



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT



Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."

- Jn 11:25

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March 30, 2020

Holy Family Parish Center—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 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
Dan Dolan	Luke Sigler

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.

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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

Lenten Discipline: The Code of Canon Law very aptly summarizes the ecclesiastical discipline in Canon 1249. "All members of the Christian faithful in their own way are bound to do penance in virtue of divine law: in order that all may be joined in a common observance of penance, penitential days are prescribed in which the Christian faithful in a special pray, exercise works of piety and charity, and deny themselves by fulfilling their responsibilities more faithfully and especially by observing fast and abstinence..."

Lighthouse Media CD's-We have a new stock of wonderful Catholic CD's available at the back of the church and at the Parish Center for a small donation (\$3 per CD). Please feel free to try one or more out! They're great to listen to on your way to and from work, or while at home.

Don't forget that Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Those who are 14 years of age and older are obliged to observe the laws of abstinence in which one should abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

Readings for the week of March 29, 2020

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
 Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:1-11
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
 Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56
 Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Observances for the week of March 29, 2020

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent
 Monday:
 Tuesday:
 Wednesday: April Fools' Day
 Thursday: St. Francis of Paola, Hermit
 Friday:
 Saturday: St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 28

8 :00 Philip & Audrey Silva
 4 :00 Julie Phillips

Sunday, March 29

7 :30 For the People of the Parish
 9:00 Maria Morgado
 10:30 Linda Marques-1st Anniversary

Monday, March 30

8:00 Virginia Moreira & Family

Tuesday, March 31

8:00 Delfim DeSousa

Wednesday, April 1

8:00 Brett Ploude
 7:00pm Confirmation

Thursday, April 2

8:00 Rosemarie Olivadesa

Friday, April 3

8:00 José Ferreira

Saturday, April 4

8:00 James Feeney
 4:00 John Mullen-3rd Anniversary

Sunday, April 5

7:30 John Medeiros
 9:00 For the People of the Parish
 10:30 Carlos DeJesus



Holy Family St Vincent DePaul Food Pantry:

Call for help stocking our shelves, as we prepare for our monthly food pantry distribution (3rd Saturday of each month). Appreciate the following items: **Spaghetti Sauce, Tuna Fish, Canned Veggies, Fruit cups, Juice & Hot Cocoa.** Donations may be left in the bins at church & the parish center. Thank you for your generosity!

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Don't forget about FORMED during Lent.

It's an excellent resource for those interested in learning more about our Faith. We have a subscription that was graciously paid for by donations from our Parishioners so that all may enjoy it at no cost. The password is GDC829.

Asked to be a Godparent or Sponsor? Because a godparent or sponsor for Confirmation is representing the Church, the Church does require certain qualifications: one has been baptized, received the Eucharist, and been confirmed, as well as if married, one is married in the Catholic Church, and one is living one's faith. So a church can know a person qualifies, those who are asked need to have a signed sponsor form by a priest or deacon. At Holy Family, one should contact Deacon Kevin about meeting to discuss being a godparent or sponsor and getting the form filled out if one qualifies.

Strengthening Faith

Question:

Our prayer group is discussing ways we can change and strengthen our faith. What one thing could we change that would have the greatest impact on our faith?

Answer:

A famous coach once said that when the team is in trouble and things aren't going well, go back to the basics; when the team is winning and things are going well, go back to the basics! Any renewal program, faith development, or spiritual growth effort has to start with the basic core of what it means to believe. If the foundation is not strong, the house will not stand.

So if you work on one thing, begin with the idea that God is love, who loves us and calls us to love one another. If we really take that belief to heart, it changes how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It would change how we pray, how we treat others, and how we understand and live our own life. Our sense of mission and purpose will be more focused on God's plan and our role in it. Love is the core of faith, the goal of life, and the hope of heaven. Whatever we do to strengthen and deepen our faith will begin and end with love.

The Lord, God is my help. Let God help your marriage be the Sacrament He intended. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jun 6-7, 2020 in Medway, MA and Sep 12-13, 2020 in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

Our parishioner, Mary Joyce Phillips, is in need of a PCA (Personal Care Attendant). She is on the Independent Living Program (MA Health Program) that allows disabled people to live independently. She is in need of help Saturday mornings from 8am-Noon and Sunday evenings from 5-7pm and the rate is \$15.40/hr. She does use a Hoyer Life.

She is also looking for back-up help throughout the week when her other PCA's are unavailable. The agencies do not provide sufficient hours to meet the needs of many disabled people. Those on the Independent Living Program cannot apply to the agencies for help.

If you are interested in the position, please call Mary Joyce at 508-824-0072

The Spring Bible Study is postponed until further notice. Those who took the fall session have the study guides with all the lessons. You can go on FORMED through the Parish Website and view all the lessons under Lectio Bible Study on the Eucharist. You can then go to the exercises in your study guide. We already did lessons 1-5. The spring session was to cover lessons 6-10. Contact Merle Coughlin at 508-880-2571 or merlecoughlin@comcast.net for questions.

The Homebound Ministry Program is suspended until further notice. Eucharistic ministers to the homebound will keep up contact with the homebound by phone to pray with them.

Prayer During A Health Crisis

Compassionate and Loving Father,
In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of your presence.
In You allow us to find hope and healing.
Be with those who serve the sick and give them
Your caring hands. Be with those who lead and give them
Your Spirit of wisdom.
Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your
comforting heart. Wrap your arms around our world and
hold us in your love. Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.
We ask this in Your Name.
Amen.

Jesus told her, “I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

She said to him, “Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world.” — Jn 11:25-27

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The miracle that Jesus worked in raising Lazarus from the dead was not so much for Lazarus himself: after all, what did he gain from it but a few more years of life in this *valley of tears*? Is that really preferable to Heaven? So then, the miracle that Jesus worked was done for the sake of those who witnessed this miracle. It was for those who realized that Jesus is the Lord of life and death, and that if we place our faith in Jesus, the suffering we experience in this world will itself die, ending along with our lives on earth, while we ourselves—through faith in Jesus—will rise with Him to eternal life.



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