

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Corner of Main & Summer Streets, Shrewsbury, Mass. 01545 • Website: 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*

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CONTACT US

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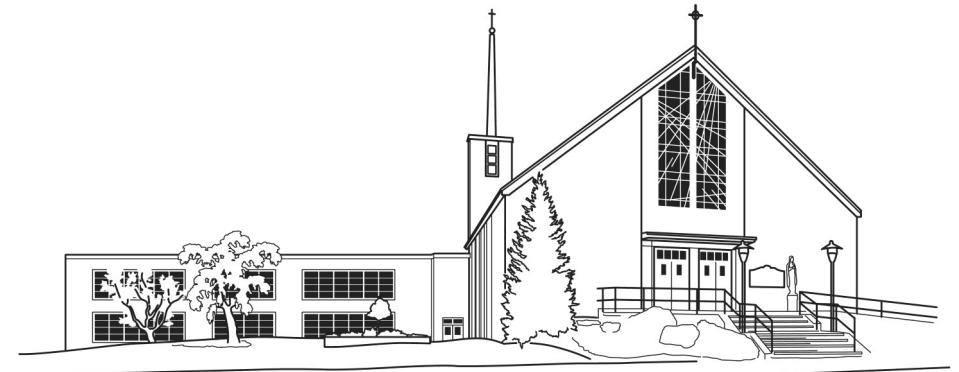
Religious Ed. Office 508-925-7801

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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

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Outreach: Mary Daly 508-845-6819

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MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Intention
Saturday, April 27	8:30 am	† James G. Reardon , 20th Anniversary By the Suuberg and Reardon families
	4:30 pm	† Jose & Theresa Fernandez, Manny Chaves, Alipio Martins, Hilda Corriea, Armando Sousa, Filomena Sousa, Paul Dirth, Ruth Foley, Pam Cawley, Carol Singh and Anne Dealy By Joe and Elisa Sousa
Sunday, April 28	7:30 am	† Michael A. Perri 1st Anniversary by the family
	9:00 am	† Paul MacDonald, Jr. By the family
	11:00 am	† Danielle Simas By the family
	5:30 pm	† Bernard C. Moore, Jr. By the family
Monday, April 29	8:30 am	† James Thomann By David and Kathy Lake
Tuesday, April 30	8:30 am	† Joan Dolan By Dennis and Maryellen Daly
Wed., May 1	8:30 am	† Milton R. Landry, Jr. By the family
Thursday, May 2	8:30 am	† Ellen Curran By St. Mary School Faculty & Students
Friday, May 3	8:30 am	† Laura D'Amelio By Dennis and Maryellen Daly
Saturday, May 4	8:30 am	† Jeffrey Doyle Birthday Remembrance By Connie, Don and Laura
	4:30 pm	† Leonard Tomaiolo, Jr. 8th Anniversary by the family
Sunday, May 5	7:30 am	† Jonathan Perez By Sylvia Garcia
	9:00 am	† Edith Beninate 1st Anniversary by Jim & Sandy Marine
	11:00 am	† Christopher Cote 10th Anniversary by Sue & Ray Cote
	5:30 pm	† Rev. Richard Segreve, C.S.C. 2nd Anniversary By the Kotsopoulos family



PRAY FOR . . .

Maureen's full recovery from breast cancer; successful surgery for a woman on Easter Monday; our bothers and sisters in France, especially in Paris; Kayllie; Michelle; Lou; Kathryn; Harry; Cindy; Caleb; safe travel for everyone over the Easter holiday; Carol T.; a man with insomnia; Sue's wellness; Matt's declining health; Bill's recovery; all those suffering with poor mental or physical health;

Continued prayers for: Sheila and her family; Alex; Matt's and Linda's move; Tim C.; Antonio; babies Theo, Luke, Hannah, Dalton; Cindy; Linda with multiple cancers; Linda A.; Kathy's hip recovery; Brian; David; Stanley; Anna; Maddie and Chico; Ellen; Elaine's recovery; Christine O; Christine F.; Ben P.; Marianne; Sarah's and Erin's pregnancies; Addie; Jim P.; Sarah W.; Mark; Angelo; Jacqueline; Lisa; Rylie; Ashok; Michael; Susan; Lukas; Doug; Caleb W.; and all those with no one to pray for them.

