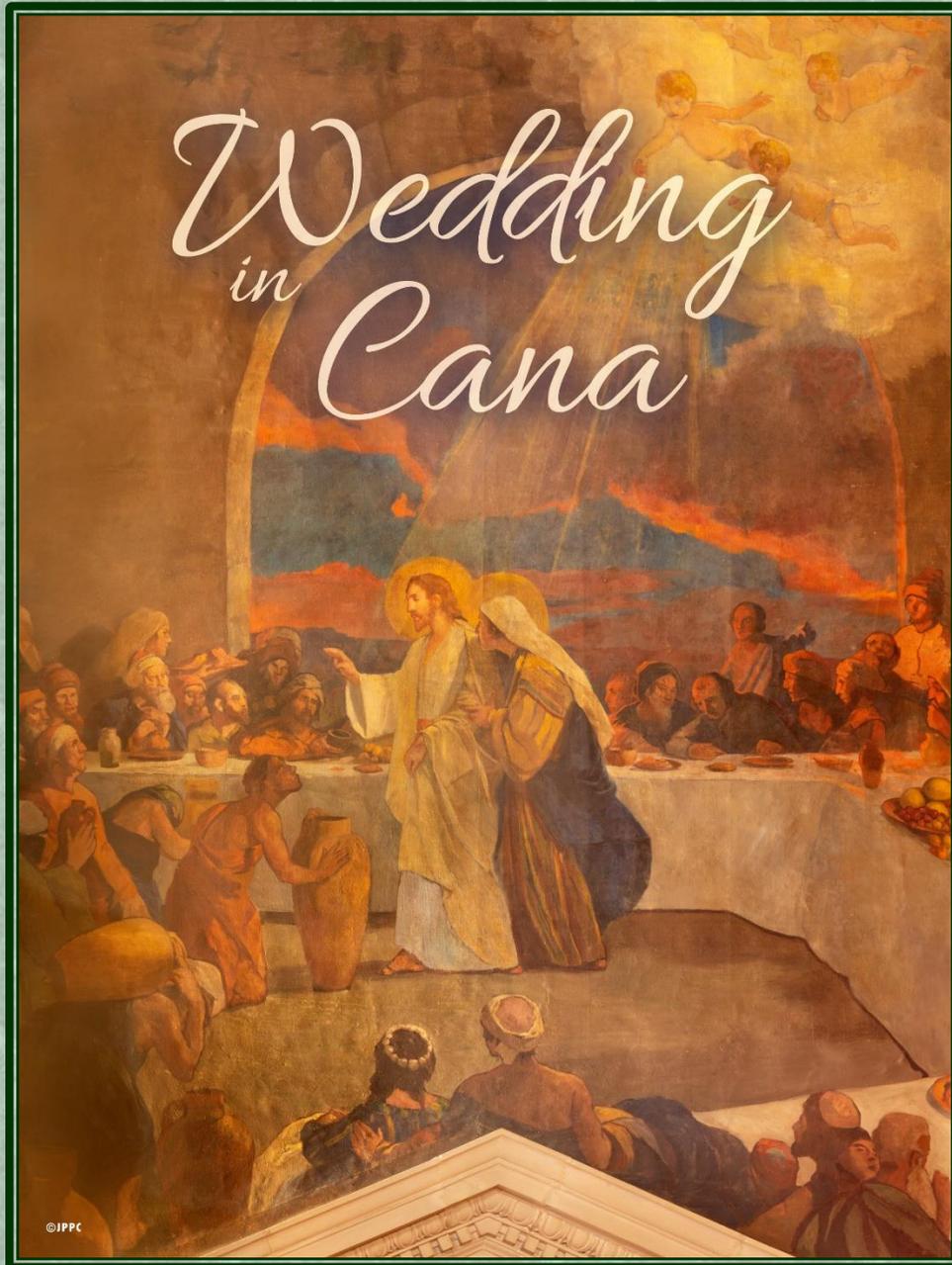


Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 16, 2022



Saint Mary 14 Park Street + Sacred Heart 58 Church Street + Saint Mark 105 Stanley Street
North Attleborough, Massachusetts

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saint Mary Church • Saturday 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are currently scheduled on scheduled Saturday afternoons at 1:00 pm, with a limit of four families at each baptism. Please contact Monica Forte in the office at stmaryna@noozi.com for more information and available dates.

