



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's
daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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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

Evelyn Driscoll
Deborah Lewis
Adeline Marques
Mary daSilvia
Steve Kennealy
Carmen Sousa
Meg Goslin
Sr. Anita Marie
Adam Gannon
Steven Bois
Heather Gacheco
Luzia & Adelino Grazito
Dennis Medeiros
Edward Kerrigan
Dan Dolan
Jacqueline Van Dyke
Donna Guay

Kevin Gallagher & Family

Marc DeSousa
Lindsey and Theo
Janice Fitzpatrick
Liam Quinn
Patrick Lynch
Lorraine Moisan
Sylvia Medeiros
Lorraine Rapoza
Julia Lopes
Marianne Powers
Denis Candlen
Jean Poole
Aaron Lewis
Luke Sigler
Agostinho Rodrigues
Robin Benoit

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

Masks will be required at all times (with the exceptions for small children, at the judgement of their parents, and of those for whom health reasons preclude them from wearing them), except when you are about to receive the Eucharist. In order to avoid having parishioners cross through the pews in the middle of the Mass & have to remove their masks to consume the Eucharist, Fr. Rich will consecrate the Host as he normally would, but you would not receive the Eucharist until you are departing Mass at the end. He will be at the back of the church behind a plexiglass partition (for your safety as well as his), and he will be able to give you the Eucharist at that time in the hand.

We will not be able to have hymnals or the prayer cards at Mass. If you want to follow along, you can pull up the readings online on your smartphone (for example, on the USCCB website). We also ask per the guidance of the Diocese, that we don't sing during Mass. At Masses where there is music, only the cantor may sing. We will not be able to have any Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, or Altar Servers at Masses right away.

For the time being, we ask all parishioners to please use the entrance on the handicap ramp to enter the church, remaining 6 feet apart from people that are not in your household. Upon entering the church, you'll be directed as to where you or your family should sit as we've marked the specific areas where seating is allowed. A great deal of planning has gone into how to best accommodate as many people as safely as possible. When Mass is over, you'll be directed toward the back of the church by section, again, keeping a 6 foot buffer from anyone not in your household. As you depart by the main entrance at the back of the church, you will be able to receive the Eucharist (or a blessing) from Fr. Rich. You are able to go right out the doors there, or, if you need the ramp, you are most welcome to exit that way.

We have limited seating available at Mass for the time being in order to insure the 6-foot social distancing. Because of COVID-19 and the Mass limitations, there is still a dispensation for all Catholics from your obligation to attend Mass. We encourage those who fall in the high risk categories (over 65 and anyone with underlying health issues or anyone who is concerned about taking a chance with their health or the health of those in their household) to consider watching the live-streamed Masses that we will still be offering, or, perhaps go to one of the Masses during the week. If you are experiencing any symptoms of illness (fever, cough, etc.), please do NOT come to Mass. **Mass reservations** are required at this time so that we can accommodate as many people as possible at each Mass. We are limited to approximately 40 people at the church and about 55 at the Parish Center. By doing reservations, we can insure that we will have a seat for everyone attending the Mass. Additionally, the state does require us to get the name and phone # of anyone attending Mass should they need to trace a case of COVID-19.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 15, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Joaquim Camara, Sr.
4:00 PM (C) Special Intention-Mass of Thanksgiving for Our Lady
7:00 PM (P) Carl Dutra-1st anniversary

Sunday, August 16, 2020

7:30 AM (C) Patricia Medeiros-2nd Anniversary
9:00 AM (P) Jose & Isaura Ferreira
10:30 AM (C) For the People of the Parish

Monday, August 17, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Estelle Unni
8:00 PM (P) Evelyn Saba

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Special Intention
5:15 PM (P) Special Intention

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Delfim & Maria DeSousa
4:00 PM (P) Victor DeFava

Thursday, August 20, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Pauline Thorndike
7:15 PM (P) John W. Perry
Henry Gingras

Friday, August 21, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Rosemarie Olivadesa
7:30 PM (P) Special Intentions/Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday, August 22, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Deolinda Jil-3rd Anniversary
4:00 PM (C) George & Julie Phillips
7:00 PM (P) Maria Rodrigues

Sunday, August 23, 2020

7:30 AM (C) Jose & Maria Maranhas
9:00 AM (P) Stephen Thrasher
10:30 AM (C) For the People of the Parish

A heartfelt THANK YOU to all those who have been able to send in donations to keep our parish going during this time. We know not everyone is in a situation where they are able to help financially due to the circumstances and many being out of work, but for those who have been able to give, we truly appreciate every dollar coming in to help us pay our bills. We continue to pray that this pandemic will ease up soon and we can be together once again as a parish family. God bless you all!

