Just as our Blessed Mother Mary and the Evangelist, called John, came together at the foot of the cross to serve Christ crucified, so also do the parish families bearing their names come together to serve God by serving each other and all who make up the body of The Risen Lord.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
115 MIDDLESEX STREET
NORTH CHELMSFORD

ST. MARY
25 NORTH ROAD
CHELMSFORD

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*Masses are Available via Live Stream*

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*LIVEVIEW* resides on the right-hand sidebar of the home page

**Prayer Line**

To have prayers said for yourself or a loved one, call the parish office and ask for ext 223.
St. Mary Calendar

• Sunday, September 1 •
  Group Baptism • 2:00 pm • Church
  Parish Offices Closed

• Monday, September 2 •
  Labor Day • Parish Offices Closed

• Wednesday, September 4 •
  Boy Scout Troop 77 • 7:00 - 8:30 pm • Parish Hall

• Thursday, September 5 •
  Rosary Makers • 10:30 am • PC Conf Room 2
  Rosary • 12:00 - 1:00 pm • PC Adoration Chapel
  Adoration • 3:00 - 9:00 pm • PC Adoration Chapel

• Friday, September 6 •
  Adoration • 7:30 am - 9:00 pm • PC Adoration Chapel
  Knitting and Crocheting • 3:00 - 5:00 pm • PC MR 2
  All Night Vigil • 9:00 pm - 6:00 am • Church and Parish Hall

• Saturday, September 7 •
  Men’s Group • 7:45 - 8:45 am • PC MR 2
  NO 9:00 am Mass: Mass at St. John this week
  Adoration • 9:30 am - 3:00 pm • PC Chapel
  Reconciliation • 11:00 am - 12:00 noon • Church
  Anointing of the Sick, following 4 pm Mass • Church
  Ministry Fair, following 4 pm Mass • Parish Hall

• Sunday, September 8 •
  Ministry Fair • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm • Parish Hall
  Table Ministry • 1:00 - 4:00 pm • Kitchen
  PPC Meeting • 7:00 - 9:00 pm • PC Conf Room 2

St. Mary Table Ministry

Please consider a donation of canned ham, canned corn, canned green beans, regular drip coffee or juice mix. Donations may be left at the kitchen door in the hall NEXT SATURDAY, September 8th before or after the 4:00 pm Mass. Donations welcomed the 1st Saturday of EVERY month.

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Mary Church

Wedding BANNS III
Ashley Papasodero and Joshua Lovas
Anna McCormick and Adam MacMillan

Fall Bible Study at St. Mary’s
Registration Deadline Approaching

A 20-week study of Church History
Oct 1, 2019 - Mar 30, 2020 (w/holiday break)
Tuesday Evenings… 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Registration and $45 fee due
no later than Monday, September 9th

The history of our Faith is a fascinating story of adventure, rebellion, tragedy, and triumph. We will learn about the major people, places, and events that comprise the captivating story of Christianity, and will come to an understanding of Church history that enables us to have a greater sense of meaning and identity as Catholics.

Hard-copy registration forms can be found on the bulletin boards located at St. Mary Church entrances, the St. John New Parish Center and the Parish Office ...or you can register online at www.chelmsfordcatholic.org.
Click on Faith Formation, then Bible Studies.

St. John the Evangelist
African Catholic Community
ANNUAL Harvest
OF ABIDING LOVE AND UNITY
Sunday, September 22, 2019
12:30 pm at St. John Church

“God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor!” - Responsorial Psalm 68
**St. John Calendar**

- **Sunday, September 1**
  Coffee and Donuts, following 8:30 am Mass • Hall
  Parish Offices Closed

- **Monday, September 2**
  Labor Day • Parish Offices Closed
  Adoration, following 9:00 am Mass • OPC Chapel
  Families w/Addiction Support Group • CANCELLED

- **Tuesday, September 3**
  Adoration, following 9:00 am Mass • OPC Chapel
  Tuesday Morning Coffee, following 9:00 am Mass • Hall
  Evening Prayer Service • 7:00 pm • Church and Mariotti

