

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

COLLABORATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES & MAILING ADDRESS

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WEEKDAYS:

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

VISION STATEMENT

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:15— 3:45PM — St. Mary Saturday 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



The Churches are Handicap accessible.

December 6, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Your prayers</u> 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 Frank Vieira and Florence Texeira whose funeral masses were celebrated this week.

This Weekend Mass Intentions

| Saturday | Dec 05 | 4:00PM | (SMNB) | Louis Makuch (Family) | |
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| 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. | |

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday Dec 07 8:00AM (SMNB) Loretta Chevalier (Jack & Janice Perron)

| Monuay | Dec 07 | 0.00AM | (OMIMD) | Loretta Chevaner (Jack & Janice Ferron) | |
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| The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary | | | | | |
| Tuesday | Dec 08 | 8:00AM | (SMNB) | William Reilly, Birthday Rem. (His Wife) | |
| | 12:00Noon (SMNB) | | (SMNB) | Marie-Ange Levesque (Family) | |
| | | 7:00PM | (SMNB) | People of the Collaborative | |
| | | | | OF THE BLESSE! VIRGIN MARY! DECEMBER 8 | |
| Wednesday | Dec 09 | 8:00AM | (SMNB) | Phyllis Protin (Annette Landreville & Family) | |
| Thursday | Dec 10 | 8:00AM | (SMNB) | Phyllis Protin (Joyce & Normand Audette) | |
| Friday | Dec 11 | 8:00AM | (SMNB) | Hugh Murray (His wife, Hazel) | |
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| Next Weekend Mass Intentions | | | | | |
| Saturday | Dec 12 | 4:00PM | (SMNB) | Community Mass: | |
| | | | | Carreau, Gonet & Marcotte Families, Vasco Resendes | |
| Sunday | Dec 13 | 8:00AM | (SMNB) | Lisa Paiva, Maria Paiva, Calden Cunha & | |
| | | | | Paul Ouellette (Brian & Ligia Daffinee) | |
| | | 10:30AM | (SMNB) |) Abilio Lazaro da Silva & Deolinda Teixeira da Silva | |
| | | | | (Liberio da Silva & Family) | |
| | | 7:00PM | (SMNB) | People of the Collaborative | |

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

STMARY'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 Maria Ferreira & Joao Gaspar by their family.

In Memory of Lazaro Rosa by his wife & family.

<u>Icon Candle</u>: In memory of Mark Arabasz by his family.

The Mass Book for the months of January, February and March 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.

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.

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14-day Memorial Candles:

For the intention of Annette Pane for continued good health by her mom Sue.



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 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.

11/21-22/2020

| CHURCH | FIRST | SECOND | ONLINE |
|--------|-----------|----------|----------|
| OLF | \$863.00 | \$180.00 | \$38.50 |
| SMNB | \$2472.00 | \$613.00 | \$506.00 |
| SJST | \$1327.00 | \$336.00 | \$542.00 |

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

Collection on 12/8/2020 (Holy Day) is for the works of St. Vincent de Paul.

2nd Collection next weekend (12/12-13) is for Retired Religious.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 6, 2020

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

MON 12/7 Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

TUE 12/8 Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk

1:26-38

WED 12/9 Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30

THR **12/10** Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15

FRI 12/11 Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf.]n 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19

SAT 12/12 Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19

[15:9d]/

SUN 12/13 Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes

5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 6, 2020

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Friday: St. Damasus I, Pope

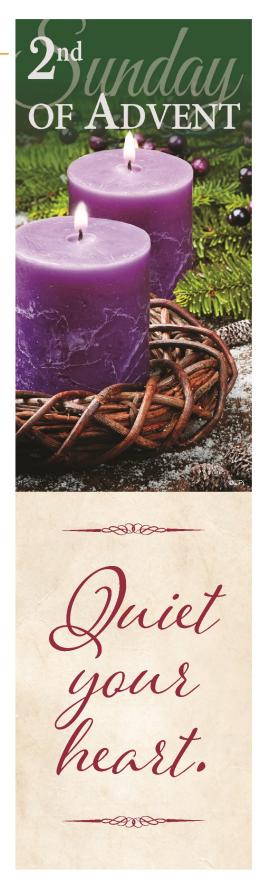
Saturday: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Prepare the way of the Lord! The message of John the Baptist becomes the calling of every baptized disciple of Jesus Christ. Each one of us is asked to prepare the way of the Lord. Given the humble means of our lives, how can we do this? It certainly does not require that we stand on street corners announcing God's future coming! We can more readily take up the task of our lifework by clearing our lives of unnecessary, distracting clutter. By creating solid and deep spiritual lives, we can heighten our awareness of God's presence and help people point to and discover God's presence around them. By conducting ourselves in holiness and devotion, we can speak volumes to those we meet. Not by preaching actual words, but by living lives that communicate the comfort God wants His people to know. As the world sometimes frantically unfolds around us, we can be people of patience who show others that it's okay to wait for God's gift to come. Conducting our lives in this manner, we will know the peace that comes from doing what we have been asked to do.





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December 8th is a Holy Day of celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful day to pray to Her for our Country as she is the Patroness of the United States.

To assist you in your ability to attend Mass we will have the following schedule for the Collaborative at St. Mary's.

> 8:00AM Fr. Raposo Msgr. Oliveira Noon Msgr. Oliveira 7:00PM

Please come and join us to pray for the intercession of our Blessed Mother for our country and for an end to the Corona Virus.

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 ofour Collaborative 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 received by December 16, 2020.

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



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, 12/6

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

11:30am to 1pm - Confirmation 2

Next week's schedule (all online): Sunday, 12/13

9-10am - Eucharist 1 w/parent

9-9:40am - Eucharist 2, Grades 3-5

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

11:30am to 1pm - Confirmation 1

11:30am to 12:30pm - Confirmation 2

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 you 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.



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

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& Michelle Rioux SJST Music Ministry

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Mr. Mike WhiteCustodian SM

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

As in previous years the Boys Scouts will once again be selling Christmas wreaths on Dec. 5, & 6.

The simple wreath is \$18 and the fancy one is \$25. Please support our Scouts. Thank you.

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www.ascsnb.org

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

READ THE GOSPEL AND COLOR THE PICTURE.

SHARING THE GOSPEL

John the Baptist had an important message. When you make sinful mistakes, and when you turn away from God, stop. Learn from your mistakes, and do things God's way. Were you bossy or rude? Be thoughtful and kind. Did you tell a lie? Be honest instead. God wants you to share his love with other people.

PRAYER

Jesus, help me to learn from my mistakes. Thank you for forgiving me.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Ask your family if you have hurt their feelings. Ask them to forgive you.

KIDS CORNER





SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2020 \mid 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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