

FIRST SUNDAY OF
LENT



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Feb. 21, 2021

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

Steven Bois

Heather Gacheco

Luzia & Adelino Grazito

Dennis Medeiros

Edward Kerrigan

Dan Dolan

Donna Guay

Kevin Gallagher & Family

"Special Intention"

Marc DeSousa

Lindsey and Theo

Janice Fitzpatrick

Liam Quinn

Lorraine Moisan

Sylvia Medeiros

Lorraine Rapoza

Julia Lopes

Marianne Powers

Denis Candlen

Jean Poole

Aaron Lewis

Luke Sigler

Agostinho Rodrigues

Robin Benoit

Isabel Simao

Tony & Sharon Demerol

Ellie Tyler

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

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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

This weekend's second collection is for Catholic University of America. You may use your weekly budget envelopes, or the ones provided on the collection bins to indicate your donation is for that purpose. Thank you for your support!



MASS TIMES

Saturday, February 20, 2021

8:00 AM (C) Natalie Rodrigues
Joseph & Gloria Oliveira
4 :00 PM (C) Charles Kelly-9th Anniversary
7:00 PM (P) Sister Jean Marie Lyonnais

Sunday, February 21, 2021

7 :30 AM (C) Marie Ruggiero
9 :00 AM (P) Robert Corey
10 :30 AM (C) For the People of the Parish
3:00 PM (C) Grace Kailani Dubois

Monday, February 22, 2021

8:00 AM (C) Bridget Coughlin Gardner
8:00 PM (P) Michelle Silliker

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

8:00 AM (C) Fr. Robert Sayer
7:30 PM (P) Marjorie Kaiman

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

8:00 AM (C) Antonio & Maria Nunes Pereira
4:00 PM (P) Norman J. Shachoy

Thursday, February 25, 2021

8:00 AM (C) João Freitas
3:00 PM (P) Special Intention

Friday, February 26, 2021

8:00 AM (C) Special Intention
8:00 PM (P) James Trayers

Saturday, February 27, 2021

8:00 AM (C) Siegfried & Harriet von Hartenstein
4:00 PM (C) Toni Rebello
7:00 PM (P) Janice Frates-7th Anniversary

Sunday, February 28, 2021

7:30 AM (C) Leo Sylvia-12th Anniversary
9:00 AM (P) For the People of the Parish
10:30 AM (C) Frederick Ruehrwein-1st Anniversary
3:00 PM (C) deceased members of the Canuel family

'Try Prayer! It Works! Contest' 2021 now accepting entries.

Family Rosary annual contest for young Catholics identifies a theme of Following Mother Mary's Example. Inspired by founder, Venerable Patrick Peyton, the "Try Prayer! It Works! Contest" focuses on Father Peyton's message, "The family that prays together stays together," and aims to strengthen family prayer, creating a family-faith experience that takes children and parents through a reflective, enriching journey.

Try Prayer! It Works! Invites families to light a candle and pray together, and then share this year's theme as a family reflection. "Do Whatever He Tells You" (Jn 2:5), this year's theme, will help families explore how Mother Mary's example and intercessory prayer can help people follow God's will. From Mary, especially through the prayer of Rosary, participants can explore how Mary's maternal influence can lead families closer to Jesus.

"We hope that families will grow closer to each other and deeper in the faith as they share this reflection experience," said Father Jim Phalan, C.S.C., National Director of Family Rosary (and an occasional celebrant of weekday Masses at Holy Family). "No matter what any of us face in life, our Blessed Mother and her Divine Son are inviting us into this glorious command of love and obedience. "Participants are invited to write about a real story from their lives about following Jesus, interview someone in their family or community about doing God's Will, create a drawing that reflects the Blessed Mother's impact on the world, or create a short family video project expressing what it means to be disciples of Jesus.

Children grades K-12 enrolled in a Catholic school, Religious Education program, parish, or other organization, including home school, are eligible to enter.

All United States contest entries must be submitted by March 25. Family Rosary inspires, promotes, and fosters the prayer life and Spiritual well-being of families throughout the world. It is a member ministry of Holy Cross Family Ministries, an organization that serves families through 26 mission centers in 17 countries. The HCFM organization includes Family Rosary, Family Theater Productions, Catholic Mom, the Museum of Family Prayer, Father Peyton Family Institutes, and the Peyton Institute for Domestic Church Life. For more information go to www.FamilyRosary.com

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 Hoyer lift is helpful, but not required. The pay is \$15.75/hour through MA health. Please call 508-824-0072 for more information.

Baby bottles should be returned to the church or parish center by the end of February so that we can make arrangements to get the donations to *Your Options Medical*. As always, thank you so much for the outpouring of support from our parishioners helping to assist women in crisis pregnancies. Your generosity and prayers are very much appreciated!

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. So far, we've received \$256 in donations toward FORMED. If you've never used this wonderful platform before, please give it a try!

