

- Saturday, December 29** 4:00pm Russ & Anna Genander requested by Ron & Jan Gagner
- Sunday, December 30** 9:00am Betty Wroblewski requested by the Staff of St. Ann's
- 11:00am Deceased members of the Maglio Family, req. by Palmina Griffin
- Monday, December 31** 4:00pm Deceased members of the Moris Family, requested by Palmina Griffin
- Tuesday, January 1** 8:30am All Souls Intentions of Mr & Mrs Robert Krasinskas
- Wednesday, January 2** 8:30am All Souls Intentions of Donna Freeland
- Thursday, January 3** 8:30am Bernard Chesties requested by Ron & Jan Chesties
- Saturday, January 5** 4:00pm Wilfred & Maureen Pichette requested by the Bouvier Family
- Sunday, January 6** 9:00am James Chaisson req. by Bill & Barbara O'Brien
- 11:00am Deceased members of the Griffin Family, req. by Palmina Griffin

Next Weekend

My Brother's Keeper Food Collection to benefit the Oxford Ecumenical Food Shelf.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered for anyone in need after all the Masses.



Weekly Collection December 22 & 23	
Adults	\$ 3,397.00
Children	\$ 24.00
Maintenance	\$ 50.00
Other sources of Income	\$ 20.00
Bottles & Cans	\$ 104.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 370.00
Total of parish support	\$ 3,965.00
Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses	\$ 4,250.00
SVDP	\$ 85.00
Poor Box	\$ 46.00

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, the Scriptures present to us an image of parents teaching their son the ways of faith. In Luke 2:41-52, Joseph and Mary bring the boy Jesus with them to the Temple in Jerusalem to celebrate Passover. St. Luke notes that the Holy Family did this "according to festival custom," meaning that they did this as part of their regular religious observance, acting in faithfulness to the Law of Israel.

The faithfulness of Mary and Joseph to the Law of Israel was rewarded when they discovered their son excelled in knowing and teaching their faith to rabbis in the Temple. St. Luke notes that "all who heard (Jesus) were astounded at His understanding and answers." Though Jesus was God, His parents formed His human understanding of the Jewish faith through teaching and example.

The feast of the Holy Family reminds us of the fact that children learn what they live. If parents are faithful to God and practice their faith, children are more likely to follow their example. The Church teaches us that parents are the first teachers of the Catholic Faith to their children. There is no substitute for parental involvement in the faith-life of children. The formal religious education the Church provides only supplements what happens at home. The single most important thing parents can do to instill faith in their children is to bring them to weekly Mass.

On behalf of St. Ann's Parish Staff, I wish all of you a very blessed and happy New Year. I ask that God's blessing fall upon all of our families, that they may allow the example of the Holy Family to inspire and guide them.

In Christ
Fr. Michael



**January Coffee Shop
6 & 20**

**Please join us after the
9:00am Mass for fellowship
in the hall.**

Meetings

NA Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall
K of C 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall
SVDP Sunday Jan. 20 following the 9:00am Mass
Rosary Group Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church
Bible Study Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Church Hall
Christmas fellowship at 6:00 Please read Mt 2: 1-12



St. Vincent De Paul

Serving those in Need

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.

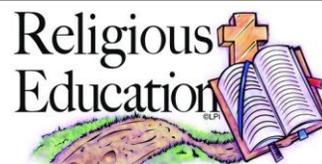


Sunshine Ministry

Birthdays for January 2019

Raymond Matosky

Pat Foley



St. Ann's Religious Education 2018-2019
Grades 1-4 3:30 - 4:45pm
Grades 5-9 6:00 - 7:15pm
Confirmation Classes Wednesday at 6:00pm
Classes will resume, Monday, January 7, 2019



Open House at the rectory

Sunday, December 30th after the 9 & 11am Mass

Holy Day of Obligation

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Monday, December 31st at 4:00pm

Tuesday, January 1st at 8:30am

Remember us, O God;
from age to age be our comforter.
You have given us the wonder of time,
blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.
Bless your children at the turning of the year
and fill the months ahead with the bright hope
that is ours in the coming of Christ.
You are our God, living and reigning, forever and
ever. Amen.



We would like to thank all who made the Christmas Liturgies so special this year. We thank our wonderful choir and music director, our liturgical ministers, our Christmas pageant director, parents and children. We especially thank the church decorating crew for the wonderful decorating of our sanctuary for the celebration of our Savior's birth. We hope that you have a blessed Christmas and a happy and healthy new year.



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