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage is usually celebrated 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 those in need of the sacrament of the sick is arranged with our parish priests. Please call the parish office to arrange a visit.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration is offered on the 1st Tuesday of each month in Saint Mary Church, beginning at 9:00 am with Morning Prayer and ending at 6:00 pm with Evening Prayer and Benediction.

Parish Offering

If you are attending in person, you can drop your contribution in the collection basket. If you prefer, you are welcome to mail your budget envelope to the parish office, at 14 Park Street, North Attleborough, MA 02760. You may also leave your envelope in the drop box located outside the parish office door, to the right on the landing. Or you can use this link for on line giving:

<https://app.gabrielsoft.com/guest/mafrdiocese/31>

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Masses

Masks: Please wear a mask at Mass. *The Diocese of Fall River is strongly encouraging all parishioners to follow the CDC guidance and to wear a mask while attending Mass or any other liturgical celebration unless unable because of a medical condition or under the age of 2.* Please be considerate of those around you and allow for space near those not in your family whenever possible.

Masses will continue to be available livestreamed (technology permitting) and saved online for later viewing. To see the Transfiguration of the Lord Facebook page to see live Masses you can go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/Transfiguration-of-the-Lord-Parish-North-Attleborough-106529317647894/>

If you do not have a Facebook account, click "not now" under the log in information.

You may also find us on YouTube at

<https://tinyurl.com/ysfaxaty>

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Faith Formation e-mail • smshff@comcast.net



January 16 – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday January 15
 4:00 pm Eleanor & Frank Golden,
 Lillian Golden, Frank Golden,
 Donald Richard

Sunday January 16
 8:00 am Rose Cersosimo

Sunday January 16
 9:30 am Deacon James J. Meloni, Jr.

Sunday January 16
 11:00 am Richard Dion

Monday January 17
 No Daily Mass – Martin Luther King Jr. -Civil
 Holiday

Tuesday January 18
 8:00 am George Pion

Wednesday January 19
 4:30 pm Greg Meyer

Thursday January 20
 8:00 am

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January 23– 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday January 22
 4:00 pm Angela Rand

Sunday January 23
 8:00 am Joy Rezza

Sunday January 23
 9:30 am Raymond & Gertrude Vandette

Sunday January 23
 11:00 am Roland Alix

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm Saint Mary Church
 Sunday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church
 Sunday 9:30 am Saint Mary Church
 Sunday 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church

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Weekday Masses

Monday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church
 Tuesday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church
 Wednesday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church
 Thursday 8:00 am Communion Service Saint Mark
 Church

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Parish Contributions

Figures from January 2: \$19,992.18
2021 Annual Collection Update

To date, our total stands at \$92,715.00. Thank you
 to all for your continued generosity.