- **Wednesday, September 4**
  Adoration, following 9:00 am Mass • OPC Chapel
  God, Pizza, Beer • 7:00-9:00 pm • OPC
  Outdoor Mass Music Rehearsal • 6:30-8:00 pm • Church

- **Thursday, September 5**
  Charismatic Prayer Group • 10:00 am • OPC
  BINGO • 6:45 pm (doors open at 3:00 pm) • Hall
  Charismatic Prayer Group • 7:00 pm • OPC

- **Friday, September 6**
  Nocturnal Adoration • Fri, 9:30 am - Sat, 9:00 am • OPC Chapel
  Baptism Prep • 7:00 pm • Mariotti

- **Saturday, September 7**
  African Community Picnic • 10am - 3pm • Great Lawn & Hall
  Reconciliation • 3:00 - 3:45 pm • Church
  Ministry Fair, following 4 pm Mass • Parish Hall

- **Sunday, September 8**
  Children’s Liturgy of the Word, during 8:30 am Mass
  Coffee and Donuts, following 8:30 am Mass • Hall
  Ministry Fair • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm • Parish Hall
  Group Baptism • 2:00 pm • Church

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**2ND ANNUAL** Hail Mary Challenge

1,000,000 Hail Mary’s in Six Months (ending Oct 31)

We have passed the halfway point!

Turn your weekly count into the containers that are located in:

~ St. Mary and St. John vestibules
~ St. John NPC Bulletin Board
~ St. Mary Parish Center Entrance

These containers will be emptied, tabulated and the count will be published weekly in the bulletin.

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**St. John Tuesday Morning Coffee Group**

Meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the Month in the St. John Church Hall following the 9 am daily Mass.

Join us...
THIS Tuesday, September 3rd

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**GOD, PIZZA AND BEER**

will resume THIS WEDNESDAY, September 4th at 7:00 pm in the St. John OPC. If you have not joined us in the past, we invite you to take this opportunity to stop by for pizza, a cold brew, great fellowship and a conversation about next week’s Gospel. Hope to see you there!

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**ST. JOHN’S CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD...**

...will begin again next Sunday, September 8th.

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**Turn page for more**
Next weekend, we will be holding our second Collaborative Ministry Fair Event, and you are cordially invited to explore and discover new frontiers in volunteer ministry! Just like last time, this will not be some everyday run-of-the-mill affair, but a showcase of what stewardship in our parish looks like. The Western Frontier will mosey on into both parishes after the 4 pm Saturday Mass. In addition to the many ministry tables, there will be activity tables, game stations of differing sorts, and a saloon where one can get some refreshment; milling about the floor you will be able to find a sheriff and his deputy, cowboys, messengers, and maybe even a gold digger or two; in a very prominent place will be the active construction of a log cabin, which we will build log by log as we add people to our number (Acts 2:47b).

Free Admission... Raffles... Kids Activities... Refreshments...

- Saint Mary
  Saturday, September 7th, following 4:00 pm Mass
  Sunday, September 8th following 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses
- Saint John
  Saturday, September 7th following 4:00 pm Mass
  Sunday, September 8th following 8:30 and 10:30 am Masses

2020 CORI Packets As you know, all volunteers who have access to children, even if the remotest of possibilities, are required to complete the CORI form annually. For your convenience, we will have a CORI table at both churches during our upcoming Ministry Fair. NOTE that although you can print the form ahead of time from our website, please do NOT SIGN as your signature requires that a parish staff member serve as your witness. DON’T FORGET TO BRING YOUR PHOTO ID!

St. Mary Adorer Needed
One adorer is needed for Thursdays from 4:00 - 5:00 pm. Adoration is held in the St. Mary Parish Center Chapel. Contact Heather at hhannaway@chelmsfordcatholic.org.