Thanksgiving for: support for E. during retreat; a good high school placement for Elise; Ellen's successful back surgery; a fantastic mother; the YMCA; the Shrewsbury Farmers' Market and Shrewsbury Special Education Parent Advisory Council's Second Annual Diversity Fair held 4/6 and all the participants and volunteers; the Lenten season; and all answered prayers.

Prayer Line: Tracy at 508-450-0137



MOTHER'S DAY ROSES

May 11th and 12th

St. Mary's Respect Life Committee will be selling fresh "Roses for Life" after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend in support of Problem Pregnancy of Worcester. This all-volunteer agency provides women an alternative to abortion through free counseling, pregnancy testing, ultrasound scanning and emotional support. Your prayers and donations for the unborn are needed and greatly appreciated.



CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITALIZED

IN THE HOSPITAL

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.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule May 4-5

Date	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Server	Sacristan
Saturday 4:30pm	L. Perkins	S. Seed, P. Pennucci, S. Gallerani, M. Damico, S. Puthanangady, C. Engdahl, K. Van Atten	Z. Sargent, N. Podlizec, E. Clifford, J. Karam	J. Nelligan
Sunday 7:30am	I. D'Souza	A. Lo, P. Caouette, P. Kelly, T. Keegan, M. Benbenek, M. Gulino, M. Blute	J. Lo, A. Lo, T. Hruskoci, K. Vona, A. Johnson, A. Corazzini	M. Gulino
Sunday 9:00am	M. Murray	M/M Godek, B. Randazzo, E. Ford	G. Morris, S. Boyle, K. Minton, A. Harasim, N. Daley, N. Hughes	R. St. Pierre
Sunday 11:00am	J. Parra	J. Ellis, L. Shuba, J.M. Carey, D. Malo, M. Page, L. Ferguson, M. Minnucci	J. Malo, M. Johnson, S. Damle	J.M. Carey
Sunday 5:30pm	V. Russo	J. Davidson, M/M Thompson, C. Cruz, V. Moskowicz, S. Pegg	E. Ferguson, K. Campos	A. Figueiredo

ST. MARY'S R.C.I.A. - EASTER WELCOME

At last week's Easter Vigil we welcomed the following adults into the Catholic Church and St. Mary's Parish:

Jared Dalpe – Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist

John French – Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist

Jennifer Yates – Reception into the Church, Confirmation & Eucharist.

In addition John & Jennifer's two young sons – Lucas and Elias – were baptized

MAY IS HAITI SOLIDARITY MONTH

May is Haiti Solidarity Month in the Diocese of Worcester as we highlight our Covenant with the Diocese of Les Cayes and the twinning relationship that exists between several parishes in Worcester and Les Cayes. St. Mary's is proud to continue our twinning partnership with St. Michel's Parish in Roche-a-Bateau which is in the south western part of the island. Fr. Bernard, the new pastor of St. Michel's who visited our parish last Fall, continues to thank the people of St. Mary's for their generous outpouring of support. This past year Fr. Bernard celebrated the opening of the newly rebuilt chapel in the remote town of Bokolo. Our monthly commitment of \$1,400 continues to provide a great deal of assistance to the parish and school.

Sunday, May 5 at the 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses

The Haitian Choir from St. Angela's in Mattapan will return to our parish and sing at these Masses. Please plan to join us at one of these Masses, especially if you have not heard this wonderful Haitian choir before.

Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5

Support St. Michel's parish with a donation. Envelopes will be available for your support of our twinned parish and a second collection will be taken up at all the Masses.

