



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 21, 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 especially Bernice Quintal whose Funeral Mass was celebrated here.

This Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday	Feb (20)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative
Sunday	Feb (21)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	Souls in Purgatory
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	John G. & Marie-Ange Levesque (Family)
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: Joao Gaspar & Maria Ferreira

Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday	Feb (22)	12:00PM	(SMNB)	Angelo, Maria & Jose Resendes (Family)
Tuesday	Feb (23)	12:00PM	(SMNB)	Roger Savaria (His wife Theresa)
Wednesday	Feb (24)	12:00PM	(SMNB)	Joaquim & Dina Sousa (Daughter, Maria Alves)
Thursday	Feb (25)	12:00PM	(SMNB)	Jose Clement (Frank & Lucy Resendes)
Friday	Feb (26)	12:00PM	(SMNB)	Ronald LaFleur (Patrick & Denise Gannon)

Next Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday	Feb (27)	4:00PM	(SMNB)	Community Mass: In Thanksgiving, Irene Amaral Carreau, Gonet & Marcotte Families, Manuel, Liduina & Vasco Resendes, M/M Jose Cordeiro & Children & Joe Pimental
Sunday	Feb (28)	8:00AM	(SMNB)	People of the Collaborative
		10:30AM	(SMNB)	Hugh Murray (His wife, Hazel)
		7:00PM	(SMNB)	Gloria Imbriglio (Carlos & Linda Pavao)

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

STMARY'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 Joao Gaspar & Maria Ferreira by the family.

In Memory of Mark & Bill Arabasz by their 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 Roland Dawson by his wife Pearl.

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. God bless you and keep you safe.

02-13/14-2021

CHURCH	FIRST	SECOND	ONLINE
OLF	\$1574.00	\$255.00	\$170.00
SMNB	\$2728.00	\$461.00	\$826.25
SJST	\$1107.00	\$227.00	\$920.83

2nd Collection next weekend (02/20-21) is for Diocesan Assessment Tax.

2nd Collection this weekend (02/27-28) is for Education.

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 21, 2021

SUN 2/21	Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
MON 2/22	1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19
TUE 2/23	Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
WED 2/24	Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
THR 2/25	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12
FRI 2/26	Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
SAT 2/27	Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
SUN 2/28	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

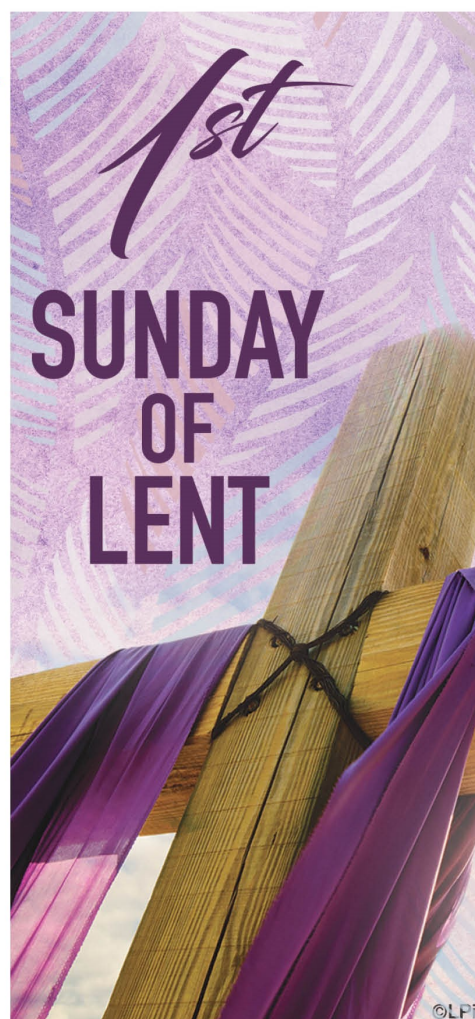
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 21, 2021

Sunday:	1 st Sunday of Lent
Monday:	The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
Tuesday:	St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr
Sunday:	2 nd Sunday of Lent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Throughout history God has given His people signs. Our season of Lent offers us God's sign that it is time to stop the ordinary routines of our lives, create some desert space, and listen more attentively for God to reveal His presence. We are asked to unplug from our attachments, compulsions, obsessions, addictions, routines, and busyness to clear the slate and take stock in who we have become. We are asked to remember the ancient sign of God's covenant with humanity in which He vowed to nurture, sustain, and protect the relationship He has with His people. Once we slow down a bit and clear away some of the clutter, we can see how the journey of our life is unfolding. We can see what brings us in and out of tune with God's love and how we can better imitate God's loving fidelity in our relationship with Him. Even though some good solid self-denial is the order of the day, greater happiness and wholeness will be the fruit of our labors. Pleasant journey through the desert!



