4:00pm NO RE Grade 6, 7 & 8

Tuesday, February 18:

12:00pm Collaborative Staff Meeting at St. Anthony's Parish

4:30pm NO RE Grade 2A

5:45pm NO RE Grade 4 & 5

Wednesday, February 19:

4:30pm NO RE Grade 2B & 3

Thursday, February 20:

4:30pm NO RE Grade 1

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, February 22:

Service Trip Bake Sale after mass

Sunday, February 23:

Service Trip Bake Sale after all masses

Confession is next offered at St. Anthony's Parish on Monday, February 17th at 6:00 PM.

PLEASE NOTE:



The Parish Office will be closed in observance of the holiday on Monday, February 17, 2020.

OUR MINISTERS THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

4:00pm

Celebrant: Fr. Bill W

Lector: Rob Mortel

Eucharistic Ministers: Bea Long, Lorraine Gillis

Altar Servers: Rachel, Robin

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

7:00am

Celebrant: Fr. Michael Medas

Lector: Bob LaRaia

Eucharistic Ministers: Maddy Antoine, James Mahoney

Altar Servers: Server Needed

10:00am

Celebrant: Fr. John Predmore

Lector: Catherine Hodgson

Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Beck, Deacon Jim Theriault

Altar Servers: Ellie

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

4:00pm

Celebrant: Fr. Michael Medas

Lector: Connie Hagerty

Eucharistic Ministers: Barbara Lawlor, Christine Duclos

Altar Servers: Rachel, Robin

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:00am

Celebrant: Fr. Michael Medas

Lector: Lisa Mahoney

Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Marie Burke, Kate Brigham

Altar Servers: JT

10:00am

Celebrant: Fr. Michael Medas

Lector: Carola Tabela

Eucharistic Ministers: Sal Lucreziano, Deacon Jim Theriault

Altar Servers: Montana

LIVE LENT - TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

Lent begins in about 10 days, so the time to join a small faith sharing group is running out. Are you still trying to figure out what it is all about? Are you wondering if you have the time?

Well here are three more reasons to join Live Lent:

1. The small faith sharing community is a great place to learn. There is no judgment in the group so there is no fear of asking questions. Everyone is there by choice which seems to set a tone of openness, and everyone is there because they are seeking – and likely seeking different things. people may join because they are new and want to meet people; people may join because they don't think they know enough about their faith but they don't have anyone to talk with about faith "stuff;" others say the join because they want to "figure out God" – which at first seems like a tall order but the reality is for most people they once again find God alive in their lives.
2. Your small group will be a great place to relax . . . life runs on a very fast and busy cycle. Finding a place to slow down and relax can be hard. But your small group is just that place. The leader usually begins by asking for a few minutes of quiet, to settle ourselves and let go of the day . . . what an amazing grace that is! Sitting quietly, a few deep breaths and everything slows down.
3. Your small group will help anchor you. During those 90 minutes, you are focused on the scripture readings, on the reflections that are shared both in the stories in the book and the sharing of group members and the life discussions that come from sharing.. The session ends with a challenge to identify an action for the upcoming week that will keep you anchored in the spirit of the program. You will be amazed how quickly your faith becomes more apparent in your day-to-day life.

So what are you waiting for? This extraordinary program allows friendships to begin and grow, encourages deep and meaningful prayer, and brings participants to a deeper faith and a more authentic relationship with our loving God. So why wouldn't you Live Lent?

If you haven't filled out a sign-up card, please call the parish office and let us know and we will make sure you are included in a small group this year. (781-925-0680)



LENT - PREPARING FOR EASTER



ASH WEDNESDAY	6 WEEKS OF LENT	FRIDAYS
FEBRUARY 26 7:00am: Mass St. Anthony 4:00pm: Service St. Anthony 4:00pm: Service St. Mary 7:00pm: Mass at St. Mary	LIVE LENT! Small Group Faith Share Week of Feb 24 - Week of March 30 6 weeks	STATIONS 'N SOUP St. Mary's 6:00pm St. Anthony's 6:15pm February 28 - March 27
MARCH 30	APRIL 3	PALM SUNDAY
PENANCE SERVICE 7:00PM St. Anthony's	LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7:00PM Presented by St. Mary's Confirmation Program Students St. Mary's	SATURDAY VIGIL 6:00pm St. Mary's 5:30pm St. Anthony's SUNDAY 7:00am St. Mary's 8:30am St. Anthony's 10:00am St. Mary's 11:30am St. Anthony's

#livelent

FATHER BILL'S 2020

Be a part of our community service event...

Dinner for Father Bill's in Quincy

Saturday, February 29th

We will provide dinner for 100+ guests!



How can you help?

- ★ Volunteer to prepare part of the dinner at home
- ★ Make a contribution to purchase a catered item
- ★ Donate a "Wish List" supply

Drop off boxes in St. Anthony's Parish Center/Church

Sign up at

www.bit.ly/fatherbills2020

(type directly into browser, not Google)

Food donations must be dropped off to St. Anthony's Parish Center
Friday, Feb 28th 12:30-2:30pm or Saturday, Feb 29th 12:00-2:30pm

Contact Kim at 781-383-9288 or kdonohue221@comcast.net with questions.

"We help people who are struggling with homelessness or are at risk of homelessness to achieve self-sufficiency."

A MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL

Over the past couple of weeks a few parishioners have suggested I put in the bulletin the announcement of my moving on from Saint Anthony and St Mary parishes. The folks mentioned they were away the weekend of January 11th & 12th, when I made the announcement, and know others were too. I am grateful for the suggestion. Below is the text of my announcement.