On Saturday, May 25 Bishop Robert McManus will celebrate the 4:30pm Mass as we welcome several Haitian students who are being supported by the generous donations of people throughout the Diocese of Worcester.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

St. Mary's will celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 28
Confessions from 2:00 – 3:00 pm with Eucharistic Adoration
Prayer Service at 3:00 pm will include Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Benediction

St. John Paul II stated that the message of Divine Mercy formed the image of his pontificate. Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis have reiterated the centrality of mercy as found in the teachings of Pope John Paul II who said:

It is truly marvelous how her devotion to the merciful Jesus is spreading in our contemporary world and gaining so many human hearts! This is doubtlessly a sign of the times – a sign of our 20th century. The balance of this century, which is now ending, in addition to the advances, which have often surpassed those of preceding eras, presents a deep restlessness and fear of the future. Where, if not in Divine Mercy, can the world find refuge and the light of hope? Believers understand that perfectly. (Homily, Beatification of Sister Faustina Kowalska, April 18, 1993)



Sunday, April 28

- 8:00 Sunday Coffee
- 9:00 St. Mary Adult Choir-Media Center
- 2:00 Divine Mercy-Church
- 3:30 Confirmation Sponsor and Candidate Retreat & Rite of Election-Church/Hall/LMR/GS
- 7:00 33 Days to Morning Glory-Media Center
- 7:00 Light of the World –Large Meeting Room

Monday, April 29

- 9:15 Weight Training-Large Meeting Room
- 10:00 Cluster Meeting-Mary's Room
- 4:30 First Communion Rehearsal-Church
- 7:00 33 Days to Morning Glory-Large Meeting Room
- 7:00 Cub Scout pack Meeting-Hall

Tuesday, April 30

- 4:30 First Communion Rehearsal-Church
- 6:00 Eucharistic Adoration-Church
- 6:30 Cub Scout Webelos Den 6-Hall

Wednesday, May 1

- 1:00 May Crowning-Church
- 4:15 Children's Choir-Church
- 4:30 First Communion Rehearsal-Church
- 5:45 Gentle Yoga-Large Meeting Room

Thursday, May 2

- 9:15 Weight Training-Large Meeting Room
- 7:00 Liturgy Committee Meeting-Mary's Room
- 7:00 Boy Scouts-Hall

Friday, May 3

- 9:00 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-Chapel
- 2:30 Mass at Shrewsbury Nursing Home
- 6:00 Daisy Troop 30315-Hall

Saturday, May 4

- 10:00 First Communion-Church/Hall
- 10:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry-Mary's Room

Sunday, May 5

- 8:00 Sunday Coffee
- 9:00 St. Mary Adult Choir-Media Center
- 9:00 St. Angela's Haitian Choir-Church
- 11:00 St. Angela's Haitian Choir-Church
- 12:30 Households of Faith-Hall/School/LMR
- 12:30 Baptisms-Church
- 3:00 Girl Scouts-Hall
- 7:00 Light of the World-Large Meeting Room
- 7:00 33 Days to Morning Glory-Media Center



MARY'S FLOWERS

The flowers adorning the statue of our Blessed Mother are in memory of

Michael Perri

In Honor of his 1st Anniversary

Donated lovingly by the family

SEMINARIAN INTERN – Juan Parra

This week our seminarian, Juan Parra, who has been with us on the weekends throughout the year, will begin a full-time summer internship here at St. Mary's. These next nine weeks will give Juan the opportunity to participate more fully in the life of our parish and school and become more involved with our ministries. Please keep Juan in your prayers during these weeks as he continues his formation and journey to the priesthood.



Saint Mary School

Registration for the 2019 - 2020 School Year
Saint Mary School is now accepting applications online for our Preschool, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 through 8 classrooms for the 2019 – 2020 school year. Schedule a tour or a Student Shadow Day to see how Saint Mary School is making a difference for our students, our community and our world through 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 – 5:30 pm.

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

For more information, please contact our Admissions Director, Cheryl Dolan at Cheryl.Dolan@stmarysparish.org or 508 842-1601.

Visit our website to complete an application and learn more about Saint Mary School: <https://school.stmarysparish.org/application-packages>

Plant the Seeds, Watch them Grow! The Fund for Saint Mary School

Thanks to the kindness of a generous Donor, every dollar given to The Fund for Saint Mary School from

Monday, April 1, 2019 through Tuesday, April 30, 2019

will be matched DOLLAR for DOLLAR up to \$10,000!

