

Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish

North Attleborough, Massachusetts



Our Heritage

Arrival of Catholic immigrants
to North Attleborough
1826

Mass celebrated for the first
time in North Attleborough
October 1848

First resident pastor
1858

First Catholic church dedicated
June 19, 1859

Present church cornerstone blessed
May 30, 1890

Present church consecrated
December 8, 1901

"Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive and bear a son, and you shall name him, Jesus . . .

Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.'

Luke 1:31, 38

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 2018



Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday, January 13—Vigil Mass

Saint Mark 4:00 pm

Grace Feid – Memorial

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Saint Mary 4:00 pm

Alberta Puccia – Memorial

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Sunday, January 14—2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart - 8:00 am

Robert & Pearl Labrie - Memorial

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Saint Mark - 8:30 am

Michael Aptt – 1st Anniversary

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Saint Mary - 9:00 am

Muriel Fitzgibbons – 10th Anniversary

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Sacred Heart – 10:15 am

Roger Corriveau - Memorial

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Saint Mark - 11:00 am

Frank & Ruth Spinale - Memorial

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Saint Mary - 11:15 am

Grace Resendes – Month's Mind

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Sacred Heart – 5:00 pm

Pauline Bensson – Memorial

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Saturday, January 20—Vigil Mass

Saint Mary 4:00 pm

Ron Meyer – 22nd Anniversary
Robert Roche, Sr. – Birthday Remembrance

Sunday, January 21—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Mary – 9:00 am

Maria C. Camara – Memorial

Saint Mary - 11:15 am

Priscilla Loke - Memorial

From Father Costa

SAINT MARY-SACRED HEART SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Our parish's Catholic elementary school, Saint Mary-Sacred Heart School, will hold their annual Open House and Registration next, **Sunday, January 21**, from noon to 2:00 p.m.

The program will begin in Sacred Heart Church with brief introductions and presentations. Various displays highlighting the faith formation, academic program and extra-curricular activities of the school will be arranged in the church's meeting room. Tours of the school will be conducted. Students, faculty, and parents will be available to share their experiences of our school and to answer questions. Registration materials will be distributed.

We encourage our parish families to consider a Catholic elementary education; an education that provides a strong moral, faith, and academic foundation for our children. SMSH continues a parish ministry that was begun 90+ years ago. With a remarkable history, we look forward to a future filled with promise and possibility. Come and join in this exciting time!

More information concerning our parish school classes from pre-K to Grade 8 may be found at the school's website: www.smsrna.com



Weekly Collection

Many thanks to all those who continue to remember our Saint Mary community in your prayers and budgeting.

December 30-31: Budget: \$3,232.00

Building: \$1,930.00

January 6-7: Budget: \$5,806.00

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Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday, January 15, Saint Mark – 8:00 am

For the People of the Parish

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Tuesday, January 16-Saint Mary - 7:00 am

No Mass or Communion Service

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Wednesday, January 17-Saint Mark – 8:00 am

Deceased Holy Union Sisters, Associates and Benefactors

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Thursday, January 18-7:00 am

Communion Service

Ann St. Laurent - Memorial

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“A joyful soul is like healthy soil in which life can thrive and produce good fruit.”

~Pope Francis, January 9, 2018



IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep these members of our Catholic Community in your prayers in the days ahead.

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of *Robert Trufant*, whose funeral Mass was celebrated at Saint Mary on December 30. Our prayerful sympathy is extended to all his family and friends.

Your prayers are also requested for the repose of the soul of *James Schromm, Jr.* His funeral Mass was celebrated on Tues., Jan. 2 at Saint Mary. Our prayerful sympathies are extended to his wife, their children and all their family and friends.

Your prayers are further requested for the repose of the soul of *Michael R. Ferreira*, whose funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Jan. 6 at Saint Mary. Our prayerful sympathies are extended to his wife, their children and all their family and friends.

Eternal rest grant unto Robert, James & Michael, O Lord. Let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest always in your loving embrace.

Faith Formation News

Director of Religious Education Grades 1-8

Mrs. Elaine Corvese

Faith Formation classes will not be held on Sunday, January 14, 2018 due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

Faith Formation classes will not be held on Sunday, January 21, 2018 due to the Open House at Saint Mary –Sacred Heart School

Classes will resume on Sunday, January 28, 2018.

Faith Formation classes for 8th grade will be held on Sunday, January 28th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Faith Formation classes for 7th grade will be held on Sunday, January 29th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

Saint Mary Confirmation Formation

*Class each month will begin with the 5:00 p.m. parish Mass at Sacred Heart. Confirmation candidates are expected to attend, class follows Mass in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. The next class for all **Grade 9** students will be **January 21**. For more information regarding Confirmation at Saint Mary or Sacred Heart please contact Mrs. Linda Nolin at 508-699-9507*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Thomas P. McDonough Knights of Columbus Council #330 meet in the parish hall of Saint Mary Church on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm. If interested or if you have any questions please call George Devlin at 508-643-4676.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Parents requesting the baptism of their child should be registered members of Saint Mary who attend weekend Mass on a weekly basis. Please pick up and complete one of the Parish Census forms if you have not already registered with the parish. If this is your first Baptism here at Saint Mary Parish, parents are asked to attend a baptismal preparation session. Please note that there are no baptisms scheduled during the Lenten season which begins on Wed., Feb. 14 and ends with Easter Sunday on April 1. The next preparation session will be held in March. Pre-registration is required, please call the parish office or email Monica at stmaryna@noozi.com to register or for more information.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

For the past few years, we have adopted the following policy when bad weather strikes. The same policy is in place this year as we go through the winter storm season.

