



# Catholic Community Of New Bedford North

St. Joseph-St. Therese—St. Mary—Our Lady of Fatima



## ***"PARTNERING IN MISSION"***

### **Weekend Masses**

#### ***Saturday Vigil:***

4:00 p.m. — St. Mary's

#### ***Sunday:***

8:00 a.m. — St. Mary's

10:30 a.m. — St. Mary's

7:00 p.m. — St. Mary's

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#### ***WEEKDAYS:***

Monday	8AM	St. Mary's
Tuesday	8AM	St. Mary's
Wednesday	8AM	St. Mary's
Thursday	8AM	St. Mary's
Friday	8AM	St. Mary's

#### ***Sacrament of Reconciliation***

Saturday 3:15— 3:45PM — St. Mary

Sunday 6:15— 6:45PM — St. Mary

#### **Adoration & Holy Hour**

#### ***Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet***

7PM Tuesdays at Our Lady of Fatima

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available

### ***VISION STATEMENT***

***To renew the presence of Christ  
in our Community by being  
disciples and stewards  
of  
Jesus Christ.***



The Churches are Handicap accessible.

# ***November 29, 2020***

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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls in this week's Mass intention; for the souls in Purgatory; and for the deceased of our parish.

### **This Weekend Mass Intentions**

Saturday	Nov (28)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	Lynda Vargas (Family)
Sunday	Nov (29)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: M/M Manuel Resendes & son, Vasco Resendes, Deolinda & Francisco Bizarro, John G. Levesque & Marie-Ange Levesque
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	Jason Leonardo, 1st Ann. (Family)

### **Weekday Mass Intentions**

Monday	Nov (30)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Phyllis Protin (St. Vincent de Paul of St. Mary's)
Tuesday	Dec (01)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Maria Dolores C. Sousa (Alice Pontzer)
Wednesday	Dec (02)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Loretta Chevalier (Mark & Tiffany Raposo)
Thursday	Dec (03)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Loretta Chevalier (Doreen & Archie Pereira)
Friday	Dec (04)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Birthday Intention (Lucille Allain)

### **Next Weekend Mass Intentions**

Saturday	Dec (05)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	Louis Makuch (Family)
Sunday	Dec (06)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Lucia da Costa, Maria Melo, Steven da Ponte, Antonio da Ponte, Cecilia Pereira & Artur Freitas
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: Deolinda & Francisco Bizarro Michael Soares, 12th Ann.

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**It is important that you note which Mass you attend. Should anyone test positive for Covid-19 you may need to be notified.**

**Please note:** Even though we are a collaborative we are separate entities. Therefore, when making your donation using a check, please make the check payable to the church you want to receive your donation and not to CCNBN. Thank You.

# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## ST MARY'S

The Hosts for the month of December are offered in memory of Sara Correia by her family



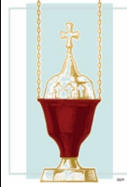
### 14-day Memorial Candles:

In Memory of Lazaro Rosa by his wife & family.

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

**Icon Candle:** In memory of Helen Raczka by her family.

## ST JOSEPH-ST THERESE



### 14-day Memorial Candles:

In Memory of Henry Nicolan by his wife Sue.

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA



### 14-day Memorial Candles:

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

**Icon Candle** in memory of Loretta Chevalier by Doreen & Archie Pereira.

Anyone wishing to dedicate candles or hosts in memory of a loved one, please call the Catholic Community of New Bedford North central office at 508-995-3593.

*There are still 14 Day Candles (\$20) for OLOF and Icon Candles(\$10) for OLOF and St. Mary's still available for this year.*

The Mass Book for the months of January, February and March of 2021 is now open.



Each parish in the collaborative can now accept donations online through the collaborative website at [www.ccnbn.org](http://www.ccnbn.org) please

click on online giving and choose your parish. I realize many people are struggling financially during this crisis, however, I hope that many will find a way to support their parish with whatever they can afford at this time.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Congratulations on the birth of your child! The church celebrates with you and is ready to prepare you if this is your **FIRST** child being baptized at our Parishes. A welcoming instruction for parents and god-parents is required. Please call the Administrative office to schedule the preparatory meeting and sacramental celebration.

**INITIATION OF ADULTS:** Adults expressing an interest in becoming Catholic are invited to search through our RCIA formation process. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

**FAITH FORMATION:** Grades 1-9. First Eucharist is a two year program, grades 1 and 2. Confirmation is a two year program, grades 8 & 9.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Congratulations on your engagement! Please speak to Fr. Raposo at least one year in advance of the intended date to allow adequate time for Parish and Diocesan Marriage preparation.

