

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Corner of Main & Summer Streets, Shrewsbury, Mass. 01545 • Website: www.stmarysparish.org

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Mass

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 am, 11:00 am
& 5:30 pm.

Weekdays & Saturday: 8:30 am.

Holy Days: 8:30 am., 12:00 pm. & 7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30–4:00 pm.; anytime by
appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday: 6:00–9:00 pm, Church

Friday: 9:00–1:00 pm, Pastoral Ctr. Chapel

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Michael F. Rose, *Pastor*

Rev. Juan Escudero, *Parochial Vicar*

Philip E. Devine, *Deacon*

Jeannie MacDonough, *Principal*

Gina Kuruvilla, *Director of*

Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Kathy Canfield, *Gr. K–4 Rel. Ed. Coord.*

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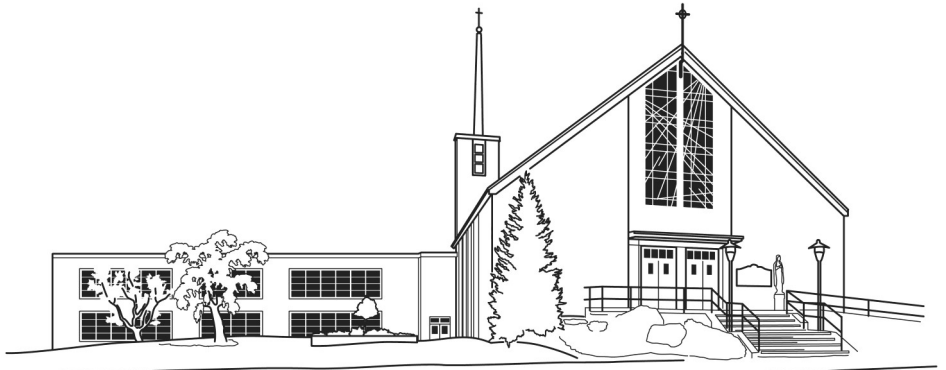
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Our Parish Mission

We, the people of St. Mary's, strive to be a community united with God, dedicated to continuing growth in knowledge and faith, giving witness to Christ through love, worship, education, and service. So that we may fulfill this mission and integrate spirituality with life, we shall reach out to all peoples within and beyond our faith community.



NEW PARISHIONERS: We are always happy to welcome new people into our parish family. Please contact the Pastoral Center to register or for more information.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms at St. Mary are held on the first and third Sundays of the month at 12:30 PM. Parents may also schedule to have their child baptized during one of the Sunday Masses. A preparation session for parents preparing for the baptism of their first child is held on the second Monday of the month in the Pastoral Center. Call the Pastoral Center for more information.

MARRIAGES: The policy for the Diocese of Worcester requires a period of one year preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage, which includes sessions with the parish priest and participation at either the pre-cana conferences or the Engaged Encounter weekend. Contact one of the priests for arrangements.

PASTORAL CARE: Arrangements for the reception of the Sacraments at home can be made by contacting the Pastoral Center. Please also notify the Pastoral Center when a parishioner is in the hospital or otherwise confined. Emergency sick calls at anytime.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jean Campaniello..... 508-842-8288
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Finance: Maria Lemieux..... 508-845-8732
Respect Life: Kurt Brenner..... 508-842-0322
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ST. MARY'S SHREWSBURY

MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time	Intention
Saturday, March 17	8:30 pm	† James and Mary Johnson By the Curran family
	4:30 pm	† Albert Richard By the Aoude family
Sunday, March 18	7:30 am	† Richard McNamara By the family
	9:00 am	† Paul Kozakevich By the family
	11:00 am	† June Maloney 2nd Anniversary by the family
	5:30	† Jose & Theresa Fernandez, Manny Chaves, Alipio Martins, Hilda Corriea, Armando Sousa, Filomena Sousa, Paul Dirth, Ruth Foley, Pam Cawley By Joe and Elisa Sousa
Monday, March 19	8:30 am	Those in Prison By the Respect Life Ministry
Tuesday, March 20	8:30 am	
Wed., March 21	8:30 pm	† Ania Wasowska By her bother and family
Thursday, March 22	8:30 am	† Mary Morales-Terra By the family
Friday, March 23	8:30 am	Special Intention By a parishioner
Saturday, March 24	8:30 am	† Francis Waters By the family
	4:30 pm	† Eileen Postale 3rd Anniversary by the family
Sunday, March 25	7:30 am	† Thomas McCabe By the family
	9:00 am	† Roger Descheneaux 1st Anniversary by the family
	11:00 am	† Danielle Simas By the family
	5:30 pm	† Stephen Wasko By the family



PRAY FOR . . .

