

# SAINT MARY PARISH

Established 1850  
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## *24<sup>th</sup> Sunday* IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” - Mk 8:34b



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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**

### **DRE/Pastoral Associate**

Mrs. Patricia J. O'Connor

### **Administrative Assistant**

Mrs. Julie Pantazelos

## **Cemetery Executive Director**

Mr. Robert S. O'Connor

## **Director of Music Ministries**

Mrs. Felicia Kopelman-Hayes

**Parish Website:** [stmaryrandolph.org](http://stmaryrandolph.org)

**Parish Email:** [stmary@stmaryrandolph.org](mailto:stmary@stmaryrandolph.org)

**Cemetery Website:** [saintmarycemetery.org](http://saintmarycemetery.org)

**Cemetery Email:**

[roconnor@saintmarycemetery.org](mailto:roconnor@saintmarycemetery.org)

## **Pastoral Center—Parish Office**

22 Seton Way

(781) 963-4141

FAX: 781-963-0884

Office Hours: Monday-Friday

9:00am to 4:00pm

## **Religious Education Center (School)**

30 Seton Way

(781) 961-5009

FAX: 781-961-5055

## **St. Mary Cemetery**

245 North Street

(781) 961-9323

FAX: 781-963-0884

## **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 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

**Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

9:00am Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, September 22, 2018**

9:00am Joseph V. Foley  
4:00pm Dilan Barbosa

**Sunday, September 23, 2018**

8:00am People of St. Mary  
10:00am Moise Jean Claude Casimir  
& Jeanne Sautier Casimir  
11:30am Leopoldina Fonseca &  
Domingas Gomes

**CLERGY HEALTH & RETIREMENT TRUST  
COLLECTION**

The diocese-wide collection today will support the Clergy Health & Retirement Trust which cares for the health & well-being of our priests. In the Archdiocese of Boston, we are blessed to have 590 men including Fr. Phil McGaugh our Pastor, Fr. Ixon Chateau, Fr. Anthony Phong Bui and Fr. Vincent Doolan who serve here at St. Mary's and Senior Priests who served here in the past Fr. Maurice J. O'Connor, Fr. Garrett J. Barry and Fr. Vincent R. Maffei who have devoted their lives to serving Christ and His family.

Your gift to this collection will help provide our priests with an appropriate level of care and quality of life so they can continue sharing the good news, performing good works, and spreading good faith. Remember the priests who have been there in your time of need and consider honoring them with a generous gift to this special collection. You may also make your gift online at [clergytrust.org](http://clergytrust.org) or you can donate \$25 through your cell phone by texting the word **PRIESTS25** to **20222** (msg. & data rates may apply). Thank you for your generous and prayerful support of our priests.

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT TEAM**

Retreat Team members! Meetings are beginning soon! See meetings times below! All three meetings will take place at the Religious Education center from 9:30 – 11:30 am! Muffins, pastry, coffee and juice will be served for all those just rolling out of bed!

Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup>

Retreat Day – Sat., October 27<sup>th</sup> – 9am to 8:30pm

This team is assembled each year during the summer and has the responsibility of leading our Confirmation Retreat. I say “is assembled” but the team usually volunteers themselves! What is remarkable is that the team is made up of seniors in high school (who made the retreat last year), college students, past students in their 30's and 40's, along with catechists and other volunteers. In fact, the group will probably number over 30 individuals. Please pray for our team and for our Confirmation students as we head toward this special day.

**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. The next workshop is scheduled for: **Wed., October 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm.**

This workshop will take place in the Religious Education Center at St. Mary School Building located at 30 Seton Way. To register please go to [www.VIRTUS.org](http://www.VIRTUS.org). You can also register in our office at 781 961-5009.



