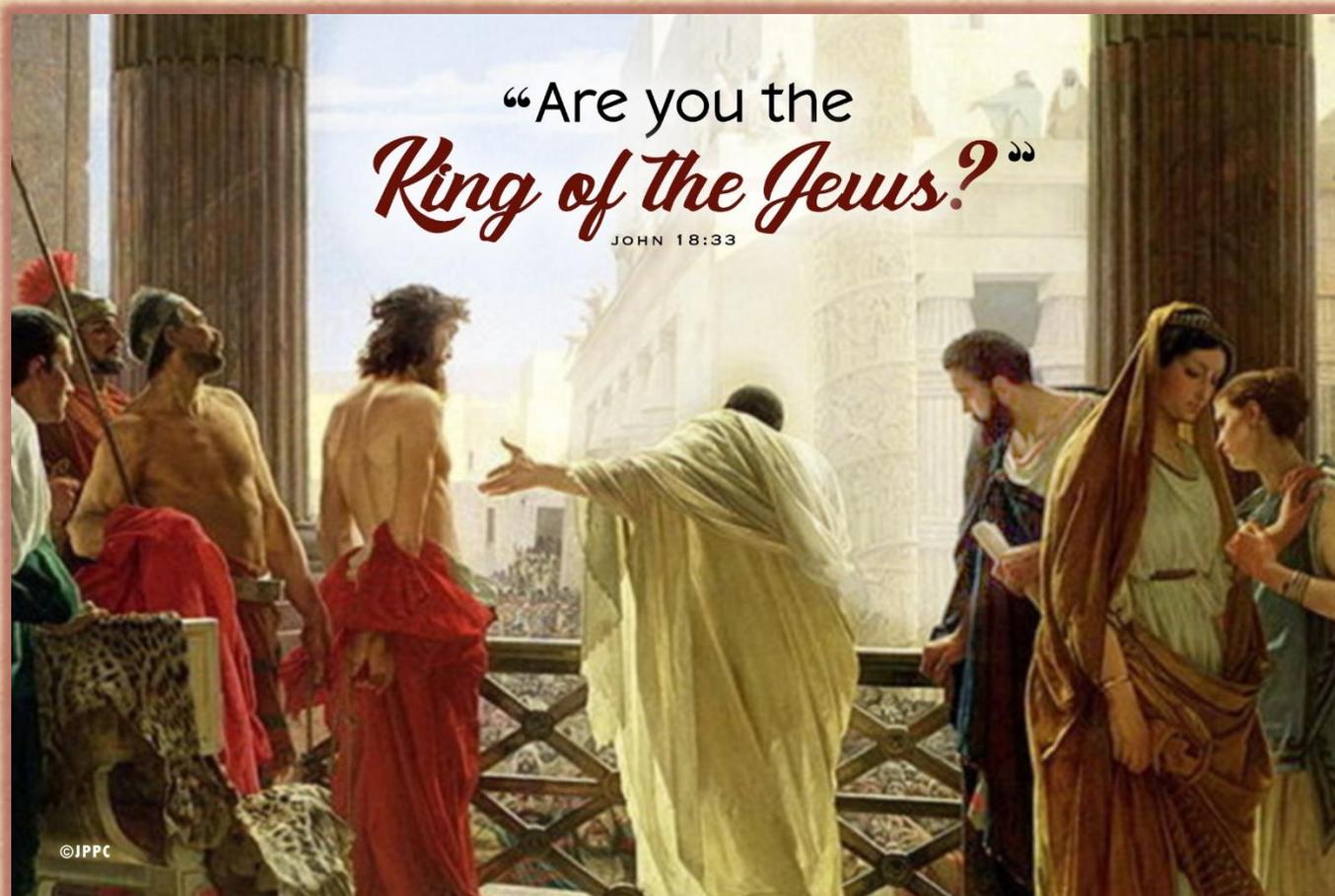


# *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

*November 21, 2021*



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](mailto: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 will resume beginning December 7 and continue on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month.  
9:00 am – 6:00 pm Saint Mary Church.