**FOR OUR HOME-BOUND:** Contact the Parish Office to receive Holy Communion at home if you are confined.

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** May be received after any weekday Mass or by appointment.

## November 22, 2020

CHURCH	FIRST	SECOND	ONLINE
OLOF	\$1589.00	\$197.00	_____
SMNB	\$2665.00	\$825.00	\$1,140.00
SJST	\$1138.00	\$234.00	\$2,100.00

**2nd Collection this weekend (11/28-29) is for Christmas Community Mass Remembrance**

**2nd Collection this weekend (12/5-6) is for Maintenance Fund.**

You will find bins at the entrance of the church for your weekly donations. Thank You

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29, 2020

**SUN 11/29** Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

**MON 11/30** Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

**TUE 12/1** Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24

**WED 12/2** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

**THR 12/3** Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

**FRI 12/4** Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

**SAT 12/5** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

**SUN 12/6** Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29, 2020

**Sunday:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

**Monday:** St. Andrew, Apostle

**Thursday:** St. Francis Xavier, Priest

**Saturday:** St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

**Next Sunday:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Be watchful! Be alert! The core message of Advent cannot be more direct or simple. As those who are postured in a spirit of readiness and anticipation, we must always be attentive and vigilant. We have to be ready not only for the anticipated arrival of our Lord, but watchful and attentive to the unexpected visit as well. While we know that the Christ is coming, we also do not know the exact time. Cultivating this expectant attitude is the purpose of this season. It is easy to grow slack, inattentive, and too self-assured. We can easily deaden ourselves to the wonder and surprise of God's presence. We get so absorbed in so many other distractions that it can seem like Christ's second coming, and even Christ's coming in time are of lesser importance. When it finally dawns on us that we have wandered far away from where we need to be, and lost our attentiveness and focus, we will wonder how this all happened. We may even try to put the onus on God and blame God for a lack of involvement or presence. We are the ones, who through our own choice, put the distance in our relationship and lost touch. Now it's time to come back and perk ourselves up a bit!



The One  
Who is  
to Come





## *Catholic Community of New Bedford North*

### **A message from your Pastors:**

On occasion we receive some calls which leads us to once again clarify what may be confusing to some.

Due to the Pandemic, Masses and other Liturgical Celebrations are being held at St. Mary's.

**St. Joseph-St. Therese and Our Lady of Fatima have not been closed. Neither have they been merged with St. Mary's or suppressed.** Each remains an individual parish.

Each parish receives all monies directed toward them and each parish also pays all its individual bills for utilities, insurance, music etc.

Please continue to be as generous as you can to your parish so there will be no need to dip into savings again. Shortly we will present to you a summary of our financial situation at this time. Thanking you for your generosity and praying that you stay safe and well.

Fr. John Raposo and Msgr. John Oliveira

### **Faith Formation News**

PLEASE NOTE: All classes will be online - even if your schedule says otherwise - for the foreseeable future. The bold ones below have added time for that week.

This week's schedule:

Sunday, 11/29 NO CLASS

Happy Thanksgiving!

Next week's schedule (all online):

Sunday, 12/6

9:00-9:40am - Eucharist 1, Grades 3-5

**9:00-10:00am - Eucharist 2 w/parent**

11:30am to 12:20pm - Grades 6 & 7

11:30am to 12:30pm - Confirmation 1

**11:30am to 1:00pm - Confirmation 2**

### **Help Needed:**

Fr. John and I are so grateful for so many from our Collaborative who assist our Community in many ways. In particular we write to thank those who greet and sanitize our Church every week. As you know people's schedules change and they may need to adjust their level of commitment as well.

At this time we are in need of ushers/greeters for the 10:30 AM Mass (we welcome help at other masses as well). The role is to simply welcome those coming to church. Surveys have indicated this is a crucial element for those attending Mass. A simple hello, good morning, I'll get you a mask, means so much.

Remember Jesus was always welcoming and you do the same in His name.

If you are interested please contact David Beaulieu, Pastoral Associate, or contact Lou Bernardo at the Collaborative Central Office - 508-995-3593. Thank you for your attention to this matter. God bless.

