

# ST. MARY'S PARISH

Corner of Main & Summer Streets, Shrewsbury, Mass. 01545 • Website: [www.stmarysparish.org](http://www.stmarysparish.org)

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Mass

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 am, 11:00 am  
& 5:30 pm.

Weekdays & Saturday: 8:30 am.

Holy Days: 8:30 am., 12:00 pm. & 7:00 pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30–4:00 pm.; anytime by  
appointment

### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday: 6:00–9:00 pm, Church

Friday: 9:00–1:00 pm, Pastoral Ctr. Chapel

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Michael F. Rose, *Pastor*

Rev. Javier Julio, *Parochial Vicar*

Philip E. Devine, *Deacon*

Jeannie MacDonough, *Principal*

Gina Kuruvilla, *Director of*

*Religious Education & Youth Ministry*

Kathy Canfield, *Gr. K–8 Rel. Ed. Coord.*

Richard Vacca, *Director of Liturgical Music*

Viola Jefferson, *Parish Nurse*

Juan David Parra, *Seminarian Intern*

## CONTACT US

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School Office ..... 508-842-1601

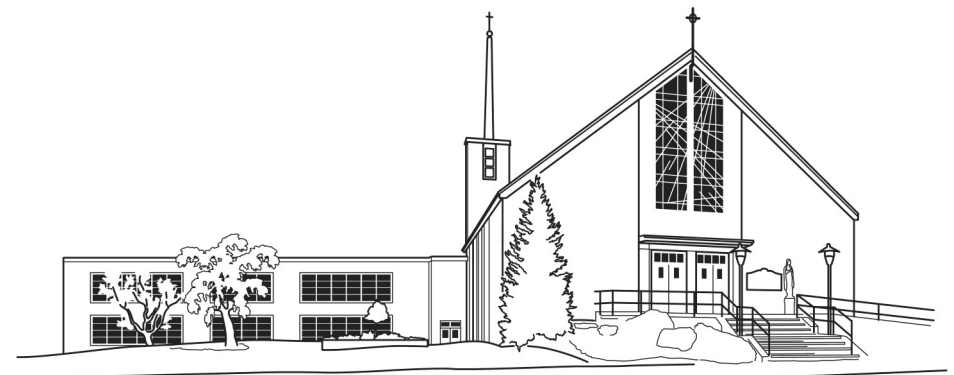
Religious Ed. Office ..... 508-925-7801

Youth Ministry ..... 508-925-7801

Parish Health Ministry..... 508-925-7647

### Our Parish Mission

*We, the people of St. Mary's, strive to be a community united with God, dedicated to continuing growth in knowledge and faith, giving witness to Christ through love, worship, education, and service. So that we may fulfill this mission and integrate spirituality with life, we shall reach out to all peoples within and beyond our faith community.*



**NEW PARISHIONERS:** We are always happy to welcome new people into our parish family. Please contact the Pastoral Center to register or for more information.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms at St. Mary are held on the first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 PM. Parents may also schedule to have their child baptized during one of the Sunday Masses. A preparation session for parents preparing for the baptism of their first child is held on the second Monday of the month in the Pastoral Center. Call the Pastoral Center for more information.

**MARRIAGES:** The policy for the Diocese of Worcester requires a period of one year preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage, which includes sessions with the parish priest and participation at either the pre-cana conferences or the Engaged Encounter weekend. Contact one of the priests for arrangements.

**PASTORAL CARE:** Arrangements for the reception of the Sacraments for homebound parishioners can be made by contacting the Pastoral Center. Please also notify the Pastoral Center when a parishioner is in the hospital or otherwise confined. Emergency sick calls at anytime.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

Marilyn Blanchard ..... 508-845-1567

Jean Campaniello ..... 508-842-8288

Robert Doiron ..... 978-568-3696

Jim Farrell ..... 508-330-6153

Lynne Grden ..... 508-363-3636

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Kelly Paulina ..... 508-845-8557

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Robert Terry ..... 508-798-8734