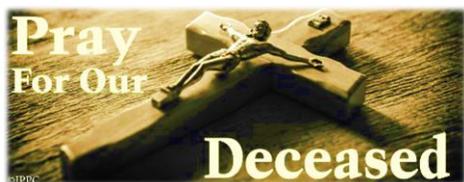
From Father Rodney

Here we are back in Ordinary Time...for a little while! As we transition from the joys of Christmas to anything but the ordinary, we remember that last week, as Jesus was commissioned to begin his public ministry, this week, we hear of his first miracle: he changes water into wine. Jesus is more than welcome to any function I ever host! Sure, it is a miracle and it is sensational but I would prefer to focus not on the miracle itself but rather where he chooses to manifest his power as mighty God: at a wedding! Jesus chooses something extremely human to make his greatness known. He chooses a wedding and in doing so, he shows us how important married life is and it goes to show that we are called to be a people who interact with one another. We are invited to celebrate the love and life we share with those who are most important to us. By selecting a wedding, Jesus manifests his support for marriage and shows his support by helping a couple at the time of their need. It would have been rather embarrassing if the husband and wife were unable to ensure that the needs of their guests were being met. The wine steward is nervous and rightly so. It is Jesus's mother, Mary, our great intercessor, who realizes that her Son can save the day. And so he does. Not only does Jesus take care of the needs of those in attendance he gives them the best possible wine that they could ever have. Think of it like originally serving Reunite and then being served a Chateaufeuf du Pape! Quite a change. Jesus gives them the best because he wants the marriage to be a success – not just the reception – the new union that those attending are celebrating.

In my ministry as a priest, I find it challenging to remind couples struggling in their marriages to realize that the Lord is with them – even when they struggle. Jesus wants to give us the best when we are at a moment of peril – or if it is simply running out of wine! He selects a wedding to manifest his power because he wants to know that he is our brother and families help each other out when they are in need!

Monthly Adoration

Monthly Adoration is offered the *first Tuesday of every month (February 1 is next)*. You are invited to join us in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Saint Mary church, beginning at 9 a.m. with Morning Prayer and ending at 6 p.m. with Evening Prayer and Benediction. You can drop in at any time for as long as you like or, if you would like a specific time slot, please call Joanne Regali 508-643-3821 and leave a message.



In Your Prayers

Joy Rezza, Rita Kelleher

Peggy Carroll, Lena Marcil

Alex Connolly, Martin "Peter" Twombly

Eternal rest grant unto our beloved dead, O Lord.

Let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest always in the loving arms of God

We Welcome

On January 8 we welcomed two new members into our Catholic faith and Transfiguration of the Lord Parish at the sacrament of baptism.



We welcome: *Anna Grace Shepard and Weston Conrad Shepard*, children of Jada & Darren Shepard.

Congratulations to Anna Grace, Weston Conrad and their parents, godparents, family and friends on the joyous celebration of faith and family.

Please Keep Our Churches Clean

Please remove ALL papers, tissues and any other items and dispose of them properly as you leave the church. Nothing should be left in the pews after Mass. (Trash receptacles are available at the entrances/exits). Please return all kneelers to the upright position as you leave. Thank you for your assistance.

Missalettes for 2022

Missalettes returned to the pews for your use during Mass. PLEASE do not take them home, they are for everyone's use. At the end of Mass, please return the missalette to the rack for the next person to use. Thank you!

FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Elaine Corvese smshff@comcast.net

Faith Formation Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

IMPORTANT UPDATE

Faith Formation classes for the month of January are canceled due to the current increase in COVID cases. Please watch for emailed information from the Faith Formation office regarding details. Thank you for your understanding.

Next Ministry Schedule

If you are currently on the ministry schedule as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher Coordinator or Altar Server, you should have received an email asking for your plans for the next ministry schedule (Feb 5/6 through April 2/3). If you have been off the ministry schedule and would like to resume your ministry, please email me by Tuesday, January 18 so you can be added back into the next schedule. Thank you.

Men's Group

That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Join us for food, fellowship and faith **Saturday Mornings starting February 5, 2022** at St. John's Parish Center in Attleboro. Breakfast is served at 6:30am, followed by a video presentation at 7am and small group discussion at 7:30am with dismissal at 8:15am. All men are welcome and there is no cost for the program. Each week stands on its own so even if you can only make one week it will be worth it for you and us!



