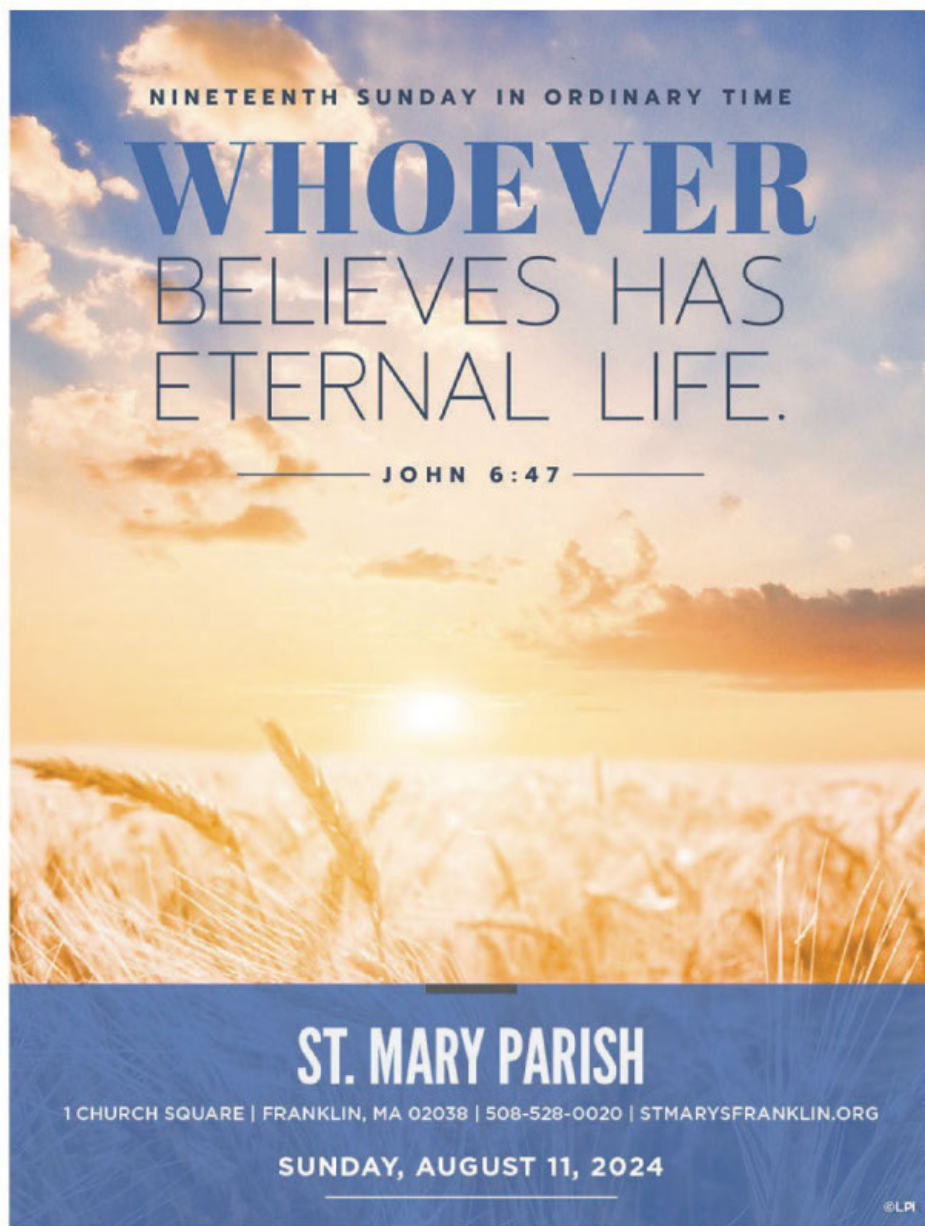


Saint Mary Parish



Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:00 p.m.

Sunday

7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Daily Masses

Monday-Friday
7:00 a.m.

All weekend Masses are
Live Streamed at:

stmarysfranklin.org

Confession

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00a.m.

