



# 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.

**February 7, 2021**

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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 especially Edward Figueira whose funeral Mass was celebrated here.

### **This Weekend Mass Intentions**

Saturday	Feb (06)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	Vasco Resendes (Belmira Pimentel)
Sunday	Feb (07)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: Manuel, Liduina & Vasco Resendes, Mr. & Mrs. Jose Cordeiro & Children, Joe Pimental
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	Family & Friends (Lucille Allain)

### **Weekday Mass Intentions**

Monday	Feb (08)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Jacqueline Vardo (St. Mary's Women's Guild)
Tuesday	Feb (09)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Derrick Medeiros, 2nd Ann. (Family)
Wednesday	Feb (10)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Arminda Bernardo (Dolores)
Thursday	Feb (11)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Alfred McDonald, 1st Ann. (Anne-Marie & Lucille)
Friday	Feb (12)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Therese M. Reale (Normand & Joyce Audette)

### **Next Weekend Mass Intentions**

Saturday	Feb (13)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	Bertha Farias (Adelino & Janet Sousa)
Sunday	Feb (14)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Filomena Santos (Frank & Lucy Resendes)
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: Cecile Silveira, 17th Ann., Manuel, Liduina & Vasco Resendes, M/M Jose Cordeiro & Children, Jose Pimental, Derrick Medeiros & Maria Graça
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative

### ***NEW MASS CANCELLATION POLICY - Beginning February 1, 2021***

When the New Bedford school department cancels classes or the schools go full distance/remote learning due to storm conditions the daily Mass will also be canceled along with any and all parish events. The Parish Office will also be closed.

While the Obligation to Attend Sunday (Saturday afternoon) Mass has been dispensed the following caution still applies for those who choose to attend Mass.

Cardinal Dolan of New York has good advice: "Catholics take Sunday mass very seriously, but the Church never asks us to risk our health or safety to get to church on the Lord's Day. Please be careful! Do not take any chance with your safety and health if things get dangerous." Prudence and "common sense" should guide your decision to get to church on weekends and weekdays. You are asked to "do your best" but no more.

# FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## ST MARY'S



The Hosts for the month of February are offered in memory of the Arabasz Family by the family.

### 14-day Memorial Candles:

In Memory of Mark & Bill Arabasz by the Family.

In Memory of Lazaro Rosa by his wife & family.

**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.

Hosts, Memorial Candles & Icon Candles still available for all churches.

**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.

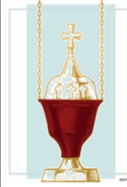
**INITIATION OF ADULTS:** Adults expressing an interest in becoming Catholic are invited to search through our RCIA formation process. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

**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.

## ST JOSEPH-ST THERESE



### 14-day Memorial Candles:

In Memory of Family & Friends of the Bernardo Family.

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA



### 14-day Memorial Candles:

In memory of

**Icon Candle** in memory of



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. God bless you and keep you safe.

## January 31, 2021

CHURCH	FIRST	SECOND	ONLINE
OLOF	\$1347.00	\$178.00	\$95.00
SMNB	\$2433.00	\$676.00	\$595.94
SJST	\$797.00	\$263.00	\$553.20

2nd Collection this weekend (02/06-07) is for Home Missions.

2nd Collection this weekend (02/13-14) is for Maintenance Fund.

**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 FEBRUARY 7, 2021

<b>SUN 2/7</b>	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/ Mk 1:29-39
<b>MON 2/8</b>	Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56
<b>TUE 2/9</b>	Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13
<b>WED 2/10</b>	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23
<b>THR 2/11</b>	Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30
<b>FRI 2/12</b>	Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37
<b>SAT 2/13</b>	Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10
<b>SUN 2/14</b>	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

