

# Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 17, 2017

**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.

## Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday Sep 16 4:00 PM  
Sunday Sep 17 8:30 AM  
10:30 AM

Mark Richard by family  
Hugh Murray by wife, Hazel

**Community Mass:** Grace, Tony & Peter Colangelo, Frank & Lois Giambo, Clotilde B. & Manuel Torres, Jr., David Parkin, Leda Comeau Savaria, Lazaro Rosa Vin & Jeanne Lefevre by Bob & Deb

7:00 PM

## Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday Sep 18 8:00 AM  
Tuesday Sep 19 8:00 AM  
Thursday Sep 21 8:00 AM  
Friday Sep 22 8:00 AM

For parishioners of St. Mary  
In Thanksgiving for Amanda  
Ann Hebert by Paul & Doris Richard  
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## Next Weekend

Saturday Sep 23 4:00 PM  
Sunday Sep 24 8:30 AM  
10:30 AM

Dennis Amaral by wife & children (2nd anniversary)  
Edna Schard by Monique & Alex Stylos

**Community Mass:** Joao Gaspar, Rosario Savaria, Noreen Lareau, Yvette Mainville  
Cosme Medeiros by sister



### 14-day Memorial Candles:

In Memory of **Stephen Fernandes** by step-mother  
In Memory of **Leo Goyette** by Louis & Louise Trial

### Icon Candle:

In Memory of **William Hunter** by wife, Lorraine

### Hosts for September:

In Memory of **Simone Villeneuve** by family

## Parish Financial

**THANK YOU** to all who share their talent, time, presence, and support with our Parish.

**\$6148.00** was sent to the Diocese for the Hurricane Relief Collection. **THANK YOU!**

**September 10th Collection**  
**\$5253.00**

This weekend's second collection is for the **Diocesan Assessment Assistance**

Thank you for your faithful stewardship!!

### *Stewardship Thought*

*Stewardship is not optional! "None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master," says St. Paul. "While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as His servants." See Romans 14:7-9*

## Faith Formation

*"Let the children come to me..." Luke 18:16.*

Faith Formation Teachers for the upcoming year are: Grade 1 – Erin Rezendes /Sydney Teixeira, Grade 2 – Melissa Cieto /Abby-Lin Resendes, Grade 3 – Courtney Rego / Kelsey Rezendes, Grade 4 – Emma Braga/Madison Nightlinger, Grade 5—Peggy Lenihan/Megan DaCosta, Grade 6 – Manuela Fernandes/Mary Lou Martins, Grade 7 – Chelsea Gomes/Erica Gomes, Confirmation I – Al Houde/Karen Tavares/Carmen Teixeira, Confirmation II—Dennis Desnoyers/Walter Pires/Amy Rodgers. On behalf of the entire community of St. Mary's Parish, we would like to thank them for their commitment and assure them of our prayers as they undertake this very important ministry.

### Upcoming Dates to remember:

**September 21<sup>st</sup>** 6:00 PM 1<sup>st</sup> Penance/Communion Parent Meeting in the Parish Center

**September 21<sup>st</sup>** 7:00 PM Confirmation I and II Parent Meeting in the Parish Center

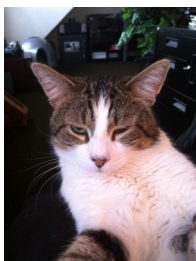
**September 24<sup>th</sup>** Class begins for grades 1 through 7. Students will meet in the gym at All Saints Catholic School at 9:25. Dismissal will begin at 10:20 in order to allow students to attend the 10:30 Mass.

**October 1<sup>st</sup>** Class begins for Confirmation I and II. Students will meet in the Parish Center at 11:40 AM. Dismissal from the Parish Center at 1:00 PM

**October 8<sup>th</sup>** No classes...Columbus Day Weekend!

## BLESSING OF ANIMALS

On Sunday **October 8** at 12 NOON  
There will be a blessing of any and all animals within the Parish. The blessing will be held in front of the church near the main entrance. This is honoring the tradition of being good stewards of creation on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, October 4th. This blessing of course is outdoors and barring inclement weather.



## Holiday Fair

**CRAFTERS WANTED:** St. Mary's Holiday Fair is scheduled for **November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>**. For more information please call Linda at 508-995-4166.

Anyone interested in baking for the "**Bake Table**" at this year's Holiday Fair, please call Rhea Charron at 508-995-6347. This is one of the most visited tables of the Fair; please help make it one of the most profitable and "tastiest".

