

1st Sunday OF ADVENT



Nov. 29, 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
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
Ercilia de Jesus

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
Isabel Simao

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 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. **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.

Century Club registrations are now being accepted for the 2020-2021 year. The fee is \$100 to join and can be paid in full, or monthly over 10 months. This is one of our “quiet” fundraisers that has helped us many times in the past. We were able to buy all new vestments 4 years ago with Century Club funds. 2 years ago, we were able to renew our FORMED membership thanks to the club. We average about 90-100 people per year, but would LOVE to have more! Each month, there is a drawing of 7 winners for \$25 each and then at the end, we have a raffle of \$2,600 in cash prizes! If you register by December 6th and pay in full, you’ll be entered into a one time drawing of \$100 taking place on 12/7. Usually at the end of the season we have a dinner/dance at no additional cost to our members. Unfortunately, due to COVID, that couldn’t happen, but we did enjoy a wonderful to-go meal from Stoneforge instead. Please consider joining us if you haven’t already! Applications can be found online, or by calling Tracey in the office.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Father David Marcham, who is our weekend assistant, has a part-time job opportunity in his work on the Sainthood Cause of Father Patrick Peyton and the Father Peyton Prayer Guild. The job title is the Assistant to the Vice Postulator and Guild Director. The hours are 4 hours per day (mornings) and one Sunday a month for the Guild meetings. Resumes should be submitted to Father David Marcham by email, DMarcham@hcfm.org. For more info, you can contact Father David or Father Rich.



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 28, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Shirley Hoey
4:00 PM (C) Joaquim Camara, Sr.
7:00 PM (P) Carole Victorino

Sunday, November 29, 2020

7:30 AM (C) Stephen LeClair
9:00 AM (P) For the People of the Parish
10:30 AM (C) Maria C. DeSousa
3:00 PM (C) Carlos Sabino, Sr.

Monday, November 30, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Mark Cantin
5:00 PM (P) David Lewis

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Dennis J. Scully-3rd anniversary
3:00 PM (P) Dorothy Lowery

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Virginia & Joseph Moisan
8:00 PM (P) Patrick Lynch

Thursday, December 3, 2020

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

Friday, December 4, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Cecelia Majkut
7:30 PM (P) Patrick Lynch

Saturday, December 5, 2020

8:00 AM (C) Jeannette Morrison
4:00 PM (C) The Roper Family
7:00 PM (P) Vinnie Andrade

Sunday, December 6, 2020

7:30 AM (C) For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM (P) Joseph Sousa-5th Anniversary
10:30 AM (C) Francisco Medeiros
3:00 PM (C) Deacon Robert Normandin

Evening Masses:

Sunday, Nov. 29 - 3 pm (C)
Monday, Nov. 30 - 5 pm (P)
Tuesday, Dec. 1 - 3 pm (P) - by Fr. Davignon
Wednesday, Dec. 2 - 8 pm (P)
Thursday, Dec. 3 - 5 pm (P)
Friday, Dec. 4 - 7:30 pm (P)
Saturday, Dec. 5 - 7 pm (P)

Adoration has moved INSIDE at the Parish Center. Due to the limited space in the chapel (only allowing 1-2 people at a time inside under social distancing guidelines), we have Adoration set up in classrooms 1 & 2 (which have been transformed into a chapel) Adorers will enter by the door at the front left of the building & you will be able to access the door for the temporary chapel from there. For now, the times will still be M-F from 11am-8pm and then First Saturday Adoration will be 10am-3pm. Masks are required and there will be limits on the number of Adorers that can be in there at one time. We ask that you help us by sanitizing your chair/kneeler before you leave with the wipes/disinfectant provided. Thank you! If there are more than 4 people (or if you arrive early), you can also see the Blessed Sacrament from the windows outside.

HELP NEEDED AT BIRTH RIGHT. BirthRight of Greater Taunton is in need of volunteers for our office on Tuesday and/or Thursday from 10 am-2 pm. You will be asked to help with greeting clients and determining their needs. Please call Mary Jane at 508-822-2911 for more information and interview. BirthRight is located in the Dolan Center at 78 Broadway (Rte. 138), Taunton.

CLOTHING NEEDED AT BIRTH RIGHT. BirthRight of Greater Taunton is in need of new or gently used children's clothing from size newborn to 4T for both boys and girls. They can be brought to the office on Tuesday or Thursday between 10 am and 2 pm. Monetary donations in memory of a deceased loved one may also be made. Birth Right will send a card to the family to notify them of your donation and to give thanks. Any questions, please call 508-822-2911.

The Taunton Area Community Table Meal Center (TacT), located at 378 Bay Street, has remained open during the pandemic. The model and hours have changed to follow the regulations imposed by the state to keep everyone safe. TacT is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:15 AM to 12:30 PM for Grab and Go meals. Each guest is given two meals each day, a main meal with salad and dessert and a lighter fare along with snacks, fruit and other items to supplement the meals. Meals are distributed from the side door. We remain no questions asked and all are welcome. With the cooler weather, there will be a food pantry box available on the side steps at the meal center, Friday through Sunday, with non perishable food items for those who may need something extra for the weekend. On the last Thursday of the month TacT is distributing a box of non perishable groceries during our regular hours of operation. No one should be hungry. We are all in this together after all. Please stay safe, healthy and calm.

