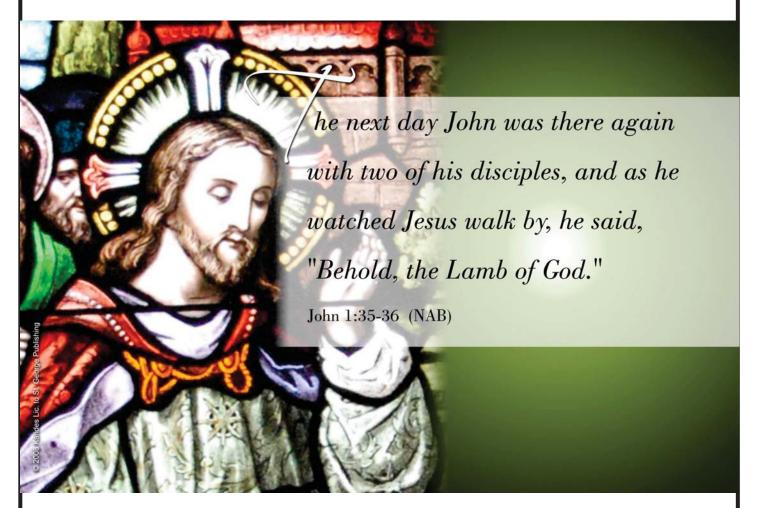
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ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 13th

4:00pm — Francis Guay—3rd Anniversary

Sunday, January 14th

8:00am — Jack & Laura Camara, Jose & Beatriz Pimentel 10:30am — Maria (Elisa) Soares—1st

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Monday, January 15th

8:00am — Florinda Faria — 8th Anniversary

Tuesday, January 16th

8:00am — Jorge & Anne Botelho, Mr & Mrs Antonio Araujo & children

Wednesday, January 17th

8:00am — Carol LaChance — 25th Anniversary

Thursday, January 18th

8:00am — Jeffrey Lucas

Friday, January 19th

8:00am — Thomas E. O'Dea — 25th Anniversary

Saturday, January 20th

4:00pm — Ana Freitas, Moitoso & Matos Families

Sunday, January 21st

8:00am - Special Intention

10:30am — Manuel Silveira, Dr Thaddeus A.

Figlock —1st Anniversary



Sanctuary Lamp for week of January 13th

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BAPTISM

Parents who are registered and practicing members of the parish should call the rectory to make arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Before and after all weekend Masses. Or at any time at the Rectory.

WEDDINGS

Couples who are registered and practicing members of the parish may call the rectory eight months in advance to make arrangements.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish! Registration forms are available at the entrances of the church. Please complete the form and return as soon as possible.

WOMEN OF FAITH

For more information, please contact Tara Sousa at 508-272-1173 or tarasousa@aol.com

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MEN OF ST JOSEPH

The group meet on the First Saturday of every month. Beginning with 9:00am Mass, followed by a meeting of fellowship and discussion. All men are welcome.

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PRAYER and ADORATION

MONDAY NOVENA

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena is held on Monday evenings at 7:00pm with Rosary and Benediction.

WEDNESDAY Divine Mercy HOLY HOUR

St Joseph's Chapel, 6:00pm to 7:00pm

FRIDAY CENACLE PRAYER GROUP

St Joseph's Chapel, Friday 1:00pm — 2:00pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION in CHAPEL

St Joseph's Adoration Chapel is open Daily 7:00am to 7:00pm

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FIRST READING

A Reading from the First Book of Samuel 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was.

The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am." Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me." "I did not call you, " Eli said. "Go back to sleep." So he went back to sleep.

Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli. "Here I am, " he said. "You called me."

But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep."

At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet. The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me."

Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth. So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply,

Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."
When Samuel went to sleep in his place,
the LORD came and revealed his presence,
calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!"
Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

R.\ Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I have waited, waited for the LORD, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry. And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God.

R.\ Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Sacrifice or offering you wished not, but ears open to obedience you gave me. Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not; then said I, "Behold I come."

R.\ Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, to do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!"

R.\ Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I announced your justice in the vast assembly; I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know.

R.\ Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

SECOND READING

A Reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Brothers and sisters:

The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body;

God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power.

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him.

Avoid immorality.

Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body.

Do you not know that your body

is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you,

whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at a price.

Therefore glorify God in your body.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to John Jn 1:35-42

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said,

"Behold, the Lamb of God."

The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?"

They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher —,

"where are you staying?"

He said to them, "Come, and you will see."