Bible Study of the Sunday Readings: Father Babiczuk of Taunton Catholic North (St. Anthony, St. Jude, and St. Mary) leads an on-line Bible Study of the Sunday Readings on Tuesdays at 11:00am. We study the readings for the coming Sunday. The study involves both an explanation and discussion of the readings. There is a link to on-line participation through google meet along with notes on the collaborative web site: cntaunton.org

Just a reminder that in order to keep Adoration going through the winter, we need your help. We ask that you wear a mask in the building at all times and when you're leaving the chapel, please be sure to wipe down your seat/kneeler with the antibacterial wipes provided. Also, we are always looking for substitutes to help out with back-up coverage, so feel free to let us know if you'd like to be added to the substitute list. We've been told that sometimes all 4 seats are taken in the chapel when one of the scheduled Adorers arrives. We have added 2 more seats in the adjacent classroom. One seat has a view of the Monstrance, while the other seat is not within view of the Eucharist, but is just beyond the wall from it. You are welcome to take one of those seats until one opens up in the temporary chapel. Adoration runs Monday-Friday from 11am-8pm and on First Saturday from 10am-3pm at the Parish Center. You may access the temporary chapel by the door to the far left when facing the Parish Center. For the time being, Merle Coughlin has offered to help Tracey with Adoration coverage, so if you haven't been able to find coverage on your own, please contact Merle for assistance. Thank you so much for your continued support and helping us keep our parish family healthy!

On February 21st at 7:00 PM, St. John Neumann's Church in E. Freetown will be hosting a virtual Lenten Taizé service, "Repent and Believe in the Gospel!" The link to join is <http://www.facebook.com/StJohnNeumannCatholicChurch> .

A Day with Mary will be held on Saturday, March 6th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 225 N. Front Street, New Bedford, MA. The day will begin at 8:00 am with the Procession, Mass at 9am in honor of Our Lady. Celebrant and Homilist will be Fr. C. Salach, OFM. Bring a bagged lunch for the lunch break. Silent Adoration will begin at 12:55pm. Benediction at 2:00 PM. The day ends at approximately 3:00 PM.

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).

Online Bereavement Support
Due to COVID-19, live sessions are not allowed. Currently online sessions are offered on Tuesdays at 4:30pm and 7pm. For more information, contact Rosemary Saraiva at 508-678-2828 or rsaraiva@dfrcs.org or rosemarysaraiva@gmail.com .

Fundraising Efforts- Due to the pandemic restrictions, we have not had two of our major fundraisers, the penny sale, or the holiday craft fair. To replace some revenue, we are planning to have a calendar fundraiser in the spring. The calendars will be sold beginning in March and will have daily prizes of gift certificates, lottery tickets and cash. We are asking for prize donations. You can leave your donations at the outside mailbox at the Parish Center, placing it in the donation box located at the entrance to Mass or mailing it to the Parish Center. Please put the donations in envelopes marked Calendar Fundraiser. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

The Church calls for days of abstinence and fasting during Lent:

- Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays during Lent and Good Friday for those aged 14 and older;
- Fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for those aged 18 through 59. Fasting is defined as eating only one full meatless meal. Two other smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs. The total food from those 2 other meals should not exceed the total of the primary meal.

Those who are not obliged to fast or abstain from meat are encouraged to join in those disciplines to the extent that they are able. Catholics are urged to regard the Lenten season as a serious time for spiritual renewal by intensifying prayer, practicing works of piety, and seeking out opportunities for charity. For those who do not live alone, we encourage you to find some time to pray together at home – be it the Rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet, reading the Bible (especially the accounts of Our Lord's Passion or that day's Mass readings) out loud, or other prayers or readings.

Stations of the Cross: A Lenten custom is to pray the Stations of the Cross, meditating upon the love that Christ demonstrated for us on Good Friday. There are a few options:

- We will pray the Stations in person Fridays at 7 pm in the church. As we do for daily Mass, we will need your names and phone numbers for contact tracing, and you will need to be in the pews socially distanced by household.
- You can pray the Stations together via one of the many Stations of the Cross presentations on Catholic TV, EWTN, Catholic radio, or the internet.
- You can pray the Stations outdoors in the church parking lot.

On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis announced a Year to St. Joseph. As a Diocese, we will be partaking in this year through opportunities for prayer and formation, including the 33 day Consecration to St. Joseph concluding May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph, the Worker. For more information, and to register for free events during this year, visit www.fallriverfaithformation.org/stjoseph

On Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., Fr. Donald Calloway, M.I.C., author of the book *Consecration to St. Joseph: the Wonders of Our Spiritual Father* will be having a virtual talk for the Diocese as a prequel to the consecration to St. Joseph, which will begin on March 30th. Fr. Calloway, a prominent Marian priest, exhibits an unmistakable zeal for the priesthood and devotion to Our Lady. He is a well-known conference speaker on Divine Mercy and the Blessed Virgin Mary. He speaks passionately about these topics in his moving conversion story. For more information, or to register for this free event, visit www.bit.ly/stjoseph2021 or www.fallriverfaithformation.org/stjoseph



Please join the Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., Bishop of Fall River, at a special Mass on Friday, March 19, 2021 at 7:00 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral in Fall River to commemorate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To register to attend the Mass in person, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/feast-of-st-joseph-mass-with-bishop-da-cunha-tickets-140854253865>

Fall River Diocese Women's and Men's Conference 2021

This year's Women's and Men's Conference is going virtual! The annual Lenten Conference sponsored by the Fall River Diocese will be offered online on Saturday, March 20, from 1-5 p.m., with a program that will feature popular contemporary Christian music singer and composer Valimar Jansen along with prayer, presentations, and a Q & A session with Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V. It will conclude with a 4 p.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop da Cunha. Join Catholics from throughout the Diocese for this afternoon of spiritual renewal and enrichment during Lent. Visit the diocesan website at fallriverdiocese.org for details and a link to register to participate.



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