

**Sacred Heart Parish  
North Attleborough, Massachusetts**

*December 17, 2017*

# Sacred Heart Parish

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## Welcome to Sacred Heart

Welcome to our Parish! If you are visiting the North Attleboro area we hope your stay is enjoyable. If you have recently moved to our area, we welcome you to join our parish family. Please introduce yourself to our clergy/staff after Mass on any Sunday.

Welcome Packets containing parish information and registration forms may be found in the information racks at the doors of the church. To join our parish, please complete the confidential registration form and return it to the parish office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office. The Parish Office is located at 14 Park Street, North Attleborough. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

### Parish Staff

Rev. David A. Costa, Pastor

Very Rev. Jeffrey Cabral, J.C.L., in residence –  
Saint Mark Rectory, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Kenneth Sicard, OP, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Gabriel Pivarnik, OP, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Deacon Joseph E. Regali

Rev. Deacon Juan Carlos Muñoz

Sister Kathleen A. Corrigan, SUSC, Pastoral Associate

Mrs. Monica T. Forte, Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Elaine Corvese, Director of Religious Education  
Grades 1-8

Mrs. Linda Nolin, Confirmation Formation Coordinator

Mrs. Charlotte Lourenco, School Principal

Mr. David G. D'Amico, Music Director

Mr. Miguel Peixoto, Buildings Supervisor

### Saint Mary-Sacred Heart School

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### Sunday Mass

8:00 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

### Daily Mass

Monday & Wednesday at 8:00 am at Saint Mark Church

Tuesday & Thursday at 7:00 am at Saint Mary Chapel

### Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on a monthly basis. First time parents and new parishioners seeking Baptism are asked to participate in a Baptism Preparation session which is held on the third Sunday of each month. Registration packets are found at the entrances of the church.

### The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults, baptized and non-baptized, interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, are invited to participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults process. For more information, please contact the parish office.

### Marriage

Couples seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the parish office at least nine months prior in order to begin formal preparations. Please make sure you check the availability of the church before making any further plans.

### Sacrament of the Sick & Pastoral Care

Pastoral Care visitors regularly visit our sick, elderly, and homebound parishioners. Those desiring to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick should contact the parish office to arrange a visit from the parish priest. Those homebound or elderly parishioners desiring to receive the Eucharist should contact the parish office to arrange pastoral care. Please call the Parish office at 508-695-6161. If you leave a message your call will be returned as soon as possible. Thank you!

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 16– Vigil -3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

*Saint Mark 4:00 pm*

Patricia Mullen – Memorial

*Saint Mary 4:00 pm*

James Gilmore – Birthday Remembrance

Elizabeth (Butterworth) Vacher – Birthday Remembrance

Joelle Shaver -1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Sunday, December 17– 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

*Sacred Heart - 8:00 am*

Pauline Hastings – Birthday Remembrance

*Saint Mark - 8:30 am*

For the People of the Parish

*Saint Mary - 9:00 am*

Charles Burns – 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Stephanie Nason -17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Carolina Haggarty – 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

*Sacred Heart – 10:15 am*

Rachel & Leo Piette – 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

*Saint Mark - 11:00 am*

Elizabeth Tessier - Memorial

*Saint Mary - 11:15 am*

Lucienne Lemay -4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Antonio Gabriel – Memorial

Joaquim & Gracinda Valente – Memorial

Ann DiRenzo – 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Margaret Ralph – 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Anna M. Wiggins – 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Mariano Araujo – Birthday Remembrance

*Sacred Heart – 5:00 pm*

Dean Demers - Memorial

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Sunday, December 24– 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

