

Sixth Sunday of Easter

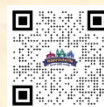
May 14, 2023



IF YOU LOVE ME,
you will keep my commandments,

JOHN 14:15

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Saint Mary 14 Park Street + Sacred Heart 58 Church Street + Saint Mark 105 Stanley Street
North Attleborough, Massachusetts

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saint Mary Church • Saturday 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday following the 11:00 am Mass in Sacred Heart. Baptisms are scheduled for 12:30 pm with a limit of four families at each baptism. Please contact Monica Forte in the office at stmaryna@noozi.com for more information and available dates.

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage is usually celebrated on Saturday morning and afternoon. Please contact the Parish Office at least nine months in advance to begin preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick

Pastoral care to those in need of the sacrament of the sick is arranged through the parish office. Please call to arrange a visit.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration is offered on the first Friday of each month in Saint Mary Church, beginning at 9:00 am and ending at 6:00 pm with Benediction.

Parish Offering

If you are attending in person, you may drop your contribution in the collection basket. You are welcome to mail your budget envelope to the parish office, at 14 Park Street, North Attleborough, MA 02760. You may also leave your envelope in the drop box located outside the parish office door, to the right on the landing. Or you can use this link for online giving:

<https://app.gabrielsoft.com/guest/mafrdiocese/31>

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm Saint Mary Church

Sunday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church

Sunday 9:30 am Saint Mary Church

Sunday 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church

Weekday Masses

Monday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church

Rosary for Life 4:00 pm each Monday prior to 4:30 pm Mass

Tuesday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church

Wednesday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church

Thursday 8:00 am Communion Service
Saint Mark Church

Links to: Transfiguration of the Lord Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/Transfiguration-of-the-Lord-Parish-North-Attleborough-106529317647894/>

YouTube at <https://tinyurl.com/vsfaxaty>

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Mass Intentions

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May 14 – 6th Sunday of Easter

Saturday	May 13 – Vigil
4:00 pm	Andria Rossi & Louis DiCicco
Sunday	May 14
8:00 am	David Parenteau
Sunday	May 14
9:30 am	Michael Sharp
Sunday	May 14
11:00 am	For the People of the Parish
Monday	May 15
4:30 pm	Peter Miniscalco
Tuesday	May 16
8:00 am	
Wednesday	May 17
4:30 pm	Vigil for Holy Day
Thursday	May 18 Ascension – Holy Day of Obligation
8:00 am	Saint Mark
10:00 am	Sacred Heart
7:00 pm	Saint Mary

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May 21 – 7th Sunday of Easter

Saturday	May 20 – Vigil
4:00 pm	Deceased members of the Rand family
Sunday	May 21
8:00 am	Deceased members of the Blais family
Sunday	May 21
9:30 am	Jeanne Small
Sunday	May 21
11:00 am	John & Ruth Davis

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Parish Contributions

Collection for April 29/30: \$ 14,481.47

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I am the *Light* of the world.

Whoever follows me will
never walk in *Darkness*.

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I am reminded of your sincere
faith, a faith that lived first in
your grandmother...
and your mother...
and now, I am sure,
lives in you.
2 Timothy 1: 5



Happy Mother's Day

A Prayer in Gratitude for Our Mothers

Good and Gentle God,
we pray in gratitude for our mothers and
for all the women of history who have
joined with you in the wonder of bringing
forth new life. You who became human
through a woman, grant to all mothers the
courage they need to face the uncertain
future that life with children always brings.

Give them the strength to love and to be
loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly.

Give them the faithful support of husband,
family and friends as they care for the
physical and spiritual growth of their
children.

Give them joy and delight in their children
to sustain them through the trials of
motherhood. Most of all, give them the
wisdom to turn to you for help when they
need it most.

From: xavier.edu - Author Unknown

Congratulations

Pope St. Pius X Award

Every year, the Diocese of Fall River recognizes the contributions of young people to the life of our parishes in the bestowing of the Pope St. Pius X Award. This award is named after the papal founder of our Diocese, Pope Saint Pius X and was presented for the first time in 2001. Bishop Edgar da Cunha presented these awards at Saint Mary Cathedral, Fall River, on Monday, May 8. This year's recipient from Transfiguration of the Lord Parish is Natalie Alger, daughter of Jennifer and Matthew Alger. Natalie has served our parish community with dedication as a long time altar server and has been a model for the younger servers and the youth of the parish. Congratulations, Natalie, and thank you! May God bless you in your generous sharing and living of our Faith.



Monthly Eucharistic Adoration

Monthly Adoration is offered on the *first Friday of every month (June 2 is next)*. You are invited to join us in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Saint Mary church, beginning at 9 a.m. with ending at 6 p.m. You can drop in at any time for as long as you like or, if you would like a specific time slot, please call Joanne Regali 508-643-3821 and leave a message.