Due to the popularity last year, we will once again be having a **Jewelry Table** at this year's Holiday Fair. If you have any costume jewelry you would like to donate, please contact Andrea Corrie at 508-763-8987.

**Sign-ups for St. Mary's CYO Basketball teams** will take place on **Sunday, September 24** in the front hall of All Saints Catholic School, after CCD (approx. 10:20AM) & after the 10:30 Mass. Boys & girls in Gr. 4-6 (C Div), and Gr. 7-8 (A Div) are eligible. Any questions, contact Bernie Flood at 774-849-5204 or [bernardflood@comcast.net](mailto:bernardflood@comcast.net)

**ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL** - Small classes, quality Catholic education, student activities, 3 and 4 year old programs, extended day care available, 6:30 AM - 5:30 PM. Accepting Registrations for 2017-2018. Call 508-995-3696 or email [smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org](mailto:smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org) for more information or to arrange a visit.



**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND**, led by Fr. Philip Hamel of St. Joseph-St. Therese Parish November 6-15, 2018. Believe it or not, worldwide, people are making a trip to visit the Land of Jesus and the prophets in greater numbers than ever. Fr. Hamel, having made two pilgrimages to the Holy Land already, can attest to the life changing effects of such a trip. You never read the scriptures the same again once you have walked in the footsteps of Jesus, the Blessed Mother, the Apostles and saints. Only \$3499 per person from Boston. For a detailed brochure, please contact Fr. Hamel at 508-995-52345 or email [PNHamel@aol.com](mailto:PNHamel@aol.com).

We are very excited to announce that St. Mary's will be forming a youth choir in the near future! Parishioners in grades 3 through 8 are invited to join the youth choir and share their gifts. After all... "Singing is praying twice!" The youth choir will be singing at the 10:30am (family) mass on the first Sunday of every month. Sign-up sheets will be located at the doors. Rehearsals (approx. 45 min) TBA.

## MASSACHUSETTS MARCH FOR LIFE

Sunday, October 1, 2017 the March to raise funds for pro-life organizations across the state will kick off from Boston Common at 2:30 PM. Rally starts at 1:00 P.M. To reserve a seat on the bus sponsored by The Greater Fall River Chapter MCFL, please call Paulette Martinville at 508-673-9757 or Liz Montigny at 781-521-3677 by 9/26/2017. Round trip cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for youth 18 and under. Children 5 and under Free. Departure time is 11:45AM from Holy Name School, corner of President Ave. and Stetson St., Fall River (across from Truesdale Health). Please arrive by 11:35AM. There is also a noon pick up at the Taunton Galleria Park & Ride. Please arrive by 11:55AM. Forms for walkers to collect pledges are available from the MCFL website [www.masscitizensforlife.org](http://www.masscitizensforlife.org) If you can't march in Boston, please sponsor the March with your prayers and donations to one of the beneficiaries via MCFL website.

**Attention Nurses! 2017 Summit Conference of the National Association of Catholic Nurses.** Healthcare issues and related topics will be addressed from a Roman Catholic perspective. Input from concerned nurses will be welcome. The 3 day conference will be held on October 6-8 at St. Pius X Parish Life Center, South Yarmouth. To learn more go to [www.nacnusa.org](http://www.nacnusa.org).

**COLLEGE STUDENTS** and those between the ages of 18 and 25—*In the craziness of life, it doesn't hurt to pause and take a look at the big picture: What's important in my life? What am I looking for? Where does God fit in?* UMass Dartmouth Catholic Campus Ministry presents the one day **Seeker's Retreat**. Find how young adults answer these questions; learn how faith plays a role in their journeys; and take the time to reflect on your own path. Retreatants are invited to look at their lives to see where God has been, where God is present, and where God is calling them to be. St. George Church, Westport - **Saturday, Sept 23**. For more info, contact Fr. David 508-999-8873 or Deacon Frank 508-999-8872 or [umassdcatholics.com](http://umassdcatholics.com)

**Hospice Volunteer Training** Learn the tools to provide compassionate care for a family facing a terminal illness. No medical background necessary. (There is a current need for male volunteers and coverage in the Fall River area.) Saturday, September 23 and Saturday, September 30—Community Nurse Home Care, 41 State Rd, Dartmouth. To register or for more information, contact Cecile Sanders, Volunteer Coordinator at [csanders@communitynurse.com](mailto:csanders@communitynurse.com) or 508-992-6278.