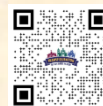


# Pentecost Sunday

May 28, 2023



... suddenly there came  
from the sky a noise like a strong  
driving wind, and it filled the entire house... *Acts 2:2*



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](mailto: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/ysfaxaty>

## Parish Office

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# Mass Intentions

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## May 28 – Pentecost Sunday

### Saturday

4:00 pm

### Sunday

8:00 am

### Sunday

9:30 am

### Sunday

11:00 am

### Monday

9:00 am

### Tuesday

8:00 am

### Wednesday

4:30 pm

### Thursday

8:00 am

### May 27 – Vigil

Peter DiRenzo

### May 28

Connie Levasseur

### May 28

Richard Precourt

### May 28

John F. Lynch

### May 29 – Memorial Day

Saint Mark Church

### May 30

Frank Comeau

### May 31

### June 1

Gerrard Sirois



Archbishop Fulton Sheen once said  
"A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration is a sharing  
in the work of Redemption."

Please join us at Saint Mary Church, Friday,  
June 2nd, beginning 9:00 a.m. and ending at  
6:00 p.m. with Benediction. Remember, as we  
share in the work of Redemption, so will we be  
rewarded with our own redemption.

For more information call Joanne Regali (508-  
643-3821) or Arlene Hall (508-801-2243).  
Please leave a message if the call is not  
answered immediately.

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## June 4 – Most Holy Trinity

### Saturday

4:00 pm

### Sunday

8:00 am

### Sunday

9:30 am

### Sunday

11:00 am

### June 3 – Vigil

Katie Petrucci

### June 4

Doris Legg

### June 4

Angelica Lopez

### June 4

Colleen Benson

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## Parish Contributions

Collection for May 13/14: \$10,188.45

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## 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.



## 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](mailto:wissler5@verizon.net) or 508-243-5307 for  
more information. All are welcome!



## Class of 2023

Congratulations to all our local college  
graduates! We know this year's graduates  
faced many unique challenges in their  
collegiate experience. We celebrate your  
successes and pray for you and your families.  
**May the gifts of the Holy Spirit continue to guide  
you go forward into the world!**

## FEAST OF FAITH

### Preparation of the Gifts

The altar is prepared, the gifts are received. Several brief rites follow with accompanying prayers, some prayed silently by the priest and deacon and others said aloud. We call this part of the Mass the “preparation.” What kind of preparation is happening? First, the presider holds up the paten or bowl containing the hosts, and says words that Jesus must have said many times, since they derive from ancient Jewish meal prayers: “Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation!” We have brought forward our gifts, our offering to God, and now we acknowledge that they are not really ours—the gifts that we give are God’s gift to us. It is “through your goodness” that we have gifts to offer. It is significant that we offer not wheat and grapes, but bread and wine; “fruit of the earth and work of human hands.” Bread and wine are both God’s work, and ours. These preparatory rites also prepare us for what we are about to do in the Eucharist, a mystery in which divine and human meet; a holy collaboration in which our action is caught up into God’s divine plan.

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## THE RICHNESS OF THE SPIRIT

Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase “compare and contrast” that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the Church. Let’s contrast, then compare. Luke’s account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John’s account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God.

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## FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education ~ Mrs. Elaine Corvese

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### Faith Formation for Fall 2023

The students in all grades will be promoted to the next grade and emails regarding the program will be sent during the month of August. If you have a son/daughter entering first grade in the fall, you will need to register him/her to the Faith Formation program. First grade is the first year of the two-year program in preparation for First Communion which is held in the spring of the second year. Contact the Faith Formation office at [transfigurationreled@gmail.com](mailto:transfigurationreled@gmail.com) to register.

The Faith Formation program has ended for all grades for the 2022-2023 year. I would like to thank the parents/guardian for their endless support and patience. Also, thank you to the catechists. I am truly blessed to work with such a wonderful team!

Mrs. Elaine Corvese

## 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](mailto:jim.schromm@verizon.net) with any questions.



## Marriage Congratulations!

Our prayerful congratulations are extended to **Sarah Massiwer and James Masison** who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage, Saturday, May 20. *May God’s choicest blessings come upon you as you begin to live this sacrament of love.*



## SAINT MARY-SACRED HEART SCHOOL - JOIN NOW!

*Give the gift of a Catholic education - the faith formation and goal of creating saints is priceless!* SMSH provides a caring, Catholic learning environment – one that promotes cognitive, social, emotional, and spiritual development of all children. We invite you to learn more about our school's strong curriculum by visiting our website [www.smshschool.com](http://www.smshschool.com). If you want your child to attend a school that balances faith with education, consider joining the Saints community of learners.

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!