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day.

It was about four in the afternoon.

Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus.

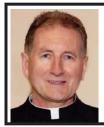
He first found his own brother Simon and told him,

"We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ

Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter.

The Gospel of the Lord.





By Father Edward A. Murphy

GOSPEL of JOHN

We can learn four powerful lessons in today's gospel, about how to live as Christians, in today's world.

Be humble.
Go when called,
Meet people where they are,
Tell people what you have found.

John was humble when he pointed out Jesus, to his disciples. It's all too easy to get caught up in yourself, but others come first and so does God.

The two disciples took their opportunity, they heard what John said and followed Jesus. There are some things that you may only be given a few moments to do, smiling and dropping a few coins into the beggars hat or stopping to help a broken down motorist. You never know, God may intend for them to notice the cross around your neck.

When Jesus was asked 'Where do you live?' he just said, 'Come and see'. Jesus' message was going to be new to the two disciples, so he went somewhere quiet and spent the day talking to them. He started with love and friendship, demonstrating to them what he was about to start teaching them.

Finally, the first thing Andrew did after meeting Jesus was to introduce his brother to Jesus. We all have it in us, to bring people to God, not by shouting the bible from street corners, but by the way we live our lives and treat our friends.

Whether you work in a school, prison, hotel, an office or your home, you'll meet strangers and friends every day. Be humble, Go when they call, meet them where they are and tell them what you have found.

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel:

- 1. John pointed the disciples towards Jesus as the one they should follow. Remember the people in your life who have pointed you in a new and lifegiving direction? Perhaps in some cases this may have involved directing you away from your association with them, e.g., leaving home, changing jobs, etc.
- 2. Where do you live? Jesus did not respond to the question by giving the disciples his address. He invited them to come and experience where and how he lived. Discipleship is a lived experience. What experiences have helped you to learn how Jesus lived, and what he was looking for in life? How has this attracted you to follow him?
- 3. What is your experience of gathering in small groups to learn to live like Jesus by listening to the gospel together? Where two or three are gathered in his name, Jesus is there with them. What group experiences have helped your faith to grow?
- 4. Andrew did not keep the good news to himself but also invited his brother to join him in following Jesus. What is your experience of receiving, or giving, an invitation to join in some worthwhile venture?



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Healing Mass January Schedule

St Andrew the Apostle

Thursday, January 25th

St Anne's Shrine

January 18th

Mass at 6:30pm

Faith Formation











ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

FAITH FORMATION BEGINS

SEPTEMBER 17th 9:10am—11:30am (includes the Holy Mass) In the CHURCH

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DATE	GRADES 1-8	CONFIRMATION
		GRADES 9-10
1/7/2023	Grades 7 & 8	8 Grade 10
1/14/2023 NO FAITH FORMATION- MARTIN LUTHER KING		
1/21/2023	Grades 1 & 2	2 Grade 9
1/28/2023	Grades 3 & 4	4 Grade 10
2/4/2023	Grades 5 & 6	Grade 9
2/11/2023	Grades 7 & 8	8 Grade 10
2/18/2023 NO Faith Formation Classes- PRESIDENT'S DAY		
2/25/2023	Grades 1 & 2	2 Grade 9
3/3/2023	Grades 3 & 4	4 Grade 10
First Penance for Second Grade- Mandatory		
3/10/2023	Grades 5 & 0	6 Grade 9



There will be an altar server training classes for new students ages 8 and older.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming an altar server, there are forms available in the Sacristy.

Please fill out and return.



HOLY CROSS FAMILY MINISTRIES

Make a New Year resolution worth keeping!

Daily family prayer! The annual Family Novena Celebrating Father Patrick Peyton's Birth takes place **January 9-17** worldwide.

Father Peyton devoted his priesthood to the spiritual well-being of families, praying with them and for them. We believe he still does this from heaven.

Pray through his intercession for your family needs and for Father Peyton's eventual canonization.

For simple Rosary instructions, prayers, and reflections, please download the free Novena booklet at:

FamilyRosary.org/TheGiftOfPrayer





Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Please join Fr Murphy on his Annual Pilgrimage to Medjugorje on **May 7-16, 2024**, \$3299.00 from Boston.

For more information visit 206Tours website https://www.206tours.com/cms/fredwardmurphy/



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Our Lady of Lourdes School is looking to hire for the extended school day program to monitor children before and after school hours. Morning care runs from 7:00-8:30 AM and the after care runs from 3:00-5:30 PM. Both are paid positions.

