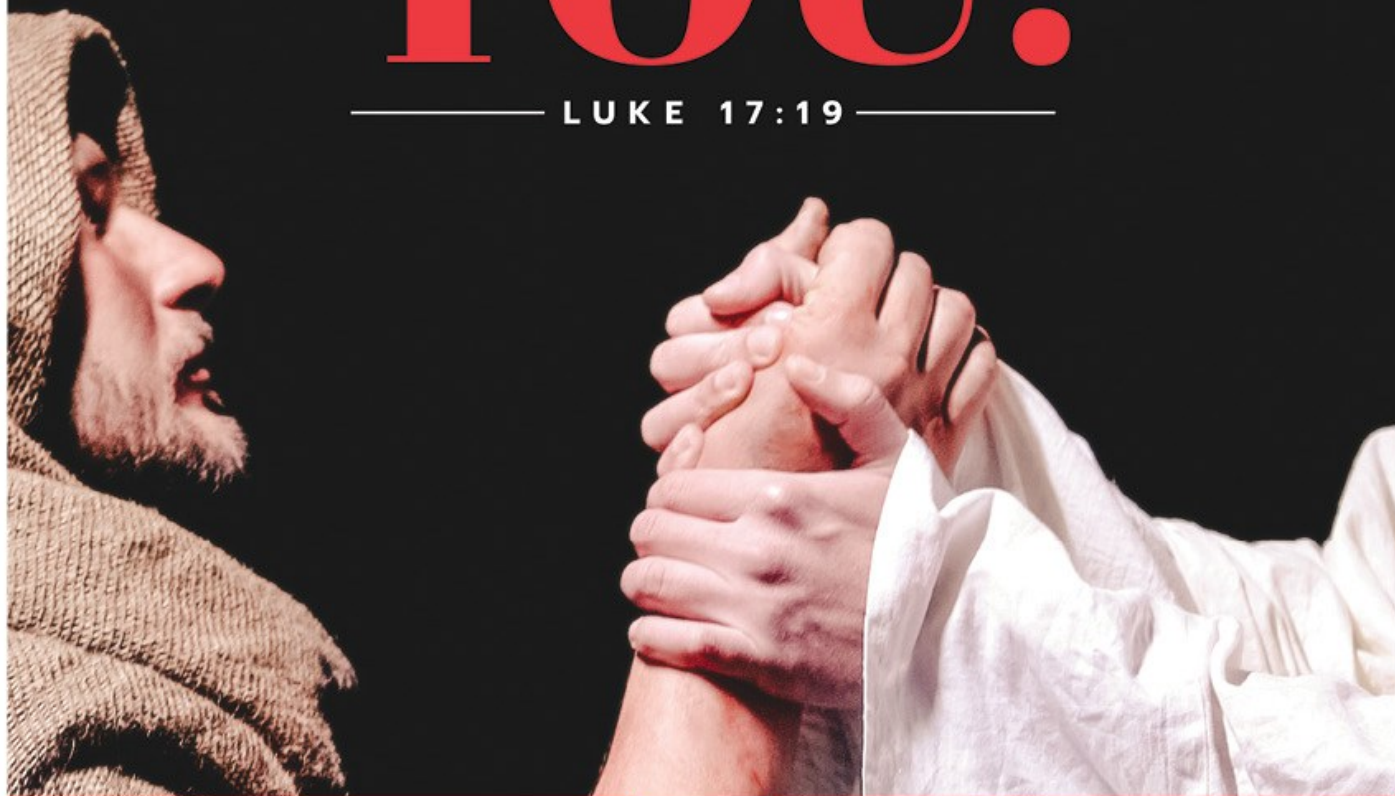


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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00pm Sunday: 7:30am and 10:30am  
Monday - Friday 7:00am

Wi-Fi: StMarysChurchMesh Password: STMarysGuest

### RECTORY HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Very Rev. Robert A. Poitras  
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**Parochial Vicar:** Rev. John Tany  
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**Deacon:** Deacon Ron Gerwatowski  
gerwat@verizon.net

**Pastoral Associate:** Leo Racine  
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### RECTORY STAFF

508-528-0020

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### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

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#### Director:

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#### Secretary

Liz Bertoni - reled.secretary@stmarysfranklin.org

### ASSISTANCE

**St. Vincent De Paul:** 508-918-2291

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Register Online at [www.stmarysfranklin.org](http://www.stmarysfranklin.org) or call the Rectory at 508-528-0020.



### Baptism

Baptisms are held on Sunday at 12:30pm. First time parents need to attend a Baptism Class held by Deacon Ron. Classes are held one evening each month via Zoom. To schedule a Baptism email: baptism@stmarysfranklin.org or call: 508-528-0020. To schedule a Baptism Zoom Class, contact Deacon Ron at: gerwat@verizon.net

### Penance

Penance/Reconciliation is held each Saturday from 8 to 9 a.m. in the Chapel's Reconciliation Room and by appointment, anytime.