THE TIME IS NOW – A CALL FOR CHANGE AND UNITY: *A Statement of the Roman Catholic Bishops of Massachusetts Regarding Police Reform Legislation:*

The sin of racism and struggle for racial justice has been part of our nation’s history for centuries. Awareness of both has never been absent, but too often both themes have been marginalized. Periodically, they are brought to the forefront of common discourse, most often triggered by aggressive, violent, or horrific acts perpetrated on members of our African American, Latino, and other minority communities. As a result, serious discussions regarding how society acts and reacts to alter the culture of discrimination, violence, ignorance and indifference often occur and appear to gain momentum. Meaningful debate raises expectations that society will finally emerge from the culture of racism. However, as history has shown, those discussions ultimately fade into the background as time elapses and other seemingly pressing issues make any change less urgent and somehow less important.

That collective mindset and cycle of inaction must end now. The time is upon us as a society to take responsibility for our actions. Racial injustice, bigotry, scorn and intolerance against individuals based upon their religion, ancestry, ethnicity or skin color must end now. Excuses for hate filled behavior can no longer be tolerated. We are all created equal in the eyes of God and all human lives are to be valued and protected. It is upon us to make that human equality the norm - not the exception. As the four Roman Catholic Bishops of Massachusetts, we pledge our full support to the cultural shift towards meaningful reforms in the area of racial injustice. As a country and a commonwealth of immigrants from all regions of the world, we must join together as one race - the human race. We must learn from our mistakes. We must learn from our passive acceptance of inaction and not let this opportunity fade into the background. Today and every day until reforms are implemented, this must be the pressing issue of the day. We must seize this opportunity with energy, determination and vigor. We must act now – it is our collective responsibility.

Police Reform Legislation: The underlying racial injustice and inequality issues we face are countless. They include, but are not limited to, education, housing, employment, law enforcement, the judiciary and many more. As Bishops, we take this opportunity to specifically voice our support of the efforts of Governor Baker and the legislature as they craft a bill to enact meaningful police reform.

We acknowledge the vast majority of the police officers in the state of Massachusetts are capable and honorable public servants who serve and protect all residents with distinction. We also acknowledge that racial biases have infiltrated the mindsets and actions of some police officers. Those are the individuals targeted by the legislation currently being debated by our lawmakers. That legislation is a step in the direction of meaningful change and is the reason we support our elected officials in their efforts to address these systematic problems. As Catholic Bishops we do not pretend to know the business of policing. However, recent violent police actions from across the country inform us that methods, tactics, training, attitudes and biases must be addressed to bring about better policing. These fundamental changes must be done with the expertise, input, and cooperation from as many resources as possible - especially those who have experienced racial injustice firsthand.

To that end, we are encouraged that so many individuals and organizations in the minority community are deeply involved in the effort to reform the laws and professional standards inherent in effective policing. The NAACP of Boston, the Black and Latino Legislative Caucus, religious leaders, elected officials in our cities and towns, police unions and countless other individuals and groups have stepped forward to help effectuate change.

The United States of America is a country of hopes, dreams, ideals and ideas. To that end, many specific ideas have emerged as the legislature considers the different proposals. We do not choose to endorse a particular bill as the legislative process unfolds, nor do we dismiss the critical service police officers provide to maintain law and order and public safety throughout the commonwealth. On the other hand, we strongly support legislation that draws the best ideas from each bill creating a best practice model for meaningful reform. Although there are differences in the qualified immunity debate which must be rectified, not surprisingly a common vision has emerged. It is a vision that embraces a unified, systematic desire to enact legislation that will have permanent ramifications. The specifics will be debated and vetted over the next ten days as we near the conclusion of the legislative session.

