

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday OF ADVENT



December 15, 2019

Holy Family Parish—370 Middleboro Avenue—P.O. Box 619 East Taunton, MA 02718

## Encounter Christ in the Sacraments

### **Holy Mass Schedule**

Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m.  
Daily Mass: Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
(The rosary is prayed prior to daily Mass at 7:35 a.m.)

### **Sacrament of Confession:**

**Saturdays from 3-3:50 PM at Holy Family.**

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

(in the Parish Center Chapel)  
Mondays-Fridays 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

**The Rosary** is prayed every Monday in the chapel from 6-7 pm for Vocations. All are welcome to come and pray.

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

By appointment. Parents must contact the Priest or Deacon for an appointment.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Those parishioners wishing to be married at our parish must contact the Priest or Deacon **at least 8 months** before the date of the wedding.

### **Visitation and Anointing of the Sick**

We are pleased to anoint and/or bring Communion to any parishioner who cannot participate at Mass for reasons of illness or age. Please contact us.

### **Bulletin Submissions —**

Please email [bulletinholyfamily@gmail.com](mailto:bulletinholyfamily@gmail.com) with any announcements at least one week in advance of the publication date.

### **Please Pray for the Following:**

Gail Nigloschy & Family	Jacqueline Van Dyke
Evelyn Driscoll	Kevin Gallagher & Family
Deborah Lewis	Marc DeSousa
Jim & Adeline Marques	Lindsey and Theo
Mary daSilvia	Tara Ramos
Steve Kennealy	Janice Fitzpatrick
Carmen Sousa	Liam Quinn
Meg Goslin	Patrick Lynch
Sr. Anita Marie	Lorraine Moisan
Annie Rose	Sylvia Medeiros
Adam Gannon	Kate Powlowsky
Steven Bois	Lorraine Rapoza
Susan Feinberg	Julia Lopes
Heather Gacheco	Marianne Powers
Luzia & Adelino Grazito	Denis Candlen
Dennis Medeiros	Jean Poole
Edward Kerrigan	Aaron Lewis

## Welcome

To any new parishioners or those who might be visiting our parish family this week! Please introduce yourself to the Fr. Wilson or Deacon Kevin. We are so happy you have joined us!

### About Us

#### **Parish Center**

438 Middleboro Ave., E. Taunton, MA 02718

#### **Office Hours**

Monday–Friday from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

#### **Phone Numbers**

Rectory: 508-824-5665  
Parish Center: 508-824-5707  
Faith Formation: 508-824-3578  
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**Website:** <http://www.hfparish.net>

#### **Parish Staff**

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Mary C. Anderson, *Organist*  
Steve Woolson and Dave LeClair, *Maintenance*

Sarah Parker, *Sacristan*

Dave Jolivet, *Rectory Assistant*

### Recurring Events

#### **St. Vincent DePaul Society**

2nd Wednesday at 7:00pm

#### **Knights of Columbus**

1st Wednesday at 7:00pm

#### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

2nd Wednesday at 1:00pm

## The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available:

- Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 7 pm at St. Mary's Church in downtown Taunton
- Sunday, Dec. 22 at 6 pm at St. Ann's Church in Raynham (Father Rich will be at both of those services)
- Tuesday, Dec. 24 after the 8 am Mass
- Tuesday, Dec. 24 between 2:45 and 3:30 pm
- Thursday, Dec. 26 after the 8 am Mass

**Mass for Married and Engaged Couples:** On Sunday, December 29, which is the Feast of the Holy Family, we will be having a special Mass for married and engaged couples. This will take place at the 10:30 Mass. Couples will receive a blessing during the Mass, and a light reception will follow in the basement of the church. All are welcome to attend.

## WINE: Women In the New Evangelization Advent Gathering - All Welcome.

Ornament Exchange, Mocktail Party, and Information Night. Ornament - \$10 or less.

Monday, December 16, 7 to 9 pm in the Holy Family Parish Center. For more information call Allison Gingras: 508-243-1133

## Christmas Mass times:

- 4:00 vigil Mass on Christmas Eve at both the church and also the parish center. Please note that the church tends to fill up early and quickly, and once it does, we ask that you proceed to the parish center if the lot is full at the church.
- Midnight Mass at the church
- 10:00 AM Christmas day at the church.