Repose of the soul of Gloria Foley and Sean; Paul to have good health; safe travel for two women and all those in break; safety for Caryl; AB; a very overwhelmed woman to find centering and perspective; Christine; two women with and alcohol issue; Johnny after recently breaking his ribs to gain wellness; Colleen following several difficult losses; Tim and his honest interactions with family; an accurate diagnosis for a 9-month old with seizures; a special intention for a woman; Lisa O.; Katie to benefit from aid; Jeff to receive good test results; J's health; Dr. Mary; FDO; an accurate diagnosis for Lisa; John Sr. to be open to a health exam and treatment; a man's dental issue; E to be safe; A and E; good medical test results for J; employment for John N.; a woman's health issue to be resolved; a solid treatment plan for Jennifer; Fred R. undergoing surgeries on March 20 for God's had to guide his medical teams and for full recovery; Susan and John for find clarity regarding a move due to health issues; Lois in the hospital; Ian suffering from dementia; Jamie L. for healing; Janice G. for healing and relief from pain; Lori for foot healing; Diane's mom; Angela's mom; Norma's mom; good health for Sara and her unborn baby; Vicki S. healing from complications after surgery; Wisam for save travel to Iraq to visit his family; Karen for recovery from surgery; Christine with terminal cancer; Frank and his caregiver, Jane; SH's successful exam schedule; full recovery from an illness for Marcy, Joanne, Paul, Alaena and Maureen; and for peace, especially in Syria.

Continued prayers for: Esther; Ted; Susan M.; Noah for peace; john's research; Joseph's search for new employment; Jen with heart disease; Chris and Ron with pneumonia; Rick V.; Sue with breast cancer; Richard; Jim P.; Jamie; Dorothy; Carol; George; TM; Bella; Rebecca; Ann; Beverly; Jack; Susan; Martin; Pat; Jeff; Marianne; Kevin; Maryann; Matthew; Scott; Catherine; Eric; Mary A.; Vicki; Rick B.; Pat; John; Rick Vacca; Sheila; Marsha; Alicia; Allison; Dean; Susan A.; Ben; Tim M.; John K.; Helen; Nancy G.; Dawn; Chrissy; AP; DP; Elizabeth C.; Christine; Emma; Julia; Neil; Kevin; Keith; Maddie; Chico; and Wayne.

Thanksgiving for: outstanding medical care at UMass Memorial; Diane's healing from melanoma; successful 8th annual Fish Fry; kind neighbors help in snowstorm; Joan's expertise; Earn-A-Bike's Slow Roll Worcester family-friendly mile bike ride and the Youth works program and Community Action Council; C's courage and D's encouragement to speak up and positive impact at a work environment; safe travel for several; the International Women's Day at the YWCA; the Health Foundation of Massachusetts; potential new housing for T; Jim's aid during a tricky situation; acknowledgement for an excellent employee; Dr. JM's service; good medical care; an exciting job offer for R; all first responders and help during our recent and damaging storm; Lenten practices; and all answered prayers.

Prayer Line: Tracy at 508-450-0137 or Susan at 508-479-4667 or susanbk@townisp.com

Liturgical Ministry Schedule March 24-25

Date	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Server	Sacristan
Saturday 4:30pm	J. Dascanio	M/M Nelligan, S. Seed, K. O'Leary, M.L. Lordan, K. VanAtten, C. Endahl	K. O'Leary, B. Rivard, J. Karam	J. Nelligan
Sunday 7:30am	T. Kennedy	P. Kelly, M/M Holland, M. Gulino, A. Noone, M. Blute, W. Gooley	R. Brenner, M. Larkin, P. Hastings	S. Pegg
Sunday 9:00am	K. McKenna	B. Randazzo, S. Landry, J. Travers, M. Coghlin, F. St. Pierre	S. Boyle, E. Boucher, J. Mahoney S. Salvan, L. Perkins, C. Jarry	J. Sliwoski
Sunday 11:00am	R. Murner	M/M Cote, I. Berkowitz, M. Vallejo, J. Sousa, S. Howard, M. Minnucci	A. McNamara, A. Belanger, E. Arsenaault, M. Flores	J. McAdam
Sunday 5:30pm	M.L. Nevins	N. Duquette, G. Joubert, M. Serafin, R. Lopez, J. Garcia, C. Cruz	T. Buricatu, E. Ferguson, O. Ferguson	V. Moskowitz

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"I will be their God and they shall be my people."
(Jeremiah 31:33)

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our neighbors and the world, just as God cares for us.