*Repent,
and believe
in the gospel.*

— MARK 1:15



Bishop da Cunha Lenten Message



Diocese of Fall River *Office of the Bishop* *Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., D.D.*

February 2021

Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings to all of you and blessings as another Lenten season begins.

We enter this Lent in a very different way than we are used to; although we had hoped for a return to our traditions and services, God has another plan. While it may be difficult to see now, we can be assured it is a more perfect plan and one from which He will bring forth many blessings.

The beginning of Lent traditionally means going to church and receiving ashes as well as making the promise and the commitment that we will sanctify this holy time. Whether or not we can receive ashes or if we find them distributed very differently, it does not alter our response to the Lenten call to make this a time of conversion and sanctification.

While Ash Wednesday ushers in the Lenten season, it is not the ashes that will make our Lent more or less holy. Ashes merely remind us of the dust from which God made us, and that each of us is called to repent and believe in the Gospel. What makes Lent holy and spiritually enriching is our commitment to grow in faith, to care and love for our neighbor, and to reaffirm our desire to enter into a deeper relationship with Jesus.

The Lenten season, through the spiritual practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, refocuses our attention to our lifelong journey of conversion. We are to spend these 40 days seeking, through our prayer, sacrifice and giving, how God is calling us to make this world a better place.

Let us acknowledge all our merciful and loving God has done for us. In grateful recognition, let us do our part to cooperate with the sanctifying graces given us to be Christ in the world.

My hope and my prayer for each of you, your families, and parish communities, is that all will experience this Lent as a genuinely holy time, despite all that we are facing. I know we anxiously await the day when we can return to celebrate together our faith, our beloved Sacraments, our spirit of community, and our loving God. As we wait, let us make Lent be a time of sanctification, of conversion, of molding us into better people, so in turn we can affect change in our world, making it a better place. May God bless all of you with a very blessed Lenten season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., D.D.
Bishop of Fall River

LENTEN DEVOTIONS

FRIDAYS OF LENT

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

CCNBN Lenten Series on Facebook Live

"It's the Most Wonderful Time of the (Church) Year..." – Exploring the Liturgies of Holy Week and Triduum

When: Wednesday nights -- February 24, March 3, 10, 17 & 24

Time : 7-8pm

Where: www.facebook.com/ccnbn

Every year the Church presumes that its followers will come together and celebrate the holiest days of the year using the ancient rituals and stories. Unfortunately most folks only attend the Masses on Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday - which are the beginning and the end of the Paschal Mystery - while never hearing and experiencing the richness of the "rest of the story." These five 1 hour sessions will lay out the basics of these most holiest of days with an eye towards how they will be adapted during the COVID pandemic and presented to an online community. A time for questions through the Facebook comment section will be included.



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 (all online):

Sunday, 2/21

9-10am – Eucharist 1 Circle of Grace Lesson

9-9:40am – Eucharist 2, Grades 3, 4 & 5

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

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

11:30am to 1pm – Confirmation 1

Next week's schedule (all online):

Sunday, 2/28

9-10am – Grade 5 Circle of Grace Lesson

9-9:40am – Eucharist 1 & 2, Grades 3 & 4

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

11:30am to 12:45pm – Grades 6 & 7

Upcoming Parent Meetings – Tuesday nights @ 6:30pm

February 23 – Confirmation 1

March 2 – Confirmation 2

March 16 – Grades 3, 4 & 5

March 23 – Grades 6 & 7

COLLABORATIVE STAFF

Rev. John A. Raposo	Co-Pastor & Moderator
Msgr. John J. Oliveira, P.A.	Co-Pastor
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Patrick Gannon	OLF Music Director
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Mrs. Connie Avelar	Custodian SJST
Mr. Mike White	Custodian SM

**"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

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

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 or 508-995-3696 for more
information or to schedule a tour.

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.*

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

SPIRIT
JESUS
DESERT

FORTY
SATAN
TESTED

ANIMALS
ANGELS
BELIEVE

E S Y T U O I G U F E
R A N I M A L S J O R
I T G S Y N O E A R I
S A L O F G D N S T N
T N E T A E S J I Y O
E M S B E L I E V E S
S U O J T S R S O S U
T S P I R I T U P A T
E L A D L U N S E D Y
D E S E R T M I R O N
O T I M Y B A L Y T A

MISSION

Memorize Proverbs 1:3, "You will learn what is right
and honest and fair." Practice writing it and saying
it every day, until you know this verse by heart.