



Saint Mary Parish

Established 1850
Randolph, Massachusetts

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00, 10:00, 11:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 12:10pm
Saturday 9:00am
Holy Day Masses As announced

Accommodations for the Handicapped
Website: stmaryrandolph.org

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Parish Office for information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00pm – 3:45pm in the Chapel, or
by request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Preparation should be made with a priest at
least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you would like to receive the Sacrament of
the Sick prior to hospital admission or for any
other reason, please contact one of the priests
or call the Pastoral Center.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Saturday following 9:00am Mass until
11:00am.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register at the Pastoral Center.

PASTOR

Rev. Ronald D. Coyne

PAROCHIAL VICARS

Rev. Vincent R. Maffei

Rev. Garrett J. Barry

PERMANENT DEACON

Deacon James H. Eames

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Mrs. Patricia J. O'Connor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSISTANT

Mrs. Julie Pantazelos

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY

Mrs. Robyn Rinehart

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Mrs. Judith A. Concannon

CEMETERY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Robert S. O'Connor

ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR

Mrs. Felicia Kopelman-Hayes

BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. Joseph Sheehan

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Pastoral Center, 22 Seton Way

Tel: 781-963-4141 / Fax: 781-963-0884

Office hours: Mon-Fri 9:00am-4:00pm

Religious Education Center, 30 Seton Way

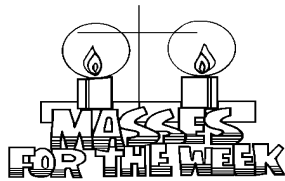
Tel: 781-961-5009/ Fax: 781-961-5055

Cemetery Office, 245 North Street

Tel: 781-961-9323 / Fax: 781-963-0884

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a vibrant faith community committed to living out the gospel of Jesus Christ in the Roman Catholic tradition. As a Eucharistic people, we seek to deepen our personal union with Jesus Christ through the ministries of Word, Worship, Community, and Service. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we devote ourselves to the Catechetical Ministry of Youth and Young Adults and to ongoing Adult Faith Formation. We seek to continue the mission of the Church by extending hospitality and outreach to all the People of God.



Seventh Sunday of Easter

MEMORIAL MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 3, 2008

4:00pm Cecile Rosemond

Sunday, May 4, 2008

8:00am For The People

11:30am Charles Capece, Sr.

Friday, May 9, 2008u

12:10pm Deceased Members of the
Arsenault Family

Saturday, May 10, 2008

4pm Irene Bradanese

Sunday, May 11, 2008

8:00am For The People

10:00am Harold A. Brackett

11:30am Clifford Gordon



OFFERTORY

Loose Money/Checks \$2,061.00

Envelopes \$2,884.00

TOTAL \$4,945.00

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

4/27/08 \$ 124.30

**PLEASE REMEMBER ST. MARY PARISH IN
YOUR WILL!**

SECOND COLLECTIONS

MAY

5/4/08 Parish Energy
5/11/08 Annual Seminary Collection
5/18/08 Annual Communications Collection

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE
IN THE ARMED FORCES**

We wish to remember in our prayers those brave men and women who are presently serving our country overseas. *Matthew Rodman, Jeremy Lucier, Antoine Zamy, Michael Rosa, Dennis Goulet, Kevin Ryan, Andrew Caisse, Ryan Dorman, Paul Ellis..* Please call the parish office if there is anyone you would like to add to this prayer list.

MEMORIAL MASSES

As you know, we welcome parishioners and friends to request memorial and anniversary Masses every weekend and on weekdays as well. We were not accepting requests for the 8am Mass on Sundays but that we change beginning this week. Anyone wishing to remember a deceased loved one may now do so at all of our weekend Masses. (Sat. 4pm, Sun. 8, 10 & 11:30) or weekdays (12:10pm) and Saturdays (9am). It is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your faith, remember those you love and bring our families and friends together. Anyone choosing to arrange for a Memorial Mass should call the Parish Center (781-963-4141) to check on available dates.

DISCUSSION CLUB

We had a very lively discussion on sin at our last meeting. There are so many ways of viewing our relationship with God and the Church. They were all expressed very honestly and passionately at our session. The next gathering in the Church Hall will be this Monday, May 5th at 7pm. All are welcome. There is no commitment to show up for each discussion. You can join us anytime you'd like. May 5th will be an "open mike night". You are free to bring up any topic you choose.

VICARIATE MEETING

The local priests gather every other month to discuss the issues that affect parish life in our area (Randolph, Braintree, Quincy and Milton). Our next meeting is this Friday, May 9th at St. Mary's from 12:30 – 2:00pm in the Church Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to spend some time together and support each other in many ways.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of the Pastoral Council will be this Thursday, May 8th at 7pm in the Pastoral Center. All members are encouraged to be present. We will look at the past year and assess where we've come and where we hope to go.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you are interested in Baptizing your baby, please call the Parish Office 781-963-4141 for information.

PASTOR'S NOTES

Friends,

Deacons have been in the Church from the first century. Historically there were men and women in the Diaconate and their role was to minister among the poor and the needy. They were disciples of Christ, followers of the apostles and ministers of the gospel.

Over the next 2000 years this history of deacons in the Church varied greatly. At times they were very active and at other times the ministry disappeared.

As the priesthood developed the diaconate became a transitional period before ordination. So instead of being a separate ministry with it's own calling it became a temporary period in a young man's life (a few months to a year) just prior to becoming a priest.