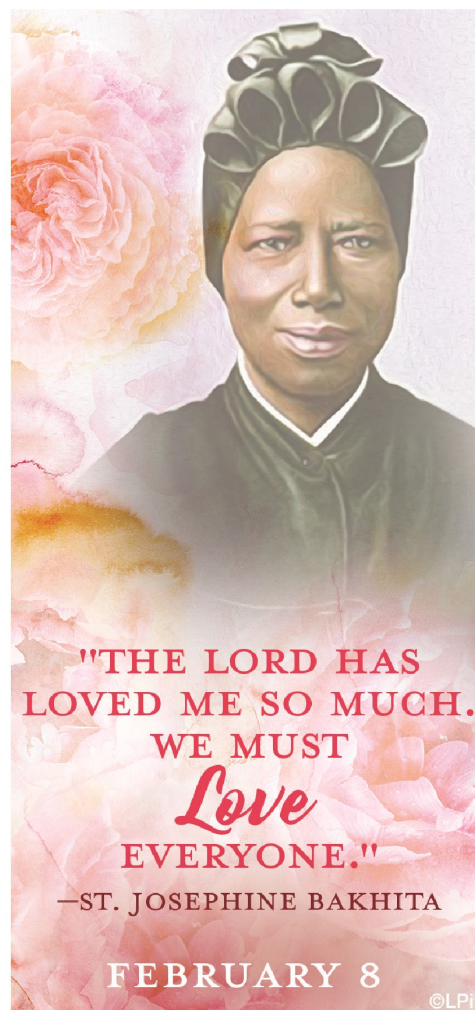
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7, 2021

Sunday:	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
Wednesday:	St. Scholastica, Virgin
Thursday:	Our Lady of Lourdes
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday:	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; Valentine's Day

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Have you ever wondered what life would be like if you could see the future and know how things turn out? While it's intriguing to ponder what life would be like if we possessed this knowledge, actually knowing could easily rob us of the thrill, adventure, and soul-searching graces of our journey. Like Job, life does not always leave us on a happy note. Life experience can bring us face-to-face with our mortality and leave us with a profound sense of helplessness. We do not see the wholeness and fulfillment that will one day come and cannot grasp the certainty that a resolution to our plight will come our way. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet. Living a life of faith means realizing that we are not here to figure out life on our own. In order to drink deeply of what life presents us, we have to wrestle in the depths of our souls, agonize and search, possibly reach the lowest point of desperation, and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. It is no wonder that those who are touched by God's healing power want to then serve others and show them the deeper waters that can be explored. Knowing too much can rob us of joyful surprises.

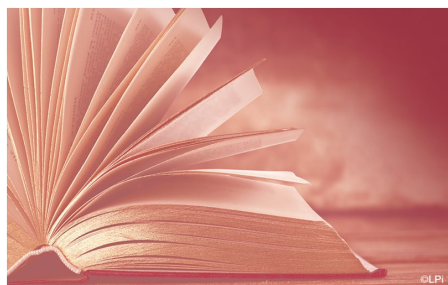


All you  
need is  
Grace





## WORSHIP & MEDITATION



### FIRST READING

I am filled with restlessness until the dawn.  
(Jb 7:4)



### PSALM

Praise the Lord, who heals  
the brokenhearted. (Ps 147)  
Or Alleluia.



### SECOND READING

I have become all things to all,  
to save at least some.  
All this I do for the sake of the gospel,  
so that I too may have a share in it.  
(1 Cor 9:22-23)



### GOSPEL

He cured many who were sick  
with various diseases,  
and he drove out many demons,  
not permitting them to speak because they  
knew him. (Mk 1:34)

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### GOSPEL MEDITATION

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

If I only knew then what I know now, how different life would be. This sentiment, expressed in myriad ways, is found on every human being's lips at one point or another. Life may have brought us to a vulnerable place where we see some of the poor choices we made and the effects they are having. Perhaps we fell into some destructive and dysfunctional relationships or behaviors and are finding how they held us captive. Our zeal and passion for life may have drifted away and we are waking up to the reasons apathy has taken hold. Life can be hard. In fact, some would describe their lives as a drudgery. They walk through each day with an anxious unsettledness, wondering when their restlessness will cease. There is a temptation to believe that what I see is all I will get. Mortality and hopelessness await the dawn. If I could only have known what would come in the future, I could have made better choices and avoided all of this misery!

