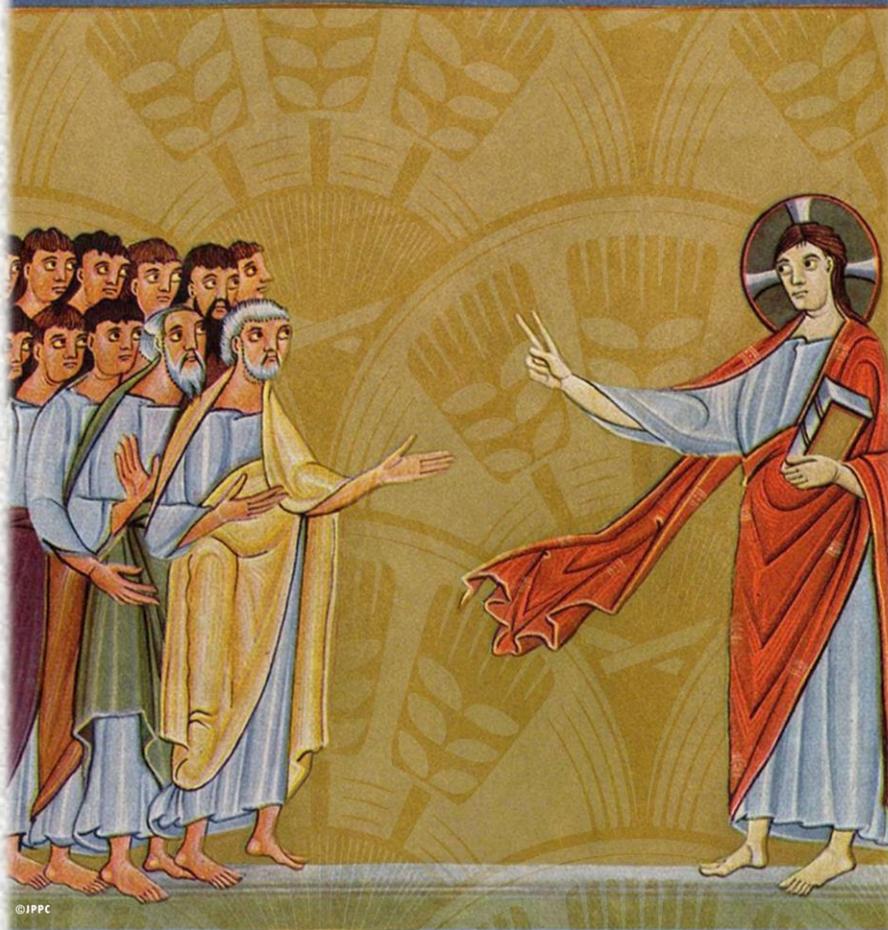


Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 3, 2022

The harvest is abundant...



...but the laborers are few

LUKE 10:2



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

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish

Rev. Rodney E. Thibault, J.C.L., Pastor

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Saint Mary-Sacred Heart School

57 Richards Avenue,
North Attleborough, Massachusetts 02760
(508) 695-3072 FAX (508) 695-9074
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Saint Mary Cemetery

Mr. Jarrod Ward, Superintendent
Towne Street
North Attleborough, Massachusetts 02760
(508) 695-1173 or email ripco@comcast.net

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saint Mary Church • Saturday 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled on 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 Father Rodney. 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 Benediction.

Parish Offering

If you are attending in person, you may drop your contribution in the collection basket. 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!

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

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

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

YouTube at <https://tinyurl.com/ysfaxaty>

Parish Office

14 Park Street, North Attleborough,
Massachusetts 02760

Parish e-mail • stmaryna@noozi.com

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Phone 508-695-6161 Fax 508-695-5248

Faith Formation • TransfigurationRelEd@gmail.com

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July 3- 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday **July 2**
 4:00 pm Edward T. Fitzpatrick
Sunday **July 3**
 8:00 am Joseph Dery
Sunday **July 3**
 9:30 am Stephanie Nason
Sunday **July 3**
 11:00 am Leo J. Wagner &
 Virginia B. Miller

Monday **July 4**
 NO DAILY MASS - HOLIDAY

Tuesday **July 5**
 8:00 am Donna Pion

Wednesday **July 6**
 4:30 pm Raymond & Eleanor Hayes

Thursday **July 7**
 8:00 am Emil Clerc

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July 10- 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday **July 9**
 4:00 pm Peter Twombly
Sunday **July 10**
 8:00 am Sabatino Viscusi
Sunday **July 10**
 9:30 am Lawrence Flint
Sunday **July 10**
 11:00 am Deceased members of Union
 Saint Jean Baptiste

July 4th Holiday

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, July 4th in observance of the Independence Day holiday.