Susan Zybert ..... 508-842-7554

## COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES

**Finance:** Maria Lemieux ..... 508-845-8732

**Respect Life:** Kurt Brenner ..... 508-842-0322

**Seniors Jet Set:** Evelyn Baroni ..... 508-845-3511

**Social Justice:** Gina Kuruvilla ..... 508-925-7801

**Outreach:** Mary Daly ..... 508-845-6819

**Stewardship:** Kelly Paulina ..... 508-845-8557

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Date	Time	Intention
<b>Saturday, Jan. 5</b>	8:30 pm	<b>Joan Finnerty</b> By a friend
	4:30 pm	† <b>Leonard Bellerose</b> By Jean Marie Carey
<b>Sunday, Jan. 6</b>	7:30 am	† <b>Eilyana Moynihan Turpin</b> By the Turpin family
	9:00 am	† <b>Glen Umphrey</b> † <b>Mark Umphrey</b> By the family
	11:00 am	† <b>Danielle Simas</b> By the family
	5:30	† <b>Louis and Catalina Domenech</b> By the family
<b>Monday, Jan. 7</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Meryl Giedyman</b> By a friend
<b>Tuesday, Jan. 8</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Holy Souls in Purgatory</b> By a parishioner
<b>Wed., Jan. 9</b>	8:30 pm	<b>Special Intention</b> By a parishioner
<b>Thursday, Jan. 10</b>	8:30	† <b>Theresa McGovern</b> By the family
<b>Friday, Jan. 11</b>	8:30 am	† <b>Matthew J. Murray</b> By the family
<b>Saturday, Jan. 12</b>	8:30 am	
	4:30 pm	† <b>Mr. and Mrs. Balthazar</b> By their son
<b>Sunday, Jan. 13</b>	7:30 am	† <b>Rev. Roy J. Devaney</b> 16th Anniversary by St. Mary Parish
	9:00 am	† <b>Robert Mersereau</b> By Marie Valeski
	11:00 am	† <b>Bob and Thea Brazeau</b> By the family
	5:30 pm	† <b>Mary Lynne (Moynihan) Wilson</b> 9th Anniversary by the family



**PRAY FOR . . .**

Lucia diagnosed with kidney cancer; successful back surgery for Jim and Molly and full and fast recovery for both; Howard with pancreatic cancer; Yli's safe travel; Maren; Sharon to gain relief from pain; Audra suffering with the flu to recover; Ava and her family after the loss of her Dad; all those who are alone, lonely, and estranged to know God's lovingkindness at this time and to give and receive forgiveness; Beverly's to fully heal following her third cancer surgery; Kim and her husband; Carol Quist; AM's speedy healing after surgery; Diane, in hospice care, to have comfort, care and pain relief; Lois to recover from a septic infection; Joan's wellness; Carol's recovery from a broken hand; Rosalita and her family; AH to gain robust health; Sarah's successful ankle surgery and full recovery; GD's malady to abate; Michelle's safe delivery of her baby; Eric MacDonald to open his heart to the light of Christ and His message of Salvation; Father George to return to good health; Kelly for healing of a throat ailment; Martin Finnegan full healing of cancer; special intention pf Tom Deliganis; and for Pam to gain lasting healthful treatment for a serious eating disorder.

**Continued prayers for:** Jim; Judy; Susan; Rev. Paul O'Connell following his knee surgery; Linda; Bishop Reuger; Tim C.; Kathy and her Dad; Lydia; Reilly; Matthew; Betty; Carly; Chase; Anne-Marie; Kathy; Christine; Christine O; Christine F.; Ivan and Jacob; BC; Jeff; Marianne; Tim M.; David; our country; baby Owen; Betsy C.; Bonnie; Gail; Sue; Lukas; Larry Sr.; Harry; Steve; baby L.; Angelo; Aileen; Justin; Ted; DJ; AG; DD; Shannon; Logan; Janice; Robert; Allison; Katie; Maddie; Chico; and safe pregnancies for several.

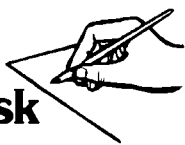
**Thanksgiving for:** God's family of loving support; the Boston food delivery movement; newlyweds whose celebration included toy-buying and delivery to those without this season; Bishop Reuger's return to his home; Kendra's happy engagement; baby JD's birth 12/6; all those who participated, volunteered and celebrated our recent cultural mass at 4:30 last weekend; Paula and her circle; the opening of the BORO Sugar Shack (Bridging Over to Right Opportunities) inside Westborough High School to foster educational development and vocational-technical life skills training in a real business setting; safety for two drivers during a car accident; and all answered prayers.