The killing of George Floyd at the hands of officers of the Minneapolis police department finally triggered a movement that will not be deterred, will not be silent and will not die. Laws need to be changed across the country. We have been given the opportunity to contribute to that change in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This will be a defining moment in Massachusetts history.

As we celebrate the life of United States Congressman John Lewis of Georgia and his unyielding commitment to the principal of equality, let us not forget why he lived – to end racism for all Americans. The time has come for all of us to do our part to end racism and unite as one race. That time is now, let us seize this opportunity always remembering more work will remain.

His Eminence Seán P. O’Malley, OFM, Cap.
Archbishop of Boston

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

Adoration is happening again! Adoration is happening - with the "Drive-up" Adoration Monday-Friday from 11am-8pm. There are 2 driveways between the church and rectory. You may pull up in one of those driveways and either sit in your car to pray, or, on nice days, you are welcome to bring a chair from home to sit in, or you may stand, kneel, or sit on the grass to pray. We have added a tent with a couple of fans now that it's hot. We do ask that if you are not in your car, that you please maintain a social distance of 6 feet apart from anyone not in your household and that you wear a mask for your safety and the safety of others. You do not need to wear a mask if you are in your car.



Confessions are available! On nice days, Fr. Rich will be out in the parking lot during designated days/times to hear confessions. If you wish to have anonymity, simply drive up behind him and you can stay in your car if you'd like (or you can walk up behind him. He won't turn around). If you prefer, you can bring a chair and have a face to face confession, or you can also take a walk around the parking lot with Father. The choice is yours. Again, the times will vary, based on his schedule, but we will post them on our Facebook page and the website and if time permits, the bulletin. This week the schedule will be:

Tuesday, August 18 from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

Thursday, August 20 from 8 to 9 pm

Saturday, August 22 from 5:30 to 6:15 pm



Flowers this weekend were donated by Mr. & Mrs. DeNobrega in honor of the Assumption of Our Lady.

The Assisted Suicide Bill (S2745, An Act relative to end of life options) is still around and if passed by the full legislature and signed by the Governor, will become law. To voice your opposition to your senator or representative, please visit the MCC (MA Catholic Conference) at www.masscatholic.org. Call or email your state senator and state representative. You can find their information here: <https://malegislature.gov/StateHouse/Contact>. The text of the bill (S2745) can be found here: <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/191/S2745>. Contact the members of the Joint Committee on Health Care and Financing who will decide the fate of these bills. Please let the committee members know that you oppose H4782 and S2745. A link to the committee members can be found here: <https://malegislature.gov/Committees/Detail/J24>

Thanksgiving to God after Holy Communion: We are all encouraged to thank God in prayer after we have received Him in Holy Communion. Due to the temporary practice of receiving Our Lord right as we are heading out the door of the church, it might be good to plan ahead as to when you could spend that time in prayer, thanking God for the gift of Himself. It could be:

- right after Mass, you could go over to pray near one of the statues on the church property
- or you could pray in the car, either parked or while driving (turning off the radio, unless it's tuned to music to help you pray)
- or some time in which you could pray while walking or sitting at home or someplace else

We have a couple of permanent Adoration hours that need coverage at this time. If you are able to commit permanently, or even temporarily, please let Tracey know in the office. They are:

Tuesdays from 1-2pm

Fridays from 3-4pm

Congratulations to Laura Gebrayel & Brandon DuBois who were wed last weekend at St. Mary's by Fr. Rich. Prayers for many blessings on their new life together as husband and wife!

Flat Matt & Plano Padre Ricardo (Flat Fr. Rich in Spanish) will be appearing in numerous areas this summer! Stay tuned to our FB page to see where they turn up! If you/your children are interested in participating, contact Shannon or Steve in the Faith Formation office to get your very own Flat Matt/Plano Padre Ricardo laminated figures to take on your adventures this summer and share with our Parish! Be sure to follow the HF Virtual Bible School Facebook page to see what else we are doing, such as the new scavenger hunt and book club.



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