### Reflections for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The readings today are about openness to God. Do we see the possibilities of who we could be if we placed our trust in Jesus? This raises some thoughts. I do not know why the Lord sends crosses to us or allows them in our lives but if God carries crosses for us, if God wishes to be one of us, this brings great hope and love to all of us. It takes great love and faith to pick up a cross particularly if we do not know why. God is always showing great love to us. God knows about suffering and when He lets there be such things in our lives He is able to help us through them. Do we believe that each part of our life has value including illness, pain and suffering? Sometimes illness and pain gives us a chance to think about life and what is important to us. Sorrow and suffering can raise our awareness and open us to an even more beautiful life. How do we ask Jesus to help us in prayer and in other ways?



Where do I begin to say *thank you* to the so many people from both St. Mary and St. Bernadette Parishes for making my installation as your pastor last Sunday so inspiring and so special. Please know that I will always remember what a special day this was. Thank you also for remembering my 40 years as a priest. This day was so special because of so many who worked before hand to set things up, to plan the liturgy, to take part in the liturgy, to help continue the day and to clean up afterwards. Thank you also to the so many who sent me prayers, well wishes and gifts.

Most especially there was and is a very special presence of the Holy Spirit in our collaborative. With your help this can not only continue but will grow. Without your help this will be difficult to maintain. My closing sentence spoke of my desire, to help the youth of our parish to have the wonderful experience of church I had as a youth and to help each person know that they are loved in and by the Church as each of us is a living example of God's love for others. Please help me. Thank you for the way you have welcomed me as your pastor. Thank you.

### CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

This 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 Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> for a meeting in the Religious Education Center. Our Grade 6 through 11 catechists will meet on Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm.

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



### 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.

### BAPTISM INSTRUCTIONS

Baptism Instruction is scheduled for **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.

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2 pm**. Anyone interested should call the Religious Education Office at 781 961-5009.

### 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!

### ANNIVERSARY DINNER

St. Francis Xavier School in So. Weymouth is celebrating its 60th Anniversary! Inviting all alumni and families to the Anniversary Alumni Dinner on Friday, September 28th, reception beginning at 6pm in Msgr. McShea Auditorium at St. Francis Xavier School. Tickets are \$30. Purchase at [sfx60.eventbrite.com](http://sfx60.eventbrite.com) or email [cnielsensfx@gmail.com](mailto:cnielsensfx@gmail.com) for more information.



### 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*

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS****9/09/18**

Offertory: \$ 4,840.50

Monthly Energy: \$ 1,742.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$ 165.00

**SECOND COLLECTIONS-SEPTEMBER**

9/16/18 Clergy Health &amp; Retirement Trust

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**DISCUSSION GROUP**

Hoping everyone had an enjoyable summer. Now that Fall is here, we welcome everyone to get together and share their ideas and thoughts. This is an informal group where everyone will be respectfully heard. Any topic can be discussed: Community issues; National issues; Church issues; or a good book or movie to share.

We will be meeting at **7:00pm on September 24, 2018 at St. Mary Church Hall**. Bring a friend or make a new friend.

**PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND**

Join Fr. Phil McGaugh and Deacon Tom for a 10-day fun-filled and holy pilgrimage to the Holy Sites of Ireland. **March 3rd—12th, 2019.**

This pilgrimage includes 2 nights in Knock, Co Mayo, the site of a **Marian Shrine where Our Lady (Our Lady of Knock)** appeared on the gable wall of the parish church along with Joseph and the Evangelist, John. We will visit castles, monasteries, abbeys, including St. Patrick Abbey (Ballintubber) and Cathedral, the Torc Waterfall, the Cliffs of Moher, Dublin, Galway.

We will visit **Fr. Patrick Peyton's home—the Rosary Priest**. We will also have the opportunity to kiss the Blarney Stone before St. Patrick's Day.

Air fare, hotel accommodations, itinerary charges, guided tours, luxury coach, meals, gratuities for one low price of \$3095.00 double occupancy (bring a friend to room with) Start Lent, 2019 with a Holy Pilgrimage and daily Mass in Ireland. For more information and application see Deacon Tom. Cead mille failte!

**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

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**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 adorer, 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.