### 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:** 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>

### Parish Office

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Parish e-mail • [stmaryna@noozi.com](mailto:stmaryna@noozi.com)

Parish website • [www.saintmaryna.com](http://www.saintmaryna.com)

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Faith Formation e-mail • [smshff@comcast.net](mailto:smshff@comcast.net)

# Weekly **MASS** Intentions

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## November 21 – Our Lord Jesus Christ the King of the Universe

**Saturday**      **November 20**  
 4:00 pm      Francis J. Leary, Sr., Beatrice  
    O. Leary, Francine L. Leary

**Sunday**      **November 21**  
 8:00 am      Catherine Lontok

**Sunday**      **November 21**  
 9:30 am      Lawrence Flint

**Sunday**      **November 21**  
 11:00 am      Desire “Buster” Larocque

**Monday**      **November 22**  
 4:30 pm

**Tuesday**      **November 23**  
 8:00 am

**Wednesday**      **November 24**  
 6:00 pm      Parish Mass of Thanksgiving

**Thursday**      **November 25**  
 No Mass Thanksgiving Day

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## November 28 – First Sunday of Advent

**Saturday**      **November 27**  
 4:00 pm      Susana Ontiveros

**Sunday**      **November 28**  
 8:00 am      Rebecca Morrissey

**Sunday**      **November 28**  
 9:30 am      Judy Leco

**Sunday**      **November 28**  
 11:00 am      Mary J. Wagner &  
    Walter M. Miller

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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 Saint Mary Church** *\*temporary  
 move until Sacred Heart boiler repairs are completed*

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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 Saint Mark Church

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## **Parish Contributions**

**Weekend of November 14: unavailable due to  
 early transmission requirements**

## *From Father Rodney*

Can you believe it? Today, we mark the final Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Solemnity of Christ the King reminds us that we have, as a church, completed an entire cycle of the Lord’s Life. We prepared ourselves during the Season of Advent for His Coming and we witnessed His Birth in time at Christmas; we journeyed the road of discipleship with Him as we learned His message of love, mercy and tolerance; we saw Him betrayed and abandoned by His closest friends, i.e., the Apostles; we watched Him carry the Cross; we saw Him Crucified and laid in the tomb and then we waited. We waited to bear witness to the promise that He made, namely, that He would rise from the dead destroying death forever. We saw the empty and we rejoiced and then for 50 days we embraced the joys of Easter until He Ascended back to the Father and the promised gift of the Holy Spirit was sent into the world to vivify us thereby giving us life. It has been a journey and we have walked it together. With the arrival of the Advent next Sunday we have a chance to do something remarkable: to do it all over again learning and embracing His message so that we can share it with others. In the Roman Missal that I use at Mass which is sort of like my guidebook, at the very end of the Order of Mass there are several options for the dismissal at the end of Mass. I purposefully use the exact same one at every Mass I celebrate because it gives us direction, especially in light of everything that we celebrate during an entire liturgical year. I always use the option: Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord. You respond to me with a promise of sorts: Thanks be to God. As we embark on a new liturgical year on November 28th, the First Sunday of Advent, let us remember that we are called to share with those we encounter on our journey, the Gospel that we meditate on each and every Sunday. The Gospel is meant to transform a world that needs hope. The Gospel is meant to give us guidance and reassure us that we are not alone on our journey. He walks with us each and step and He desires to reassure us of that ever-abiding presence. As Advent dawns, the season of hope, don’t forget the task that each and everyone of us has: Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

## **2021 Annual Collection update**

Just an update on the status of our annual collection. To date, \$30,910.00 has been collected. A sincere word of thanks to each and every parishioner who has contributed to this annual collection. This weekend, as we hear the story of the widow who gave two small coins, we are reminded that every contribution helps. If you have not made a donation to this important collection, please prayerfully consider how you will best contribute. In advance, thank you for your continued generosity.

## Christmas Mass Schedule 2021

### Christmas Eve – Friday, 24 December 2021

4:00PM Saint Mary Church

6:00PM Saint Mark Church

### Christmas Mass during the Night

– Friday, 24 December 2021

9:00PM Sacred Heart Church

\* location dependent on heat

### Christmas Mass during the Day

– Saturday, 25 December 2021

9:30AM Saint Mary Church

**THERE WILL NOT BE A VIGIL MASS Saturday,  
December 25 AT 4:00 PM for the Feast of the Holy  
Family**

**Sunday, December 26, 2021 –**

**Feast of the Holy Family**

8:00AM Saint Mark Church

9:30AM Saint Mary Church

11:00AM Sacred Heart Church

\* location dependent on heat

## In Your Prayers

*Yolanda Donnelly, Michael McDavitt,*

*Raymond King*

*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*

## Monthly Adoration

Monthly Adoration will begin on the *first Tuesday of every month, beginning in December (Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>)*. Father Rodney will begin with Morning Prayer at Saint Mary church followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:00 AM. At 6:00 PM Deacon Joe will conclude with Evening Prayer and Benediction. If you are interested in joining, please sign up for a time slot and mark your calendars. (Register by calling Arlene Hall at 508-801-2243 or Joanne Regali 508-643-3821).