Transfiguration of the Lord Respect Life Group

The next meeting of the Respect Life Group will take place on Monday, *June 12, 2023 at 6:30 pm in Saint Mark rectory. Please note there is no meeting in May.* We hope you will join us as we implement our respect life vision in the parish. Please email or call Joanna Wissler wissler5@verizon.net or 508-243-5307 for more information. All are welcome!

Rosary for Life

The Respect Life Committee of the Transfiguration of the Lord Parish is pleased to announce that every Monday we will lead a Rosary for Life before the 4:30 pm Mass in Saint Mary church.

Saint Mary – Sacred Heart School SMSH Golf Tournament and Auction



Three cheers for the successful SSMH fundraising events! The funds raised at the golf tournament & auction will directly impact our Saints and aid the administration and faculty of SSMH in carrying out the mission entrusted to us.

As we approach the 100 year anniversary of Catholic education, we recognize all of the families, parishioners and benefactors of our parish and school that have given so generously of their time, talent and treasure. This legacy of important work is what sustains our school for future generations. We say thank you!

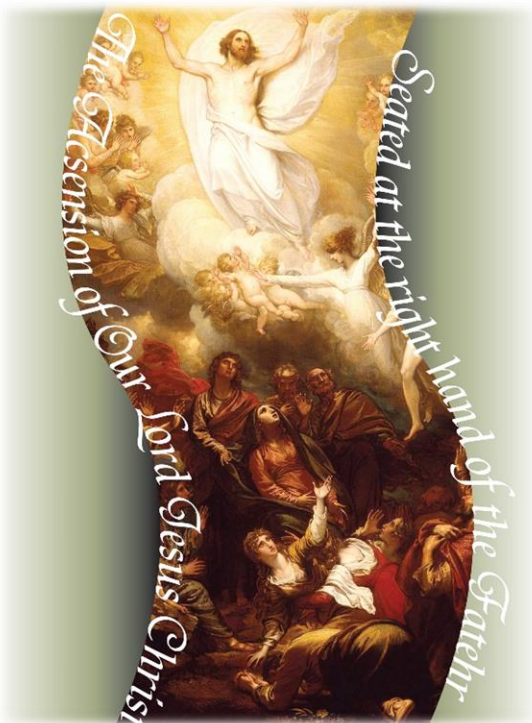


Abundant Hope

Did you know... A woman in an unplanned pregnancy needs tremendous love and support to make the brave decision to keep her child. Showing her that you will be there for her could make the difference in her decision to parent. If you or someone you know thinks she may be pregnant, please contact us at 508-455-0425 for compassionate and nonjudgmental care. **Serving the community since 2011 - from pregnancy testing to potty training!**

Prayer and Pizza

Looking for another way to deepen your spirituality? Do you have “knots” in your life that you need help undoing? Please join us on the third Wednesday of each month for “Prayer and Pizza”. Following the 4:30 pm Mass **Wednesday, May 17**, we together will pray the rosary, which will be offered up to Mary, Undoer of Knots (maryundoerofknots.com). Whether you pray the rosary daily or have never prayed it before, please consider joining us for “Prayer and Pizza” All are welcome! Please contact Rick Leco (508 930 9264) or Vicky Curran (508 930 3306) with any questions.



FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education ~ Mrs. Elaine Corvese

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First Communion will be held on
Saturday, May 13

and Saturday, May 20, 2023

at Saint Mary Church at 11:00 am.

Our prayerful congratulations to the students who received the Eucharist for the first time on May 13, 2023 and prayers for those preparing to receive the Eucharist on May 20, 2023.

A list of our First Communion class will appear in next weekend's bulletin.



Mother's Day Roses

Mother's Day weekend, May 13/14, the Respect Life Committee will be offering silk roses to honor Mothers, Grandmothers,

Godmothers and all we love as Mothers. Roses will be available at the doors of the churches at each Mass. You may keep the rose or you may place it in a vase by the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the remaining month of May.



Each church will have a vase near the statue of the Blessed Mother for this purpose. A donation of \$1 is greatly appreciated to help support Mass Citizens for Life and to support mothers and children.

“Do This in Memory of Me”



82ND ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

The 82nd Catholic Appeal is underway. Please join with your fellow parishioners in helping those in need in our communities, and show love through your generosity. The agencies and apostolates supported by the Appeal provide services such as individual and family counseling, pregnancy support, abuse prevention, refugee resettlement, and emergency, transitional, and long-term housing. Make your secure gift or pledge online today at www.GiveFRDiocese.org

In 2022 our parish contributed a total of \$103,210, an increase over 2021 of \$962.00!
So far, our community has contributed \$12,100.00 in 2023!

PLEASE NOTE: ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE DIRECTLY TO “CATHOLIC APPEAL”. Please do not make the check out to the parish. Please indicate “*Transfiguration of the Lord Parish*” on the donation card on the line “please credit the following parish with my gift”. This will enable your donation to be counted as a donation from our Parish. The Catholic Appeal Office will handle all contributions, and you are asked to mail your contribution directly to: The Catholic Appeal – Diocese of Fall River P.O. BOX 237, Kensington, CT 06037-0237. Any contributions that come to the office are required to be sent **unopened** to the address above.