Emergency Anointing of the Sick

508-528-0020, #4

Rectory Hours

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

508-528-0020

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August 3 & 4 In-Pew Collection	Electronic Collection	August 3 & 4 Total Offertory
\$6,519.25	\$7,826.62	\$14,345.87

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 10

4:00 pm Charles C. & Rae Ann Donoghue

Sunday, August 11

7:30am Marilyn & David Pauley

10:30am Cydney Nicole Fields

Monday, August 12

7:00am Rose and Michele Taddeo

Tuesday, August 13

7:00am Kristen Pek

Wednesday, August 14

7:00am Joseph and Gloria Gonsalves

4:00pm **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Vigil**

Ralph and Tosca Morelli and Samuel and Virginia Aiello

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15

7:00 am Deceased Members of the Duggan Family

7:00pm **Vigil**

Clare Marie Sullivan

Friday, August 16

7:00 am John R. Finnucan & John Finnucan

Saturday, August 17

4:00 pm John Charles Wagner

Sunday, August 18

7:30am Roy & Louise Scipione

10:30am Albino & John Michael Carlucci

READINGS THIS WEEK

Readings for the week of August 11, 2024

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/ Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/ Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/

Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/

1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58



- SACRAMENTS -



Baptism

Baptisms are held on Sunday afternoons. First time parents need to attend a Baptism Catechesis Class held by Deacon Ron via Zoom. Classes are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month, and the next Zoom Baptismal class is on Wednesday, August 14, 2024.

To schedule a Baptism, please call: 508-528-0020 or email: baptism@stmarysfranklin.org. You can reach Deacon Ron at gerwat@verizon.net

Penance

Penance/Confession 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 schedule the wedding and rehearsal date and to arrange a meeting with the priest in preparation for marriage.

RCIA

Rite 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

Please call the rectory or email the Pastoral Associate (pastoralassociate@stmarysfranklin.org) if you have a family member, friend, or neighbor who is unable to attend church due to age or infirmity. 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, option 4. Please do not leave messages on this line.

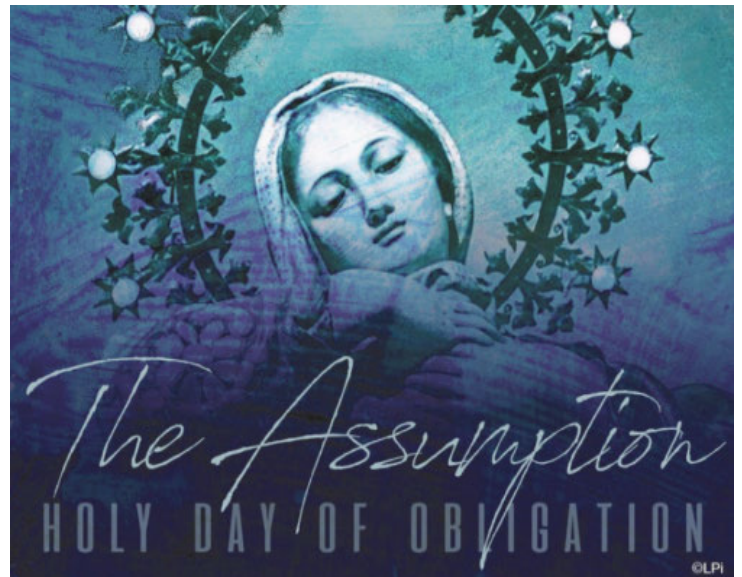
Become a Parishioner of St. Mary Parish

Register Online at stmarysfranklin.org or call the Rectory at 508-528-0020.

We are Still Taking Registrations

Registration for St. Mary Religious Education is open and will continue until August 10th. Please see the St. Mary website for information or call Karen or Liz at: 508-528-1450.