## Advent Adopt-A-Family Project

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish is once again sponsoring “Adopt-A-Family” as an Advent project. Organized by former State Representative Betty Poirier and many faithful assistants from parish organizations, families from North Attleborough are provided with much needed assistance. This project provides warm clothes for all family members and assistance with heat and necessary bills. “Santa” is also given a helping hand with his list for the children. Envelopes are available and may be found near the entrance of the church. Please make your donations payable to Transfiguration of the Lord Parish, the contributions will be tallied and send through the office to Adopt-A-Family. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this annual project.

## FAITH FORMATION

*Director of Religious Education*

*Mrs. Elaine Corvese smshff@comcast.net*

**Faith Formation Office Hours**

**Monday – Thursday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm**

**Grades 1 and 2:** will be held on Tuesday, November 30 from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, November 20 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

## Bulletin Submissions

Please note that due to anticipated delivery issues with FedEx during the entire 2021 holiday season. Bulletins next weekend are already transmitted. Dates closer to Christmas will be even earlier. Anyone wishing to submit a notice should email it as early as possible and include the dates you would like the notice to appear.

## Blood Drive

Rhode Island Blood Center will be conducting a blood drive at Sturdy Hospital, Thursday, Dec. 2 from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm in the Auditorium, 211 Park Street. Please book ahead at [www.ribc.org/drives](http://www.ribc.org/drives) - sponsor code 3046 or call 508-236-8555

## Wreath and Cemetery Basket Sale

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish will be having a Christmas wreath and cemetery basket sale **Saturday, December 4 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm and Sunday, December 5 9:00 am - 11:00 am in Saint Mary Parish Center.** Please call Kerry Vigorito 508-294-3883, Karen Smith 508-212-7377 or Miles Miller 508-369-1349 to volunteer or with any questions.

## 2022 Mass Intention Book

The 2022 Mass Intention calendar is available for scheduling memorial Masses. In order to give everyone a chance at dates initially, you are asked to schedule only 2 weekend Mass intentions for anytime in the calendar year. You may schedule as many weekday Masses as you would like. 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 at [stmaryna@noozi.com](mailto:stmaryna@noozi.com) or by phone at 508-695-6161.

## 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.

## Thanksgiving Eve Mass

We hope you will join us at **6:00 pm on Wednesday, November 24 in Saint Mary church for a Transfiguration of the Lord Parish Mass of Thanksgiving.** We ask those attending to bring a canned food or dry good item listed below for our Saint Vincent de Paul food pantry. **Please refer to the items listed, as these are the items and sizes most in need in our pantry.** A reminder, **“please no perishables”**. Please note that sizes of foods are listed as these are the size most useful for those families visiting our pantry. *15oz Canned Veggies (Corn, String Beans, Peas), 18oz Peanut Butter, 24oz Pasta Sauce (canned preferred), 15oz Canned Pasta (SpaghettiO's, Chef Boyardee), 5oz Tuna, 7oz Mac and Cheese, 16oz Baked Beans, Dry Pasta (Boxed preferred), Dry Cereal, Canned Soup* If you are not able to attend Mass, you may leave items in bags at the parish office outside on the landing before the 24<sup>th</sup>.



## 11:00 am Sunday Mass

As was announced on November 7, **the 11:00 am Sunday morning Mass has temporarily moved to Saint Mary church.** The main boiler at Sacred Heart requires major repairs and although the process to get estimates, insurance approval and parts was begun in the spring, the repairs are just underway. Until the repairs are finished and inspection and permitting by the Commonwealth are completed, there is no heat in the main church. With the cold weather upon us, this decision had to be made. As soon as we are able to do so, the 11:00 am will return to Sacred Heart. We will keep you informed as the process continues. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## 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.