**Prayer Line:** Tracy at 508-450-0137

**Liturgical Ministry Schedule January 12-13**

Date	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Server	Sacristan
Saturday 4:30pm	E. Van Atten	M. Damico, S. Gallerani, S. Goodwin, M.L Lordan, C. Lynch, P. Pennucci S. Seed	A. Kerekon, B. Kerekon, E. Siciliano	J. Nelligan
Sunday 7:30am	G. Kuruvilla	W. Gooley, M. Gulino, M/M Holland, T. Keegan, P. Kelly, G. McNamara	A. Corazzini, P. Hastings, R. White T. Hruskoci, A. Johnson, J. Thomas	L. D'Souza
Sunday 9:00am	J. Valutkevich	M/M Godek, F. St. Pierre, S. Zybert	E. Boucher, N. Daley, A. Harasim C. Jarry	R. St. Pierre
Sunday 11:00am	M. Page	S. Howard, D. Malo, J. McAdam, M. Minnucci, E. Page, K. Paulina, L. Shuba, J. Sousa, M. Vallejo	A. Belanger, J. Malo, M. Farrell J. Karam, M. Johnson	S. Berkowitz
Sunday 5:30pm	Confirmation Student	A.M. Blute, L. Ferguson, E. Keck, L. Perreault, M. Serafin, J. Srnka	K. Campos, T. Buricatu, N. Srnka B. Sullivan	V. Moskowitz

## From the Pastor's Desk



Dear Friends,

As the season of Christmas continues with today's celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord. I join Fr. Javier and the entire parish staff in extending to your our continued prayers and best wishes for a happy, healthy new year. I also thank you for your many gestures of kindness and care throughout the days of Christmas – for your cards and candy, cookies and gifts. We have enjoyed and shared them all!

As is the case every year, so many people have shared their gifts and talents this Christmas season so that our parish community could celebrate the fullness of Jesus' birth. Without their gifts shared so generously, we would not have been able to celebrate the Christmas liturgies with such beauty and joy. A special word of thanks to Rick Vacca, our Director of Music, Christine Carter, our adult choir director, for all their efforts in preparing our Christmas music. Thank-you to the members of the adult choir and children's choirs & our high school, college and graduate musicians, Jan Capello, Stephanie Sarkisian, Charles Nwachuku, cantors and musicians for bringing us the sounds of Christmas.. Thank you to Lisa Ferguson, Marilyn Blanchard, Fr. Javier, the Art & Environment committee and many volunteers for their tremendous efforts cleaning and decorating the church for Christmas, and thanks to men & teens who set up our outdoor crèche once again. Thank-you to Headmaster Alex Zequeira, Warren Hayden and the St. John's High School community for their hospitality on Christmas Eve. Thank-you to all who served as liturgical ministers – lectors, ministers of communion, altar servers, greeters, ushers, Mass coordinators and leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word. Thank-you to Jamie Horvath for coordinating our Christmas pageant once again on Christmas Eve and those who assisted. Thank-you to all who work in our school and religious education program for helping our children and youth understand the true meaning of Christmas. Thank-you to Maryanne Damico and all who assisted in coordinating the Giving Tree and delivering hundreds of gifts for children and families in need. Thank-you to the volunteers who visit the nursing home and the homebound and bring comfort to people who are no longer able to be with us at Mass. And thank-you to all the staff members of St. Mary's for all that you do throughout the year.

God Bless you all!

Msgr. Mike

## VICTIM SERVICES

If you, or someone you know, were abused by someone representing the Catholic Church, please believe in the possibility of hope and help and healing.

We encourage you to come forward and contact: Victims Assistance Coordinator at the Diocese of Worcester 508-929-4363 (a direct, confidential line) or [jaudette@worcesterdiocese.org](mailto:jaudette@worcesterdiocese.org)



### Sunday, January 6

8:00 Sunday Coffee-Hall  
 9:00 St. Mary's Adult Choir-Media Center  
 9:00 Grade 3 Mass  
 9:00 Children's Choir  
 10:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-School/Hall/LMR  
 12:30 Baptisms-Church  
 2:00 Girl Scouts-Hall  
 3:00 Girl Scouts-Gathering Space

### Monday, January 7

9:15 Weight Training-Large Meeting Room  
 5:45 Cub Scout Tigers-Hall  
 6:30 AOL Den 9-St. John  
 7:00 Cub Scout Bears-Hall

### Tuesday, January 8

8:30 School Mass  
 6:00 Eucharistic Adoration-Church  
 6:00 Lions Cubs-Hall  
 7:00 PRAE-Large Meeting Room

### Wednesday, January 9

4:15 Children's Choir-Church  
 4:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-Hall/School/LMR  
 6:30 CMSC parent Class-Gathering Space

### Thursday, January 10

9:15 Weight Training-Large Meeting Room  
 6:00 AOL Den-Hall  
 6:15 Cub Scout Wolves-Hall  
 6:30 Gentle yoga-Large Meeting Room  
 7:00 Boy Scouts-Hall  
 7:00 Pure In Heart-Chapel/Mary's Room

