

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 27, 2021

“DO NOT BE AFRAID;
just have faith.”

MARK 5:36



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 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.

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

Suspended at this time

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

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>

Daily Mass

Daily Mass is celebrated
Saint Mark at 8:00 am on Monday/Wednesday.
Saint Mary at 4:30 pm on Tuesday/Thursday
All daily Masses are also live streamed

Parish Office

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weekly intentions

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June 27 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	June 26
4:00 pm	Agnes Byrnes
Sunday	June 27
8:00 am	Mary Picchi
Sunday	June 27
9:30 am	John & Eleanor Lang
Sunday	June 27
11:00 am	Virginia B. Miller & Leo J. Wagner
Monday	June 28
8:00 am	
Tuesday	June 29
4:30 pm	George Johnson, Jr.
Wednesday	June 30
8:00 am	
Thursday	July 1
4:30 pm	Josephine Poirier

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July 4 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 3
4:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	July 4
8:00 am	Geraldine Mood
Sunday	July 4
9:30 am	Joan Provost
Sunday	July 4
11:00 am	Irmgard Brown

Please note: No Daily Mass

Monday, July 5 in observance of the July 4th Holiday

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Weekend Masses

Masses will continue to be livestreamed.

- Saturday 4:00 pm Saint Mary parking lot**
- 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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Parish Contributions

Figures for the period ending

June 13 – \$14,320.65
June 20 – \$10,604.50

From Father Rodney

One of the great things about living in the United States of America is that we enjoy a separation of Church and State. The Church does not tell the State how to act and the State does not tell the Church how to act. Our freedom to practice our religious beliefs is protected because of the First Amendment. **“Prohibits the making of any law respecting an establishment of religion, impeding the free exercise of religion, abridging the freedom of speech, infringing on the freedom of the press, interfering with the right to peaceably assemble or prohibiting the petitioning for a governmental redress of grievances.”** Submitted for ratification on 25 September 1789, our right to practice our religion, without interference from the government, was ratified on 15 December 1791. All too often, people who don’t necessarily practice any faith or even people who do, err when they think that because of the separation of Church and State, the Church must keep her moral voice quiet when it comes to issues which might be viewed purely as political. In 2015, Pope Francis released his encyclical entitled, *Laudato Si*, which means, Praise be to You, it is the teaching of the Holy Father on how humankind is responsible for the care and administration of our world. He also laments that it is because of the lack of care on the part of humanity that our world is hurting due to the effects of global warming. I have not yet completely finished reading the encyclical but it is reminder that our world is living and breathing and as such, she has needs and as those living on her, we are called to be careful stewards of our beautiful blue planet. What does this all have to do with the separation of church and state? Well, a lot. Some lawmakers have been very critical of the Holy Father’s encyclical stating that this is a political issue and the Pope should keep his nose out of it. How can, I ask, reminding us all that we need to take care of the earth and to take care of the poor have to do with politics? I honestly do not see any connection. In the First Reading we hear from the Book of Wisdom, we hear some interesting words which should help to not just justify the Holy Father’s words but remind us, once again, of how fragile and special, the living are. *“God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living.”* (Wis. 1.13) Our world is being destroyed, it is a simple fact. One does not have to be a scientist to realize that extreme weather patterns are a direct result of years/centuries of abuse. How can each of us help make the world a better, healthier place? Take some time this week and watch your own patterns and see how you can make simple, small changes to make the world, our common home, a better place.



FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education
Mrs. Elaine Corvese

Faith Formation office closed June 28 - July 6



Faith Formation Summer Office
Hours beginning July 6
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Housekeeping Items

Missals are not kept in the pews at this time. They have been in bins at each building, including on the landing outside the parish office, for a number of weeks. If you have not yet taken one, please feel free to do. You may also use your electronic devices to download an app such as IBreviary which has the Missal as part of the app along with the readings for the week. Please do not leave the missal in the pew as it is now your personal property. You are asked to bring it to Mass and take it with you when you leave Mass each and every weekend.

Bulletins can be taken on your way out of church. **PLEASE** – check your pew before you leave Mass to make sure you have left nothing behind. Trash should be placed in the receptacles at the entrances. Please return the kneeler to the upright position. *Thank you for helping to keep our churches clean and neat.*

Music Director

Nicole Barton (Nikkie) will begin as our official Music Director on July 1, 2021. Nikkie will begin playing at all Sunday Masses on July 4 and will resume at the 4:00 pm once it moves indoors. Nikkie assisted with music prior to the pandemic and shared her talents at weddings and funerals throughout this past year. We welcome Nikkie and look forward to her enthusiasm and her plans for developing our music program as we move into the fall.