DAILY MASS will be celebrated during the season of Lent at 6:45 am and 8:30 am (Monday thru Friday) and 8:30 am on Saturday.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Come Home to God's Mercy and celebrate the Sacrament of Penance during the season of Lent
Every Saturday from 3:30 – 4:15 pm and Tuesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday evenings in the church from 6:00 – 9:00 pm
Friday from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm in the Pastoral Center Chapel.
(Except on Good Friday)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday, March 27 at 7:00 pm. Join us as we reflect and pray.

SPIRITUAL RESOURCES FOR LENT can be found on our parish website at www.stmarysparish.org. We also encourage you to visit the website and sign-up for FLOCKNOTES.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

JOIN US on Friday March 23 at 6:00pm for our final Lenten Soup Supper. As we come together for this simple meal of meatless soup and bread, it reminds us how we are called to practice a simpler lifestyle during Lent. Thank-you to one of the Light of the World faith-sharing groups for serving this past Friday and for Nancy Hughes' 6th grade CCD class for serving this coming week.

EASTER FOOD GIFT CARDS

for ST. ANNE'S HUMAN SERVICES

Thank-you to all who have returned a food gift card for the Easter baskets being prepared by St. Anne's Human Services. Please return your gift cards by March 25 in any Sunday collection. May we pray for and continue to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

LENTEN ALMSGIVING

Parishioners who took a CRS Ricebowl at the beginning of Lent may begin to return them on Palm Sunday. Your contributions will be used in our continued support of Catholic Relief Services, the Marie Anne Center at St. Bernard's Church, our sister parish in Haiti and St. Anne's Human Services. Please place them in the basket in the front vestibule of the church.



EASTER FLOWERS- Honor and remember your loved ones in a special way on Easter. An envelope for Easter Flowers can be found in your monthly packet. Please write the names of your deceased family members and friends so that we can remember them at Mass throughout the Easter Season. Your gifts will help to decorate our church for Holy Week and Easter.

HOLY WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

PALM SUNDAY March 24 & 25

Vigil Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses at 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am & 5:30 pm
Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00 am Mass in the Parish Hall.

HOLY THURSDAY March 29

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 – 11:30 pm followed by closing prayer

GOOD FRIDAY March 30

Living Stations of the Cross at 3:30pm
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death at 7:00pm

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil at 7:30 pm
(Please Note: No 4:30 pm Mass and No Confessions)

EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 am Mass in the Church
9:00 am Mass in the Church and Parish Hall
11:00 am Mass in the Church and Parish Hall
(Please Note: No 5:30pm Mass on Easter)

HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION

After celebrating the last supper with his disciples, Jesus went with them to Getsemani to pray. On Holy Thursday, as we remember the institution of the Eucharist, we are invited to pray with Jesus, to keep vigil with him in the large meeting room. Adoration will begin right after Mass. We will conclude our "vigil with the Lord" with night prayer at 11:30 pm. Give yourself the opportunity to spend some time with the Lord!

PALM SUNDAY FOR CHILDREN

On Palm Sunday, March 25th, a special Children's Procession and Liturgy of the Word will take place at the 9:00 am Mass. Children will gather with their families in the church and take part in a procession for the church to the parish hall where they will hear a children's version of the Passion story. After this Liturgy of the Word for Children, they will rejoin their families in the church as they normally do at the 9:00am Mass.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Children of all ages and teens are needed for **The Living Stations of the Cross** which will be held on Good Friday (March 30th) at 3:30pm. There will be a rehearsal on Monday, March 26th at 6pm in the church. There are plenty of speaking and non-speaking roles available. **This is a very memorable way to teach your children the meaning of Holy Week and Easter!** There is a sign-up sheet in the sacristy. Please contact Lisa Powers with any questions (LisaRThomas@aol.com or 617-823-1834).

SCHOOL MASS

As we continue our Lenten journey during these 40 days, the students and faculty from St. Mary School will attend the 8:30am Mass on Wednesday, March 21.

SUNDAY COFFEE

We are most grateful to the parents of students at St. Mary School for providing and hosting Sunday coffee after the 7:30 am and 9:00 am Masses throughout the school year.

Because of Holy Week, Easter, April vacation and a couple of other parish events, there will be no Sunday Coffee on March 18 & 25 and April 1, 8, 15 & 22.

Join us again on Sunday, April 29th.