Parish Contributions

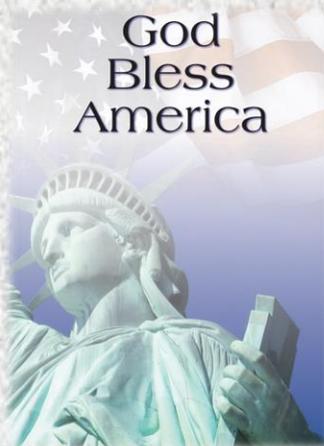
Collection figures from June 18/19:
 \$11,404.79

From Father Rodney

I usually use this space to reflect on the scripture that I will not be using on a given weekend but this weekend, I would like to reflect on something else: our freedom. We are so lucky to live in the United States of America. Yes, I know sometimes it appears to be the Divided States of America but we are a family; a nation created to live in freedom, peace and security. We get up in the morning and we know that our rights are protected; we know that wherever we go we will be kept safe. We are lucky to be Americans. Yes we are! Sometimes, politics get in the way...I am careful to protect the separation of Church and State don't worry...but that is just the point. We can go about our daily business and for the most part, we know that we are safe. Constitutional rights are on our side. We can worship and not fear persecution. We can embrace certain political beliefs and though we folks might not agree with us, what we hold to be the truth is safeguarded.

As we celebrate the 4th of July, as we celebrate our independence from tyrannical rule, please, please, please, take a moment and thank God for how lucky you really are. We are so lucky to live where we live. Go out and enjoy these United States!

*Happy Independence Day!
 Happy 4th of July!*



From the Diocesan Insurance Office to review **Catholic Mutual...CARES**

Protests and Disturbances

Protests and disturbances are unfortunately becoming more frequent. These are organized events conducted by persons or groups who believe the Church's beliefs are harmful to them. Some of these events can be very disruptive and even violent. Oftentimes, these groups utilize the media to spread their message and place the Church in a position to respond. Many protestors show up knowing their legal rights and intentionally "set-up" the situation to file lawsuits against the Church for discrimination, false arrests etc. The Church can become an unsuspecting victim if the protest or disturbance is not handled properly. So, what is the role of the Catholic Church when addressing this behavior on our properties? We recommend the following best practices to assist you in recognizing your exposure and ways to avoid giving the protestors the outcome they seek.

- Notify law enforcement immediately upon witnessing or receiving information suggesting a protest is to be conducted on your property. Ask law enforcement to contact you of any planned protests in your community/area.
- Delegate one individual to be a liaison between law enforcement and/or media, if necessary.
- Unless law enforcement reports a severe credible threat to cause harm, always continue with the Liturgy.
- Know your legal property boundaries and convey this to law enforcement to avoid false arrests for trespassing, which may actually occur off church property.
- Do not physically engage the protestors unless necessary to prevent harm to you or others.
- Do not argue with, or debate with protestors – it takes two to argue. If there is only one, then there is no argument.
- Be aware of paired groups or individuals entering the church that may be planning a disruption.
- If a disruption occurs, be certain your entire security team does not respond as this could be a divergence to draw your attention away from their real objective.
- Ensure your security team is familiar with your response plan.
- Protestors often use the media along with the Church as a backdrop for their intentions. Always use caution when responding to an incident and assume you are being video/audio recorded during any disruption.
- Church leadership should be constantly prepared on how to address the congregation for any potential disruption to the Liturgy.

Portraying our good Catholic values coupled with restraint, can go a long way in deescalating what could be an unpleasant situation. Learn what is legal of the "do's and don't's" concerning disruption control and individual handling of protestors before being faced with an incident. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Father Rodney.



Monthly Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a necessity in our world that is full of chaos. We are in need of people coming to spend time with Jesus in adoration especially during the afternoon hours. Please pray about this and hopefully you will discern to come each month to gain graces for yourself and the whole world.

"A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory."

(St. Padre Pio)

We invite you to answer His call. Adoration hours are held in Saint Mary Church, Tuesday, July 5th, beginning with morning prayer at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 6:00 p.m. with Benediction.

For more information call Joanne Regali (508-643-3821) or Arlene Hall (508-801-2243). Please leave a message if the call is not answered immediately.