### Friday, January 11

9:00 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-Chapel  
 4:30 Grade 8 Retreat-Large Meeting Room  
 6:00 Daisy Troop 30315-Gathering Space  
 6:00 Girl Scouts-Gathering Space  
 6:00 Pinewood Derby Setup-Hall

### Saturday, January 12

9:00 Grades 1 & 2 CCD-Hall/School/LMR  
 11:00 Grades K, 1 & 2 CCD-School/Hall/LMR  
 1:00 Girl Scouts-Gathering Space  
 1:00 Pinewood Derby-Hall

### Sunday, January 13

8:00 Sunday Coffee-Hall  
 9:00 St. Mary's Adult Choir-Media Center  
 10:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-School/Hall/LMR  
 12:30 Households of Faith-Hall  
 6:30 Grades 9 & 10 CCD-Hall/School/LMR/GS/PC

### School Mass

As we enter into the last week of the Christmas season we look forward to welcoming the students and faculty of St. Mary School to the 8:30 am Mass on Tuesday, January 8th.



**The Prayer Shawl Ministry** of St. Mary Parish offers you a source of comfort and God's love. If you or someone you know would like to receive a shawl, please contact Deborah at 508-842-8653 and she will make arrangements to deliver a "hug from God."



### Saint Mary School

#### Open House and Registration Events

Sunday, January 27, 2019 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
Thursday, January 31, 2019 8:30 am – 10:30 am

As you consider Preschool, Kindergarten, Elementary and Middle School options for the 2019 – 2020 school year, please plan to attend our Open House and Registration events.

Enjoy the opportunity to meet our dedicated faculty and engaged students and explore our commitment to faith, academic excellence and authentic examples of service.

Our After-School Program is available for Kindergarten through Grade 8 students

from 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm each school day.

Saint Mary School welcomes students and families from all faiths and ethnic backgrounds.

Please contact our Admissions Director, Cheryl Dolan at

Cheryl.Dolan@stmarysparish.org

or, (508) 842-1601 with any questions.

To learn more about our commitment to faith, academic excellence and service,

please visit: <https://school.stmarysparish.org/>

### BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the families and the children who were baptized during the month of December: Eryn Bilodeau, Nolan Sabourin, and Christian Turk.

*May they grow in the faith that we profess in Christ Jesus.*

Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 pm. Please call the pastoral center to make arrangements for your child's baptism. Parents who would like to have their first child baptized will be asked to participate in a Baptism Preparation session which are held on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in the pastoral center.

#### PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES IN THE NEW YEAR

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is held every Tuesday from 6:00 – 9:00 pm in the church and Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Pastoral Center Chapel.



#### DAILY ROSARY

Please join us at Mary's statue after the 8:30 am Mass Monday through Saturday to pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy. All are welcome!

#### WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our best wishes and prayers to Brian Thibodeau and Victoria Ranko who were married at St. Mary's on New Year's Eve. May they be blessed and fulfilled as they begin to live out the sacrament of Marriage



#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have a gift for story telling, acting, or hosting trivia games? Are you creative, entertaining or just enjoy sharing your faith? We need YOU! The Children's Liturgy of the Word team is seeking volunteers to help at the 9:00am Sunday Masses. This program is intended to provide meaning and color to the weekly Scripture readings. Volunteers are typically scheduled for one Sunday a month, but volunteer for as little of as much of your time as you can share. Leaders are needed for preschool, K-2nd grade or 3rd-5th grade levels. Lesson ideas are provided. For more information, please contact Larry Cardani

#### EAGLE COURT OF HONOR – CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratulations and best wishes to three Boy Scouts from St. Mary sponsored Troop 158 who received their rank of Eagle Scout at a recent Eagle Court of Honor



LIAM DAIGLE  
GAVIN FISCHER  
JJ HANNAFORD



#### FUEL COLLECTION

#### A SPECIAL OFFERING FOR FUEL

During the winter months (January thru March) you will find an additional envelope in your monthly packet marked "a special offering for fuel". This extra boost

in income helps to defray the increased cost of fuel and utilities that St. Mary's and all of us experience at this time of year. Thank-you for your support.

#### SECOND COLLECTION FOR ST. MARY'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The monthly second collection for the Capital Campaign – Our Enduring Covenant – will take place next weekend on January 12 & 13. Thank-you for your continued generosity and support as we pay down our construction loan each month.