As most of you know, I have been a priest for 31+ years. In all of my assignments over those years, my goal has been to serve God well by being of best service to the people of my assignments. Over the past many weeks I have been reflecting on whether I am the right priest to pastor and be of best service to our parishes and Collaborative. After much prayer and discernment I believe that the people of our parishes would be best served by a priest with a different skill set than I have. While there are several reasons that have guided me to this conclusion, one is that I believe - at this point in the development of the parishes and Collaborative - the parishes would be best served by a pastor who will be involved in the small details of the daily operations of each of our parishes.

It is with great pleasure that I share with you that Cardinal Sean is appointing Fr Scott Euvard as the new pastor of Saint Anthony Parish and Saint Mary Parish, effective February 24, 2020. I know Fr Scott. He is a great pastor who has been successfully leading the Living Water Catholic collaborative in Amesbury/Salisbury for the past six years.

Permit me this opportunity to thank you all for the support that you have given me over these past months. I am most grateful and will keep you all, and the success of Christ By the Sea Collaborative, held in prayer. It has been an honor getting to know you, the 200+ parishioners I have met during the Tuesday Conversations with Father Michael, and praying Holy Mass together daily and on the weekends. You will always have a special place in my memory, and I look forward to hearing about the great things that will happen in each parish in the years to come.

Fr Michael Medas

POWERFUL PRO-LIFE PRAYER LAUNCH



Powerful Pro-Life Prayer Launch

Sunday, February 23, 2020

St. Catherine of Siena Parish

4:00 PM Mass with Fr. Michael McNamara

Church: 547 Washington St.
Norwood, MA

5:00 PM Speaker

Come hear the Amazing Testimony of Patricia Sandoval

Gymnasium: 249 Nahatan St.
Norwood, MA
(Also accessible from school parking lot)

Patricia Sandoval



Patricia's story of three abortions, work behind the hidden doors of Planned Parenthood, followed by nearly three years as a homeless drug addict, is a testament to the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ. She shares her testimony around the world, and in her book, "Transfigured".

Refreshments will follow.

Info at annie40days@gmail.com or call 781-769-5398

No charge for this event. All are welcome.

www.40daysforlife.com/boston

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF BOSTON EVENT

Please join Catholic Charities of Boston for the **"This is My Community" Speaker Series**: From the Border to Boston – Making Sense of Immigration Today, featuring Sister Norma Pimentel, Executive Director of Catholic Charities, Rio Grande Valley, Texas, and Mohamad Ali, President and CEO of IDG.

Pimentel serves as point person for organizing the emergency response to the surge in Central Americans crossing the border to seek asylum. Ali is President and Chief Executive Officer of IDG, one of the world's leading technology media, data and marketing services companies, and immigrated to the United States at the age of 11, becoming a US citizen in 1991. Pimentel and Ali are two of the nation's strongest champions of immigrants. The event will be moderated by WBUR's Tiziana Dearing.

When: February 27, 2020, Doors at 6:30 pm.

Where: WBUR City Space

890 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, MA 02215

General admission is \$15, \$5 for students.

To register, please visit: <https://ccab.org/speaker-series-presents-an-evening-withsister-norma-pimentel>

We Hope to See You There!



FROM FR. SCOTT: MY KEY RESPONSIBILITY AREAS PART II

Last weekend I shared with you my belief that, with the ongoing decline in the number of priests available for assignment in the Archdiocese of Boston and the resulting increase in responsibilities for priests, often based on outdated expectations, it is important for me to focus on my key responsibility areas. I shared with you two of my key responsibility areas. Today I share two more with you. These are like beacons of light during ministry. When deciding how to spend my time and energy, I look to these key responsibility areas. Though I may bear ultimate responsibility for all that happens in the parishes, if what is being expected of me does not fit into one of my key responsibility areas, then proximate responsibility for it needs to be shifted to a staff member or lay leader. Key responsibility areas numbers three and four:

- Proclaim, teach, and promote the Word of God, the Catholic faith, and gospel-based works, so that all entrusted to my pastoral care will hear the Word of God, know the Catholic faith, and practice gospel-based works.
- Create and review parish communications (print, web, social media) so that all parish communications express invitation and welcome as they communicate our faith.

As we move forward, please join me in turning to Jesus Christ in prayer for all impacted by this upcoming transition – the parishioners and staff members of the Catholic parishes in Amesbury and Salisbury and Cohasset and Hull, Father Michael, and me.

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

“The measure of the greatness of a society is found in the way it treats those most in need, those who have nothing apart from their poverty.” - Pope Francis

As we strive to be that great society, each month our social justice ministry calls each one of us to activism and volunteerism, it provides each of us the opportunity to find a passion for justice, and it invites each of us to respond to the needs of the oppressed and the struggling.



This month we are supporting My Brother's Keeper whose mission is *“To bring the love and hope of Jesus Christ to those we serve.”* Each time they make a delivery, they leave a crucifix with the message *“we’re just the delivery people, this is the man who sent you the furniture.”* This organization brings the love of Jesus Christ by delivering food or furniture to those who ask for it in southeastern Massachusetts.

This prayer, written by the co-founders Jim and Terry Orcutt, is something each of us who have enough should pray daily:

Lord,
When I have food, help me remember the hungry.
When I lie in my bed, help me remember those who sleep on the floor.
When I have a warm home, help me remember the homeless.
When I have work, help me remember those without jobs.
When I experience the joy of giving to my children,
Help me remember the agony of those who must watch their children go without.
By remembering, help me to destroy my indifference and arouse my compassion.
Make me concerned enough to act in your name, to help those who cry
out to you for that which I so often take for granted. Amen

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