If you are interested in one or both, please email Mary Turner at mturner@ololtaunton.com, or call the school at 508-822-3746.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



A special Mass of thanksgiving will be celebrated for couples observing significant wedding anniversaries (including first year). This celebration will take place **Sunday**, **February 11**, **2024**, **at 3:00pm** at St. Mary Cathedral in Fall River. For more information, please contact lrobertson@dioc-fr.org.

PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE! JANUARY 16-24, 2024

Prayers for Life

The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture." However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

And while, on June 24, 2022, the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization decision overturned Roe v. Wade, right now state and federal laws, in many instances, are still hostile to preborn children. So, great prayer and advocacy is still very needed.

On January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday), the Church recognizes the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. As individuals, we are called to observe this day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

Join with thousands of Catholics across the country to pray for life. For more information, and to sign up for text alerts with prayer intentions for life, please visit, www.9daysforlife.com.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE: DAILY PRAYER INTENTIONS www.9daysforlife.com

Day One: May the tragic practice of abortion end.

Day Two: May each person suffering from participation in abortion find forgiveness, hope, and healing in Christ.

Day Three: May every pregnant mother receive compassionate care and support as she nurtures the life in her womb.

Day Four: May every father of a preborn child lovingly support the mother of his child in welcoming new life.

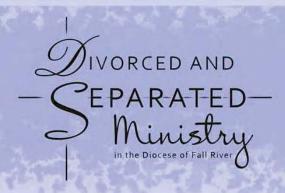
Day Five: May every pregnant mother choosing adoption receive grace and support in embracing this loving option.

Day Six: May all who support or participate in abortion experience a conversion of heart to seek and receive the Lord's boundless mercy.

Day Seven (Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children): May all preborn children be protected in law and welcomed in love.

Day Eight: May civic leaders work for the protection of all human life, in every stage and circumstance.

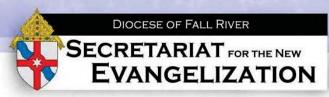
Day Nine: May all who defend life find strength and renewal in the Holy Spirit.



The Family and Respect Life Office invites you to join us for the Divorced and Separated Healing Mass Sunday, January 28, 2024, 10:30am



Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption 327 2nd St, Fall River, MA 02721 with Celebrant Very. Rev. Jeffery Cabral



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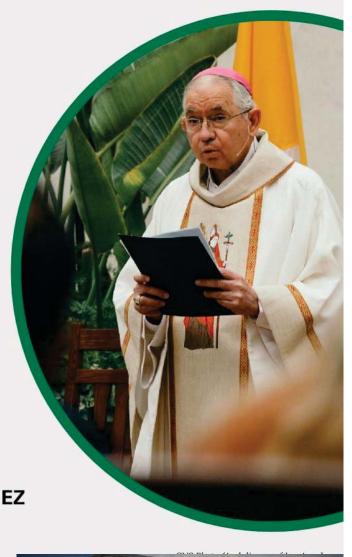


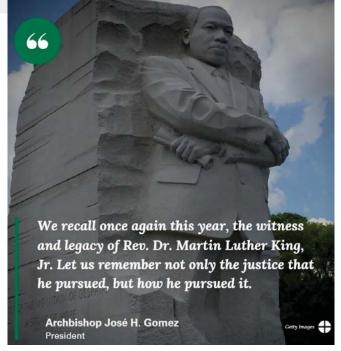
We do not love those who oppose us because they are loveable, or even likable, Rev. King once said. We love them because God loves them. And by our love, we seek their conversion and friendship, not their humiliation. This is our Christian duty in this moment — to be healers and peacemakers, to overcome evil and lies, not by more of the same, but with words of truth and works of love.

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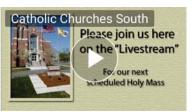
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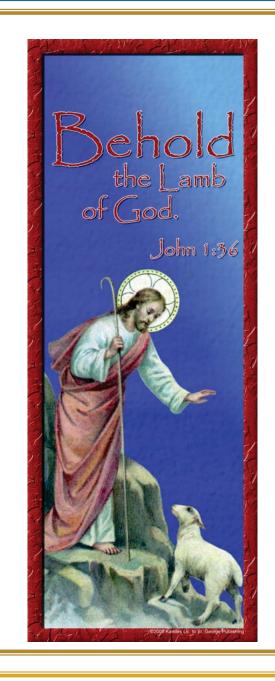


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