

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK




- Saturday, September 22 4:00pm Jody Sheridan 1st Anniv.**
requested by the family
- Sunday, September 23 9:00am 5th Anniversary Mass for Sue Selby, Grace Flynn, Lorna Dion Lorraine Casavant, & Gail Metcalf**
req. by Jim & Patti Laliberte
- 11:00am Karen Burke**
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- Monday, September 24 8:30am Estelle Griffin**
requested by the family
- Tuesday, September 25 8:30am Paula McGrail**
requested by Fr. Michael
- Wednesday, September 26 8:30am Marie Jeanne Lavallee**
requested by Yvette Lussier
- Thursday, September 27 8:30am Marie Jeanne Lavallee**
requested by the Knights of Columbus
- Saturday, September 29 4:00pm Deceased members of the John Cardinal Wright Assembly**
- Sunday, September 30 9:00am Alfred J. Dumais & Patricia M. Dumais 22nd Anniv.**
requested by David Dumais
- 11:00am Bob Millette**
requested by SVDP

Dear Friends in Christ,

When Jesus predicted His upcoming Passion, at least four times in the Gospels, His disciples "did not understand." One wonders what this means. Was it that it was too difficult to face the loss of their friend to a violent death? Could they not fathom that God's plan of salvation meant allowing His Only Son to be crucified? Did they wonder if they had made a mistake following Jesus?

Sometimes when we read the Passion predictions of Jesus we forget the ending of these predictions. Jesus says "and three days after His death the Son of Man will rise." Jesus does not simply speak about suffering and death. He tells us there will be a resurrection. This resurrection will conquer death itself and give us the promise of eternal life.

The Paschal Mystery is at the center of our Catholic Faith. Through Baptism, we enter into the mystery and Christ comes to live the mystery of His own life through our lives. This is because Baptism joins us to Christ and makes us a member of His Body.

What does it mean when we suffer and die, through the various experiences of our lives? It means that we can be sure that there will be a resurrection following. This truth can also be applied to the Church and the parish. Periods of difficulty and loss will be surely followed by new life and new growth.

Jesus has promised us this. Let us take Him at His word.

In Christ,

Fr. Michael



Weekly Collection September 15 & 16

Adults	\$ 3,128.00
Maintenance	\$ 65.00
Other sources of Income	\$ 290.00
Total of parish support	\$ 3,478.00
Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses	\$ 4,110.00
SVDP	\$ 135.00
Poor Box	\$ 26.00



<https://www.facebook.com/SaintAnnParishOxfordMA>

Meetings

NA Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall
K of C 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall
SVDP Sunday Oct. 21st following the 9:00am Mass
Rosary Group Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church
Bible Study Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Church Hall
Please have read Mark 9:38-48



If you are a parishioner and are in need of assistance, please call #508- 987-8892 and leave a message on the SVDP private line and someone from the SVDP will return your call. Maybe you have lost your job and are behind on your utilities or can't afford to have oil delivered. We can help. We also can point you in the direction of other resources that are available.

VENDORS WANTED for our Vendor Fair

Saturday, October 13, 2018 9 to 3 pm

\$25.00 per table

to register please contact the rectory

St. John's High School Open House

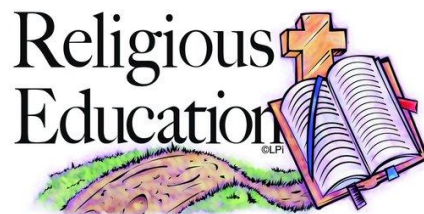
St. John's High School will be holding an Open House on Saturday, September 29 at 9:00am and Tuesday, October 16 at 6:00pm. The placement Test for St. John's will be held on Saturday, October 27, 2018. See our website www.stjohnshigh.org, or contact the Admissions Office at 508-842-8934, ext 266 for further information

A Mini-Retreat for Women - Commission for Women

The Commission for Women of the Diocese of Worcester invites you to join us for a Mini-Retreat for Women on Saturday, October 20 at St. Mary's Parish Hall, Main Street, Shrewsbury, MA. The day will begin with Mass at 8:30am, followed by registration and pas tries. Lunch will be included with the \$15 offering, and the program will conclude by 1:30pm. Our facilitator will be Jaymie Stuart Wolfe. The program will leave you with a stronger sense of who God is and how He wants to be in your life, and who you are and can be in Him and for each other. Further information and registration form can be found at www.worcesterdiocese.org/commission-for-women

October is Holy Rosary Month

We will be praying the Rosary before each Mass during the Month of October. Please join us twenty minutes before mass to intercede for our church, our world and families. We still need leaders. Signup sheet is on the bulletin board. Deacon Jim



**St. Ann's Religious Education 2018-2019
Starts Monday, September 24**

Grades 1-4 3:30 - 4:45pm

Grades 5-9 6:00 - 7:15pm

Confirmation Classes to be determined



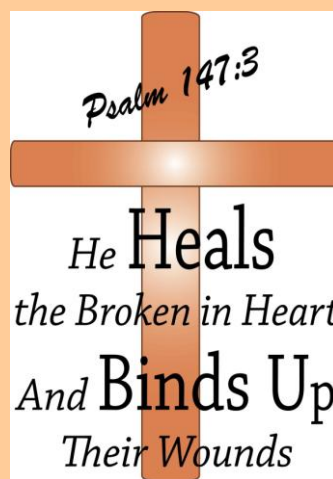
Upcoming Events

In honor of St. Therese the Little Flower

Tuesday, October 2 6:00pm Night of Reflection in the church

Sunday, October 21 Trip to Shrine of St. Therese & Wright's Chicken Farm

Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board for the trip to the shrine and Wright's Chicken Farm.



DAYS OF ATONEMENT will be held on the first and third Mondays of the month for the rest of the year at St. Roch's Church.

October 1 & 22,
November 5 & 19,
December 3 & 17.

Please join us for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which will follow the 8:30am Mass until Benediction at noon.

If you are unable to participate in these prayerful gatherings, you are invited to observe the Atonement Day by fasting. Our intention is that as we make reparation for sin, both the survivors of the sex abuse crisis and our Church will be healed.