Our Goal: \$10,000 in donations from our School Families, Faculty, Staff, Alumni, Alumni Parents and Friends of Saint Mary School

Suggested gifts: Young Alumni - \$10, College Students - \$25, Alumni & Alumni Parents – Share your treasure!

The Fund for Saint Mary School:

- * Provides need-based tuition assistance
- * Affords enrichment materials to promote hands-on learning activities
- * Fortifies the Endowment to support the long-term viability of our school

Donate Online: Visit Saint Mary School's website to share your gift today: <https://school.stmarysparish.org/online-giving>

Donate via Check: Payable to: The Fund for Saint Mary School
Mailing Address: 16 Summer Street, Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Share your gift with Saint Mary School, plant the seeds for our students' academic foundation and support our Mission for Catholic education! We thank you for your participation, your prayers and your continued support of Saint Mary School

SAVE THE DATE Saturday, May 11 at 8pm Assabet Valley Singers Concert St. Mary's Church

Concert tickets may be purchased at Shrewsbury Federal Credit Union after April 15th, discounted \$3 (three) from both the general price of \$25 (twenty-five) or \$20 (twenty) for students and senior citizens. Tickets may also be purchased through www.AVMsingers.org without the discount. Large print programs will be available.

There will be a limited number of complimentary concert tickets available at Shrewsbury Senior Center after April 22nd. Further information is available on the website or by calling (978) 562-9838.



The Family Festival Planning Committee Needs YOU!!

Please consider becoming a part of the planning team for this cherished event (or volunteer your spouse!!)

The current festival team is ready to train and transition to the next generation of St. Mary Families to carry on this beloved event. The goal this year is to have all preplanning completed by June 1st.

Please contact any of us for more information:

Beth Berg - bethberg@gmail.com

Colleen Clifford - cmclifford@live.com

Jeannie MacDonough - Jeannie.MacDonough@stmarysparish.org

John Sliwoski - johnsliwoski@gmail.com

Saint Mary School to Host Mexican Folk Artist



Saint Mary School will welcome a Folk Artist from Oaxaca, Mexico on Monday, May 6, 2019 for a series of live demonstrations by Porfirio Gutierrez from Teotitlan Del Valle, Oaxaca, Mexico. The demonstrations are made possible through a partnership with Margarita's Mexican Restaurant in Northborough, Massachusetts through their Visiting Artists Education Outreach Program.

Porfirio's weavings are made of hand spun yarns that are dyed with local plants, minerals and insects. His family's weavings have been featured in prestigious shows and events such as the International Folk Art Market in Santa Fe, NM and the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

These live demonstrations will expand attendees understanding of the Oaxaca history, Mexican culture and family traditions as they see the beauty in the intricate Mexican weavings.

The demonstrations will take place at the following times in **Saint Mary's Large Meeting Room, located on the Second Floor:**

Session 1: 8:15 am – 9:00 am

Session 2: 9:00 am – 9:45 am

Session 3: 10:00 am – 10:45 am

Session 4: 12:00 – 12:45 pm

Session 5: 12:45 pm – 1:30 pm

All are welcome to attend the demonstrations, though limited seating is available. If you would like to attend a demonstration, please send an email to: Stephanie Muzzy, Advancement Director, at: stephanie.muzzy@stmarysparish.org with your name, number of guests and the session time.

The artist's demonstrations are made possible thanks to generosity of a grant from the Shrewsbury Cultural Council which is funded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

5K Autism Walk and Run on Sunday, May 5: Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the Walk/Run begins at 10 a.m. St. Mary's Social Justice Ministry is looking to form a team of walkers/runners to raise awareness and funds for this cause. For more details please contact Nancy Hughes at njh1959@hotmail.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Saturday, May 11 is 'Reuse, Repurpose, and Recycle Day' at **St. Mary's (parking lot) from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.** Please see below for details:

Electronics and Metals Recycling: Bring your small and large electronic and metal items to be refurbished, reused or recycled in a responsible, environmentally conscious, and safe manner. We accept computers, televisions, large and small appliances, and metal items such as rods, bars, pots and pans. **Items must not contain fuel, oil or any such flammable material.** For more information on the company we will be using, please visit <https://www.computerremoval.com/>. A **\$10 fee** will be charged for small items (small TV or standard family microwave size) and **\$15** for items such as washing machines, refrigerators, etc.