“Call to me and I will answer you, and I tell you great and hidden things that you have not known” -Jeremiah 33:3

Join Fr. Brian on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land March 1—10, 2020
Pilgrims have been traveling to the Holy Land for hundreds of years, and as part of your pilgrimage, we include many of the rich traditions that have evolved over time. Each day of your pilgrimage will allow for time to renew and affirm your faith, to pray and reflect. The Scriptures will come alive as you visit our Lord’s homeland, while being inspired by the natural beauty of the landscape and rich historical heritage. It is an encounter that has changed the lives of many pilgrims. It is an act of faith and prayer.

Visit our website… www.chelmsfordcatholic.org for a link to all the tour information including the daily itinerary, reservation application, inclusions and cost. Additionally, brochures can be found in the St. Mary church entrance and parish center, the St. John new parish center, and the parish offices.

Sth Annual Collaborative Outdoor Mass and BBQ
Sunday, September 15th
St. John Great Lawn
Mass at 10:30, followed by Good Food and Good Family Old Fashioned Fun
St. Mary 11 am Mass is cancelled on this day!

As in years past, volunteers are always needed to help make this event its usual success. If you can help out in any way, please sign up via the sign-up sheets that can be found in the entrance of both churches.
If you head up a ministry that runs from September through June, please be sure to reach out to Rae to reserve your space. The facility request form can be downloaded or completed online. We ask that you please attend to this as soon as possible so that we are able to accurately advertise your meeting dates and/or have your required space available for your use. Please address your questions to Rae at ext 325 or email her at rae@chelmsfordcatholic.org.

Did you know that Jesus spoke of how not even a sparrow falls without God knowing about it? Let our young people know that God is paying attention to them by being a catechist. If interested, contact Heather Hannaway TODAY!

Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father’s knowledge. -Matthew 10:29
When I was a kid, Labor Day weekend was about two things: the last weekend of freedom from school and the Jerry Lewis Telethon. The Jerry Lewis Telethon was a must-see event that much of the country watched. It was not necessarily that everyone watched every moment of it, but people generally knew what was happening. Some of the best moments during the show was when they showed the update on the tote board as donations poured in. And each year there was that striving to see the total best moments of the year before, which included some amazing guests. Of course, one of the most memorable moments was when Dean Martin made an appearance in 1976. Martin and Lewis had not been on stage together since 1956. I looked online and discovered that the 1976 telethon was the most watched telethon ever. And, of course, each show finished with Jerry singing “You’ll never walk alone”—usually in a very hoarse and raspy voice since he had been up for over 24 hours.

Over the years we have sort of lost these moments of community connection for our country. When the Jerry Lewis Telethon started, you could watch it on three channels. Today we have hundreds of channels to watch, but if we are honest, we have to admit that there is very little of real worth to watch on television. With that said, it has become increasingly difficult to have that must-watch moment that calls everyone to the TV. But, as Catholics, we are truly blessed because each week we do have one of those must-watch moments—it is called the Mass.

Each week we are invited by God to come together as a community united by the Holy Spirit, to both celebrate and experience the salvation Christ has won for us. The whole purpose of the Mass is that—through that experience—we become united with each other through our unity in Christ. As Christians, as we seek to find Christ in our lives, we should be drawn to the story of the travelers to Emmaus. Two disciples are walking along the road in despair, and they feel lost for they believe they have lost Christ. And in the moment of their deepest grief they are joined by a stranger. This stranger breaks open the Word of God for them, and in the breaking of the bread, they discover who He truly is—the One they have been seeking. The story of Emmaus is the story of Christian life as it is lived out daily. But it is also the story of the celebration of the Mass. Think about this story: two are gathered in the name of Christ, and as He promised, He is in their midst. The Word of God is then proclaimed and explained in order to help us break open God’s saving work in our own lives. Then, through this experience they are led into the celebration of a meal where bread is offered, blessed, broken and given—and Christ is recognized. The journey to Emmaus is the story of how we celebrate the Eucharist.

