

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



Dec. 13, 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](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  
Evelyn Driscoll  
Deborah Lewis  
Adeline Marques  
Mary daSilvia  
Steve Kennealy  
Carmen Sousa  
Meg Goslin  
Sr. Anita Marie  
Steven Bois  
Heather Gacheco  
Luzia & Adelino Grazito  
Dennis Medeiros  
Edward Kerrigan  
Dan Dolan  
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.

#### **Phone Numbers**

Rectory: 508-824-5665  
Parish Center: 508-824-5707  
Faith Formation: 508-824-3578  
Fax -508-822-2915

**Website:** <http://www.hfparish.net>

#### **Parish Staff**

Fr. Richard Wilson, Pastor  
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Dave LeClair, Maintenance

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That Man Is YOU!  
[tmiy@holyfamilytaunton.org](mailto:tmiy@holyfamilytaunton.org)

### 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.

**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.

**Please note that for Christmas Eve and Christmas morning Masses**, reservations for those Masses will be going up on Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup> online through our website.

**Be on the look-out for our annual mailing** that will include a letter regarding our Annual Appeal, as well as our Advent/Christmas letter. This will be incredibly helpful to you with the schedule of Masses for Christmas and the Solemnity of Mary. With the limitations continuing through Christmas, reservations will be required to attend Mass, but Fr. Rich will be offering 2 additional Masses that will be held at St. Mary's for us because it's a much larger church and can accommodate more people socially distanced. We will have 6 Masses in total instead of the regular 4. (4 at Holy Family and 2 at St. Mary's). Please know that the Bishop's dispensation continues and one is not required to attend Mass specifically on Christmas due to the pandemic. Another possible option is to attend one of the less crowded Masses between Christmas Eve and the Baptism of the Lord on January 10th, as that encompasses the Christmas season. Please be sure to check the website or Facebook page in case there are any changes to the Masses planned.

**Please visit us on Sunday December 20<sup>th</sup> for a "Drive by Visit With Santa"** hosted by the Knights of Columbus at the Parish Center from 10:00 to 11:30 AM. This event replaces "Breakfast with Santa" which must be cancelled this year due to Covid restrictions. Please enter the Parish Center parking lot and follow the cones to be greeted by Santa Claus without leaving your car. Please wear a mask when approaching Santa, each child will receive the customary bag of goodies that can be placed in your trunk or hatchback by one of Santa's helpers. It's always a great time to greet Santa Claus at Holy Family for both children and parents. This event is **FREE** and all are welcome!



### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Saturday, December 12, 2020**

8:00 AM (C) Special Intention -Peace in the World  
4:00 PM (C) George & Julie Phillips  
7:00 PM (P) Ercilia DeJesus

#### **Sunday, December 13, 2020**

7:30 AM (C) For the People of the Parish  
9:00 AM (P) Joseph Elliot Jones, Jr. 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
10:30 AM (C) Daniel Nunes  
3:00 PM (C) Patrick Lynch

#### **Monday, December 14, 2020**

8:00 AM (C) Ann Ploude-6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
5:00 PM (P) For all Carmelites

#### **Tuesday, December 15, 2020**

8:00 AM (C) Saeb Erekat  
8:00 PM (P) deceased members of the Villamar family

#### **Wednesday, December 16, 2020**

8:00 AM (C) Fr. Daniel Velasquez & Family  
6:00 PM (P) deceased members of the Crespo family

#### **Thursday, December 17, 2020**

8:00 AM (C) Elizabeth Ploude  
Jayma McCarthy  
3:00 PM (P) Special Intention

#### **Friday, December 18, 2020**

8:00 AM (C) Fernand Medeiros  
William Flynn  
7:30 PM (P) Christmas Flowers donors

#### **Saturday, December 19, 2020**

8:00 AM (C) Msgr. Henry T. Munroe  
4:00 PM (C) Fernand Medeiros-1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
7:00 PM (P) Special Intention

#### **Sunday, December 20, 2020**

7:30 AM (C) Richard LaBelle-11th Anniversary  
9:00 AM (P) Rosemarie Olivadesa-5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
10:30 AM (C) Kathleen Rudinsky, Bertha & Floren Forit  
3:00 PM (C) For the People of the Parish

**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 now located at 468 Bay St, Taunton, MA 02780

**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.

### **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/8445122066>

The 7pm meeting is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8445122066>. For more information, contact Rosemary Saraiva at 508-678-2828 or [rsaraiva@dfrcs.org](mailto:rsaraiva@dfrcs.org) or [rosemarysaraiva@gmail.com](mailto:rosemarysaraiva@gmail.com).

**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! The hours this week will be:**  
**Sunday, Dec. 13 from 9:30 to 10:15 am** in the temporary Adoration chapel at the parish center (enter through the door across from the bathrooms, that way if you don't want Fr. Rich to see who you are, you can sit behind him. Otherwise you can sit in front of him).  
**Thursday, Dec. 17 from 7:15 to 7:45 am** (church parking lot or rectory front porch)  
**Saturday, Dec. 19 from 2:45 to 3:30 pm** (parish center – see Sunday explanation)  
If at the parish center you would prefer Fr. Rich come outside, just knock on the window and he will hear your confession outdoors.

**TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL MASS:** Due to the way in which several of the Masses fill up quickly online, we have temporarily added another weekend Mass so as to better accommodate those wishing to attend Mass. It is at 3 pm Sunday in the church. 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). Also, starting this weekend, if all goes well, we will be able to livestream Mass in the basement of the church so that we can accommodate an additional 30 or so people socially distanced downstairs. All in attendance will be watching the Mass live on the screen and will receive communion at the end of Mass. We hope to implement this with the 4pm, 7:30am, and 10:30am Masses, as well as the Christmas Masses.

**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 (where the bench is).

**November Income: \$28,433.64**  
**November Expenses: \$33,064.92**

**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 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!

**TV MASS TAPING:** On Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 am Father Rich will be taping the Mass which will air on Channel 6 at 11 am on Sunday, December 27 (the feast of the Holy Family). The taping will be done at the chapel at Bishop Stang High School. If you are interested in being at the Mass, please contact Fr. Rich or Tracey, so we can see how many people can come.

**Congratulations once again to our young parishioner, Gisele Depina Alves**, who received the Pope Pius X award via a Zoom service on December 1<sup>st</sup>! Gisele has been an altar server, Eucharistic minister, part of the retreat team, and has volunteered in many other areas over the years here at Holy Family.

**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.

**FORMED...** It's that time of year again when we get a bill from FORMED to renew our annual subscription. We offer it free to all of our parishioners, accessible through our website. It has so many wonderful resources to learn and strengthen your faith. We are appealing again to anyone who may want to make a donation to help offset the \$1,999 renewal. In most of the years we've had it, we've been fortunate to have the majority of it paid for with donations. If you'd like to help, just write "FORMED" on a blank envelope and place it in one of the collection bins at the church or parish center, or mail it into the church. If you've never used FORMED, right now, during Advent, would be the perfect time to go into the site and explore all the material to help make this Advent a holy one! Thank you in advance for your help!

## 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](mailto: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!



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