### **Christmas giving:**

Due to the Pandemic, the St. Vincent de Paul Conferences of our Collaborative have discussed how participation can be encouraged in a safe and appropriate manner. It was decided to assist the needy by requesting gift cards from grocery stores and Kohls, Target and Walmart in lieu of gift purchasing, wrapping etc.

All gifts will be distributed according to the needs of each parish by the individual conferences. Your gift can be brought to church or mailed to the Collaborative Office at 106 Illinois St. New Bedford, MA 02745.

For timely distribution to those in need, it is requested that all gift cards be received by **December 16, 2020.**

Thank you for your anticipated generosity to the needy in our community. May the Lord reward your generosity.

As the **Annual Collection** continues we are grateful to those who have contributed and we want to issue a gentle reminder for those who have not yet participated. If your means allows, please send your contribution by mail or bring it church when you come. If you have not received the original mailing, please let us know as soon as possible. Thank You.

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT



We are the servants of God, each with his or her own task. We will be judged good stewards if, at His coming, He finds us ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks to which we have been called. (Used

with permission from Our Sunday Visitor, *Stewardship by the Book: Bulletin Bits Based on the Sunday Readings*, by Sharon Hueckel, 2004 edition, page 15).

## Prayer to St. Thérèse, the Little Flower

O Glorious St. Thérèse, whom Almighty God has raised up to aid and inspire the human family, I implore your miraculous intercession. I fervently beseech you to answer my petition...(here state your request)...and to carry out your promises of spending Heaven doing good upon earth.

Little Flower of Jesus, give me your childlike faith, to see the face of God in all people and experiences of my life, and to love God with full confidence. Help me to always believe, as you did, in God's great love for me, so that I might imitate your "little way" each day. Amen.

## Women's A.A.

### Women's Closed Meeting

Alcoholics Anonymous:  
St . Joseph-St. Therese on  
Saturdays in the parish hall from  
9:00-10:15AM

## COLLABORATIVE STAFF

Rev. John A. Raposo	Co-Pastor & Moderator
Msgr. John J. Oliveira, P.A.	Co-Pastor
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Patrick and Denise Gannon	OLF Music Director
Barry Turley, Alex Breault & Michelle Rioux	SJST Music Ministry
Mr. Alfred Dias	Custodian OLF
Mrs. Connie Avelar	Custodian SJST
Mr. Mike White .....	Custodian SM

**"SERVICE IS THE PRICE  
WE PAY FOR  
BEARING THE NAME CHRISTIAN"**

Your prayers are requested for the soul of Alex Trebek. Monday -Friday 7:30 PM to 8:00 PM will never be the same. May God grant him the "daily double " for a life well lived. After asking all the questions for 36 years, we believe Alex now knows all the answers. RIP

## ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

### PRESCHOOL — GRADE 8



SAFE, NURTURING, TECHNOLOGY RICH,  
CATHOLIC ENVIRONMENT  
SOLID CURRICULUM - FOCUS ON 21ST  
CENTURY SKILLS & GOSPEL VALUES -  
STRONG PARENT-SCHOOL  
COMMUNICATION ~ AFFORDABLE &  
ACCESSIBLE

**EXTENDED CARE AVAILABLE 6:30AM—5:30PM  
FULL DAY PRESCHOOL FOR 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS**

*COME & SEE THE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR  
YOUR CHILD TO GROW & SUCCEED IN AN ACTIVE,  
FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS!*

**Contact Principal Sue Massoud at**

**[smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org](mailto:smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org) or 508-995-3696 for more  
information or to schedule a tour.**

**[www.ascsnb.org](http://www.ascsnb.org)**

*We invite you to visit All Saints Catholic School and  
experience our intimate environment where students feel  
safe, welcomed and loved —  
and form friendships that last a lifetime.*

### READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

#### SHARING THE GOSPEL

When you play on a baseball team, you learn how to pay attention. Your coach reminds you and your teammates to stay ready. You learn to watch the ball. Those are good lessons to learn, because Jesus wants you to pay attention, too. Keep your eyes and your mind on Jesus, so you're ready when he comes.

#### PRAYER

Jesus, help me to stay ready for you.

#### MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Play a quick game of baseball. Cheer for one another. End the game with a prayer that you will keep your eyes on Jesus.

### KIDS CORNER

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel.

WATCH  
READY  
TIME

COME  
MASTER  
EVENING

MIDNIGHT  
DAWN  
MORNING

U	W	A	T	H	O	W	Y	S	W	U
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