Hence, if we think about what we do in the Mass, it easily corresponds to how we are called to live in Christ. As we wake up in the morning, we are called to recognize the presence of God in our lives and to reflect on the meaning of a Christ-like day. This is what we do in the Introductory Rites as we begin with song, reflecting on the meaning of our celebration. We are then able to recognize God’s presence through the Sign of the Cross and the apostolic greeting “The Lord be with you.” Then, we are called to reflect on those times when we might have failed to live as God has called us to, and to seek his mercy and grace in order to live differently both now and in the future. That is what we do when we pray the Penitential Rite and the Kyrie. Our reflection on God’s mercy leads us to praise of God, and to prayer, as we sing the Gloria and pray the Collect (Opening Prayer). As we pray in the morning, it opens us to listen more attentively to God speaking to us in his many and varied ways during our day. Similarly, the Introductory Rites prepare us to listen attentively to the proclamation of God’s word during the Liturgy of the Word. As the Liturgy of the Word prepares us, in part, to celebrate and experience the salvation offered to us through the Liturgy of the Eucharist, so do our daily prayers and listening for God’s word prepare us to experience his salvation as a reality in our daily lives. When we understand that our lives are about living out the salvation Christ has won for us, then the four actions of Christ in the Liturgy of the Eucharist—to take, bless or give thanks, break and share—become the basis for how we are called to act toward others. Like Christ, we take the gifts the Father has given us and return a prayer of thanksgiving and gratitude to God. This recognition, that all we have comes from the Lord, should fill us with a desire to break open our lives and give of ourselves as gift to others, just as Christ does for us in the Eucharist. In that way we become the presence of Christ in the lives of others; we become what we have received—the body of Christ.

The Mass, then, is not simply something we do on Sunday; it is the very model for living out our lives in Christ. It forms us through Word and sacrament, and transforms us through the grace we receive. This celebration gives us the strength to both live out and become what we receive, and therefore, becomes the central reality of our lives as disciples of Christ being sent out to love and serve the world. The Mass leads us on the adventure that is Emmaus, that of discovering Christ in our lives, and through that experience, of discovering ourselves. The Mass is not simply something we do; it should become who we are in Christ—his very presence in the world.

The Mass truly reminds us that we will never walk alone, for in the Mass we become more deeply united to Christ and to each other.

If you have any questions about anything, please do not hesitate to ask me directly, or send your questions to me at fr.brian@chelmsfordcatholic.org. Please keep me in your prayers. In Christ,
There are many opportunities to share your God given gifts with our parish, even if your talents are not music related. There is always a home for you with St. Mary Music Ministries.

**St. Mary Music Ministries Recruitment Committee**
This committee includes monthly meetings and is dedicated to recruiting and assisting new members transitioning into their new teams.

**St. Mary Music Ministry Outreach Team**
A group of instrumentalists and vocalists who give back to the Chelmsford community with their musical gifts. Schedules and locations vary.

**Grace Notes**
Lead by Tryphena Reidy, our youth choir sings at the 9:00 am Mass on the fourth Sunday of every month, and rehearses on the second and fourth Sundays from 8:10 am - 8:45 am.

**Brass Ensemble**
This team rehearses on the first Saturday of every month from 3:00 - 3:45 pm in our downstairs practice room and serves at one Saturday 4:00 pm Mass per month and special Masses.

**String Ensemble**
This team rehearses on the first Saturday of every month in our downstairs practice room from 3:00 - 3:45 pm and serves on the first Saturday of every month at the 4:00 pm Mass, and other special Masses.

**Bell Choir**
Led by Jennifer Stack, this team rehearses on Saturdays from 2:30 - 3:30 pm in the choir loft and serves at special Masses.

**4:00 pm Mass Music Ministry Team**
Vocalists rehearsing on Saturdays from 3:00 - 3:45 pm in our downstairs practice room and sing at the Saturday 4:00 pm Mass.

**11:00 am Mass Music Ministry Team**
Vocalists and Instrumentalists rehearsing on Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the sanctuary and sing and play at the 11:00 am Mass.

**6:00 pm Mass Music Ministry Team**
Vocalists and instrumentalists rehearse on Sundays from 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm and sing at the 6:00 pm Mass.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of joining St. Mary Music Ministries. Please contact me via email at jvolpe@chelmsfordcatholic.org or at (978) 729-4226.