*Sacred Heart - 8:00 am*

For the deceased members of Sacred Heart, Saint Mary and  
Saint Mark Parishes

## December Memorials

*Host, Wine and Lamps*

*In Memory of Russell Kenney, Shaun Kenney and*

*Cheryl Milone*

*Requested by the family*



## Prayer Requests

In your kindness, please pray for: Yvette Boehling, Teresa Sarrazin, Judy Leaden, Lucille Paquin, Jim Leaden, Ernest Goulet, Richard Soares, Karen McCusker, Barbara Paquette, Raymond Goulet, Rolande Poirier, Bernie Poirier, Yan Perez, Kira Corning, Dale Vose, Gail Blais, Ron Deschenes, Mark Johnson, Brian Kenney, Kevin Garvey, Diane Higgins, Mark Vose, Lillian Denis, Aaron Kenney, Laura King, Tom Levesque, Emma Thistlewaite, Mia Filleti, Linda Newman, Gary, Liam DiPilato, Elizabeth Morin, Maureen Miconi-Ross, Beth Kinneally, Sean McNamee, Mina Lacasse, Michael Weygand, Emily Ryan, Cassidy Burke, Gabriela, Cindy & Carlos Ruiz, Leah Grace Davis, Maureen Roche, Nick, Dorothy Beaulieu, Joan Driscoll, Brian Duphily, Rene Flamand, Mary McCauhey, Joanne Debello, Carol McIntosh, Beth Belanger, Lisa Petrucci, Joy Goulet, Jackie Belham, Paul Couturier, Michael Hassett, Peggy Conrad-Pope, Bill Pope, Richard Deschenes, Winnie Hassett, Madeline Lander, Paul Dumas, Joann Waskiel, James Taylor, Irene Vallee, Kim Rioux, Dottie Doe, Angel Brown, Richard Duphily, Lucille Bose, Betty Deschenes, Hugo Collamati, James Reed, Barbara & Sue Roy, Kimberly Lima-Ritacco, William Porter, Amanda Blackinton, Ken Giacoppo, Al Seigny, Karen Fallon, Eugene Morris

## Weekly Stewardship

December 10, 2017 ~ \$6,885.00

### Stewardship Reflection

All of the people in today's readings – the prophet Isaiah, the Virgin Mary, St. Paul, St. John the Baptist – seemed to understand – seemed to understand clearly and rejoice in what God was calling them to be and do. Do I?

### Weekday Mass Intentions

Monday, December 18-Saint Mark – 8:00 am

Julia Amaral & family - Memorial

Tuesday, December 19-Saint Mary - 7:00 am

Agnes Woodbury - Memorial

Wednesday, December 20-Saint Mark – 8:00 am

Patrick McIntyre – Memorial

Horace Costa – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Thursday, December 21–7:00 am

Deceased Holy Union Sisters, Associates and Benefactors



*Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.*

— 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

## The Third Sunday of Advent – December 17, 2017

### Coat Drive

Knights of Columbus Council #330 is sponsoring a coat drive ends, this weekend Dec. 16/17. Clearly labeled boxes will be at back of the church by the main entrance. Please donate any unwanted, gently used (and clean) winter coats that you may have at home. Hats, gloves, and mittens are also welcome. The clothing will be donated to the local St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Society clothing store in Attleboro, which serves those helped by our SVdP Conferences here in North Attleborough. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity. If you have any questions, please contact Erik Morris at 508-400-1757. The Thomas P. McDonough Knights of Columbus Council #330 meet in the parish hall of St. Mary Church on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm. If interested or if you have any questions please call George Devlin at 508-643-4676.

### Baptismal Preparation


The monthly Baptismal Preparation session at Sacred Heart will be held on Dec. 17 following the 10:15 am Mass beginning at approximately 11:30. First time parents and families new to the parish are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation session before a baptism can be scheduled. Pre-registration is also required. For more information, please contact Monica in the office at 508-695-6161.

### Upcoming Bulletin Submission Deadlines

As the Christmas and New Year holidays approach our bulletin printing company has earlier deadlines for submission. If you are asking for something to be printed in the bulletin in the coming weeks please note that all information will need to be in the office by noon on the dates below:

- Dec. 14 for weekend of Dec. 24 – already at publisher
- Dec. 20 for weekend of Dec. 31
- Dec. 21 for weekend of Jan. 7

### Advent Adopt-a-Family Project

Envelopes marked “Adopt-a-Family” can be found at the entrances of the church. Please take one or as many as you would like.  or These may be dropped in the collection basket or mailed to the Parish Office at 14 Park Street, North Attleborough, MA. For all the ways that you have been “Christ” to others....Thank you!

#### 20 WEEK CLUB—Week 7

- #177 - Joyce Udelson - \$25:
- #096 - Lynn Gagne - \$20:
- #184 - Muriel Burgess - \$15:
- #021 - Geraldine Mood - \$10.

### Faith Formation Christmas Pageant

The Pageant will take place TODAY Sunday, December 17 following the 9:00 am Mass at Saint Mary Parish. We hope you will make plans to attend this Annual Faith Formation Christmas Pageant! Please contact Mrs. Hare at 508 643 7173 with any questions.

### Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Parents, we invite you to join your children for Children’s Liturgy of the Word during the 10:15 Mass today or one day soon! Join us as we proclaim God’s Word and talk with the children about how the Gospel story relates to their young lives. Stop by the meeting room to look at the GIANT Advent wreath created by CLOW attendees. The children have filled the outlines of candles with words and drawings describing their prayers and good deeds throughout Advent. See Manju Yoder in the meeting room after Mass if you would like a copy of a children’s Advent calendar.



