



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.

January 10, 2021

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 and for William A. Hall and Arlene Batista whose Funeral Masses were celebrated here.

This Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday	Jan (09)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	Noel Charron, 2nd Ann. (His wife, Rhea)
Sunday	Jan (10)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: Manuel, Liduina & Vasco Resendes M/M Jose Cordeiro & Children, Jean Dion, Birthday Remembrance
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	Matthew D. Edward-Camara (Parents)

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday	Jan (11)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Manny, Dorothy & Skip Martinez
Tuesday	Jan (12)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Manuel Alves (His wife, Maria Alves)
Wednesday	Jan (13)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Marc Letendre (Family)
Thursday	Jan (14)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Family & Friends (Lucille Allain)
Friday	Jan (15)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Manuel V. deBarros, 15th Ann. (Family)

Next Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday	Jan (16)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	John G. & Marie-Ange Levesque (Family)
Sunday	Jan (17)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Edward J. Tynan (David & Barbara Caron)
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: Marc Letendre, 1st Ann.; Manuel, Liduina & Vasco Resendes, M/M Jose Cordeiro & Children; Joao Gaspar & Maria Ferreira
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative



Fr. John and I wish to thank you for your kindness at Christmas. Your cards, gifts, and delicacies are very much appreciated.

On behalf of the Parish we wish to thank those who assisted in the decoration and preparing the Church for the Christmas celebrations, both inside and outside. Likewise we thank the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society in our Collaborative for reaching out to the needy and for those who contributed so generously to make the outreach possible.

With 2020 in the rearview mirror, we pray 2021 can be good to all of us. May the Lord continue to bless us with good health and guidance as we move forward into the future.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

STMARY'S

The Hosts for the month of January are offered in memory of Noel Charron, 2nd Ann. by his wife, Rhea.



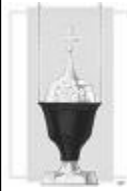
14-day Memorial Candles:

In Memory of Lazaro Rosa by his wife & family.

In Memory of Bill Arabasz by the Family.

Icon Candle: In memory of _____

ST JOSEPH-ST THERESE



14-day Memorial Candles:

In Memory of the deBarros, Barros, Cerqueira, Bernardo & Avelar families.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA



14-day Memorial Candles:

In memory of Donat & Olive Ledoux by Yvonne & Rene Saulnier.

Icon Candle in memory of _____

The Mass Book for the months of April, May & June of 2021 is now open.

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.



Each parish in the collaborative can now accept donations online through the collaborative website at 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. God bless you and keep you safe.

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.

December 25, 26, 27, 2020 January 2/3, 2021

Church	Christmas	First	Second	Online
OLF	\$435.00	\$1066.00 \$1186.00	\$293.00 \$238.00	— \$40.00
SMNB	\$1865.00	\$2863.00 \$3081.00	\$669.00 \$605.00	\$1109.02 \$ 631.53
SJST	\$1645.00	\$966.00 \$1086.00	\$331.00 \$360.00	\$ 457.00 \$ 703.20

2nd Collection this weekend (01-09/10-2021) is for Education Fund.

2nd Collection this weekend (01-16/17-2021) is for Catholic Communications.

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

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

SUN 1/10	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
MON 1/11	Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20
TUE 1/12	Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28
WED 1/13	Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39
THR 1/14	Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45
FRI 1/15	Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12
SAT 1/16	Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17
SUN 1/17	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord
Wednesday:	St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Sunday:	2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

We carry a greater depth of self-confidence and chance of succeeding when we have affirmation, a sense of direction and clear purpose in life. Each of these serve to provide our lives with meaning, allowing us to clearly establish priorities and goals. They also are necessary for integrity, which is the conviction and single mindedness that keeps us grounded in the truth of who we are. "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Jesus' baptism provides him with exactly what he needs to get about the business of his mission as the Son of God. He is given what he needs to be successful in fulfilling the purpose for which he was sent. Our baptisms give us these same gifts. We receive the affirmation we need from God, knowing that we are one of his beloved daughters and sons. We are gifted with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Are we ready and willing to answer the call?


BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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**WE RECEIVE
THE SPIRIT OF
TRUTH SO THAT
WE CAN KNOW
THE THINGS
OF GOD.
—ST. HILARY OF POITIERS**

*The future
starts
today, not
tomorrow.*

— ST. JOHN PAUL II

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2021 | THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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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.



GOSPEL MEDITATION -
ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF
SCRIPTURE

The Baptism of the Lord

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so? ©LPI



FAITH FORMATION
News

PLEASE NOTE: All classes will be online - even if your schedule says otherwise. The bold ones below have added time for that week. This week's schedule (all online):

Sunday, 1/10

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

9-10am - Eucharist 2 w/parent

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

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

11:30 am to 1pm - Confirmation 2

Next week's schedule:

Sunday, 1/17 NO CLASS - Holiday weekend

COLLABORATIVE STAFF

Rev. John A. Raposo *Co-Pastor & Moderator*

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Mrs. Connie Avelar *Custodian SJST*

Mr. Mike WhiteCustodian SM

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING *to the Call*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

When God Whispers

"You don't need to shout. My hearing works just fine."

Are you a parent that has used that one on your kids? I'm not sure at what age they realize that the volume of their voice doesn't correlate to the likelihood of receiving a favorable reply — it might be sometime in the teenage years, when the talking slows down altogether.

But I've got to admit, it would be nice if God always gave us a loud and dramatic sign when He wanted something — the booming voice and the torn-open heavens ("This is my beloved Son!") really get the message across. Sometimes I find myself envious of the Apostles, who were able to witness such things in person.

The fact of the matter is, in the year 2021, God is more likely to speak in a whisper than in a shout. The prophet Isaiah forewarns that Christ himself will not be a noisemaker — for all his preaching, he will not cry out or shout to bring forth justice to the nations. His way is altogether different than that.

We are not the Apostles, and we do not have the privilege of seeing the Holy Spirit descend on Christ like a dove. But here's the good news: God doesn't need to shout. Our spiritual hearing works just fine. We just have to be listening.

Let's wake up each morning ready to hear God's whispers throughout the day. Let's make a conscious effort to invite those whispers into our hearts, where they can become a catalyst for grace in this world.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

Why do we hold hands during the Our Father?

Answer:

The practice of members of the assembly holding hands while praying the Lord's Prayer during the Mass is a custom that developed organically in the 1970s and 1980s. While some commentators acknowledge that the practice varies from place to place, it is a fairly universal reality in parishes across the United States. For some, this action symbolizes the communion of Christians praying together as one family of believers honoring the Father of All. Critics of the practice sometimes express concern that holding hands can be a distraction from the more significant unity that is experienced when we process to the altar to receive sacramental communion.

And so, we're left to ask, what is the answer?

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (the document that offers specific instructions for the celebration of the Mass) is silent on the practice, saying only that "all the faithful say the prayer" with the priest. The website of the US Bishops simply observes that "No position is prescribed in the Roman Missal for an assembly gesture during the Lord's Prayer." And so, we're left to discern within ourselves and within our parish and religious communities what is an authentic gesture of praise during this important point of the Mass. For some, this means continuing to hold hands, while for others, this may mean adopting another posture of prayer.

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL—GRADE 8



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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

"Keep trying, You're doing great. I'm so proud of you." Every child should hear words like that. Every child wants to feel God's love. As Jesus grew from a boy to a man, he showed he was ready to live for God. At Jesus' baptism, God told Jesus, "You are my own dear Son, and I am pleased with you." God loves you as his child, too.

PRAYER

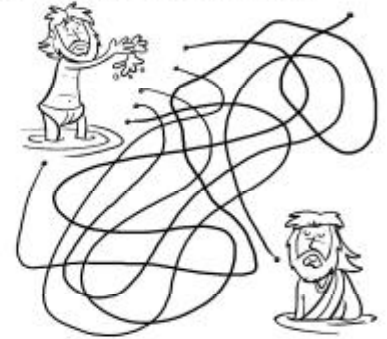
God, I am so glad you love me.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Be careful to use kind words with your family and friends.

KIDS CORNER

Show John the path to baptize Jesus.



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