When the Vatican Council took place in the early 1960's, the bishops from around the world looked back over 2000 years of Christianity to see if there could be ways to bring the Church closer to the gospel. They investigated theology, biblical scholarship, Liturgy, the Sacraments, inter-religious dialogues, the Church and all ministries (including the diaconate). They decided to restore the permanent diaconate. In the 1970's the Church sought men who felt called to be deacons. They could be married or single and would be able to maintain their own full time jobs because many were raising families. They spend 3 years in study, prayer and discernment and then if they believe they are called they are ordained a permanent deacon. Many work in parishes (like our own Deacon Jim Eames), some work as hospital chaplains, in prison ministry or diocesan offices.

Most deacons do not receive a salary from their parish or the Archdiocese. Deacons baptize, perform weddings and preach. They work with parish finances, coordinate parish activities and liturgical celebrations. They visit the sick, counsel and serve on parish boards. Some, like our own deacon, have gone back to their roots by serving the poor and the needy (our St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Randolph Food Pantry).

Whether a parish has a permanent deacon or not may depend on parish needs or the desire of the pastor. There are around 230 deacons presently serving throughout the Archdiocese of Boston. In the near future some may become administrators of parishes, which do not have a resident priest.

By the way, if a married deacon loses his wife he is not allowed to remarry. If he does, he is dismissed from ministry.

We are truly blessed at St. Mary Parish to have Deacon Jim Eames, his wife, Rose and their family in our community. We thank Jim for all he does for the Church. He was ordained in 1986. If there is anyone in

the parish interested in looking into the diaconate, he should speak with Jim or one of the priests.

Those who question the value of the Second Vatican Council should be aware of it's ability to revitalize so much of our wonderful history including the Permanent Diaconate.

Enjoy Life!

Fr. Coyne

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Just a reminder that next weekend, May 10/11 we celebrate Pentecost (the recognition of God's spirit in the early Church). The same Spirit continues to be vibrant in the Church and our parish today. We will commemorate how the Holy Spirit works among people of all countries, speaking all languages and practicing various customs.

Next weekend at the 4pm, 8am and 10am Masses our readings and Prayers of the Faithful will be read in different languages by our parishioners from the respective countries. Our choir will bring us music from around the world. The Offertory Procession will include gifts that symbolize cultural traditions. We will have flags displayed from as many of our represented countries as possible. We invite peoples to wear native attire if you choose.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATES

Virtus - "Protecting God's Children" Training

All adults age 17 or over who are involved in any ministry in the parish must attend a VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children" Training Session. If you have not already done so, here is another chance to attend. The next session will take place in the Religious Education Center at St. Mary School on **Sunday, May 4, 2008 from 1pm to 4pm.** Call 781-963-4141 or 781-961-5009 to register.

On Sunday, May 11, 2008, thirty-four of our awesome students will celebrate First Eucharist at the 11:30 Mass. Along with their families and friends, we at St. Mary's eagerly anticipate the joyful celebration of this blessed Sacrament. We invite our community of faith to join us on this wonderful day!

Mrs. Felicia Kopelman Hayes, our parish Music Director, will hold the last choir rehearsal on Tuesday, May 6th from 5-6pm for students interested in singing at the First Communion Mass on May 11th. Rehearsal is at the Religious Education Center and anyone in Grades 2 and up are invited to join. Please call the Religious Ed Office at 781-961-5009 if you have any questions.

Next week will be the LAST week of classes for our Religious Education students (week of May 5th). As much as we look forward to the coming of summer, we will miss seeing our young people walk through the door and always welcome their return in the Fall. Have a blessed, peace-filled summer with time for rest, play and relaxation with your families!

RANDOLPH TOWN WIDE CLEAN-UP

The town side clean-up will take place May 17, 2008 from 8:30-12 noon. Will be meeting in front of the Randolph Board of Health, One Turner Lane, Randolph, MA. Anyone that needs to fill their Community Service for the year this is a great way to serve your Community. For further information, please call 781-961-0924.

WELCOME

We are pleased to have you with us. If you are a new parishioner and haven't filled out a registration card please fill out the following and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Pastoral Center, 22 Seton Way, Randolph, MA 02368

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

Please send weekly offertory envelopes_____

**OPPORTUNITIES IN WHICH TO
MEMORIALIZE DECEASED
LOVED ONES**

If you wish to memorialize a deceased loved one, you can do so by calling the Pastoral Center and scheduling one of the following:

- Altar Flowers \$30 a week donation
- Missalettes \$30 a week donation
- Sanctuary Lamps \$10 a week donation
- Weekday Masses \$15 donation
- Weekend Masses \$25 donation

ST. MARY 1000 CLUB

Have you joined St. Mary 1000 Club yet? The first Saturday of every month St. Mary 1000 Club drawing takes place in the Church Hall following the 4pm Mass. Just fill in the form below and mail it (along with \$5.00) or bring it to the Pastoral Center, 22 Seton Way, Randolph, MA 02368 and a number will be assigned to you. For only \$5.00 a month per number each member has the chance to win the following:

Ten chances to win \$50; one chance to win \$100; one chance to win \$200; one chance to win \$300; one chance to win \$1000.

This is another way in which to financially help your parish.

I wish to join St. Mary 1000 Club.....

NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

TELE. NO. _____

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