www.stmarysfranklin.org/religious-ed



Assumption Mass Times

Main Church

Wednesday - August 14

Vigil - 4pm

Thursday - August 15

Morning - 7am

Evening - 7pm

Dear Friends,

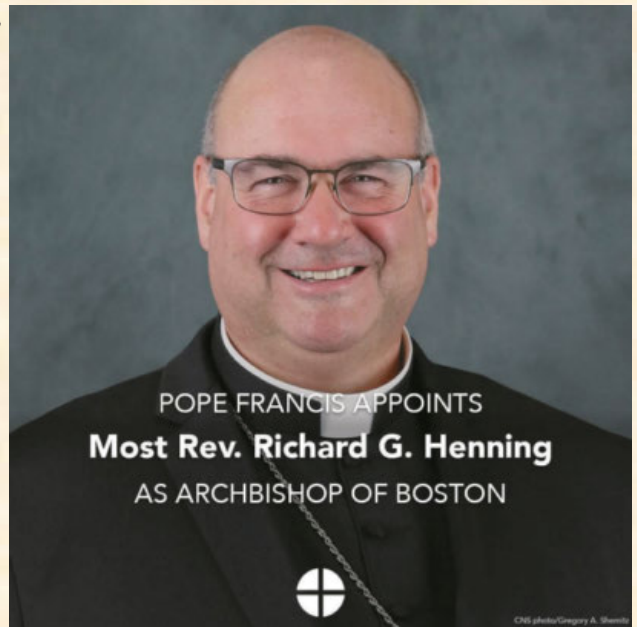
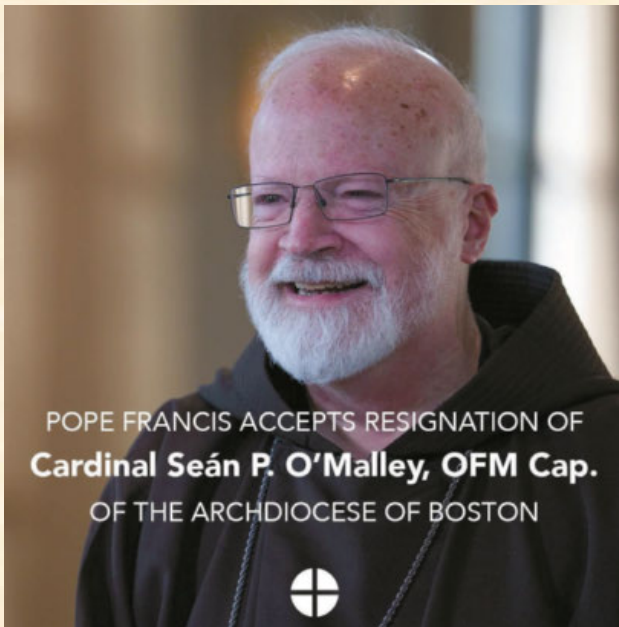
The Holy Father announced that he has named the Most Reverend Richard G. Henning, S.T.D. as the tenth bishop and seventh archbishop of the Archdiocese of Boston. Archbishop-elect Henning is currently the Bishop of the Diocese of Providence.

On behalf of the entire Archdiocese of Boston, including our priests, religious, deacons, and laity we welcome Archbishop-elect Richard Henning. We extend our deep gratitude to the Holy Father for this appointment demonstrating his ongoing pastoral care for the people of the Archdiocese. I look forward to our people and the wider community getting to know our new Archbishop-elect in the days, weeks, months and years ahead. He ministers with the heart of a pastor with a sincere commitment to serving Christ and the Church.

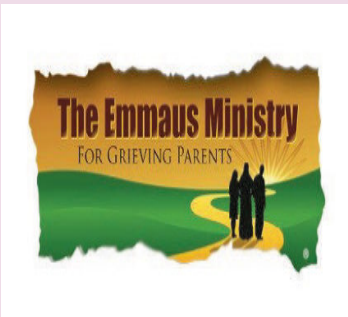
Archbishop-elect Henning will be installed as Archbishop of Boston on Thursday, October 31, 2024, at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston, MA.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Cardinal Seán



Retreat for Grieving Parents



The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents will sponsor a one-day retreat on **Saturday, September 28, 2024** from 9:30am to 6:30pm at St. Mary's, Franklin. The organization's website (www.emfp.org), tells us that the Emmaus Ministry "serves the spiritual needs of parents whose children of any age, have died by any cause, no matter how long ago."

Parents can register for this retreat at <https://bit.ly/2024RegEmmaus>. For more information, please contact Leo Racine, pastoral associate at 508-528-0020 or pastoralassociate@stmarysfranklin.org.

Save the Date



St. Vincent de Paul
Annual Fund Raiser
Friends of the Poor Walk
Saturday
September 28, 2024

Registration for the event begins at 8:30am on the Town Common. Blessing for the Walk will be at 9:00 a.m. Walk Participants can **Collect donations** and **Walk with us** or **donate online**. The registration link for the 2024 Friends of the Poor Walk will be available soon.

All money raised stays in Franklin, to assist anyone in need of help. Put your feeling of compassion into action and join us for this walk!

“Go to the poor; you will find God.”
St. Vincent de Paul

Support for Mothers of Children Experiencing Addiction

You are invited to a Zoom support gathering specifically tailored for mothers who have children struggling with substance abuse issues. This gathering aims to provide a supportive space where we can share experiences, insights, and faith to help each other navigate the stress of dealing with a loved one in active addiction or recovery.

