

SAINT MARY PARISH

Established 1850
Randolph, MA 02368



23rd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "*Ephphatha!*"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:33b-34



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Saint Mary Catholic Church
(Accommodations for the Handicapped)
211 North Main Street

Pastor/St. Mary & St. Bernadette Parishes

Fr. Phil McGaugh

Parochial Vicars

St. Mary & St. Bernadette Parishes

Fr. Ixon Chateau

Fr. Anthony Phong Bui

Priest in Residence

Fr. Vinnie Doolan

Permanent Deacons

Deacon Jonathan Mosely

Deacon Tom Burke

Parish Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Judith Concannon

Office of Religious Education

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245 North Street

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WELCOME

WE'RE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all guests and parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish. We are delighted that you have come to worship with us, and we very much hope that you feel at home here!! Newcomers are encouraged to register as members of the Parish. Registration forms are available in the entryways of the Church and in the Parish Office and can be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to the Parish Office.

Join us on Facebook!

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.



Saturday, September 8, 2018

9:00am Tony Chiefe

4:00pm Our Lady of Charity

Sunday, September 9, 2018

8:00am Mass of Thanksgiving for Carolina Marius on her Birthday

10:00am John Perry-10th Anniv.

11:30am Adele Sarni

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

9:00am Gilbert Renee

Thursday, September 13, 2018

9:00am Mass of Thanksgiving for Alec Colimon

Saturday, September 15, 2018

9:00am Alemise Maria Jean

4:00pm James J. DeCoursey III

Sunday, September 16, 2018

8:00am People of St. Mary

10:00am Mass of Thanksgiving For Rebecca

SANCTUARY CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candles burn this week in the Chapel in Loving Memory of **David Rennie** donated by the Rennie Family.

CABARET EVENING

St. Mary's Music Ministries and Staff are busy preparing "*An Evening at the Cabaret*". The *Cabaret* will be performed on **October 13, 2018** starting promptly at **7:00pm**. Admission is \$10 at the door and all are welcome. This is an exciting event filled with a wide selection of musical genres sung by members of our incredibly gifted choir and staff! Please mark your calendars and join us!

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Classes will begin this fall for any adult (18 or older) who may wish to make the Sacrament of Confirmation. These four classes have been scheduled for **Tuesday October 23, 30 and November 13, 20** from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in our Religious Education Center. **Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday December 2nd at 2 pm**. Anyone interested should call the Religious Education Office at 781 961-5009.

**ST. MARY PARISH, RANDOLPH
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION
2018**

Sat. Sept. 8th & Sun. Sept. 9th after all Masses in the Church

Wed. Sept. 12th from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the School RE Center

ALL registrations accepted.

Sacrament preparation is available for all ages.

The R.E. Center is located in St. Mary School on 30 Seton Way

(off North Street across from the Randolph Ice Arena).

For more information please call 781 961-5009 or email ReligiousEd@stmaryrandolph.org.

Registration for Religious Education continues. Registration is taking place in the Church Hall after all the Masses this weekend! Yes, this means faith formation for those in kindergarten through grade eleven and Confirmation but so much more! We offer Sacrament prep for ANY age. If you have students who desire First Eucharist and are beyond grade two, we have a plan! If you have students in high school who desire to receive Confirmation, we have a plan! If you are an adult who missed receiving First Eucharist and/or Confirmation, we have a plan. If you are an adult who was baptized but never received any other sacraments, we have a plan! If you know someone with a desire to enter the Catholic Church, we have a plan.

We often hear families at registration say that they are signing up because it's time for First Eucharist and First Penance or that it is time for Confirmation. Faith formation for our children and teens is certainly about teaching and receiving Sacraments but is it also so much more! It's a safe place to enter into with your peers and talk about the day, school, and life. It's hearing from other young people of faith in Jesus Christ. It can be a support group when they have hit a rough spot and an opportunity to lend support to others. It's a place to come to the understanding that we are called to be of service to others. That Christ has no body now but ours. It is learning through videos, movies, music and so much more. Please share these remaining dates for registration with your relatives, neighbors and friends.