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“The recent economic news may not give us an entirely accurate account of the daily lives and struggles of working people, those who are still without work, or those underemployed with low wages. Wages for lower income workers are, by various accounts, insufficient to support a family and provide a secure future. A recent study examined whether a minimum wage earner could afford an average two bedroom apartment in their state of residence. Shockingly, in all 50 states the answer was no.”

The Christian task, Dewane said, was threefold: “to live justly in our own lives whether as business owners or workers. Secondly, we are called to stand in solidarity with our poor and vulnerable brothers and sisters. Lastly, we should all work to reform and build a more just society, one which promotes human life and the common good of all. We need to recognize the gifts and responsibilities that God has entrusted to each of us.”

Following, is a prayer to St. Joseph, patron of workers, for the sanctification of our labor.

**Glorious Saint Joseph,**

Patron of all who are devoted to toil, allow me to place devotion to duty before my own inclinations, to labor with thankfulness and joy, deeming it an honor to employ and to develop, by my labor, the gifts I have received from Almighty God; to work with order, peace, moderation, and patience, without ever shrinking from weariness and difficulties; to work above all with a pure intention and with detachment from self, having always before my eyes the hour of death and the accounting which I must then render of time ill-spent, of talents unemployed, of good undone, and of my empty pride in success, which is so fatal to the world of God. All for Jesus in imitation of you, O patriarch Joseph. Amen.
**All Night Eucharistic Adoration**
**September 6th/7th, 2019**
**St. Mary Church**

For an increase in Eucharistic Adoration, Marian Devotion and vocations to the priesthood and religious life; For the sanctification of the holy Priesthood.

We will especially pray for Pope Francis, Cardinal Sean O’Malley and all the priests and religious of the Archdiocese of Boston

**Friday, September 6th:**
Begin with 9:00 pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Corey Bassett-Tirrell

**Saturday, September 7th:**
Various Spiritual Exercises throughout the night
Conclude with 5:00 am Mass celebrated by Fr. Corey Bassett-Tirrell

† The Visiting Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be present at this Vigil. A discourse of this Apostolate will be presented.
† St. Pio third class relic and reading materials will be available.
† Refreshments served throughout the night.

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**God needs priests. Is He calling you?**
**If you are 30-60, you may be surprised!**

**“First Friday Visits”**

**Friday, September 6th... 4:30 - 7:30 pm**
**Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary**
**558 South Ave | Weston, MA**

Join the Seminary Community for Prayer and Fellowship • Holy Hour and Evening Prayer
Dinner with the Seminarians • Tour of the Seminary

RSVP Msgr. Fay at (781) 899-5500, ext 127 or email at sgr.fay@psjs.edu.
To learn more about the seminary, visit www.psjs.edu

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**Come to the Waters of Healing**
**A Retreat for Hope and Healing After Abortion**

“My spirit was broken, and as far as I knew, beyond repair. I was living a decision that I will regret for the rest of my life. I was haunted by the choice, and consumed with feelings of remorse. During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness. I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself.”

-Project Rachel Retreat Participant

The Project Rachel Ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a one-day retreat. The next retreat date is **Saturday, September 28th** and will be held at a confidential location. Because the retreat is limited to 10 participants, pre-registration is required.

**Future Retreat Dates:** October 19th and November 16th

To register, or for more information, contact Project Rachel at (508) 651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com

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**WALK FOR LIFE**
and raise pledges to save lives!

**September 28th at 9 AM**
**Lowell’s Heritage State Park**
Registration at 8:30 am • Walk begins at 9 am

Register to walk and build your own fundraising page at PCCfriends.org/walk and start asking people to sponsor you! You DO NOT need to collect any money; simply ask for pledges and the ministry will do the rest.

Can’t be there that day? No problem! You can walk on your own and mail in your pledge forms to support the Pregnancy Care Center.