Employment Opportunity at St. Theresa's Parish in South Attleboro

We are searching for a new Director of Religious Education for our parish program grades 1 - 9. Please send resume or questions to Fr. Gallant at sttcj@aol.com or (508) 761-8111.

The Faith Formation program for the 2020-2021 year has ended for grades 1 – 9 and I would like to thank the parents and the children in the program for their endless support and patience this year that brought a multitude of challenges in delivering the Faith Formation program. Special thanks to the catechists who have helped with the program this past year with the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation.

During the summer, your son/daughter will be promoted to the next grade and emails will be sent regarding the program for the 2021-2022 year in late August. Registration will only apply to children entering first grade and students new to the program. Registration will begin August 16, 2021. I am truly blessed to work in my ministry with such a wonderful team and I pray your summer will be a time of rest and renewal. God bless you and know I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Elaine
Director Faith Formation

Back to Traveling???
Don't forget to plan for Mass!



www.masstimes.org will help you locate a Mass time when vacationing around the country or around the world. Check out this handy way to find a Mass near you!

Parish Office Closed

Please note the Parish Office will be closed, Monday, July 5th in observance of the Independence Day holiday.



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 together 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 are in need of assistance, please call the help line for our parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society. They will be able to offer information about the types of assistance available. Please call 508-212-4755 for help or more information.



Annual FACE Summer Gala!

Please join the annual Gala. Participate in the Exclusive Gift Raffle, Wine Wall, Live Auction and Fund A Mission all while raising critical scholarship dollars for students in need! For more information visit the website at <https://www.face-dfr.org/2021-face-summer-gala/>

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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. Thank you.



80TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

Time to Gather, Time to Heal, Time to Love.

The Catholic Appeal is nearing the finish line, and to date we have raised \$85,353.00. YOU DID IT! Our total for 2020 was \$85,017.03. Don't be left out, there is still time to participate!

You can still make a gift or pledge online at www.givefrdiocese.org/2021 until 11:59 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, June 30. All payments must be made directly to the "Catholic Appeal". Please mail your contribution directly to: The Catholic Appeal – Diocese of Fall River 450 Highland Ave., Fall River, MA 02720. Any contributions that come to the office are required to be sent unopened to the Catholic Appeal Office. If you have not done so already, please consider making your donation before the 30th. Many thanks to all those who have already supported this year's Appeal!!

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.

Readings for June 27
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the
destruction of the living.
For he fashioned all things that they might have being;
and the creatures of the world are wholesome,
and there is not a destructive drug among them
nor any domain of the netherworld on earth,
for justice is undying.
For God formed man to be imperishable; the image of
his own nature he made him.
But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world,
and they who belong to his company
experience it.

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

Responsorial Psalm

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear
and did not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O LORD, you brought me up from the
netherworld;
you preserved me from among those going
down into the pit.

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones,
and give thanks to his holy name.
For his anger lasts but a moment;
a lifetime, his good will.
At nightfall, weeping enters in,
but with the dawn, rejoicing.

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me;
O LORD, be my helper.
You changed my mourning into dancing;
O LORD, my God, forever will I give you
thanks.

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Second Reading

**A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul
to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters: As you excel in every respect, in faith,
discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we
have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also.

For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus
Christ, that though he was rich, for your sake he became
poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Not
that others should have relief while you are burdened, but
that as a matter of equality your abundance at the present
time should supply their needs, so that their abundance
may also supply your needs, that there may be equality.
As it is written:

*Whoever had much did not have more,
and whoever had little did not have less.*

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

Gospel

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

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

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other
side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he
stayed close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials,
named Jairus, came forward. Seeing him he fell at his
feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, "My
daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay
your hands on her that she may get well and live." He
went off with him, and a large crowd followed him
and pressed upon him.

[There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for
twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of
many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she
was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard
about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and
touched his cloak. She said, "If I but touch his clothes,
I shall be cured." Immediately her flow of blood dried
up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her
affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out
from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who
has touched my clothes?" But his disciples said to Jesus,
"You see how the crowd is pressing upon you, and yet
you ask, 'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to
see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had
happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She
fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth. He
said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in
peace and be cured of your affliction."]

While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue
official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter has
died; why trouble the teacher any longer?" Disregarding
the message that was reported, Jesus said to the
synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith."
He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside
except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James.
When they arrived at the house of the synagogue
official, he caught sight of a commotion, people
weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to
them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is
not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed him. Then he
put them all out. He took along the child's father and
mother and those who were with him and entered the
room where the child was. He took the child by the hand
and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little
girl, I say to you, arise!" The girl, a child of twelve, arose
immediately and walked around. At that they were
utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one
should know this and said that she should be given
something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