Reflections for the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's gospel we see that Jesus had remarkable common sense. Jesus knew that Good News traveled fast and that the man he helped to hear and speak would not be quiet very long. The tale of Jesus' miracle would spread way beyond the ten cities. Jesus was never deaf to the cries of the poor and the needy and in following Him we cannot be either. Jesus instructs us to be open to His Word and His message. Do we see and experience the presence of God in other people? This Sunday's three readings are tied very much together by signs of the Kingdom of God. Do we hear and speak about the message of the Gospel and the way that we experience Jesus' love for people? The reign of God is seen in people who are rich in mercy. We should be grateful and, like Jesus, help others in all kinds of ways. Jesus is a personal God who desires to heal all. We need to know Jesus before we can proclaim Him. As the school year begins and the hectic pace of the Fall will be soon upon us I hope we can stay hopeful in the Lord and be attuned to hearing His message. During this coming academic year what do we wish from God?

MY INITIAL HOPES FOR THIS YEAR

Despite all that has happened in recent days as a new school year has begun and the Fall is fast approaching I find myself getting excited about whom we are and where our future may be going as a collaborative in the name of the Lord. There is a great deal that needs to be accomplished. Most importantly, though, is how we as a parish and a collaborative and as individuals grow closer to the Lord, experience community, love, and support from one another and extend this to others in His name. We ask that the Lord fill us with peace, enthusiasm, excitement and vision. We ask you Lord to fill us with zeal and love that we may be mindful of others and that all the precious gifts we may share with others. We ask that all we come in contact with may experience God's special love. May this be a time of hope and love. We ask that you help us be and remain excited to do your will.

Amen

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Next Sunday at the 10 am Mass our parish celebrates **Catechetical Sunday** just as it has for many years. And so, what does the word "catechetical" mean and what do we celebrate? The word might be more familiar than you think. Many Catholics have used the word "catechism" for years, and they know it has something to do with the compendium of the Church's teachings. The root word, "catechesis," is from the Greek word meaning "to echo, or resound." Catechesis is the act of resounding or bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church. Today we are celebrating the Eucharist as a parish during which we ask for all those who will be involved in the ministry of catechesis this year to step forward for a blessing. This group includes our catechists, substitutes, retreat team leaders and RCIA director.

During this Mass we also bless all parents, grandparents, and all who parent as they are the first and best teachers of their children. As catechists, we are supporting parents in raising their children and teens in a living faith destined for discipleship. We tip our caps to both family and catechists for the amazing job they do. After Mass, we continue the celebration with coffee, juice, and donuts in the Church Hall. Many thanks to Pat Abbett and her crew for the hospitality.

Catechetical Sunday signals the start of **catechist meetings** and opening classes! Our K through 5 Tuesday and Sunday teachers are joining on Tuesday September 16th for a meeting in the Religious Education Center. Our Grade 6 through 11 catechists will meet on Tuesday, September 18th at 7:15pm.

Classes are scheduled to begin on Sunday, September 23rd, Tuesday September 25th and Wednesday September 26th. Individual schedules were distributed during registration. Registration continues after all the Masses this weekend and on Wednesday September 12 from 3 – 7 pm.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CATECHISTS!

The Catholic Tri-Parishes of Brockton are hosting an exciting workshop for Catechists and Catholic School Teachers. Mr. John Collins will be presenting, "*Celebrating the Liturgical Year in Your Classroom*", on **Saturday, September 15th from 9:30am to 12:30pm**. This workshop will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall located at 439 West Street in Brockton. If interested, RSVP to Marcia Hoyle Walkama at mhwalkama@aol.com or 508-587-3257



RCIA—AN INVITATION TO COME AND SEE!

This fall we will once again begin classes for the RCIA process. RCIA stands for the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*. It is an opportunity for those who have never been baptized or for those who may have been baptized but never received First Eucharist and Confirmation to do so. It is also an opportunity for those of another faith who may desire to be Catholic to study and enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. The process of the RCIA culminates at the Easter Vigil with the reception of the sacraments of Baptism and/or Eucharist and Confirmation.

RCIA sessions will begin this September. The first month of classes is called the period of Inquiry giving participants time to make a final decision about continuing. If you are interested or simply would like to ask questions, please do not hesitate to call Ann Connors at 781 961-3559.

FR. PHIL'S INSTALLATION

SAVE THE DATE

On Sunday September 9, Fr. Phil McGaugh will be officially installed as Pastor of the Saint Mary/Saint Bernadette Collaborative. In addition, we celebrate and congratulate Fr. Phil on the Fortieth Anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood. The parish staffs of St. Mary and St Bernadette are working together to plan this wonderful day and it seemed only fitting that we should use both Churches.