Confessions are available! Fr. Rich is out in the parking lot during designated times to hear Confessions (if it is raining or hailing, he will be on the rectory porch – and if you approach from the driveway, he won't turn around, so that you can have anonymity). In the parking lot, if you don't want him to know you, 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 him. This week the hours will be:

Sunday, Nov. 29 from 9:30 to 10:15 am

Thursday, Dec. 3 from 7:15 to 7:45 am

Saturday, Dec. 5 from 3 to 3:45 pm

HELP NEEDED! One of the members of our parish community who is disabled is seeking a female helper on Sunday evenings from 3:30-5:30 to assist her with supper. Familiarity with a hooyer lift is helpful, but not required. The pay is \$15.75/hour through MA health. Please call 508-824-0072 for more information.

TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL MASS: Due to the way in which several of the Masses fill up quickly online, we are temporarily adding another weekend Mass so as to better accommodate those wishing to attend Mass. We tried a 6pm on Sunday, but it hasn't had a ton of people & with the shortening days in November, we will see how a **3 pm Sunday Mass at the church** works instead for the "overflow." We will continue with the other additional Mass (Saturday 7 pm at the parish center) and the other "regular" Masses (Saturday 4 pm, Sunday 7:30am, 10:30 at the church; Sunday 9 am at the parish center).

Online Bereavement Support

Due to COVID-19, live sessions are not allowed. Currently online sessions are offered on Tuesdays at 4:30pm and 7pm. Register in advance for the 4pm at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8447123456>

The 7pm meeting is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8447123456>

We have 2 temporary Adoration hours that will become available starting in January. If you've always considered taking an hour, but were afraid to commit long-term, now is your chance to have this opportunity for 3-6 months. The hours needed are:

Thursdays from 11-noon from January 14-April 15th
Fridays from 3:00-4:00 pm from January 8th-early June

If you would like to take on either of these hours for the whole time, or even just a couple of months, please let Tracey know in the office.

Bishop da Cunha and the Diocese of Fall River

recently released a State of the Diocese of Fall River Report, 2014-2019. The intent of the publication is to provide parishioners, benefactors, volunteers and employees with a better understanding of how their support enables the mission of the Catholic Church in Southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and the Islands. We hope you find it helpful and informative.

Tuesday (December 8th) is a Holy Day- the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Ordinarily, it is an obligatory Mass, but due to the continued dispensation from our Bishop because of the pandemic, it's not required you attend, just like our Sunday obligation. Masses will be offered on Monday, Dec. 7th at 5:30pm for the vigil at the parish center, and then at 8am and Noon at the church and 7:30pm at the parish center on Tuesday, Dec. 8th for those wishing to attend. Please be sure to register online on our reservation portal accessed through our website. Thank you!

We are in our first weekend of Advent. Just as Lent was a little different this year, Advent will have its own unique challenges. This year, it would be the perfect opportunity for you/and your family to really use this time to take up some new traditions with Advent. Perhaps you can get/make an Advent wreath if you don't already have one. You can make a point each day to do some reflection and prayer. Perhaps take the opportunity to go to reconciliation during Advent. Find ways that you can help others, even though volunteer opportunities are not easy right now. You could call a homebound person to check on them or offer a donation to purchase food to a food pantry for example. May God bless you and your family through the Advent season.

The next Parish Council meeting is planned for Monday, November 30th in the great hall at the Parish

St. Vincent de Paul needs your help! Typically, at this time of year, plans are being made to sign those in need of assistance up for Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets. Due to the pandemic, our SVDP group is reaching out to those who received help last year to see if they need assistance this year. **How can you help?** Since we are unable to take food donations at this time, SVDP is in **great** need of monetary donations to help them purchase the food for the baskets. Additionally, we will not be able to have the traditional Giving Trees set up in the church this year to avoid any contamination. What SVDP is asking is that anyone who would like to purchase a \$25 gift card to Wal-Mart or Target, the donated cards will be in lieu of the gifts, so the parents will be able to purchase the toys/clothes for the children themselves. As always, thank you so much in advance for your unending prayers and generosity!

ANGEL TREES

We are happy to announce that we WILL be able to do our Angel Trees once again this year, but with a different method of signing up due to Covid restrictions. We encourage anyone who would like to dedicate an angel to honor a deceased loved one, or someone living that you want prayers said for, to take advantage of this opportunity. The donation is still \$3.00 per angel, but we will not be doing sign-ups after Mass. Instead, we ask that you do one of the following in order to have your angel requests taken:

1. Text Nancy Ashworth with the name(s) to be included on each angel. Her number is 508-979-9642.
2. Email Nancy at marangas@aol.com with the name(s) for each angel.
3. Only for those without a cellphone or email, you can call Tracey in the office.

IMPORTANT information: Please be sure to include YOUR name and phone number as well in case there are any questions. For payment, you can either send the \$3 per angel in an envelope via mail, drop it off at the parish center, or drop it in the collection boxes at the church or Parish Center. Simply write your name and the names of the angels on the envelope so we can match it up with the orders. Please also let us know if you prefer to have your angel displayed on the tree at the church OR the Parish Center (since we do Masses at the PC now, too). The deadline for submissions is December 18th. Let's fill those trees up with prayers for our loved ones!

There will be a Virtual Advent Taizé service livestreamed at 7:00 pm Sunday, November 29th from St. John Neumann's Church in E. Freetown. To access it, please go to <https://www.facebook.com/StJohnNeumannCatholicChurch>



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