

NORTH QUABBIN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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OUR LADY IMMACULATE

192 School Street, Athol MA 01331

Church Office Hours:
M, T, W 8:30am-3:30pm

Masses:

Lord's Day ~ 4pm (Vigil) & 11am
Holy Days of Obligation ~ 12:10pm
Weekday ~ 8am M, T, W
First Saturday ~ 8:00am

Confessions:

Tuesdays ~ 7:00pm -7:30 pm

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Tuesday ~ 2:00pm -3:00pm

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

101 Main Street, Athol MA 01331

Masses:

Lord's Day ~8:00am
Holy Days of Obligation ~ 7:00pm

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 3pm at OLI
Divine Mercy Chaplet:
Sunday ~ 6:40am

Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:

Wednesdays at 9:00am

SAINT PETER

18 North Street
Petersham MA 01366

Mass:

Lord's Day ~ 9:30am

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 3pm at OLI

Rev. Edwin Montaña, Pastor
Bryan Lagimoniere, Deacon

Gayle Bassett, Secretary

Irene Inniss, Cluster CCD Administrator
& Safe Environment Coordinator

Rene Gagliardi, Cindy Winters
& Lori Hunt-Peterson
Music Ministry

Christian Cormier, Maintenance



Visitors and New Parishioners

Please introduce yourself. We want to meet you.
Registration forms are available in the sacristy.

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on Saturdays and Sundays. Please contact the Church Office for the preparation session, which includes parents and godparents.

Marriage

Contact the Church Office one year in advance.

Visitation of the Ill and Homebound

Please contact the Church Office if you know of anyone who is in need, so a Priest, Deacon or Eucharistic Minister may visit.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults seeking information about the Catholic Faith or seeking full admission into the Church through Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist ~ Please call the Church Office.

Lending Library

Temporarily Suspended—thank you.

NQCC Facebook Page

For those of you with a Facebook page, please “LIKE” the North Quabbin Catholic Community Facebook page. Stay up to date with all the happenings in the Cluster

Sharing Our Fathers Bread

Meals are served Wednesdays, Sept.-May, at St. Francis Hall at 5pm for those in need. Donation baskets are located at each church for your convenience to support this important program. For questions please call 978-249-7304.

Healing and Prevention

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings, please call the Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363. A 24 hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

Other Information

Prayer Line: Please notify the Rectory
Bulletin Deadline: Prior Monday by 12N

ORDINARY TIME

Because the term ordinary in English most often means something that's not special or distinctive, many people think that Ordinary Time refers to parts of the calendar of the Catholic Church that are unimportant. Yet Ordinary Time is far from unimportant or uninteresting.

Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. Thus, the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time, in fact, represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ. It's appropriate, therefore, that the Gospel for the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (which is actually the first Sunday celebrated in Ordinary Time) always features either John the Baptist's acknowledgment of Christ as the Lamb of God or Christ's first miracle—the transformation of water into wine at the wedding at Cana. Thus for Catholics, Ordinary Time is the part of the year in which Christ, the Lamb of God, walks among us and transforms our lives. There's nothing "ordinary" about that!

The normal liturgical color for Ordinary Time—for those days when there is no special feast—is green. Ordinary Time refers to all of those parts of the Catholic Church's liturgical year that aren't included in the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Ordinary Time thus encompasses two different periods in the Church's calendar. The first period begins on the Monday after the Baptism of the Lord and runs until Ash Wednesday. The second period resumes again on the Monday after Pentecost Sunday and runs until the First Sunday of Advent when the liturgical year begins again.

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for your generosity

PARISH APPEALS - THANK YOU!!

Thanks to your generous support of the 2020 Parish Appeals, our Churches will remain fiscally viable. We are incredibly grateful for your donations. These are uncertain times, and we especially appreciate your generosity and the commitment you've expressed to your Parishes. Final amounts raised are:

Our Lady Goal: \$20,000 ~ Raised: \$26,137.54
St. Francis Goal: \$5,000 ~ Raised: \$9,975.00
St. Peter: No Goal ~ Raised: \$6,400.00

God bless you,
Fr. Edwin & Parish and Finance Councils.

SUNDAY MASS DISPENSATION

Due to the current pandemic, Bishop Robert McManus has made the decision to extend the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation for people living in or visiting the Diocese of Worcester until the First Sunday of Lent, February 21, 2021.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution Statements for 2020 will be available for those in the Cluster that use the envelope system for their contributions. Please call the church office and leave your Name, Address and Church and a letter will be mailed to you before Jan 31st.