Find Your Vocation Work in a Catholic school

The Diocese of Fall River Catholic schools are looking for committed people to be teachers, aides, nurses, and substitute teachers. Working in a Catholic school brings about great joy and satisfaction as each child develops his or her God-given talents. We encourage you to open your heart to these wonderful children and offer your time and talent.

To find your next calling, please go to
catholicsschoolsalliance.org/job-opportunities
or call (508) 687-7301



Mark your calendars for these Diocesan events

For young people ages 14-17

**July
26-27**

Pro-Life Bootcamp

"Perhaps you were born for a time such as this" - Esther 4:14

Location:
LaSalette Retreat Center: 947 Park St., Attleboro, MA 02703

\$150 per person includes:

- Two Day, One night Stay
- Meals and Snacks
- Speakers and Activities
- Closing Mass with Bishop da Cunha

RSVP by June 15th
diedoux@dioc-fr.org

For Parish, Catechetical, and Ministry Leaders,
Catechists and Volunteers

**September
9**

**Parish Leader
Convocation**

Bishop
Edgar da Cunha, S.D.V. | Special Keynote

9 AM - 2 PM
St. John Neumann
East Freetown

Speaker & Registration
Announced Soon!

St. Julie's Catholic Women's Conference

On Saturday, May 20th at St. Julie Billiard

"And the Angel said to Her, Do Not Be Afraid!" - Luke 1:30

**St Julie's
Catholic Women's
Conference**

May 20, 2023 • 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

St. Julie Billiard Parish, Stocum Rd Dartmouth MA

Featuring:

Mass • Sacrament of Reconciliation • Adoration & Benediction
Living Rosary • Vendors

Register Online www.saintjulies.org

Price \$30-50 includes morning pastry and lunch
Complete program and information on speakers online

Information: Transfiguration - Chantrel Hosted by St. Julie's Ladies Guild

Church, N. Dartmouth, the St. Julie's Ladies Guild is hosting a Women's Conference from 8 AM to 3:30 PM. The Conference will feature speakers Laura Phelps, Jean Revil, and Liz-Cotrupi-Pfunder, morning

pastry, lunch, opportunity for Confession, Mass, Adoration, Living Rosary and Vendors. Tickets are \$30. Access registration by clicking <https://www.saintjulies.org/womens-conference/>

**Schedule of Masses for
May 18, 2023
Ascension
Holy Day of Obligation**

**Wednesday, May 17 – Vigil for Holy Day
4:30 pm in Saint Mary church**

**Thursday, May 18 Masses
8:00 am in Saint Mark church
10:00 am Sacred Heart church
7:00 pm in Saint Mary church**



Knights of Columbus

Council #330 of the Knights of Columbus has been serving the Catholic Community of North Attleborough for 125 years. The Knights meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7pm, in the rectory of St. Mark church. Please drop by on meeting nights if you'd like to learn more about the Knights. Council #330 is committed to assisting local charities that align with the values of our Faith such as the Parish, the Parish school, and Abundant Hope. Contact Jim Schromm at jim.schromm@verizon.net with any questions.

Scheduling Baptisms

Parents requesting the baptism of their child should be registered members of the parish who attend weekend Mass on a weekly basis. Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday following the 11:00 am Mass in Sacred Heart Church (58 Church Street) Please contact Monica in the office via email (stmaryna@noozi.com) for more information and visit the parish website www.saintmaryna.com and click on the "Sacraments" tab for more detailed information.

What Are The Requirements To Be a Godparent or Sponsor? If you have been asked to be a godparent, requirements set by the Roman Catholic Church are as follows: You must be a confirmed Catholic, at least 16 years old, registered in a parish and practicing your faith by regular participation at Mass. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized as valid by the Church. If you are currently a member of Transfiguration of the Lord Parish and have been asked to be a godparent, please see Father Ciryak after Mass. You may contact the office for more information.

**Transfiguration of the Lord Parish
Saint Vincent de Paul Society**

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul. The Society meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the parish hall in Saint Mary Church. Please join us!

Call for Assistance If you need assistance, please call the help line for our parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society. They can offer information about the types of assistance available. Please call 508-212-4755 for help or more information

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city.

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Psalm

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name;
proclaim his glorious praise.
Say to God, "How tremendous are
your deeds!"

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

"Let all on earth worship and sing
praise to you,
sing praise to your name!"
Come and see the works of God,
his tremendous deeds among the
children of Adam.

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

He has changed the sea into dry land;
through the river they passed on foot;
therefore let us rejoice in him.
He rules by his might forever.

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Hear now, all you who fear God,
while I declare
what he has done for me.
Blessed be God who refused me not
my prayer or his kindness!

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Second Reading

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Peter

Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God



Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

*Whoever loves me will keep my word,
says the Lord,
and my Father will love him and
we will come to him.*

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

† A reading from the holy Gospel
according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



The Ascension of Jesus is observed on Thursday, May 18
in the Diocese of Fall River

Ascension word search

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baptism

heaven

holy spirit

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