All our locations provide free and confidential support to women and families including pregnancy testing, peer mentoring, parenting education, baby clothes, discipleship and more.
Today more than ever, the need to provide for the physical and mental well-being of our priests is vitally important. The responsibilities, pressures, and challenges facing today’s priests in the Archdiocese of Boston are dramatically different than they were even a decade ago. Many priests are being asked to fulfill roles beyond their sacramental duties at multiple parishes, and an increasing number of priests are reaching senior status with medical costs on the rise. The goal of the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust is to continue providing care at the current level of benefits, now and in the future. This is made possible only through the generosity of people like you who care for your priests and want to ensure that they remain healthy and safe, just as we would want for any of our own family members.

- Ten years ago, 28% of our diocesan priests were senior priests. Today, 37% are senior priests, and there are fewer priests available to fulfill those positions in active ministry.
- It costs $9.5 million in expenses annually to care for our senior priests, and $4 million to care for our active priests.
- In FY2016, medical care costs for active priests increased by $300,000.

Envelopes will be made available and collected on the weekend of September 15th/16th. To donate online, visit our website and click on the link on the right-hand side of the home page. To donate $25, text PRIEST25 to 20222.

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### Looking for Volunteers to Serve on our Finance Councils

3-year commitment, and usually meets quarterly during the year, with special meetings held if needed.

In order to best serve the Council and the Parish, we are looking for individuals with professional experience in fields such as, but not limited to, Finance, Accounting, Real Estate, or Financial Planning. If you possess any of these skills and are interested, please contact Paul Firicano at the parish office or by email: pfiricano@chelmsfordcatholic.org.

St. Mary’s is looking for 2 volunteers, while St. John’s is looking for 1.

### UPDATE ON St. Mary’s New Elevator (LIFT)

As noted previously, this project carries a total cost of $55,000. Although it is not our desire to ask for further financial support, we have been given the following opportunity. If we, as a parish family, are able to raise $27,500, a few very generous parish families have committed to matching that amount, resulting in total funds raised.

**TO DATE, YOUR GENEROSITY HAS RAISED $13,558 TOWARDS THE GOAL OF $27,500**

If you are able to donate towards this cause, please contact Paul Firicano. All checks can be made payable to St. Mary Parish, with “new elevator (LIFT)” listed in the memo section. If you choose to donate via Online Giving, please visit our website, www.chelmsfordcatholic.org, and click on the Online Giving link where you can choose the fund, New Elevator (LIFT). Thank you in advance for your continuing support! We are truly blessed!

**Online Giving Programs:** visit www.chelmsfordcatholic.org. Links to both programs can be found on the right-hand side of the home page.
If you would like to request that a Mass be celebrated for a specific intention or person, please call the parish office. A donation of $10 per Mass intention is requested to be made at the time that you schedule your intention.

**St. John**

**SAT, AUG 31**  
4:00 pm: Michael Harrington: 5th Anniversary

**SUN, SEP 1**  
8:30 am: For the People of the Parish
10:30 am: Richard Beechin: Memorial

**FRI, SEP 6**  
9:00 am: Joyce Gardiner: Memorial

**SAT, SEP 7**  
4:00 pm: Jean Lorrey and Nancy Blanco: Memorial

**SUN, SEP 8**  
8:30 am: Hugh L. Smith: Memorial
10:30 am: For the People of the Parish

**St. Mary**

**SAT, AUG 31**  
4:00 pm: Frances M. Harrington: 11th Anniversary

**SUN, SEP 1**  
9:00 am: For the People of the Parish
11:00 am: Harry E. Pearse, Jr.: Memorial

**MON, SEP 2**  
7:00 am: Collaborative Members of the Spiritual Society and Sanctuary Fund

**TUE, SEP 3**  
7:00 am: Gerald H. Kittredge: 28th Anniversary

**WED, SEP 4**  
7:00 am: Lucia Hang-Yu Pang Fei: Memorial

**THU, SEP 5**  
7:00 am: LIVING INTENTION: Mrs. Mary Ellen Beck

**SUN, SEP 8**  
7:00 am: Marguerite Farley: Memorial
9:00 am: David Hickey: 4th Anniversary
11:00 am: For the People of the Parish

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**FUNERALS recently celebrated**

“There is an appointed time for everything” - Ecclesiastes 3:1

**Bruno Fabbri**  : August 26 at St. Mary

**Andrew F. Sheehan**  : August 28 at St. Mary

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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**St. Mary Memorial Altar Flowers**

Parishioners are invited to donate a floral arrangement, to be displayed on the altar in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one. The requested donation for an arrangement is $40, and includes an acknowledgement in the bulletin. If you would like to donate altar flowers, please call the parish office.