WORD OF LIFE

“Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him. Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world.”
~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”

APPEALS

Please, don't get confused with the different appeals/campaigns. Know what they are for:

PARTNERS IN CHARITY (Bishop's Fund): This is the Annual Diocesan appeal that helps all the Diocesan agencies and ministries. This campaign usually runs from March to the end of the August and 100% of your donation go to the Worcester Diocese.

LEGACY OF HOPE (Capital Campaign): The Diocese is conducting the 32 million Diocesan-wide campaign to support Parishes in the Diocese, Priests' Retirement, Catholic Education, Parish based Charities and Evangelization, and the Cathedral of St. Paul. 60% of your donations will go to the Diocese and 40% to your Parish.

PARISH APPEAL: This is your Parish's own appeal. It helps your parish pay their many operating expenses. Parish appeals usually go from September through the end of December and 100% of your donations go to your Parish only.

OUR LADY IMMACULATE

COLLECTION

1-10-21 ~ Sunday: \$994.50; Building: \$229.00; Fuel: \$68.00; Holy Day: \$31.00; Candle: \$35.00; Catholic University: \$25.00.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Repairing the exterior trim around the stained glass windows in the church. To date \$44,938.51 has been collected.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

COLLECTION

1-10-21 ~ Sunday: \$403.00; Monthly: \$20.00; Reno: \$65.00; Fuel: \$80.00; Holy Day: \$20.00; Initial: \$5.00; Catholic University: \$10.00.

SHOE DRIVE

St. Francis will continue to collect used, gently used or new shoes. A container for your shoe donations with “SHOES for SHOE DRIVE” will be placed under the stairs going into the sacristy in the back of the church and will be checked daily. The shoes provide opportunities for microentrepreneurs to support their families and create a path out of poverty. Funds2Orgs is the leader of the shoe drive fundraisers. Thank You!

ST. PETER'S

COLLECTION

1-10-21 ~ Sunday: \$780.00; Building: \$175.00.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

For the time being, there will be no Masses held at St. Peter's Church in Petersham. Confessions will be held on Tuesdays from 7-7:30pm in the OLI Chapel. Thank you.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Normal office hours will resume on Tuesday the 19th.



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Please remember **Bruce Dubrule** who passed away recently, as well as his family. Always remember the power of prayer in helping others.

JANUARY 17, 2020

Hymnal Readings: 857

Readings for the week of January 17, 2021

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



Saturday, January 16th Vigil: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **OLI:** +Craig Perry
by Dick & Margaret White

Sunday, January 17th 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **St. Francis:** +M/M Paul Shatos
by Marie Shatos

11:00 AM **OLI:** +Adeline Rogillio
By Paul & Deb Kuzmeskas

Monday, January 18th

8:00 AM **OLI:** +Frank Farnello by his Family

Tuesday, January 19th

8:00 AM **OLI:** +Camille, Bibianne & Leo Boudreau
By Francis Boudreau

Wednesday, January 20th

8:00 AM **OLI:** +Marcial & Emerenciana Yandoc
by the Family

Saturday, January 23rd Vigil: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **OLI:** +Emerenciana Yandoc, Birthday
Remembrance by her Family

Sunday, January 24th 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **St. Francis:** +John & Frances Saulkas
By the Family

11:00 AM **OLI:** +Romeo & Irene (1st Ann) Roussel
By the Family





Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

SATURDAY 16th

4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SUNDAY 17th

8:00 AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

MONDAY 18th

8:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

TUESDAY 19th

8:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate
2:00 PM Holy Hour with Adoration at OLI
7:00 PM Confessions at OLI Chapel until 8pm

WEDNESDAY 20th

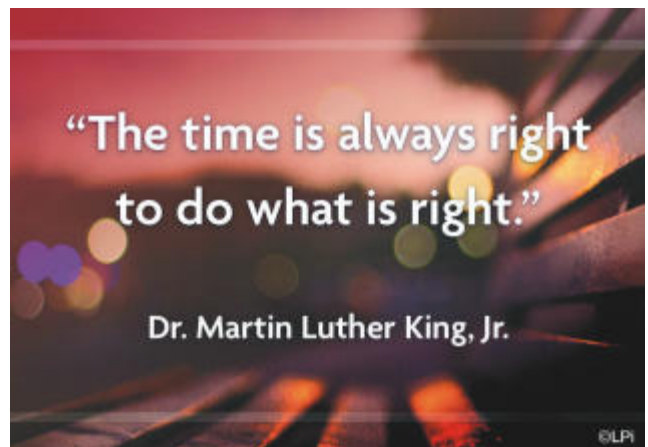
8:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SATURDAY 23rd

4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SUNDAY 24th

8:00 AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate



FOOD PANTRY

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