Really? While we can certainly give into weakness, sin, impulsiveness, and idiosyncrasies that cause us to stumble over ourselves, life is really a journey. If we don't make the mistake of wallowing in the mire of self-pity and realize the new life God is calling us to, then there are thrills, adventures, surprises, and soul-searching graces we can surely miss. We are not tethered to our past nor are we bound to the ills life can bring upon us. We are never hopeless or helpless. The problem is that our myopic vision only allows us to see the misery and misfortune that is before us, not the potential that can come from choosing healthier and more life-giving options. Jesus came that we might have fullness of life. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet.

We need to allow God into our pain and heal our past. We have to wrestle with our histories, agonize and search and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. Job could not see how his story would end or trust the guidance of the God who called him. We live in that same blindness and suffer from the same lack of confidence. Once we allow ourselves to be touched by God's healing power, we begin to see that all of the pieces of our lives are necessary parts of a greater whole. Along the way of our lives, God uses our omissions and failures to create new things and possibilities. When doors close, others open and we can be amazed by the joyful and unexpected surprises we receive. Once we know the power of God's creative, healing, life-giving, forgiving, and dynamic presence, it is no wonder we want to put ourselves at the service of others and show them what life can be.

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



This week's schedule (all online):

Sunday, 2/7

**9-10am – Eucharist 2 Circle of Grace Lesson**

9-9:40am – Eucharist 1, Grades 3, 4 & 5

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

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

**11:30am to 1pm – Confirmation 2**

Next week's schedule

Sunday, 2/14

**NO CLASS – FEBRUARY VACATION!**

**Upcoming Parent Meetings – Tuesday nights @ 6:30pm**

February 9 – Eucharist 2

February 16 – Eucharist 1

February 23 – Confirmation 1

March 2 – Confirmation 2

Like everything else, Lent this year will be different. Programs we might have anticipated and celebrations we might have experienced will not be possible or advisable.

However, through the kindness of Joanne Mercier, in her role as Adult Formation director, she will provide a Lenten Series for us. While we associate Lent with Ashes and Palms, we also celebrate in that Season the holiest of weeks - Holy week. And within that week, we celebrate the most sacred of days in the Liturgical Year - the Sacred Triduum - Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter.

Mrs. Mercier will present a CCNBN Lenten series of Facebook live. Please be looking for information about this series in her Faith Formation column in our bulletin and on our website - CCNBN.

We are grateful to Joanne for her willingness to undertake this endeavor for us.

## COLLABORATIVE STAFF

Rev. John A. Raposo	<i>Co-Pastor &amp; Moderator</i>
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Mr. Alfred Dias	<i>Custodian OLF</i>
Mrs. Connie Avelar	<i>Custodian SJST</i>
Mr. Mike White .....	<i>Custodian SM</i>

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

*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*



Mass Schedule for  
Ash Wednesday—February 17, 2021  
8:00AM—12:00Noon—7:00PM

Ashes will be distributed during the content of the Mass. For those who unable to attend or are uncomfortable attending Mass ashes will be distributed after the Noon Mass until 1:00PM

## FRIDAYS OF LENT

**Stations of the  
Cross at 6:30PM  
O. L. of Fatima**



## **ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

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information or to schedule a tour.  
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### **OPEN ENROLLMENT—February 8th**

*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.*

## *Kids Corner*

**READ THE  
GOSPEL &  
COLOR**



Simon Peter's mother-in-law was sick in bed with a fever. Jesus went to her. He took hold of her hand and helped her up. The fever left her. She felt so good, she cooked them a nice meal to celebrate. Neighbors brought all of their sick loved ones to be cured. When we pray today, Jesus still comes to those who are sick and heals them. He cures through doctors, nurses, medicines, and machines.

### **PRAYER**

Lord, heal my family and friends who are sick today.

### **MISSION FOR THE WEEK**

I will make get well cards for three sick people in our church.

**FEBRUARY 7, 2021**

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