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**Rose for Life**

Someone special you’d like to honor? You can do that by having a rose signifying your intention placed in the church, as well as having your intention published in the bulletin. To book a Rose for Life, contact the parish office. Be sure to let them know at which parish you would like the rose placed. The suggested offering for a rose is $5.00.

This week’s St. John Rose for Life:
**Marie Sevigny: Blessings on your Birthday**

This week’s St. Mary Rose for Life:
**For the Protection of the Unborn**

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**“YOUR WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET AND A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH”**  
-Psalm 119:105

**MONDAY, SEP 2**
1Thes 1: 1-5, 8-10
Psalm 149
Matthew 23: 13-22

**TUESDAY, SEP 3**
1Thes 2: 1-8
Psalm 139
Matthew 23: 23-26

**WEDNESDAY, SEP 4**
1Thes 2: 9-13
Psalm 139
Matthew 23: 27-32

**THURSDAY, SEP 5**
1Thes 13: 7-13
Psalm 90
Mark 6: 17-29

**FRIDAY, SEP 6**
1Thes 4: 1-8
Psalm 97
Matthew 25: 1-13

**SATURDAY, SEP 7**
1Thes 4: 9-11
Psalm 98
Matthew 25: 14-30

**SUNDAY, SEP 8**
Sirach 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29
Psalm 68
Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24
Luke 14: 1, 7-14
Milton Hadley Jr. of Chelmsford

Milton Hadley Jr., 88, of Chelmsford, MA passed away Thursday, August 1, 2019 at Lowell General Hospital surrounded by his loving family.

Members of his family include, his beloved wife, Mary E. (Peters) Hadley with whom he would have celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on November 16, 2019; four children and their spouses, Deborah and Robert Kelly of Chelmsford, MA, Robert and Mary Jane Hadley of Nashua, NH, William and Gail Hadley of Londonderry, NH, James Hadley and his partner Laura Linera of Pepperell, MA; ten grandchildren, Christopher Kelly, Michael Kelly, Jeffery Hadley, Kelly Hadley, Joseph Hadley, Alexander Hadley, Taylor Hadley, Benjamin Hadley, Nicholas Hadley, and Morgan Hadley; a brother, William Hadley and his wife Priscilla Hadley of Chelmsford, MA. His son, Robert Hadley of Nashua, NH passed away on May 03, 2018.

Born in Lowell, he was the son of the late Milton and Ida J. (Wikander) Hadley. He graduated from Lowell Trade School.

He proudly served with the U.S. Navy during the Korean War.

He owned and operated Milton E. Hadley & Sons Upholstery of Chelmsford.

He was a life member of the Tyngsboro Sportsman Club, a former member of Stony Brook Sportsman Club, a former member of the Nabnasset Country Club and was a former Chelmsford youth hockey coach. He loved to play golf. He also enjoyed archery, fishing, hunting, gardening, boating, and was an avid lobsterman and trapper. More than anything he loved spending time with his family in the backyard pool.

Relatives and friends were respectfully invited to attend his calling hours that were held on Sunday, August 4, 2019 from 2 to 6 P.M. at the DOLAN FUNERAL HOME, 106 Middlesex St., Chelmsford. His funeral was Monday, August 5, 2019 at 10 A.M. from the funeral home with a Funeral Mass at 11:00 A.M. at St. Mary Church, 25 North Rd., Chelmsford. Burial in Fairview Cemetery, Chelmsford. Online guest book is available at www.dolanfuneralhome.com

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