**Congratulations to the newest member of the church! Keegan Edward Choate** was baptized into our great Faith last weekend surrounded by his family, and closest friends. Please keep them all in your prayers as they help him grow in his Faith as a child of God.

**Thank you to all who helped clean our church on Tuesday evening!** It was a great team effort and now our Parish will be ready to be decorated for the Christmas season

**Faith Formation will not be held the weekends of December 21/22<sup>nd</sup> or December 28/29<sup>th</sup> for Christmas break.**

Classes will resume the weekend of January 4/5<sup>th</sup>. Have a wonderful Christmas vacation!



REMEMBER  
*in your prayers*

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, December 14

8:00 Virginia & Joseph Moisan  
4:00 Ann Ploude

### Sunday, December 15

7:30 Francis Casey  
9:00 For the People of the Parish  
10:30 Daniel Nunes

### Monday, December 16

8:00 Miriam Perry

### Tuesday, December 17

8:00 Elizabeth Ploude  
Jayma McCarthy

### Wednesday, December 18

8:00 Karen Coughlin

### Thursday, December 19

8:00 Fr. Luciano Pereira

### Friday, December 20

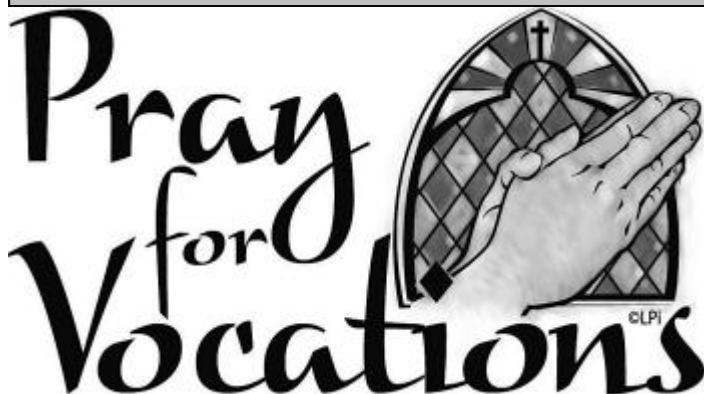
8:00 Richard LaBelle-10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### Saturday, December 21

8:00 Karen Coughlin  
4:00 Margaret Carvalho-21<sup>st</sup> anniversary  
Antone Silvia, Jr.-2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary

### Sunday, December 22

7:30 Jose & Maria Maranhas  
9:00 Rosemarie Olivadesa  
10:30 For the People of the Parish



### **SAVE THE DATE:**

The Fall River Diocese 2020 Women and Men's Conference will take place on Saturday, March 7, at Stonehill College in Easton. Response over the past 3 years has been very positive to this one-day Lenten program that features noted speakers, music, Mass, fellowship and more. So, please mark your 2020 calendar now and watch for details on the Women & Men's Conference in the coming months.

### **The Century Club winners for December**

receiving \$25 each are: Carol Murphy, Lauren Pimentel, Chong Silvia, Judy Dutra, Donna Faulkner, Stephen Tapis, and Helen Legere. The one time \$100 winner for a member paid in full by December 1<sup>st</sup> was Steve Crovello. Congratulations to all the winners!

If you are still interested in joining the Century Club, it's not too late! Applications are by the doors of the church and at the parish center. There are still 8 more months of \$25 raffles out of the 10 AND the big raffles that occur during the Venus de Milo dinner in October. You can pay the \$100 annual dues monthly, or all at once.

**VOCATION PRAYER CROSS:** It's a new year coming up in just a couple of weeks! We have a new sign up sheet for the Vocation Prayer Cross located on the table at the back of the church for the first 6 months of 2020. Let's fill it up! You can take a week, 2 weeks, 3 weeks... whatever you'd like! What better resolution than to help pray for vocations! If you've never done it before, there's a book of prayers that come with the cross. You simply take the cross and booklet home when you come to Mass on the weekend, pray during the week using the book, and then return the cross and booklet the following week.