The installation Mass will take place at St. Bernadette at 2 pm with Bishop John Doohar. Altar servers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Music Ministries from both parishes will be involved. In order to celebrate our diversity we will have lectors proclaiming in different languages. At the conclusion of Mass, we will celebrate with a collation at St. Mary Church Hall. Both parishes have joined together to plan a light array of appetizers, finger food, dessert and beverages. Our collation will give everyone time to congratulate Fr. Phil on his installation and to honor him on his Fortieth Anniversary. Please save the date!



ALWAYS IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Men & Women in Service to our Country

Jeremy Lucier

Kevin Ryan

Ryan Dornan

Paul Ellis

Kirsty Penticost

William Williams

Christopher Jackson

Ryan O'Keefe

Keith Littig

Timothy Walsh

Thomas Cheney

Elliot Trippel

Drake Barry

Tom Ram

David Preval

Matthew Lounsbury

William Boggan Murphy

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

It's that time of the year again. As fall approaches we are always adding new catechists, choir members, liturgical ministers, etc. It is always an exciting and exhilarating time. As volunteers are added, each must first complete the mandates outlined by the Archdiocesan *Policies and Procedures for the Protection of Children*. These mandates include a workshop entitled, *Protecting God's Children* (see dates below). During this training, those new to ministry also submit a CORI (criminal offender record information) and sign a code of conduct. We have scheduled three Protecting God's Workshops spread out over three months. Those dates are:

Saturday September 15th from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm

Wednesday October 17th from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

All three will take place in the Religious Education Center at St. Mary School Building located at 30 Seton Way. All three dates are advertised on the VIRTUS.org website. To register please go to www.VIRTUS.org. You can also register in our office at 781 961-5009.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

9/02/18

Offertory: \$ 4,334.00

Catholic University: \$ 1,440.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 200.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS-SEPTEMBER

9/09/18 Monthly Energy Collection

9/16/18 Clergy Health & Retirement Trust

1000 CLUB WINNERS

- \$ 100 #431 Kevin Connors, Randolph, MA
- \$ 100 #407 Catherine O'Donnell, Raynham, MA
- \$ 100 #007 Gus Aguiar, Stoughton, MA
- \$ 100 #998 Therese LaMorder, Wollaston, MA
- \$ 100 #531 Meghan Hutton, Dedham, MA
- \$ 100 #198 Joyce Marie Nelson, Bridgewater, MA
- \$ 200 #892 Ms. Loureance Antoine, Randolph, MA
- \$ 300 #900 Michelle Marvin, Nashua, NH
- \$1000 #161 Marilyn Doye, Plymouth, MA

BOARD PRIZE: \$50—Therese LaMorder

DOOR PRIZE: \$50—Joan Smith

BAPTISM INSTRUCTIONS

Baptism Instructions are scheduled for the following dates: Sunday, **September 16th from 2 to 3:30pm, Wednesday, September 26 from 7 to 8:30 pm.** It is our pleasure and delight to work with Parents and Godparents about to baptize children. If you are interested in arranging for the sacrament of Baptism please do not hesitate to contact our parish office at 781 963-4141.

Masses for Randolph Catholic Community

Weekend Masses

St. Mary Parish

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00am

10:00am

11:30am

St. Bernadette Parish

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am

(Vietnamese), 11:00am

Weekday Masses at 9:00am

St. Mary Church

Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday

St. Bernadette Church

Monday, Tuesday, Friday

Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament is celebrated the First and Third Sundays of each Month immediately following the 11:30 Mass. Please call Parish Office for information.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please speak to a priest or deacon at least six months prior to celebration.

Sacrament of the Sick

Anytime by request and following all Masses the First Weekend of the month.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request and on Saturday in the Chapel from 3:00—3:40pm

Eucharistic Adoration

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

HAITIAN CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Le Groupe Renouveau Charismatique De Notre Dame d'Altagrace Vous invite a participer tous les Vendredis a partir de 6:30am a 10:00pm Venez adorez, glorifier Dieu a des prieres de guerison et de liberation. Come and join Haitian Charismatic prayer group every Fri. 6:30pm-10pm in the Chapel for Healing & Blessings!! Contact person: Mica Sylvestre @ Parish Office 781-963-4141.