Sunday, March 18

- 8:00 Light of the World Retreat-LMR/GS
- 9:00 St. Mary Adult Choir-Media Center
- 10:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-Hall/School/LMR
- 12:30 Baptisms-Church
- 6:30 RCIA-Media Center
- 6:30 Grades 9 & 10 CCD-School/Hall/ PC/LMR/GS

Monday, March 19

- 9:15 Weight Training-Large meeting Room
- 1:45 Mass at Shrewsbury Crossings
- 6:00 Light of the World Retreat-LMR/GS
- 6:30 Webelos Den 9-Hall
- 6:30 Cub Scout Pack Meeting-Hall
- 7:00 Finance Committee Meeting- Mary's Room

Tuesday, March 20

- 9:30 Bible Study-Large Meeting Room
- 6:00 Daughters of Isabella-Large Meeting Room
- 6:00 Eucharistic Adoration
- 7:00 School Board Meeting-Media Center

Wednesday, March 21

- 8:30 School Mass
- 10:00 Lenten Morning of Prayer-Church/Large Meeting Room
- 4:15 Children's Choir-Church
- 4:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-Hall/School/LMR
- 6:30 Grade 7 & 8 Stations of the Cross-Church
- 6:30 Cub Scout Den 9-St. John
- 7:00 Respect Life Ministry-Mary's Room

Thursday, March 22

- 9:15 Weight Training-Large Meeting Room
- 6:30 Gentle Yoga-Large Meeting Room
- 7:00 Boy Scouts-Hall

Friday, March 23

- 9:00 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-Chapel
- 4:00 24 Hour Rosary-Church
- 6:00 Lenten Soup Supper-Hall
- 6:00 Girl Scouts-Gathering Space
- 7:00 Stations of the Cross-Church

Saturday, March 24

- 9:00 Grades 1 & 2 CCD-LMR/Hall/School/PC
- 9:00 First Communion Retreat-Hall
- 11:00 Grades 1 & 2 CCD-LMR/Hall/School/PC
- 11:00 First Communion Retreat-Hall

Sunday, March 25

- 9:00 St. Mary Adult Choir-Media Center
- 9:00 Children's Choir
- 10:15 Grades 3 & 4 CCD-Hall/School/LMR
- 12:30 Households of Faith-Hall/LMR
- 3:00 Girl Scouts-Hall
- 4:00 Catholic School Grade 10 CCD-Pastoral Center
- 6:30 RCIA-Media Center
- 6:30 Grades 9 & 10 CCD-School/Hall/ PC/LMR/GS



Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers

Please sign up in the sacristy to serve in the Palm Sunday and Easter weekend Masses. Thank you.

Lenten Morning of Prayer

March 21, 8:30 am Mass -Noon
Special Guest: Bishop George Rieger

Please join us for a morning of prayer and sharing. We will conclude with a potluck lunch. All are welcome.



**Saint Mary School
2018 - 2019 School Year**

Saint Mary School is now accepting applications for our Preschool, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 through 8 classrooms for the 2018 - 2019 school year.

Schedule a tour to see how Saint Mary School is making a difference for our students, our community and our world as you witness our commitment to faith, academic excellence and authentic examples of service.

Our After-School Program is available for Kindergarten through Grade 8 students from 2:30 - 5:30 pm.

Saint Mary School welcomes students and families from all faiths and ethnic backgrounds.

For more information, please contact our Admissions Director, Cheryl Dolan at Cheryl.Dolan@stmarysparish.org or 508 842-1601.

Visit our website to complete an application and learn more about Saint Mary School: <http://school.stmarysparish.org/>



**Job Opening - Administrative Assistant
St. Mary Parish, Shrewsbury**

The Religious Education Program has a current part-time opening available (24 hours) for an organized individual. The responsibilities of this position include answering the phone and emails, greeting office visitors, and supporting the director of Religious Education as needed throughout the year. The ideal candidate would have a working knowledge of Microsoft Office, excellent communication skills, and be detailed-oriented. Candidates will need to be strong at multi-tasking and enjoy working in a team environment. High school diploma required. Interested applicants, please submit a cover letter and current resume to Msgr. Michael Rose, Pastor, St. Mary Parish, 20 Summer Street, Shrewsbury, MA 01545 or michael.rose@stmarysparish.org



**CONGRATULATIONS
on a
GREAT BASKETBALL SEASON**

At the end of the basketball season we express our thanks to all who volunteered in our parish programs this year as coaches and coordinators. Many thanks to Kern Narva, Michael Marshall & Michael McLaren for coordinating our Grade 5-8 boys basketball league. We remain very grateful to St. John's High School for welcoming St. Mary's to their gym for our weekly games. Thanks also to Phil Lemieux who directed our five high school basketball teams which participated in the Diocesan Basketball League.

**24 Hour Rosary and Adoration for an
End to Abortion**



Rosary begins on Friday, March 23rd at 4:00 pm
Rosary ends on Saturday, March 24th at 4:30 pm
Special Mass for Life

Saturday, Saturday, March 24th at 4:30pm
Stop in anytime during the Rosary. All are welcome.