### Marriage

Couples planning to be married at St. Mary should schedule their wedding one year in advance and attend a Marriage Preparation program. Please call the Parish office at 508-528-0020 to arrange a meeting with the priest in preparation for marriage and schedule a date.

### OCIA - Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are interested in become a Catholic, please call the Rectory at 508-528-0020.

### Eucharist for the Homebound

If you have a family member, friend, or neighbor who is unable to attend church due to age or infirmity, please call the rectory or email the Pastoral Associate (pastoralassociate@stmarysfranklin.org). We will provide pastoral visits.

### Anointing of the Sick

If you or a loved one would like the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Offices at 508-528-0020. For after hours Emergency Anointing of the Sick please call 508-528-0020 and select Emergency Anointing of the Sick. Please do not leave messages on this line.

**Day of Prayer for Harmony in our Nation  
and Peace in the World**

**- West Region -**

On Wednesday, October 22nd, from 7am to 7pm,  
the following parishes will remain open with  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout  
that day. If you are in the area, please stop in for  
a period of prayer for harmony in our nation  
and peace throughout the world.



Saint Mary, Dedham  
Saint Michael, Hudson  
St. John Hopkinton  
St. Bridget, Lexington  
Immaculate Conception, Marlboro  
St. Jude, Norfolk  
St. Catherine, Norwood  
Ascension (OL of Fatima), Sudbury  
Sacred Heart, Waltham  
St. Patrick, Watertown  
St. Margaret Mary, Westwood  
Saint Mary Church, Wrentham



**Saturday, October 11**

4:00pm Tina Baker

**Sunday, October 12**

7:30am Angelina and William Trenouth and  
David and Ronald Trenouth

10:30am Hank Versprille

**Monday, October 13**

7:00am Fr. Jack Sullivan

**Tuesday, October 14**

7:00am

**Wednesday, October 15**

7:00am Steve & Joyce Pedersen

**Thursday, October 16**

7:00am

**Friday, October 17**

7:00 am William and Mary Quinn

**Saturday, October 18**

4:00pm Sabino Coscia

**Sunday, October 19**

7:30am John Duly

10:30am Eleanor Healey

**READINGS THIS WEEK**

**Readings for the week of October 12, 2025**

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/2 Tm  
2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 11:29-  
32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-  
46

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Lk  
11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/  
Lk 10:1-9

Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see  
2)/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8



Last week, Lily Kate Hendrickson, Celene Dean Sadat-  
Aalae and Kiera Lynn Sirois were Baptized by Deacon  
Ron. God Bless these children.



## Today is our Grand Annual Collection

Today is our 1<sup>st</sup> Grand Annual Collection. If you did not bring your Grand Annual envelope to Mass with you this weekend, please bring it next week or mail it directly to the parish office.

This annual appeal supports not only operating expenses but also building maintenance and repair. This year, we plan to revisit the installation of a new, more welcoming church sign—an effort postponed by the fire last year. We will also take important steps to enhance security for our church and rectory, ensuring that our parish remains a safe and sacred place for all.

We truly appreciate any assistance you can give and are counting on the many, who are able, to support this appeal. Thank you for your support.



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Consider making your gift Online:

[www.stmarysfranklin.org](http://www.stmarysfranklin.org)



### **CORI Weekend October 18 & 19**

It's CORI collection time next weekend, October 18&19. It is our parish policy, following Archdiocesan requirements, to

collect signed and completed CORI release forms from all of our employees and volunteers every fiscal year. If you are part of the leadership of a parish organization, belong to the St. Vincent de Paul Society or the finance or pastoral councils, coach one of our CYO basketball teams, teach religious education, volunteer as a pastoral visitor, or minister in some way at Mass, you are required to complete a CORI form this year.

We will have CORI forms available for you to complete and sign in the elevator lobby, in Sacred Heart Hall after all Masses next weekend. Please remember to bring your driver's license (or other form of government-issued ID), as you will need this to complete the form. You can also print and complete a copy of the form ahead of time and have your signature verified (with your ID) after Mass on the CORI collection dates. To access the form, go to <https://www.stmarysfranklin.org/child-abuse-prevent> and then the highlighted link in the CORI form paragraph. Call Leo Racine, Pastoral Associate, at 508-528-0020 if you have any questions.



[www.ahprc.org](http://www.ahprc.org)

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**BETANIA II**  
Catholic Evangelization Center

You are invited to stop by the **Perpetual Adoration Chapel** at the Betania Catholic Evangelization Center for prayer and adoration. The chapel is located at 154 Summer Street, Medway, MA and is open Monday thru Friday from 9 AM – 5 PM.