Sean McNamee

*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

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.

FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Elaine Corvese

508-695-3823

Please note new email address:

TransfigurationRelEd@gmail.com

SUMMER

Faith Formation Summer Hours

Monday – Wednesday

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Faith Formation for Fall 2022

The students in all grades will be promoted to the next grade and emails regarding the program will be sent during the month of August. If you have a son/daughter entering first grade in the fall, you will need to register him/her to the Faith Formation program. First grade is the first year of the two-year program in preparation for First Communion which is held in the spring of the second year. Contact the Faith Formation office at

transfigurationreled@gmail.com to register.

Prayer Shawl Committee

The Prayer Shawl Committee is working on prayer cloths to send to the Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. The cloths are pocket sized, with a cross stitched in the pattern, and each will include a special prayer card from Transfiguration of the Lord Parish. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting and would like to pitch in, please contact Nancy Chapman at nchapman88@comcast.net.



Patterns are available and yarn if you need some. This is a great way to use up leftover yarn. We hope to have them completed this summer and sent in late August.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal Catholic organization focused on Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Council #330 has been serving the Catholic community of the Transfiguration of the Lord Parish since 1898. The Council is committed to assisting local causes that align with our Catholic values such as the Parish, St Mary-Sacred Heart School, Adopt-a-Family, and Abundant Hope.

If you are interested in becoming a member or have questions, please contact Jim Schromm at jim.schromm@verizon.net.



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.



Call for Assistance

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.

We Welcome

On Saturday, June 25, 2022 we welcomed four new members into our Catholic faith and Transfiguration of the Lord Parish.

We welcome: *Kennadi Rose Camara*, daughter of Kelci & Joshua Camara, *Theodore Martin Henriksen*, son of Hayley & Robert Henriksen, *Cassidy Emma Mershimer*, daughter of Krista & Robert Mershimer and *Jake Arthur Wasnewsky*, son of Danielle & Andrew Wasnewsky. Congratulations to Kennadi, Theodore, Cassidy, Jake, their parents, godparents, family and friends on the joyous celebration of faith and family.

2022 Catholic Appeal

“Journeying Together in Faith and Love”

“We journeyed in faith and love as a Church...together!” We did it! Our grand total for this year’s Catholic Appeal stands at \$103,210.00 (up \$962.00 from 2021). Thank you to the 371 donors from Transfiguration of the Lord Parish who stepped forward and made a gift to ensure the campaign was an overwhelming success. Please stay tuned for a more detailed wrap-up showing results throughout the Diocese. And once again, a heartfelt THANK YOU. May God continue to bless everyone in our parish community.



Pope Francis

“Peacemaking calls for courage, much more so than warfare. It calls for the courage to say yes to encounter and no to conflict; yes to dialogue and no to violence; yes to negotiations and no to hostilities; yes to respect for agreements and no to acts of provocation; yes to sincerity and no to duplicity. All of this takes courage.”



~June 24, 2022

You may click on the link to view and pray the Holy Rosary for Peace as led by Pope Francis on May 31, 2022

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/events/event.dir.html/content/vaticanevents/en/2022/5/31/rosario-perlapace.html>

Gentle Reminder – Summer visitors

Summer is here and people have begun their vacations! We all are ready for a slower pace as we enjoy summer. With that said, we might (hopefully!) have some visitors from out of town and out of state visiting us this summer. Please remember to be welcoming and friendly – as you already are – even if they take “your seat!” It feels good to see more people attending Mass “in person” with the passing of each and every week. We are sometimes outsiders and visitors and I know what it is feels like to not be welcomed so, let us all go out of our way to welcome visitors.

Pray for Ukraine

From Pope Francis at the June 26 Angelus: “And let us not forget the suffering of the Ukrainian people in this moment, a people who are suffering. I would like you all to keep in mind a question: what am I doing today for the Ukrainian people? Do I pray? Am I doing something? Am I trying to understand? What am I doing today for the Ukrainian people? Each one of you, answer in your own heart.”

One thing you can do is to pray a decade (or more) of the Rosary daily for the people of Ukraine and Russia and for the end of the war.



At the back of each of the churches in the Parish there is a blue binder with the Ukrainian colors on the front. If you feel led by the Holy Spirit to do so, please sign your name as a simple commitment to pray daily until the end of this crisis. Sometimes even as a people of God we can feel overwhelmed or powerless when we see the images coming out of Ukraine and hear about demonstrators in Russia being beaten and any independent news sources being shut down. We can lose heart. We often forget that we have the most powerful weapon of all... prayer and when we come together as a community there is real power. Thank you for taking a few moments out of your day to unite with the larger Catholic/Christian community to pray for an end to this crisis.