Sponsored by Recovering Connections, a Catholic Charities Program, the Zoom gathering will take place **Tuesday August 20 from 7-8pm** and will offer coping strategies and the opportunity to share experiences in a confidential and compassionate space.

This is Free of charge. To register and get the Zoom link, email Mary Campion: Mary_Campion@ccab.org. If you can't make the meeting but would like more information, email Mary or call 617-464-8501.



Year of Prayer

Pope Francis' twenty-second talk in his teachings on prayer centers on the Sacred Scriptures, prayer that finds its beginning in a Bible passage. The pope tells us that the *“words of Sacred Scripture were not written to remain imprisoned on papyrus, parchment or paper, but to be received by a person who prays, making them blossom in his or her heart.”*

Pope Francis says that we can *“encounter”* the Lord in our praying with the Scriptures; it's not just about memorizing or reciting a passage or two. In this encounter we are changed; the Word of God is *“made flesh in those who receive it in prayer.”*

<https://bit.ly/22PFPrayer>

Zoom Rosary

Deacon Guy continues a Zoom Rosary every Monday night at 7:00pm. This is open to parishioners, family & friends from all communities. You are welcome to join, relax, pray and/or and just listen.

Link info is on the Parish Web Site under Parish Life and Prayer. For more information contact Deacon Guy at: deaconguy@verizon.net.



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Thank you to all who so generously donate to the SVdP Food Pantry. The SVdP often requests certain items. We request these items as the SNAP benefits (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly food stamps) do not cover paper products, laundry detergent and personal hygiene items. As a result we request these items to help supplement the needs of our neighbors.

Donations may be placed in the boxes at the doors of the church anytime during the month. The current needs of the pantry are:

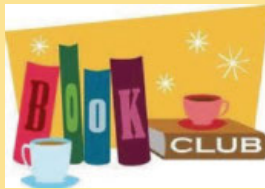
Crackers/snacks

Spaghetti Sauce

Paper towels/tissues

Laundry detergent (Regular and Free and Clear)

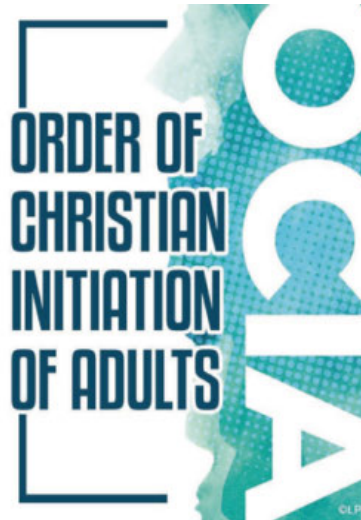
Thank you for your help in supporting those most in need in our community. God Bless



St. Mary's Book Club is taking a summer hiatus. We will start up again on September 5, 2024. We meet religiously on the first Thursday of each month from 6-7pm, in the Olive Branch Room in Sacred Heart Hall.

The first book to be discussed is Stephen Puelo's "**Voyage of Mercy: The USS Jamestown, The Irish Famine and the Remarkable Story of America's First Humanitarian Mission.**" Puleo also wrote "Dark Tide: The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919."

For more information please call Joe Ewald at: 508-298-2405



Questions about Becoming a Catholic?

If you have questions; St. Mary Parish has answers.

Fr. John Tanyi leads our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) program. If you would like more

information on this journey please e-mail Fr. John at: parochialvicar@stmarysfranklin.org or call: 508-528-0020 and ask for Fr. John.



Volunteer Needed to bring Sunday Communion to Benchmark Senior Living Facility

Our parish pastoral ministry team seeks a volunteer to conduct a monthly Communion Service at the Benchmark Assisted Living facility on Forge Hill Road in Franklin.

Communion Services at Benchmark are held on Sunday mornings at 10:30. The new minister will be part of a rotation with three other ministers who currently serve the Benchmark community. This volunteer position offers one a tremendous opportunity to experience the joy of helping others experience the presence of God. Training and support will be provided.

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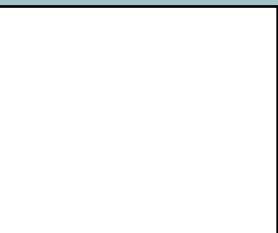
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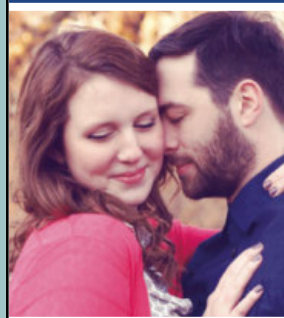
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