Textiles Recycling: Rubber, leather, and textiles make up more than 7 percent of municipal solid waste in the U.S. according to EPA estimates (<https://www.epa.gov/facts-and-figures-about-materials-waste-and-recycling/textiles-material-specific-data>). That means the average American throws away about 70-80 pounds of clothing every year. Let us conserve resources, and reduce the amount of waste that ends up in our landfills. Bring your unwanted **CLEAN, DRY** clothing, sheets, towels, fabric curtains, linens, shoes (must be in pairs and tied together with laces), bags, belts etc. to St. Mary's in trash bags for reuse and repurposing. Small rips and tears are okay. **No fee** will be charged for drop off.

Furniture and Households Goods Drive: Please drop off gently used furniture and household goods at **no charge**. All items will be collected by Donations Clearing House (a division of Central Mass Housing Alliance) which helps move homeless people to more stable housing. On their "desperately needed items" list are table lamps, dressers, end tables, side tables, dining table sets, and gently used twin and queen size mattresses (without stains or rips).

If you have questions about any of the above please contact Gina Kuruvilla at gina.kuruvilla@stmarysparish.org.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY 2019



Dear Parishioners,

Over the past several weeks we have been conducting the Annual Partners in Charity Appeal here at St. Mary's. If you have already made a gift to the appeal, thank you sincerely! This appeal enables the work of 28 diocesan agencies, ministries and programs, to serve the people of all our parishes, as well as thousands of others throughout Worcester County. I know that the parishioners of St. Mary's will continue to respond as generously as they have in past years. I ask that you take one of the pledge envelopes found on the window sills of the church and return it to the pastoral center or in the offertory basket during Mass in the coming weeks.

Thank-you and God bless you.
Msgr. Mike

St. Mary's Parish Goal	\$180,500
Amount Collected/Pledged	154,104
Number of Gifts.	342



33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat

Saint John Paul II understood that true devotion to Mary is Christocentric, and also a pathway to becoming a saint. Join us in a 33 Days to Morning Glory retreat. **We will start Sunday evening April 28th, and meet on subsequent Sunday evenings (May 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th).** On Friday May 31st we will have one final meeting to say our consecration prayer together. This retreat involves short daily readings. You do not have to attend all of the meetings, and the books will be provided free of charge.

For more information, please email:
Andrea Malo (andreamalo2@gmail.com) or
Lisa Powers (lisarthomas@aol.com).



FOOTBALL WEEKEND

Notre Dame vs Virginia
September 26-29, 2019

Includes: Hotel, transportation, game ticket, 4 meals.
Tour historic Notre Dame University. Cost \$600 per person. Call Ed Pescaro 508-845-3081 or email pepper_61@msn.com

Dear Clergy and Parishioners,

Saint Anne's Human Services would like to humbly thank the clergy and parishioners for their extreme generosity in donating gift cards to give out to our clients for the Easter Holiday. It is nice to see fellow churches working together to serve the less fortunate. Your generous donation is one way we can make a difference in people's lives.

We believe in the sense of community and respect the intrinsic worth of each person and treat them judiciously and with compassion. We respect their lives, worries, and stories and work toward better servicing our clients.

*God Bless all of you.
Elaine LeBlanc
Director*

Take me out to the...

Sumner House
5 Church Rd. Shrewsbury, MA

Kick off spring and the baseball season.
Come meet the Official Mascots



Boston Red Sox
Wally and Tessie
Saturday May 4th

Wally: 1 to 2pm Tessie: 2 to 3pm
Master of Ceremonies

Boston Sports Radio Personality:
Mike "Sarge" Riley

Green Monster Wall Ads, proceeds donated to:
Shrewsbury Little League
Hosted and Sponsored by Chiampa Funeral Home