Mass Intention Book

Mass intentions are open for 2023. You may schedule up to three weekend Masses (so that others will have a chance as well). You may schedule any daily Masses at this time as well. There is no limit on the number of daily Mass intentions. A reminder that Masses will be celebrated for one person at a time – accommodations will be made for a married couple or family relatives who are deceased. As always, Mass intentions are for the deceased and not for the living. Please contact Monica in the office with your requests, email if possible.

Readings for July 3

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the LORD:

Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad
because of her,
all you who love her;
exult, exult with her,
all you who were mourning over her!

Oh, that you may suck fully
of the milk of her comfort,
that you may nurse with delight
at her abundant breasts!

For thus says the LORD:

Lo, I will spread prosperity over
Jerusalem like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an
overflowing torrent.

As nurslings, you shall be carried
in her arms,
and fondled in her lap;
as a mother comforts her child,
so will I comfort you;
in Jerusalem you shall find
your comfort.

When you see this, your heart shall rejoice
and your bodies flourish like the grass;
the LORD's power shall be known
to his servants.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God
with joy.**

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name;
proclaim his glorious praise.

Say to God, "How tremendous are
your deeds!"

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God
with joy.**

"Let all on earth worship and sing
praise to you,
sing praise to your name!"

Come and see the works of God,
his tremendous deeds among the
children of Adam.

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God
with joy.**

He has changed the sea into dry land;
through the river they passed
on foot;
therefore let us rejoice in him.
He rules by his might forever.

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God
with joy.**

Hear now, all you who fear God,
while I declare what he has done
for me.

Blessed be God who refused me not
my prayer or his kindness!

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God
with joy.**

GOSPEL

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians

Brothers and sisters: May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither does circumcision mean anything, nor does uncircumcision, but only a new creation. Peace and mercy be to all who follow this rule and to the Israel of God.

From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

*Let the peace of Christ control your hearts;
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.*

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

† A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves his payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.' [Whatever town you enter and they do not receive you, go out into the streets and say, 'The dust of your town that clings to our feet, even that we shake off against you.' Yet know this: the kingdom of God is at hand. I tell you, it will be more tolerable for Sodom on that day than for that town.]"

The seventy-two returned rejoicing, and said, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name." Jesus said, "I have observed Satan fall like lightning from the sky. Behold, I have given you the power to 'tread upon serpents' and scorpions and upon the full force of the enemy and nothing will harm you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven."]

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Christmas In July

Planning Updates

Join us in planning for Transfiguration of Lord Parish's **Christmas in July** fair to be held at St. Mark Church. The fair will open on *Friday, July 22nd from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and will continue on Saturday, July 23rd from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.* All members of our parish community are invited to attend and/or join our planning committee. If you have never been involved with any of our former parish fairs, please consider joining us. For new members of the parish, this is a great way to meet other parishioners and to share your gifts and talents with the community. Please contact Karen Smith at 508-212-7377, Kerry Vigorito at 508-294-3883, Michele Brunelle at 781-844-4034, or Miles Miller at 508-369-1349 for more information on how to get involved.

REMINDER: *this will be the sole parish fair for the 2022 calendar year, so we hope you will consider taking part in this new parish-wide event.*

SPONSORS NEEDED: We are looking for **Christmas in July** sponsors. If you or any area businesses would like to sponsor the fair, please contact Karen Smith at 508-212-7377 for more information. All sponsors will be recognized at the fair and in our parish bulletin.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS: We are in need of larger NEW items such as a television, iPad, Apple Watch, Fitbit, Patriots tickets, theatre tickets, personal services such as lawn service, legal services, spa package, vacation weeks/trips, wine and/or beer of the month packages, sports memorabilia, etc., all with a value of \$100 or more. Please contact Karen Smith at 508-212-7377 or Gerry Brunell at 508-695-1914 for more information.

RAFFLE CENTER: We need your help to fill our Raffle Center with gift baskets and other items of interest. A display of potential themes has been placed at the entrance of each church. Please feel free to take a theme or select a theme of your own. A sign-up sheet will be available so we can have an idea of how many baskets/themes we can expect. Baskets can be returned after any of the weekend Masses, or by setting up an appointment with a committee member at a convenient time for you. Please contact Gerry Brunell at 508-695-1914 or Manju Yoder at 774-254-2202 for more information.