## Knights of Columbus – Coat Drive

Knights of Columbus Council #330 of North Attleboro is sponsoring a coat drive in our parish during Advent, beginning November 27/28 through December 11/12. Clearly labeled boxes will be at the back of each church by the main entrance. Please donate any new or gently used (and clean) winter coats that you may have at home. Hats, gloves, and mittens are also welcome. The clothing will be donated to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) clothing store in Attleboro, which distributes clothing for free to those helped by our SVdP conferences here in North Attleboro and the surrounding communities. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity. If you have any questions, please contact Erik Morris at 508-400-1757.

## Music Ministry News!

### Adult Christmas Choir

Do you enjoy singing? Looking for a new ministry to serve in? Not able to commit to weekly weekend Masses but still want to be a part of the choir? Come join the Adult Christmas Choir! We will be providing music for the 4pm and 9pm Mass on Christmas Eve. There will also be a Christmas concert approximately 30 minutes before the start of each Mass that will include choral selections, solos, and duets. The children's choir will also be joining us for the 4pm children's Mass. No audition needed to join! Reading music is helpful, but not required to join. We will teach you the basics of reading music. Per diocesan guidelines, masks are required for all unvaccinated and when less than 6' of distance is possible. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays from 7pm-9pm. Due to boiler issues in Sacred Heart Church, rehearsals will move to St. Mary's Church temporarily. Please use the green door by the ramp behind the building to enter the church. For more information, please speak with our Music Director, Nikkie Barton, after Mass or via e-mail at [transfigurationmusicdirector@gmail.com](mailto:transfigurationmusicdirector@gmail.com)



### Children and Youth Choir Opportunities

We will be offering a children's choir for those students in grade 1-6 and a youth choir for grades 7-12. Choirs will provide music on the 1st and/or 3rd Sunday of the month on a rotating Mass schedule. More details to follow. Rehearsals are held after the 11am Mass at St. Mary from 12:15pm-1:30pm starting on Sunday. All are welcome to join. No audition needed to join though please prepare 30-60 seconds (a verse and refrain) of your favorite song to sing just to get an idea of your vocal range and what section to best place you in. The choir will also be singing for the 4pm Mass on Christmas Eve with the adult choir. They will participate in a pre-Mass Christmas concert in addition to helping provide music for the Mass. For more information, please speak with our Music Director, Nikkie Barton, after Mass or via e-mail at [transfigurationmusicdirector@gmail.com](mailto:transfigurationmusicdirector@gmail.com)

### Attention: Youth and Adult Cantors Needed

We are looking for both youth (middle school and high school) and adults with strong vocal ability to train as cantors for our weekend Masses. What is a cantor you ask? A cantor is a leader of song during Mass. They are responsible for leading the congregation when we sing hymns, for singing the Psalm and proclaiming the Gospel Acclamation as well as the Mass parts during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Those interested in learning to become a Youth Cantor or an Adult Cantor for weekend Masses should speak with Ms. Barton after Mass or e-mail her at [transfigurationmusicdirector@gmail.com](mailto:transfigurationmusicdirector@gmail.com)

## *Readings for November 21*

### *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

#### **First Reading**

##### **A reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel**

As the visions during the night continued, I saw  
one like a Son of man coming,  
on the clouds of heaven;  
when he reached the Ancient One  
and was presented before him,  
the one like a Son of man received  
dominion, glory, and kingship;  
all peoples, nations, and languages serve him.  
His dominion is an everlasting dominion  
that shall not be taken away,  
his kingship shall not be destroyed.

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

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

**R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.**  
The LORD is king, in splendor robed;  
robed is the LORD and girt about with strength.

**R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.**  
And he has made the world firm,  
not to be moved.  
Your throne stands firm from of old;  
from everlasting you are, O LORD.

**R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.**  
Your decrees are worthy of trust indeed;  
holiness befits your house,  
O LORD, for length of days.

**R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.**



#### **Second Reading**

##### **A reading from the Book of Revelation**

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, who has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

Behold, he is coming amid the clouds,  
and every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him.

All the peoples of the earth will lament him.  
Yes. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, " says the Lord God, "the one who is and who was and who is to come, the almighty."

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. †**

Pilate said to Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?" Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**