



QUEEN OF MARTYRS

CHURCH LOCATION

Coyle Drive
Seekonk, MA 02771

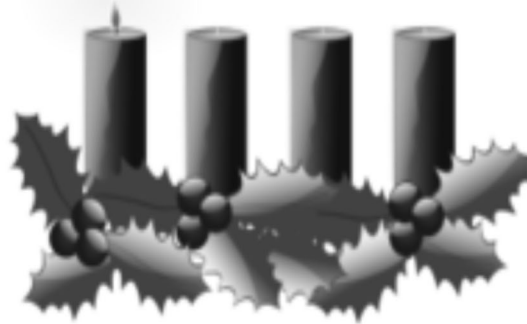
PARISH OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS

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Bulletin Deadline

Monday, 12:00 Noon

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00am-1:00pm

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Raymond Cambra, Jr.*Pastor*
Rev. James H. Morse.....*Weekend Assistant*
Rev. Deacon Thomas McMahon.....*Deacon*
Ms. Cynthia Gamache.....*Director Faith Formation*
Ms. Rose Parenteau.....*Pastoral Associate*
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LITURGIES AND DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Monday - Wednesday.....8:30am

Monday-Wednesday.....9:00am

Saturday:

Eucharist Adoration.....3:15-4:15pm

Confession:3:30- 4:00pm

Vigil Mass.....4:30pm

Sunday Mass.....8:30,10:00 & 11:30am

Prayer Group.....Wednesday 7-8:30pm

In the Parish Life Center

Vision Statement
Be the eyes, hands & feet of Christ here on earth!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations on the birth of your child. The church celebrates with you and is ready to prepare you if this is your FIRST child being baptized at our Parish. An initial preparation gathering is held on the 4th Sunday in the months of January, April, July & October following the 10AM Mass. You need not wait until your child is born for you to attend the class. Baptisms are held the Third Sunday of the month at 12:30pm. Please call the parish office to register.

INITIATION OF ADULTS: Adults expressing an interest in becoming Catholic are invited to search through our formation process which is from September through Pentecost. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

FAITH FORMATION: Grades 1-9. First Eucharist is a two year program, grades 1 and 2. Confirmation is a two year program, grades 8 & 9.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Congratulations on your engagement! Please speak to Fr. Cambra at least one year in advance of your intended date to allow adequate time for Parish and Diocesan Marriage preparation.

FOR OUR HOME-BOUND: Contact the Parish Office to receive Holy Communion at home if you are confined. **THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** May be received after any weekday Mass or by appointment.

The Church is Handicap accessible. The Elevator is located in the entrance facing the North School.



Restrooms and a Diaper Changing Station are located in the lower church hall.

ST. STEPHEN'S CEMETERY
683 So. Main Street, Attleboro

For lot information, call the Parish Office at 508-399-8440



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OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

December 3, 2017

DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday:	December 2
4:30 PM	John & Maria Agostini
Sunday:	December 3
8:30 AM	For The People
10:00 AM	Maria Machado
11:30 AM	Cecile Boisclair
Monday:	December 4
9:00 AM	Peter Leddy
Tuesday	December 5
9:00 AM	Manuel & Isabel Cabral
Wednesday:	December 6
9:00 AM	Lionel Paradis
Saturday:	December 9
4:30 PM	John & Philomena Perone
Sunday:	December 10
8:30 AM	Arthur Clark
10:00 AM	For The People
11:30 AM	Deceased Member of the DaCunha Family



**HOLY DAY FEAST OF
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**

**MASS WILL BE HELD AT
9:00 AM & 7:00 PM**

**DUE TO THE HOLY DAY THE PARISH
OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED.**

CHRISTMAS MASSES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve

– 4:00 PM

– 10:00 PM

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day – 10:00AM



SANCTUARY LAMP



Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to book the Sanctuary Lamp at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in honor of a loved one. The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in honor of:

Shirley Wujcik

Prayer Requests

Please remember the following people:

Jean Simoneau

Robert Burke

Al Goudreau, Elaine Norman

Ronald & Jessica Bergevine

Names may only be placed by a family member calling the parish office.