*Children’s Liturgy of the Word is offered today and will next be held on January 7.*

### Christmas Flowers

For those who use the monthly budget system, an envelope has been included in your budget packet for your memorial donation towards the purchase of Christmas flowers. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. If you do not use the budget system, we invite you to consider making a donation in memory of a deceased loved one. Mark your donation envelope “Christmas Flowers” and the name of the Parish and include your memorial list with your donation. All Christmas flower donations should be at the parish office by **Monday, December 18.**

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul

If you are in need of assistance, or know of someone else who is, please call the help line at 774-254-7587.

### In Your Prayers

*Please keep these members of our Catholic Community in your prayers in the days ahead.*

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of *Catherine Lawton*, whose funeral Mass was celebrated at Sacred Heart on Thurs., Dec. 7. Our prayerful sympathy is extended to her children and all her family and friends.

*Eternal rest grant unto Cathy, O Lord.  
Let perpetual light shine upon her.  
May she rest always in your loving embrace.*

From Father Costa

**INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY**



For the past few years, we have adopted the following policy when bad weather strikes. The same policy is in place this year as we approach the winter storm season.

1. For daily Mass in our parishes, we follow the directive: if school is canceled or delayed, daily **Mass is canceled for that morning.**
2. Sunday Mass is never canceled due to weather, but common sense should always prevail. If we are told to stay off the roads in a storm, then you should stay home and, if necessary, miss Mass. There is no sin of missing Mass involved in this particular instance. This is for your safety and the safety of others.
3. If there is a severe storm on the weekend and the roads are not good for driving, Fr. Ken and Fr. Gabriel, would most probably not be available for Mass. Therefore, as needed, Saturday 4:00 pm Mass and all Sunday Masses would be held at Saint Mary Church (at 9 & 11:15) for that day as Fr. Costa lives at the Park Street property adjacent to the church. Sacred Heart Church and Saint Mark Church would not be open for use under these circumstances.

*Thank you for your understanding and cooperation concerning these directives.*

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**Saint Mary-Sacred Heart School**  
**Christmas Pageant and Concert**

The students and faculty of our parish school cordially invite you to share in the true meaning of Christmas as they present their annual telling of the Christmas story in drama and song. The children of Grade 3 will present the Gospel story.



Our choir, directed by Fr. Costa, will offer songs of the season throughout the drama presentation. Join us on Tuesday evening, **December 19**, at 7:00 p.m. or Wednesday afternoon, **December 20**, at 1:00 p.m. Both performances will be held at Sacred Heart Church. All are invited to attend.

**Christmas Mass Schedule 2017**

**Sacred Heart**



**Sunday, December 24**



**Christmas Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m.**

**Christmas Midnight Mass at 12 midnight.**

*Our Adult Choir will offer music selections prior to Mass at 11:40 p.m and will sing for the Midnight Mass.*

**Monday, December 25**

**Mass of Christmas Day at 10:15 a.m**

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**Saint Mary**

**Sunday, December 24**

**Christmas Vigil Masses at 4:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.**

*The choir will offer music selections prior to the 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass.*

**Monday, December 25**

**Mass of Christmas Day at 9:00 a.m.**

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**Saint Mark**

**Sunday, December 24**

**Christmas Vigil Masses at 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.**

*The Children's Choir will sing at the 4:00 p.m. Mass  
The Adult Choir will sing at the 6:00 p.m. Mass, beginning with a prelude of Christmas music at 5:30 pm.*

**Monday, December 25**

**Mass of Christmas Day at 8:30 a.m.**

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**Please note the abbreviated schedule for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent (Dec. 23/24)**

Saint Mark Parish – Saturday, Dec. 23 - 4:00 pm

Saint Mary Parish – Saturday, Dec. 23 – 4:00 pm

Sacred Heart Parish – Sunday, Dec. 24 – 8:00 am

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**Faith Formation News**

*Director of Religious Education Grades 1-8  
Mrs. Elaine Corvese*

**Faith Formation classes will not be held on Sunday, December 17 through December 31 due to the Christmas holiday season. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 7.**

**Sacred Heart Confirmation Formation**

*Class begins with the 5:00 p.m. parish Mass at Sacred Heart. Confirmation candidates are expected to attend, class follows Mass in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. The next class for all **Grade 9** students will be **December 17**. Please contact Mrs. Linda Nolin at 508-699-9507 with any questions.*