WINE WHEEL: Donations are needed for our Wine Wheel. If you have an extra bottle of wine (*or more*) that you would like to donate, we would be most grateful. Donations can be returned after any of the weekend Masses, or by setting up an appointment with a committee member at a convenient time for you. Please contact Kathy Scholtes at 508-930-0119 or Betty Poirier at 508-982-5194 for more information.

ICE CREAM SUNDAE BOOTH: Help needed. We need volunteers to take sundae orders and to collect money on Fri., July 22 from 5 – 8 pm and Sat, July 23 from 9 – 3 pm. You can work a smaller shift or the entire day (a great way to earn service hours). Please contact Maureen or Dave Avila at 508-695-3865 for more information.

WHAT-NOT SHOPPE: Dana Frederick is collecting gently-used household items and new gift items you may have received but cannot use. Please remember that we cannot accept used electronic items such as TVs, computers, printers, etc. You may drop off your donations after any 8AM Sunday Mass at St. Mark Church or on Mondays between 9AM and noon at St. Mark Church. If you need to schedule a different time, or if you have any questions, please contact Dana Frederick at 508-695-3859.

FESTIVAL OF THE TREES: Thank you to everyone who signed up to decorate a tree! Completed trees can be returned to Saint Mark church on Thurs., July 21 between 9am – 11am or Fri., July 22 between 9 am – 11am. Please contact Kerry Vigorito at 508-294-3883 or Michele Brunelle at 781-844-4034 for more information.

SATURDAY DUNK TANK FEATURING FATHER RODNEY: We are planning to offer two 1.5-hour sessions on Saturday July 23rd from 9:30AM to 11AM and from 12:30PM to 2PM. Please contact Mark Fisher at mfisherna@gmail.com if you are interested in selling chances and/or assisting with the event.

50/50 RAFFLE: We continue to sell tickets for the 50/50 raffle at all weekend Masses through July 17th and at the Fair itself. Please contact Miles Miller at 508-369-1349 for more information.

SEWING, KNITTING & CRAFTS: We are looking for any hand-made/sewn items, and any crafts for the fair. Donations can be returned after any of the weekend Masses. Please contact Connie Schnack at 508-695-9774 or Noreen Kiff at 508-310-3570 for more information.

BAKERY & CANDY SHOPPE: Please consider baking some tasty treats for our fair. Our famous meat pies will also be available for sale. Baked goods, candy, and fudge can be dropped off on Thursday, July 21 from 5PM -7PM or Friday July 22nd from 9AM to 11AM. Please contact JoAnn Houle at 508-695-6199 or Norma McCarthy at 508-695-6817 for more information.

*Please clip and drop in collection basket, or mail to the office:
14 Park St, North Attleborough, MA 02760*

YES, I CAN HELP WITH CHRISTMAS IN JULY!

NAME: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO? :



PRESENTS

CHRISTMAS IN JULY



FRIDAY, JULY 22ND 5pm-8pm & SATURDAY, JULY 23RD 8am-3pm
St. Marks Church 105 Stanley Street Attleboro Falls, MA

SILENT AUCTION!

Donations Needed! Call
Karen Smith 508-212-7377

RAFFLES!

Call Gerry Brunell
508-695-1914

GIFT BASKETS!

Sign up for a theme.
Call Karen Smith
508-212-7377

CRAFTS!

Donations needed.
Call Connie Schnack
508-695-9774

WINE WHEEL!

Donations Needed! Call
Betty Poirier 508-982-5194

BOOK ROOM!

Donations Needed! Call
Maddy Forsythe 508-699-2575

WHAT-NOT SHOPPE!

Donations Needed! Call
Dana Frederick 508-695-3859

FESTIVAL OF THE TREES!

Upstairs in the church
Questions call Kerry Vigorito 508-294-3883

BAKERY AND CANDY SHOPPE!

Drop off 7/21 between 5-7pm
or 7/22 between 9-11 am

FOOD! PLUS A DUNK-TANK FEATURING FR. RODNEY!

7/23 from 9:30am-11am and 12:30pm-2pm. Need volunteers to help sell tickets.
Call Karen Smith 508-212-7377

VOLUNTEERS and SPONSORS NEEDED!

Contact Karen Smith (508-212-7377), Kerry Vigorito (508-294-3883),
Michele Brunelle (781-844-4034) or Miles Miller (508-369-1349) to help.

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