Visit the Diocesan website:

<https://www.fallriverdiocese.org/>

**For more information and registration for  
upcoming events**

**“Do This in Memory of Me”**



**82<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**  
**DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER**

The 82nd Catholic Appeal continues. 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 encouragement to those who are deepening their faith journeys, and those who endeavor for a better tomorrow. The Appeal sustains life-affirming services such as marriage preparation and enrichment, citizenship preparation, bereavement support, and community action for better housing. Make your secure gift or pledge online today at [www.GiveFRDiocese.org](http://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  
\$24,830.00 in 2023!***

*“What we would like to do is change the world--make it a little simpler for people to feed, clothe, and shelter themselves as God intended them to do. And, by fighting for better conditions, by crying out unceasingly for the rights of the workers, the poor, of the destitute...we can, to a certain extent, change the world... We can throw our pebble in the pond and be confident that its ever widening circle will reach around the world. There is nothing we can do but love, and, dear God, please enlarge our hearts to love each other, to love our neighbor, to love our enemy as our friend.”  
(Dorothy Day)*

## **Abundant Hope**

**Did you know....**Abundant Hope Pregnancy Resource Center offers a mentoring program for new or expecting dads called “The Best Dads Challenge”. Are you ready to get some practical and spiritual advice to grow from a father into a GREAT DAD? Contact us at 508-455-0425 to speak to an experienced Dad for more information. **Serving the community since 2011 - from pregnancy testing to potty training!**





### Pro-Life Bootcamp

Open to those in high school, Pro-Life Bootcamp offers young people a two-day, one-night program providing them with opportunity to hear inspiring speakers, experience prayerful witness, participate in the Sacraments, and learn how to build a Culture of Life.



### Marian Paper Statues

The Archdiocese of Boston is sharing a fun and free activity for children in faith formation programs or Catholic schools to honor Mary in the Month of May. These Marian cut-out paper statues represent the Blessed Mother from 5 different places around the world. The downloadable images are available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole and each have a fun fact related to each Marian image. Here is the link

<https://www.evangelizeboston.com/marian-paper-statues/>

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

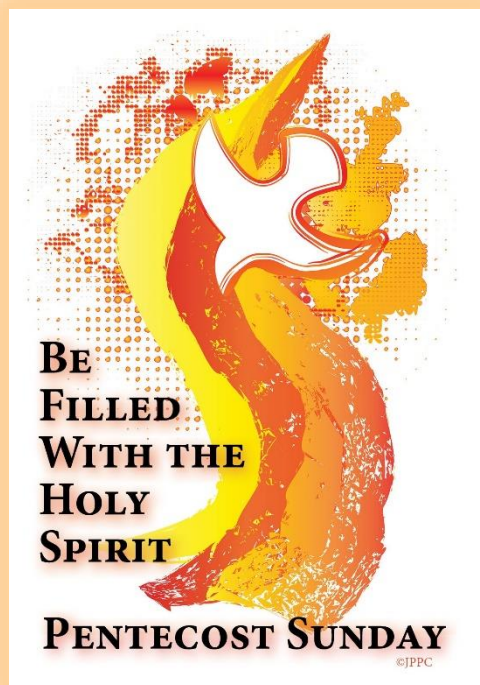
# Congratulations To The Newly Baptized

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## We Welcome

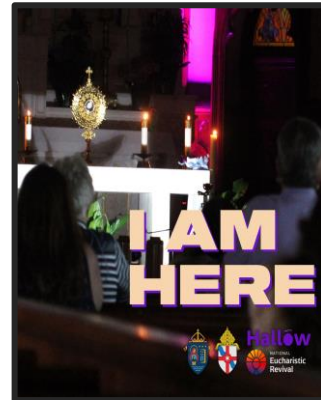
On Sunday, May 21, 2022 we welcomed four new members into our Catholic faith and Transfiguration of the Lord Parish.

We welcome: *Ariya Ann Kelly*, daughter of Allison & Ryan Kelly, *Aoife Mary Norris*, daughter of Meghan & James Norris, *Norah Mae MacKenzie*, daughter of Ashley & Matthew MacKenzie and *Mateo Paulo Mendes*, son of Cassandra & Pedro Mendes. Congratulations to Ariya, Aoife, Norah and Mateo, their parents, godparents, family and friends on the joyous celebration of faith and family.



## Eucharistic Testimonies

The Diocese of Fall River, in conjunction with the I AM HERE campaign, is collecting



Eucharistic testimonies that can be shared. Parishes can include these in bulletins or post on social media to encourage Eucharistic belief and devotion. To submit a story, click

<https://www.iamhere.org/submit>

Click below to hear from Capt. Daryl Gonyon of Holy Trinity Parish in Fall River.

<https://www.iamhere.org/stories/daryl-gonyon>

*“What He gives you is not to be kept under lock and key, but to be shared. The more you save the less you will be able to give. The less you have, the more you will know how to share.”*  
(St. Teresa of Calcutta)

## Pope Francis



“Let us ask the Lord for the grace to learn how to let us be consoled by the Lord, the Lord who is truth. He opens the doors to hope.”

*May 8, 2020*



# *Pentecost Sunday* *May 28, 2023*

## *First Reading*

### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*



## *Responsorial Psalm*

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit,  
and renew the face of the earth.**

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

O LORD, my God, you are  
great indeed!

How manifold are your works, O LORD!  
the earth is full of your creatures.

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit,  
and renew the face of the earth.**

If you take away their breath,  
they perish and return to their dust.

When you send forth your spirit,  
they are created,  
and you renew the face of the earth.

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit,  
and renew the face of the earth.**

May the glory of the LORD  
endure forever;

may the LORD be glad in his works!

Pleasing to him be my theme;  
I will be glad in the LORD

**R. Lord, send out your Spirit,  
and renew the face of the earth.**



## ***Second Reading***

### **A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**

Brothers and sisters: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God*



## ***Alleluia***

*R. Alleluia, alleluia.*

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.*

*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.**

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ*



*Come, Holy Spirit,  
Fill the hearts of Your faithful,  
and kindle in us the fire of Your love.  
Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created,  
and You shall renew the face of the earth.  
Amen.*