

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:

Saturday ~ 3pm in the OLI Chapel

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 in the OLI Chapel

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Sunday ~ 7:40am

SAINT PETER

18 North Street
Petersham MA 01366

Mass:

Lord's Day ~ 9:30am

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 3pm in the OLI Chapel

Rev. Edwin Montaña, Pastor
Bryan Lagimoniere, Deacon

Gayle Bassett, Secretary

Irene Inniss, Cluster CCD Administrator
& Safe Environment Coordinator

Terry Parker, Music Director
Lori Hunt-Peterson, Music Ministry

Christian Cormier, Maintenance



12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!"
The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them,
"Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" - Mk 4:39-40

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

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your support! This week we will collect:
Jams / Jelly / Canned Chicken~Meat~Spam

THIS SUNDAY'S WORD

Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?
Have you ever felt like this? Have you ever felt like you were sinking in a raging sea, and no matter how hard you prayed, and how intently you looked for Jesus, Jesus just didn't seem to be listening? Did you ever feel like you would hit the bottom of the sea before Jesus ever got around to doing anything about it? Have you ever asked out loud: Why? Why me? What did I do to deserve this? O God, do you even care?
There will be times when you feel like your boat is being swamped. And, when that happens, do not be afraid. Jesus does care. Jesus is there. Jesus will calm the storm.
When the whole world is crashing in on us. People are dying. Everything that they hold holy is being thrown down. And here we have Jesus speaking to the People of God, telling them: Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith? It can't be said enough: God never, ever, ever promises that nothing bad will ever happen. God never promises smooth sailing and blue skies every day. If you think that God promises this, you haven't read your Bible lately.
What God does promise is that when the world comes crashing down, God is right there with us. Jesus is there with us, in the sinking boat.
So, maybe the world is crashing in on you today. Maybe it was yesterday. And then again, maybe it will be tomorrow. But, whenever it does—and it's not a matter of “if”, but “when”—whatever you think, and whatever your prayer, know that you haven't been abandoned. God isn't on a lunch break. God isn't out for you. God is with you. And all you need is enough faith to get you through to the moment when Jesus speaks, “Peace. Be still.”

THANK YOU FROM FR. EDWIN

I want to express my sincere gratitude to our three Parish communities that arranged for such lovely farewell parties for me. Your cards, kind words, gifts and generosity towards me on my last weekend was overwhelming and truly appreciated. Moments spent with all of you will always hold a special place in my heart. What a great blessing and learning experience it was for me to serve you these seven years.

God bless you, Fr. Edwin

***As of July 1st, Fr. Edwin's new address is:
353 Grove Street
Worcester, MA 01605

JUNE MASS SCHEDULE VISITING PRIESTS

Please welcome the following priests who will be covering when Fr. Edwin is on vacation from 6/14 to 6/30 before Fr. Mateus arrives on July 1st. Also, be aware of the days when there will be no weekday Mass:

- June 19-20: Fr. Joseph Westfall, from Cross Catholic Outreach will tell us about this organization's efforts to serve the poor and vulnerable and how we can participate in this great cause.
- June 21, 22, 23 and 28, 29, 30: No Mass
- June 26-27: Fr. Richard Lewandowski
- **Adoration will be held every Tuesday from 2-3 pm while Father is away...

NEW PARISH ASSIGNMENTS

After seven years as our Pastor, Bishop McManus has appointed Fr. Edwin Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Worcester. Father Mateus Souza, who's currently the associate pastor at St. Cecilia's Church in Leominster, has been appointed as our Administrator. Both appointments are effective July 1, 2021.

What's the difference between a pastor and an administrator? the Code of Canon Law stipulates: "For the office of pastor to be conferred on someone, it is necessary that his suitability be clearly evident by means of some method determined by the diocesan bishop, even by means of an examination". Therefore, in deciding the appointment of a pastor to a parish, the bishop should make a judgment based on his knowledge of the priest's character and abilities.