#### DON'T MISS OUT. CONNECT WITH US SIGN-UP FOR FLOCKNOTES TODAY

Join the 487 people from our parish community who receive communications from St. Mary's Parish through Flocknotes. When you subscribe to Flocknote you will receive news and updates from St. Mary Parish via text message or email. 3 ways to subscribe:

1. Visit the parish website - [stmarysparish.org/flocknote](http://stmarysparish.org/flocknote)
2. Text STMARYPARISH to 84576
3. Scan the QR code on the posters at the church entrance



#### HOSPITAL

#### CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITALIZED

Each week Msgr. Mike and Fr. Javier go to the Worcester hospitals to visit St. Mary's parishioners. Depending on how patients are admitted into the hospital, we do not always have an accurate list. Please call the Pastoral Center (508-845-6341) if a family member or a neighbor who lives alone has been hospitalized so that we may visit them.



**A great Big Thank you! To all of the cast from our Christmas Eve Pageant:**

Phoebe Beltran, Mateo Beltran, Benedict Beltran, Sarah Beltran, Gabriel Beltran, Sienna DiPiazza, Dylan DiPiazza, Amelia DiPiazza, Juliana Haugli, Kim Haugli, Sophia Horvath, Jackson Horvath, Kelly McKenna, Phoebe McKenna, Rhiannon McKenna, Abigail McDonald, Megan McDonald, Abigail Pulsifer, Emily Pulsifer & Leah Rose Trocki.

Also, a special thank you to all the parents for their time and support!

**Happy New Year!**

**NEW PARISHIONERS**



We extend a warm welcome to the following people who joined St. Mary's parish during the month of December: Ronnie and Vanessa Jordan, Germano Lima and Meredith Stanley, Daniel and Jane Moynihan, and Eric and Julie Murphy.

**WELCOME TABLE**

If you are a new parishioner, we are very glad to welcome you to St. Mary's. In the coming months we hope that you will take time to GET REGISTERED ... GET CONNECTED ... and GET INVOLVED. Parishioners involved in our Welcoming Ministry are here to help you in any way we can.

To register in the parish, you may call or stop by the Pastoral Center and Kerry, the parish secretary, will help you. You can also register online at the parish website at [www.stmarysparish.org](http://www.stmarysparish.org).

**THE BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION**

The Baby Bottle Collection was a big success! Eve Lindquist, Director of Visitation House, wants to thank our St. Mary's priests and parishioners for their most generous response - we raised over \$6,374. The mothers and babies at Visitation House will be the happy recipients of what Mrs. Lindquist called your "love in action." Thank you to everyone who helped with the Baby bottle collection.

Thanks again, The Respect Life Committee

**PROJECT RACHEL**



Thankfully through Project Rachel the Catholic Church post abortion healing ministry, men and women can find forgiveness and peace of heart through compassionate counseling and the sacrament of reconciliation. Call 508-791-HOPE (4673).



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**Re-use & Recycling Event**

Date: **January 19, 2019** (Saturday)

Time: **10 A.M. - 1 P.M.**

Place: Franklin Loew Veterans Ed. Center, **Tufts University**, 3 Library Circle, **Grafton** (off Westboro Rd.)

**Items accepted at NO CHARGE:**

Computers and laptops, stringed Christmas lights & cords, Styrofoam (#6, white; NO food containers and packing peanuts please!), used CLEAN clothing & textiles, shoes, purses, belts (rips and holes okay; must be clean & dry), unwanted holiday gifts to be donated to charity, old worn and torn sheets, towels, & blankets to benefit Foster Hospital for Small Animals (please put in a separate bag marked, 'Foster Hospital').

**Items accepted for a small fee:**

Small (unused or broken) electronics - \$10  
Monitors, TVs - \$20

**Blessing of a Home on Epiphany**

Lord God of heaven and earth,  
you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation  
by the guidance of a star.  
Bless this house  
and all who inhabit it.  
Fill them (us) with the light of Christ,  
that their (our) concern for others may reflect your love.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Start the New Year out right enriching your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jan 18-20, 2019 in South Kingstown, RI and Mar 8-10, 2019 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://www.mema.org/>.

**Become a Hospice Volunteer**

Hospice provides physical, emotional and spiritual support for terminally ill patients and their families. All volunteers receive specialized training and ongoing support and are an integral part of the hospice team of caregivers.

Overlook VNA & Hospice Services  
Charlton, MA 01507

For more information contact :  
Susan Fuller, volunteer coordinator, 508-434-2200.