THANK YOU! GRACIAS! MERCI!

The St. Mary Fish Fry Committee would like to thank all of our sponsors, volunteers and attendees for another successful Lenten Fish Dinner. Thanks to a team of more than 75 volunteers, we cooked and served over 700 meals! We hope you enjoyed your dinner.

Thank you to Msgr. Mike and Fr. Juan for their blessing and support. We also thank our sponsors for their generous contributions: Central One Credit Union; New England Coaching; Chiampa Funeral Directors; Maria Lemieux, CPA; Vintage Vibe; Nicky D's; the Knights of Columbus and Atlas Distributing. Many thanks to the restaurants that donated food and beverages – Dean Park Pizza, Panera Bread, The Mill 185, the Marino Family Dunkin Donuts and The Pickle Haus Deli.

To the Fish Fry Committee, thank you for your time and efforts to plan the event, to order and/or secure donations for the food and drinks, to coordinate the team of servers, and to get the word out.

We send a big THANK YOU to the nearly 20 people who prepared, cooked and plated all of the meals we all enjoyed. Dinner was delicious!

Thanks to the Boy Scouts who helped with set-up, to the student and adult volunteers who served and bussed tables for the evening. We appreciated the colorful decorations created by the St. Mary School students. And kudos to those who helped with clean-up afterwards.

Finally, we'd like to say Thank You, Gracias & Merci to all of you who came to enjoy a good meal with your friends and families. We appreciate all of your support (and patience). We hope to see you again next year!



2018 PARTNERS IN CHARITY

Last weekend was our Parish Commitment Weekend for the 2018 Partners in Charity Appeal. Thank you to those who made a gift and a special thank you for those who gave for the first time. Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal. To date 229 have made their gift/pledge. We need the support of all members of St. Mary's Parish so that we can be successful in reaching our parish goal of \$180,500. If you have not yet completed your pledge, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office or in the collection basket. We are confident that, with God's help and yours, we will rise to it! If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope found on the window sills or visit www.partners-charity.net to make your online gift/pledge. Thank-you

**ST. MARY OF THE HILLS
COLUMBARIUM**

Information session

Thursday, April 5th @6:00 PM

Parish Hall-630 Cross Street, Boylston

Since the celebration of the funeral Mass in the presence of the cremated remains of the deceased person was permitted, more Catholics have decided for this option as they make their funeral arrangements. With more Catholics opting for cremation, the Church has a growing concern about the proper treatment of cremation remains. The Diocesan policy for ecclesiastical funeral rites promulgated in 2003 states the "cremated remains should be treated with the same respect given to the remains of a human body and should be buried or entombed."

After conversations with local pastors and Bishop Robert McManus, the need to provide a pastoral response to the proper treatment of cremation remains is necessary especially as cemeteries seem to run out of space for expansion and have limited options for cremated remains.

For the last ten months, a group of SMOTH parishioners and I have researched the possibility of creating a beautiful columbarium on the grounds of our parish to provide members of our Catholic Communities of Boylston, Shrewsbury and West Boylston, a sacred space to entomb the cremated remains of our loved ones. Parishes around New England and the United States have successfully built beautiful and prayerful columbaria providing thus a proper place for the cremated remains, a serene and prayerful reflecting space, and an always needed source of income for the parish. We sought the guidance of Watertown Engineering Corporation as they specialize in this type of work. You can find more information about Watertown Engineering as well as pictures of multiple project they have conducted at <https://www.facebook.com/watertwonengineering/>.

I would like to invite you to an information meeting about this project. We would like to listen to your thoughts, opinions and concerns, answer questions and know if you support this project. This meeting will take place on Thursday, April 5th, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall, 630 Cross Street, Boylston, MA 01505.

EAGLE SCOUT CONGRATULATIONS



We extend our congratulations to St. Mary's Parishioner MICHAEL STEARNS who received his Eagle Scout Award last Sunday at an Eagle Court of Honor held here at St. Mary's. Michael is a member of Troop 114 and presently a freshman at Rochester Institute of Technology.

Anna Maria College Music Department

Requiem

By Gabriel Faure

In honor of *Sister Anne Beliveau*
Under direction of Reagan G. Paras
Joined by the Sisters of Saint Anne
and St. Mary of the Hills Choir
Sunday, March 18 at 3:00 pm
St. Mary of the Hills Church



Prayer Shawl
Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry of St. Mary Parish offers you a source of comfort and God's love. If you or someone you know would like to receive a shawl, please contact Deborah at 508-842-8653 and she will make arrangements to deliver a "hug from God."