2022 Mass Intention Book

The 2022 Mass Intention calendar is available for scheduling memorial Masses. You may schedule intentions for all Masses, weekend and weekday for this year. If you have already scheduled Masses for 2022, you may now add additional Masses. Mass intentions are for the deceased and not for the living. We will continue to have one person or family for each Mass time. Intentions can be scheduled via email at stmaryna@noozi.com or by phone at 508-695-6161

Women's Spirituality Group

Are you interested in learning more about the Mass? Starting on Thursday, January 20th & meeting every other Thursday for six weeks we will begin a study about the Biblical basis of the Holy Mass. How has the Holy Bible influenced what we celebrate during the Mass in the present day? Where did traditions arise like kneeling before entering a pew? What is the particular significance of the different parts of the Mass? We are excited to enrich our experience with meeting Jesus in the Eucharist by developing a deeper understanding of this weekly celebration. Hope you can join us! If you are interested please reach out to Joanna Wissler (wissler5@verizon.net or 508-243-5307).

Scheduling Baptisms

Parents requesting the baptism of their child should be registered members of the parish who attend weekend Mass on a weekly basis. Baptisms are celebrated on Saturdays at 1:00 pm at 14 Park Street with a maximum of four families. Please contact Monica in the office via email (stmaryna@noozi.com) for more information and visit the parish website www.saintmaryna.com and click on the "Sacraments" tab for more detailed information. *What Are The Requirements To Be a Godparent or Sponsor?* If you have been asked to be a godparent, requirements set by the Roman Catholic Church are as follows: You must be a confirmed Catholic, at least 16 years old, registered in a parish and practicing your faith by regular participation at Mass. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized as valid by the Church. If you are currently a member of Transfiguration of the Lord Parish and have been asked to be a godparent, please see Father Rodney after Mass. You may contact the office for more information.

Knights of Columbus

Council #330 of North Attleboro was founded over 120 years ago in 1898 and this Council has always represented the entire Catholic community of North Attleboro. Charity is our leading principle, and our focus is on providing support and assistance locally. We are looking for Catholic men to join our Council and help us support our community as our members have been doing since 1898. If you are interested in learning more about membership, please contact Jim Schromm, jim.schromm@verizon.net or (508) 643-3623.

Prayer and Pizza

Looking for another way to deepen your spirituality? Do you have "knots" in your life that you need help undoing? Please join us on the third Wednesday of each month for "Prayer and Pizza". Following the 4:30 pm Mass *Wednesday, January 19*, we together will pray the rosary, which will be offered up to Mary, Undoer of Knots (maryundoerofknots.com). Whether you pray the rosary daily or have never prayed it before, please consider joining us for "Prayer and Pizza" All are welcome! Please contact Rick Leco (508 930 9264) or Vicky Curran (508 930 3306) with any questions.



Transfiguration of the Lord Parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul. If you need assistance, please call the help line for our parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society. They can offer information about the types of assistance available. Please call 508-212-4755 for help or more information.

Masks

Bishop da Cunha, Bishop of our Fall River Diocese, is strongly encouraging all parishioners to wear a mask while attending Mass or any other liturgical celebration unless unable because of a medical condition or under the age of 2. Please wear a mask at Mass. Please be considerate of those around you and allow for space near those not in your family whenever possible. Masks are available at the entrances of all church buildings. Thank you for your consideration of the health and well being of those around you.



Parish Office Closed

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. As with all federal holidays, there is no daily Mass on that day.

Readings for January 16 *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

First Reading

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

For Zion's sake I will not be silent,
for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
until her vindication shines forth like the dawn
and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
you shall be called by a new name
pronounced by the mouth of the LORD.

You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD,
a royal diadem held by your God.

No more shall people call you "Forsaken,"
or your land "Desolate,"
but you shall be called "My Delight,"
and your land "Espoused."

For the LORD delights in you
and makes your land his spouse.

As a young man marries a virgin,
your Builder shall marry you;
and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride
so shall your God rejoice in you.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all you lands.
Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Announce his salvation, day after day.
Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Give to the LORD, you families of nations,
give to the LORD glory and praise;
give to the LORD the glory due his name!

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Worship the LORD in holy attire.
Tremble before him, all the earth;
Say among the nations: The LORD is king.
He governs the peoples with equity.

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Second Reading

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy; to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Glory to you, O Lord. †

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