

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

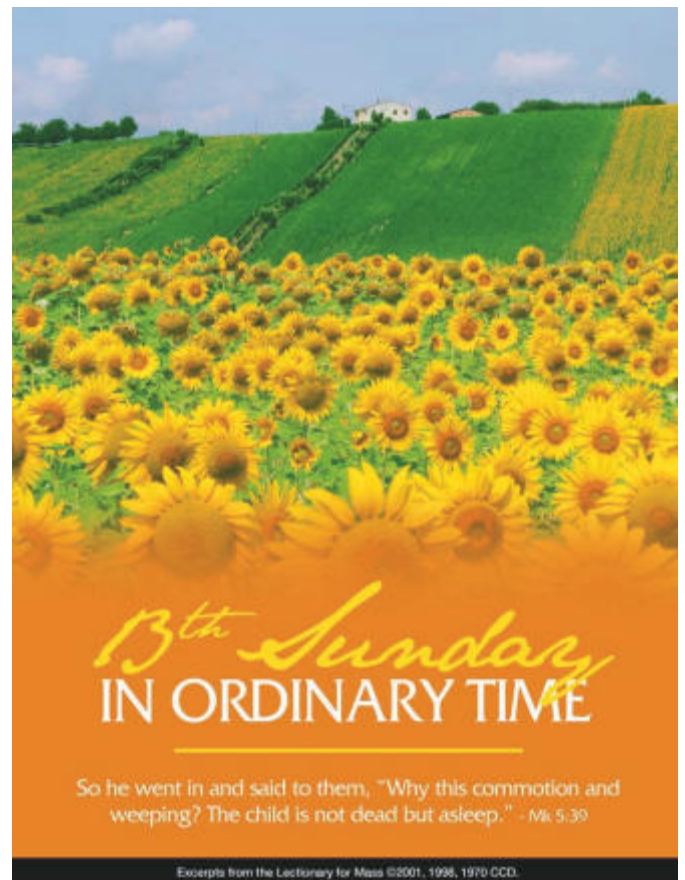
Rev. Edwin Montaña, Pastor
Bryan Lagimoniere, Deacon

Gayle Bassett, Secretary

Irene Inniss, Cluster CCD Administrator
& Safe Environment Coordinator

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

Christian Cormier, Maintenance



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

THIS SUNDAY’S WORD

In the Gospel, one of the synagogue officials, Jairus, pleaded with Jesus to come to his daughter who was desperately sick. Jesus set out with him on this very important journey. On the way to the house of Jairus, Jesus had an encounter with a woman, which delayed him. It took up precious time. Yet, Jesus did not react angrily or dismissively to this interruption. Indeed, the contrary was the case.

This gospel encourages us to pay attention to the interruptions in life. What can seem like distractions can be where the Lord is calling us to be. When our plans do not work out as we wanted because of some unexpected turn of events, it may not be the disaster that we think it is at the time. Sometimes when our plans do not work out, it can create the space for something else to happen that we did not plan but which, in itself, can have great value for ourselves and for others. In the story we have just heard, Jesus gave himself fully to the interruption. He could have kept walking when the woman touched his clothing, but he attended to her. That was the call of the present moment for Jesus. In answering that call, he was doing God’s work, and the task he initially set out to accomplish did not suffer. Jairus had his daughter restored to him. There are times in life when we need to embrace the interruptions, rather than just driving on with our head down towards the goal we have set for ourselves. We can misjudge where the real work lies. We often need to come to a deeper appreciation that the interruptions are our work, especially when they involve responding with compassion to the needs of others. When we set out on a journey, what happens on the way can be more important than arriving at our destination

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 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...

FOOD PANTRY

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

REV. MATEUS SOUZA

Father Mateus, son of Valdecir Souza and Terezinha Souza, was born on April 27, 1988, in Adamantina, São Paulo, Brazil.

He attended Professor Eudécio Luiz Vicente High School, did a preparatory year at St. Pio X Seminary, and got his bachelor's in philosophy from João Paulo II College while living at Sagrado Coração de Jesus Seminary. He studied theology at Rainha Dos Apostolos Seminary, also in Marília.

In August 2012 he came to prepare for the priesthood in the Worcester Diocese. He lived at Holy Name of Jesus House of Studies and studied English at Clark University.

He got his bachelor's degree in sacred theology and master's of divinity degree from St. Mary's Seminary & University, Baltimore.

He was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop McManus on June 20, 2015, in St. Paul Cathedral.

He was associate pastor of St. Mary of the Assumption Parish in Milford before becoming associate pastor of St. Cecilia's on Aug. 1, 2019



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.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION & ROSARY

The First Saturday Devotion for July will be held on July 3rd at 8:00am at Our Lady Immaculate. Every 13th of the month, everyone, especially the Living Rosary members, are encouraged to pray the rosary. The rosary is a powerful prayer to fight all evils. Let us ask our Blessed Mother's intercession to her Divine Son Jesus Christ by praying the Rosary.

OUR LADY IMMACULATE

COLLECTION

6-20-21 ~ Sunday: \$1,526.00; Building: \$214.00.

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

6-20-21 ~ Sunday: \$753.00, Monthly: \$20.00; Renovation: \$45.00; Fuel: \$55.00; 2nd Fuel: \$87.00.

ST. PETER'S

COLLECTION

6-20-21 ~ Sunday: \$905.00; Building: \$25.00.

WORD OF LIFE

"We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith." ~USCCB, "Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty"

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: \$15,570

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 27, 2021

Hymnal Readings: 890

Readings for the week of June 27, 2021

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

Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11 [8a]/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: *Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Gal 1:11-20/Jn
21:15-19 *Day:* Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5]/2 Tm 4:6
-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [7a]/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5
[1b]/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 20:24-29

Next Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/
Mk 6:1-6a



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 Famil

Monday, June 28th St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 AM OLI: + No Mass

Tuesday, June 29th SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:00 AM OLI: + No Mass

Wednesday, June 30th

8:00 AM OLI: + No Mass

Saturday, July 3rd

8:00 AM OLI: All Parishioners

Vigil: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM OLI: +David Boudreau
by the Barcomb Family

Sunday, July 4th 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St. Francis: +Kay Kaczmarczyk
by Marie Shatos

9:30 AM St. Peter: +All Parishioners

11:00 AM OLI: +Romeo & Irene Roussel
by the Family



I will praise you Lord, for you have rescued me.

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

MONDAY 28th

8:00 AM No Mass

TUESDAY 29th

8:00 AM No Mass

2:00 PM Holy Hour with Adoration at OLI

WEDNESDAY 30th

8:00 AM No Mass

SATURDAY 3rd

3:00 PM Confessions at OLI Chapel

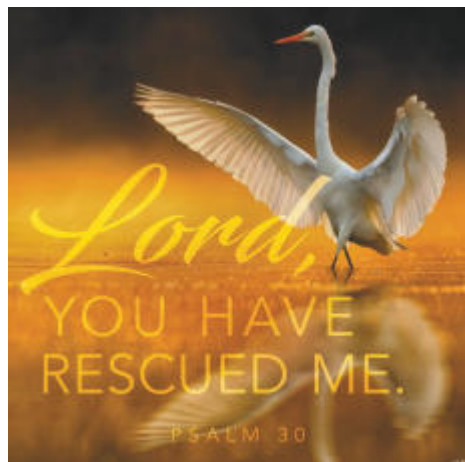
4:00 PM Vigil Mass at Our Lady Immaculate

SUNDAY 4th

8:00 AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi

9:30 AM Mass at St. Peter

11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady Immaculate



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