1. For daily Mass in our parishes, we follow the directive: if school is canceled or delayed, **daily Mass is canceled for that morning and the parish office is generally closed.**

2. Sunday Mass is never canceled due to weather, but common sense should always prevail. If we are told to stay off the roads in a storm, then you should stay home and, if necessary, miss Mass. There is no sin of missing Mass involved in this particular instance. This is for your safety and the safety of others.

3. If there is a severe storm on a Saturday afternoon or Sunday and the roads are not good for driving, Fr. Ken and Fr. Gabriel, would most probably not be available for Mass. Therefore, as needed, Saturday 4:00 pm Mass and all Sunday Masses would be held at Saint Mary Church (at 9 & 11:15) for that day as Fr. Costa lives at the Park Street property adjacent to the church. Sacred Heart Church and Saint Mark Church would not be open for use under these circumstances. *Thank you for your understanding and cooperation concerning these directives.*

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society at Saint Mary's helps struggling local families with basic needs, including food, shelter, utilities, and heating. Monetary donations can be deposited in the poor boxes located near the church entrances, mailed to SVDP/Saint Mary's Church, 14 Park Saint, NA. Food donations can also be deposited in the SVDP bins near the church entrances or at the local Stop & Shop, along with any UNUSED COUPONS we can give to families in need. Anyone interested in joining the Society, please call 508-212-4755 or attend one of our monthly meetings on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

BLOOD DRIVE ----SAVE THE DATE

On **Saturday January 20**, the Children's Hospital blood mobile will be at Saint Mary Parish. Sign up will take place at Saint Mary the weekends of January 6 & 7 and 13 & 14. For more information please contact Ann Allen at 508-695-5429.

POSITION OPENING

The Diocese of Fall River is standing on the threshold of a life-changing chapter in its 113-year history, and is currently seeking to fill its newly created full-time position of Executive Director for The Catholic Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts. This fundraising leader will broaden, deepen and expand the relationships with current and future donors, and will work closely with Bishop da Cunha and the Board of Directors to ensure the appropriate strategies are developed and implemented. This once in a lifetime opportunity will be both challenging and rewarding. For a full description of the position, please go to www.fallriverdiocese.org and click on "Employment Opportunities", or contact Peter Powers, Executive Director of Human Resources and Administration, at (508)985-6507, or by e-mail at ppowers@dioc-fr.org.

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUPS

The women's spirituality group will resume on Wednesday, January 10th for the AM session. For more information, or new attendees should contact Diane Landry at dianneplandry@yahoo.com.

The PM Session will begin on Thursday, January 18th. New attendees should contact either Joanne Regali joanne.regali@yahoo.com or Colleen Ford colleenjuliaford@gmail.com.

WE WELCOME

Four new members were welcomed into our Faith family at Saint Mary Parish at the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, January 7. We are happy to welcome: *Kinsley Keene Camara*, daughter of Kelci & Joshua Camara, *Mackenzie Ann Dailey*, daughter of Meghan & Daniel Dailey, *McKenna Rose Gasparri*, daughter of Meaghan & Jameson Gasparri and *Brynlee Dianne Palmieri*, daughter of Jacquelyn & Ryan Palmieri. Congratulations to all our children, their parents and godparents on this joyous celebration of faith!



**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 14, 2018**

Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you.

— 1 Corinthians 6:19a

Saint Mary Parish Staff

Rev. David A. Costa, Pastor

Very Rev. Jeffrey Cabral, J.C.L., in residence –
Saint Mark Rectory, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Kenneth Sicard, OP, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Gabriel Pivarnik, OP, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Deacon Joseph E. Regali

Rev. Deacon Juan Carlos Muñoz

S. Kathleen A. Corrigan, SUSC, Pastoral Associate

Mrs. Monica T. Forte, Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Elaine Corvese, Director of Religious
Education, Grades 1-8

Mrs. Linda Nolin, Confirmation Coordinator

Mr. Michael Dias, Music Director

Mr. Miguel Peixoto, Buildings Supervisor

Saint Mary Parish Office

14 Park Street

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Contact Information

Parish e-mail

stmaryna@noozi.com

Parish website

www.saintmaryna.com

Parish Office

Phone (508) 695-6161 **FAX** (508) 695-5248

Faith Formation Contact

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Saint Vincent de Paul Help-Line

(508) 212-4755

Saint Mary-Sacred Heart School

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smsh@smsh.dfrcs.org www.smshna.com

Saint Mary Cemetery

Mr. Jarrod Ward, Superintendent
Towne Street

North Attleborough, Massachusetts 02760
(508) 695-1173 or email Jarrod at ripco@comcast.net

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses, 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Daily Mass Schedule

Saint Mark Church

Monday & Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.

Saint Mary Chapel

Tuesday & Thursday, 7:00 a.m.

Joining Our Parish

If you are new to the North Attleboro area, we welcome you to join our parish community. Parish census forms are found at the doors of the church, or you may contact the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard in the Reconciliation Room of the church on Saturday afternoons from 3:00-3:30, or by prior appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism is celebrated once a month at 12:30 on Sunday. Baptism Preparation class is required. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage is usually celebrated on Friday evening and on Saturday morning and afternoon. Please contact the Parish Office at least nine months in advance to begin preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick

Pastoral care to the sick and homebound is provided by the parish staff and trained parishioners. Please call the parish office to arrange a visit.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held in the parish chapel on the First Friday of each month. Adoration begins at 7:00 a.m. and concludes with Night Prayer at 10:45 p.m.

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