REMEMBRANCE BOOK

Is located in our St. Joseph Prayer Room. This prayer book has been compiled to provide people with the opportunity to entrust their loved ones to God's all embracing love, through the intercession of St. Joseph.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & DECORATIONS

Please print the names of loved ones you wish to have remembered this season on the Christ Flower Memorial envelope and return as soon as possible. Donations received will be used to decorate the church for the Christmas season. Thank you for your generosity.

We Are In NEED OF HELP in The Following Ministries:

Acolytes (Altar Server) to minister liturgical events in the parish. Any student, boy or girl from the fourth grade and up are invited to join including adults.

Lectors: Participants in this ministry proclaim the Word of God at Mass and other liturgical celebrations in the parish.



**Donations for fresh flowers for the front of the
Statue of Mary will be omitted during Advent.**

*Weekly Offering***November 26, 2017 \$6,451.00****Total for Month of November****2017 - \$25,739.15 2016 - \$28,534.65****THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!**

This weekend's second collection is for **EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES.**

Next weekend's second collection is for **RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS.**

ONLINE GIVING

If you notice some of your fellow parishioners are not putting their envelopes in the collection basket it could be that they are using ONLINE GIVINGS. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office for information. This is a very simple and easy way to keep track of your donations. Also available as an APP store for your device. Search online giving from OSV.

2017-2018 ANNUAL APPEAL***To Date: \$11,677.00***

We are very grateful for all you do for our parish especially the Annual Appeal.

**Welcome to AmazonSmile!**

Thank you for supporting
Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church

Remember, always start at smile.amazon.com and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases

**Military Personnel!**

If you or someone you know is in the military please let us know! We want them to know that they are being thought of. Please contact the office at 508-399-8440 or e-mail at olqmseekonk@comcast.net with names of your loved one, what branch of the military they are in, and where are they deployed to.

Baptismal Preparation:

If this is your FIRST child being baptized at our Parish you will need to attend a Baptismal Preparation class. The next class will take place on January 21, 2018 following the 10:00AM Mass. Please call the parish Office to register for the class if you wish to attend.

December 9 & 10, 2017*Lectors*

4:30 PM Rachel Haddad
8:30 AM Gloria Haddad
10:00 AM Catherine Neto
11:30 AM *Volunteer Needed*

Servers

4:30 PM Perry Francis
8:30 AM Philip Hanifin
10:00 AM Catherine Messier
Katelyn Messier
Jesse Correia
11:30 AM Sarah Mullen

Greeters

4:30 PM Paul Gaudet
Rita George
Pauline Lazouras
Madison Armell
Jessica Hanley
Juliana Baldani
8:30 AM Gerald Fortier
Robert McGovern
Nancy Tracey
Matthew Boutin
Aurora Dumont
10:00 AM Madison Bedrosian
Leandra Pereira
Kelli Ryan
Kylee Sutcliffe
Abigail Sousa
11:30 AM Beverly Foley
Matthew Proctor
Zachary Pierce

Ministers of Holy Communion

4:30PM Deacon Thomas McMahon
Robert Beaudet
Rita Beaudet
8:30AM Nancy Tracey
John Blake
Nancy Menard
10:00 AM Jeannette Arrighi
Monica Lanoue
Thomas Field
11:30 AM William Foley
Beverly Foley
Matthew Garrott

Collector Coordinators

4:30 PM Paul Rego
8:30 AM Thomas Boffa
10:00 AM Rob Turenne
11:30 AM *Volunteer Needed*

HOLIDAY FAIR 2017!

We thank the following businesses and individuals for their generous donations which helped to make our Fair a success!