### **FEAST OF OUR LADY OF**

**GAUDALUPE:** The Hispanic Community at St. Mary's Church in downtown Taunton invites you to join with them in celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of America, with a Midnight Mass (at 12) the night of Dec. 11 entering into Dec. 12. Before Mass we can pray the Rosary and sing hymns to the Blessed Mother and confessions will be available. After Mass we will have a light reception. All are welcome to attend. If you'd prefer to go to Mass during "normal" hours, we will have Mass at Holy Family on Thursday, Dec. 12 at 8 am and 6:30 pm. **The 6:30pm Mass at Holy Family is a required Mass for our Faith Formation students to make up for the loss of a month of classes at the start of the school year.**

### **Do you have a truck with a snow plow?**

Would you be interested in helping us by plowing occasionally to help defray the cost of snow removal this winter? If so, please contact Tracey or Dave in the office or Fr. Rich. Thanks so much!

### **ATTENTION ALL ADORERS-**

Going forward, Janice Connors will be taking over as head of emergency Adoration coverage. There will be updated substitute sheets available by the end of the month in the chapel with her contact information on it. Once you've been unsuccessful finding coverage for your hour as one of our Adorers on your own, or if you have an emergency, you'll contact Janice (or one of her team members) for assistance instead of the office. Thank you!

**World Wide Marriage Encounter-** Give your spouse a special gift this Christmas by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Mar 13-15, 2020 in Duxbury, MA and Apr 18-19, 2020 in BREWSTER, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

### **The Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program is seeking team couples-**

— both newly-married and veterans (age is not a consideration) who would like to enrich their Marriage while helping engaged couples prepare for their lifetime together. The Diocesan Marriage Preparation program meets in three locations: Mansfield, Dartmouth and Harwich on Cape Cod. In each location there is a team of volunteers that facilitate three to five sessions per year. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Claire McManus at [cmcmamus@dfrcs.org](mailto:cmcmamus@dfrcs.org) or call her at 508-678-2828, extension 19.



**The Angel Trees**-on the weekends of December 14/15<sup>th</sup>, we will be offering our Angels once again to be purchased and placed on the 2 trees that we have set up in the church through the Christmas season. All the people listed on the angels will be prayed for at a special Mass on January 1<sup>st</sup> at noon. The Angels have the names of those we want to be honored or memorialized. The donation for an angel is \$3 and may be purchased at the back of the church on those 2 weekends.



**Please join us on December 15<sup>th</sup> for BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** hosted by the Knights of Columbus at the Parish Center beginning at 10am. It's always a great time for both children and their parents. The event is FREE and all are welcome!



**Confirmed and practicing your Faith?** Interested in helping out with the retreats this year? **Our first team meeting will be this Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the Parish Center.**

**If you're looking for that perfect Christmas gift for someone special**, please consider a gift subscription to The Anchor, the official Catholic newspaper of the Fall River Diocese. For just \$25 a year (or \$45 for two years), The Anchor is something they'll cherish and appreciate year-round.

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 EXPENSES: \$30,070.17

**13 Day Rome and Holy Land Pilgrimage  
 September 6-18, 2020**

Join Father Jason Brilhante and fellow pilgrims on a life-time experience to Rome, Assisi, and the Holy Land where Jesus himself was born, lived, and began his public ministry. Some of the highlights of the pilgrimage include attending a Papal Audience where pilgrims are present for the Holy Father's weekly catechesis, a visit to Assisi where the much beloved Saint Francis is entombed, and then on to the Holy Land. There, pilgrims will visit Cana where Jesus turned water in to wine, the Church of the Nativity where Jesus was born, and many more holy sites. The pilgrimage includes roundtrip airfare from Boston, two meals a day, and first class hotels for accommodations. For more information about the pilgrimage, please visit [www.inspirationaltoursinc.com](http://www.inspirationaltoursinc.com), or email Father Jason Brilhante at [fr.jason.brilhante@gmail.com](mailto:fr.jason.brilhante@gmail.com).

**TMIY will be on break until January 18<sup>th</sup>.** All men are invited to join us when we resume for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the program at the Parish Center from 6:15am -7:45am on Saturdays. Breakfast is served at every meeting!

**Thank you to all who supported the Respect for Life Committee's Pancake Breakfast on December 1<sup>st</sup>!** They were able to raise \$675 from the event to put toward the cost of the March for Life trip in January.



**Masses around Taunton-** With the collaboratives of the parishes in the central part of Taunton, some new Masses times have become available. **Monday** nights there is Mass in English at Annunciation of the Lord at 6:30 pm (there is also a Portuguese Mass Mondays at St. Anthony's at 6 pm). **Fridays** there is a noon Mass at St. Mary's (in the side chapel), as well as a Spanish Mass at 6 pm.



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