As such, the bishop may obtain this knowledge during a priest's time as administrator of a parish. A pastor has a six-year term, an administrator does not have a fixed term. Otherwise, an administrator has the same faculties and responsibilities that a pastor does.

Let's keep both Fr. Edwin and Fr. Mateus in our prayers. May the Lord bless them with a special joy and much success as they prepare to serve His people with enthusiasm and priestly dedication.



Confessions: Confession will resume at 3pm on Saturdays at the OLI Chapel beginning June 5th.

Masses: Weekday masses and First Saturday Devotion will continue to be held at OLI in the main body of the church.

Adoration: Adoration will continue as Holy Hour from 2-3pm each Tuesday at OLI in the main body of the church.

LEGACY OF HOPE

The *Legacy Of Hope* campaign aims to improve the vitality of our diocese as a whole, as well as each and every parish by supporting programs that we all believe in and feel good about supporting. **The campaign is working:** the first three blocks have been very successful and individual parish support money is being sent back to those individual parishes, already! Our parishes here in the North Quabbin Catholic Community are a part of block four. **The time to support is now.** Please visit the campaign's website at <https://legacyofhope.worcesterdiocese.org/> for more information.

OUR LADY IMMACULATE

COLLECTION

6-13-21 ~ Sunday: \$2,170.50; Building: \$267.00; Catholic Relief: \$10.00.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Repairing the exterior trim around the stained glass windows in the church. To date \$48,038.51 has been collected.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

COLLECTION

6-13-21 ~ Sunday: \$693.00, Monthly: \$5.00; Renovation: \$10.00; Fuel: \$85.00.

ST. PETER'S

COLLECTION

6-13-21 ~ Sunday: \$769.00; Building: \$240.00.

WORD OF LIFE

"Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the *irreplaceable* role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!" ~Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux "Fathers' Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life"

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 will go to the Worcester Diocese.

Our Lady Immaculate: ~ Goal: \$23,800 To Date: \$15,370

St. Francis of Assisi: ~ Goal: \$5,300 To Date: \$2,805

St. Peter Church: ~ Goal: \$6,000 To Date: \$2,950

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 donation will go to your Parish only.

JUNE 20, 2021

Hymnal Readings: 887

Readings for the week of June 20, 2021

Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22 [12]/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: *Vigil*: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [4]/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55 [cf. 54b]/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



Saturday, June 19th Vigil: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM OLI: +Barbara Belletete by her Family

Sunday, June 20th 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St. Francis: +All Father's Living & Deceased

9:30 AM St. Peter: +All Father's Living & Deceased

11:00 AM OLI: +All Father's Living & Deceased

Monday, June 21st St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

8:00 AM OLI: + No Mass

Tuesday, June 22nd

8:00 AM OLI: + No Mass

Wednesday, June 23rd

8:00 AM OLI: + No Mass

Saturday, June 26th Vigil: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM OLI: +Blanchard & Tuholski Families

By Clarence & Janet Blanchard

Sunday, June 27th 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St. Francis: +Alfred & Mary Lawsky

By Cynthia

9:30 AM St. Peter: +All Parishioners

11:00 AM OLI: +George Fiske by his Family



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Please remember **Mary Blanchard** who passed away recently, as well as her family. Always remember the power of prayer in helping others.

JUNE 20, 2021



Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

SATURDAY 19th

3:00 PM Confessions at OLI Chapel
4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SUNDAY 20th

8:00 AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi
9:30 AM Mass at St. Peter
11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

MONDAY 21st

8:00 AM No Mass

TUESDAY 22nd

8:00 AM No Mass
2:00 PM Holy Hour with Adoration at OLI

WEDNESDAY 23rd

8:00 AM No Mass

SATURDAY 26th

4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SUNDAY 27th

8:00 AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi
9:30 AM Mass at St. Peter
11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate



Our Lady Immaculate Church welcomes **Sophia Maire O'Connell** with great joy into the faith community, the Catholic Church. Congratulations and may the flame of the Christian faith be alive in her heart.

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