AAA, So. Attleboro Advanced Auto Parts, Attleboro Advanced Auto Parts, Seekonk Antonio's Pizza Anytime Fitness, So. Attleboro Arigna Irish Pub Avanti Jewelry, Inc. AwSome Sweets Baker's Corner Pizza Barber Ettes Barlow Designs Batteries Plus Bulbs Bella Pasta Ristorante Better Auto Bliss Brothers Dairy Bliss Manufacturing BoneYard Barbecue & Saloon Boulevard Barbers Boulevard Cigar Lounge Briggs Corner Pizzeria Briggs Corner Store Briggs Nursery Brothers Seafood Restaurant Calabro's Hair Design California Taco Shop Canova Italian Bar & Grill Cardi's Furniture Castro's County Square Beverage Central Ave Bakery Central Car Wash Charlie T's Barbeque Chartley Country Liquors Chartley Country Store Chemawa Golf Course Chili's, East Providence Chris Gasbarro's Fine Wine & Spirits Christine & Co. Citiworks, Corp. Clem and June Ziroli Country Kitchen	Cristallo Spa at Hillside CC Cuts 2000 D&R Automotive Delizioso's Pizza Diva's Sweet Treats Cupcakery Dublin Rose Irish Sports Pub Dunkin Donuts, Pawtucket Dunkin Donuts, Seekonk Dunkin Donuts, Attleboro Dunkin Donuts, Rehoboth Eats Restaurant Edible Arrangements, So. Attleboro Evergreen Tree & Landscape FantasyLand Golf Fashion Hair Studio Firefly Golf Course Firestone, Attleboro Fisher Auto Parts Flowers by the Station Four Town Farm Gary's Barber Salon George and Mary Agostini Glamarie Grand Prix Family Fun Center Grubby Hollow Hair Connection Hair Illusions Hillside Country Club Impressions Hair Salon Isabel's Avon J & L Landscaping Co., Inc. Jay's Garden Art Jiffy Lube, Pawtucket John and Karen Chatfield John's Arco Station King Barber Men's Salon Kip's Kist Salon & Spa Kuts by Ken LaCave Suzanne Salon	Landry Liquors Lanni's Barber Salon Le Soleil Salon Lemon & Oil Deli & Catering Little Kids, Inc. Liquor Mart LongHorn Steakhouse, Seekonk Lorraine's Candies & Catering Lucky Duck Pools Lundco Painting LLC Mary Beth DeLeo's Breakfast House Mediterranean Grill & Pizzeria Meineke, So. Attleboro Micheletti's Restaurant MicroFridge Midas Auto Service, So. Attleboro Miller's Roast Beef Monro Muffler/Brake, Pawtucket Monster Mini Golf Morse & Beggs M.R.T. Jewelers Nails Art Newman YMCA, Seekonk Newport Playhouse Ninety Nine Restaurant, No. Attleboro North Bowl Lanes Not Your Average Joe's Olive Garden, So. Attleboro Outback, Seekonk Patenaude Jewelers Pawtucket Red Sox P-Craft Jewelry Perfect Nails Persy's Place LLC PieZoni's, Pawtucket Plante Jewelers Plaza Azteca Red Stone Grill Regency Liquors	Rev. Thomas L. Rita Ricard Jewelers Richard Associates Ritz Dinette Rosebud Florist Running With Scissors Sacarraha Salon Seasonal Specialty Stores Shanghai Gardens Spumoni's Restaurant St. Vincent de Paul Society Starbucks Coffee Co., Seekonk State Liquor Stop & Shop, No. Seekonk StormCakes Sullivan's Publick House Tender Tombstone Care Tessier's Paint & Hardware The Breakfast Place The Colonel Blackinton Inn The Cutting Edge Salon & Spa The Good Seed The Grooming Post Pet Salon The Spouting Whale The Yarn Outlet Tony's Seafood Total Fitness, Seekonk Toti's Pizza Palace Toti's Restaurant Town Fair Tire Centers, Inc. Town Wine & Spirits Toys"R"Us, No. Attleboro Tripp & Cheetham Funeral Homes Uncle Tony's Pizza & Pasta UNO Pizzeria & Grill Vanessa, A Hair Salon Vero Industries, Inc. Wetherlaines Pub Willow Tree Poultry Farm Young's Caterers
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***We would also like to thank the many parishioners
 And friends of our parish who donated their
 Time, Talent and Treasure!***