**Sparhawk Academy** in Millis is an independent Catholic school for boys grades 3-12. We are hosting Fall Open Houses October 25th at 11:00 for Grades 3 to 8 and on November 13th at 5:30 for Grade 9 & 10. Please join us at one of our Open Houses to learn more about the Sparhawk experience. Tour the Sparhawk grounds and speak with faculty, parents, and students about what sets Sparhawk apart.



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### Vincent DePaul Many Thanks!

The St. Vincent DePaul Society would like to thank all those who participated and donated to our Friends of the Poor Walk. It's not too late...you can donate via our online collection link at the St. Vincent DePaul page on our parish website or use the QR code:



### St. Vincent DePaul Society 508-918-2291

The St. Vincent DePaul Society would like to thank all the parishioners who have so generously donated to the SVdP Food Pantry. Donations from these lists help us to keep the pantry well-stocked with many items for our neighbors in need.

The St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry is looking for the following items to help our Franklin neighbors in need.

Black beans  
Rice  
Juice  
Raman Noodles  
Fruit cups - snack size

Thank you for your help in supporting those most in need in our community. God bless our neighbors.

### 10th, 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass

Archbishop Richard Henning invites all couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, 50th or other milestone wedding anniversaries to attend Mass on **Sunday, October 26 at 3:00 PM** at the **Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston**. The couple will renew their marriage commitment and receive a special blessing. For more information, please email [marriageprep@rcab.org](mailto:marriageprep@rcab.org).



### Bake Sale

The Catholic Women's Club will hold their bake sale the weekend of October 25th and 26th after all the Masses in Sacred Heart Hall. All proceeds go to their scholarship fund.

### Women's Faith Formation October 20th Meeting

All women are invited and encouraged to attend our Women's Faith Formation meeting, scheduled for October 20th from 9:00 - 10:00 am. We will be watching another video from Fr. Dave Pivonka's series "My father's Father." There will be time for discussion following the video and light refreshments will be served.

The meeting will be held in the school building (accessible by the ramp from the parking lot). The videos in this series can be viewed independently, so it will not be a problem if you missed a previous session. All women are welcome!



### Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men

This next meeting of the St. Mary Parish Men's Faith Formation group is on **Saturday, October 18 at 8am** in the Sacred Heart Hall. All men, wherever you are on your faith journey are welcome. We usually meet on the third Saturday of each month at 8:00 am.

The program is a great way for men to connect. In addition to faith formation, we build in plenty of time to socialize over coffee and bagels. If you have additional questions, please reach out to Regis Schratz at: [rschratz@comcast.net](mailto:rschratz@comcast.net).



## 8th Annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale

Apple \* Pumpkin \* Blueberry \* Pecan \* Cherry



- ✓ Order Pies for your Thanksgiving table.
- ✓ Donate Pies to benefit Franklin Senior Center and the Franklin Food Pantry for their Thanksgiving table.

You can order pies in the back of the Church after all Masses on the weekends of October 25 & 26 and November 1 & 2 or online from October 4 thru November 2 at:

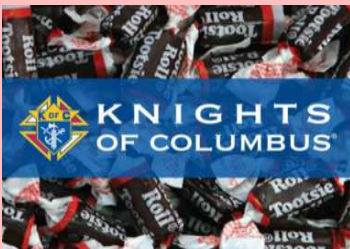
<https://kofc1847.org/payments-thanksgiving-pie-sale> or the QR Code below.

A couple changes this year; we are adding Cherry as another choice to complement our delicious Apple, Pumpkin and Blueberry pies. The price this year is **\$20.00** per Pie, with PECAN at a cost of \$25. We have done all we can to hold the costs down.

You can pickup the pies at the Religious Ed. Office on **Tuesday, November 25th from 2-6pm**

Proceeds to support the ongoing charitable efforts of the Knights of Columbus.

For more information, contact Mike Swan at 508-404-4792 or [mbswan@comcast.net](mailto:mbswan@comcast.net) or Jim Lane at 774-571-9804



## Tootsie Roll Drive

*Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities*

October 11th and 12th after each Mass



The Sacred Heart Council #1847, Knights of Columbus will be doing their annual "Tootsie Roll Drive" for individuals with *"Intellectual Disabilities."* The Knights are collecting donations to help recognize the dignity of every person.

This is a chance to provide people with intellectual and physical disabilities with more resources to live a happy life. The Knights of Columbus has also partnered with the Special Olympics. Please consider contributing to this worthy cause.

You can also use this QR Code that directs you to a link where you can donate, or donate online by accessing: <https://givebutter.com/paxQaR>





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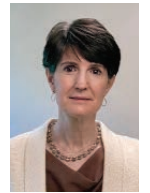
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