HOLIDAY FAIR FINANCIAL REPORT 2017

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Raffles & Ticket Sales</u> \$23,065.00 <u>Other Tables</u> 6,377.19 <u>Private Donations</u> 3,405.00 <u>TOTAL</u> \$32,847.19	<u>Printing & Mailing</u> \$2,493.13 <u>State Lottery Comm. Tax</u> 1,153.25 <u>Food, Chowder Etc.</u> 1,150.89 <u>Money Raffle Winners</u> 950.00 <u>Start-up Money</u> 920.00 <u>Apple Gift Card</u> 800.00 Baskets Galore 575.21 <u>New Speakers</u> 558.95 <u>Smart TV</u> 499.99 <u>Table Cloth Cleaning</u> 492.00	<u>Newspaper Ad</u> 249.60 <u>Visa Gift Cards</u> (including activation fee) 211.90 <u>Youth Ministry Table</u> 189.29 <u>Adult Instant Win</u> 170.00 <u>Sign Rental</u> 150.00 <u>NET PROFIT</u> \$22,282.98

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation classes for grades 1-6 will be held this Sunday, December 3, & December 19th from 8:30-9:45am.

Registration Fees: For those of you who have not yet paid the registration fee, please do so as soon as possible.

Confirmation Program Level 7, 8 & 9

The Confirmation class will be held this Sunday December 3rd, from 11:00am to 1:00pm.



MASSACHUSETTS SOLAR INCENTIVE PROGRAM!

**No Cost, No Money down,
Must Qualify**

If any church member signs up, the parish receives \$500.00. Free Consultation with no commitment. Call Walter @ 508-558-3036

Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem

On the weekend of December 16 & 17th our brothers and sisters representing the Christian Catholic families of Bethlehem will be selling Crucifixes, religious art, and rosaries—all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also gives you the opportunity to have something authentic from the Holy Land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also help to your personal devotion.



Youth Ministry will meet this Sunday afternoon, December 3rd from 2-3:30pm in the Parish Life Center. All youth grades 6-9 are welcome.

COFFEE SOCIAL

Please join us after the 8:30 AM Mass on Sunday mornings for coffee and refreshments in the lower church hall. We would like to thank all our weekly helpers for their assistance. If you are able to help, on Sunday mornings, please email Joyce Kelly at moysk659@comcast.net.



GIVING TREE PROJECT

**All gifts must be brought to church (in bags please - no boxes) by Sunday, Dec. 10th.
All items must be new.**

If you have taken a tag for Fuel Assistance, checks should be made out to Saint Vincent De Paul Society.

Thank you for your Support!

DOORWAYS FOOD PANTRY

Items needed: Beans & Canned Ham

A basket is available at each entrance of the church for you to place your items.

THE FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols dates back to 1918 at Kings College in Cambridge. The service celebrates the birth of Jesus beginning with the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus. The Service comprises nine short Bible readings from Genesis, the prophetic books and the Gospels, interspersed with the singing of Christmas Carols, hymns, and choir music. This is the sixth year that St. Mary's choir, Chaminade Singers, and the Boston Black Catholic Group will join together to sing and hear the story of the birth of Jesus. The service is December 10, 2017 starting at 3:30pm at St. Mary's Church, 1 power St., Norton, MA. There will be a reception following the service in the meeting room. All are welcome.

GOD HAS A DIFFERENT PLAN

We begin the season of Advent with a heartfelt call for our own repentance. We remember God's faithful love for us, and call upon God to help us to turn back. For "behold, you are angry, and we are sinful" (Isaiah 64:4). In the first reading and in the psalm, we recall God's promises and lament our unfaithfulness and our guilt. We call upon God's might and power in order to save us. With Isaiah, we ask God to "rend the heavens and come down, / with the mountains quaking before you" (Isaiah 63:19). Yes, God is faithful to us, because we are the work of God's hands. God is the potter, we are the clay. And yet, our concept of how God will come to save us is rooted in our own expectations of a warrior God who crushes mountains and thunders into our lives with great noise and glory. But God has a different plan: