

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH

Westport, Massachusetts

LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office located in the Parish Center
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.....9:00 am to 1:30 pm

PARISH DIRECTORY

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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm
Sunday 8:30 & 10:00 am & 5:00 pm
Daily 9:00 am (Wed. & Sat.)
Holy Days Feast Day: 9:00 am & 5:30 pm

ADORATION

Friday, 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Please introduce yourself to the priest after any Mass you attend. If you want to register with the parish, give us a call or stop by the office during office hours.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Sundays (after the 10:00 am Mass) by appointment only.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays, 9:30 am to 10:30 am,

First Eucharist and Confirmation

Two-year preparation necessary. Call the Religious Education Office.

Matrimony

Please call Fr. Peter at least six months prior to date of marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please notify us if you know someone who would like to receive the Sacrament, or someone who is unable to come to Mass, but would like to receive the Eucharist.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Adult Choir -- Prayer Line -- Alanon & AA
Pro-Life Programs -- Bingo -- Bible Study
Senior Club -- Council of Catholic Women
St. Vincent DePaul Society

For information on these organizations, please
call the Parish Office at 508-674-6271.

Sunday, November 19, 2023

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



In All Things Give Thanks

Our nation's history books trace the origins of the modern Thanksgiving Day to the harvest celebration the Pilgrims held in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1621. However, their first true thanksgiving was in 1623, when they gave thanks for rain that ended a drought. These early thanksgivings took the form of a special church service, rather than a feast.

In the second half of the 1600s, thanksgivings after the harvest became more common and started to become annual events. However, they were celebrated on different days in different communities and in some places, there were more than one thanksgiving each year. President George Washington proclaimed the first national Thanksgiving Day in 1789, and President Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving Day as an annual holiday here in the United States in 1863. Let us all, as faithful American Catholics continue this most sacred tradition just as our ancestors did exactly 400 years ago...

Happy Thanksgiving!



Fr. Peter

WEEKLY OFFERING: **Weekend of Nov. 11/12**

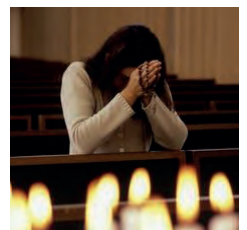
Weekly Collection: \$3,631.00
St. Vincent Canless Drive: \$1,807.00

Thank You all for your wonderful generosity and giving hearts.



Our House of Prayer

With the time change last week it is dark earlier in the evening and for that reason our church will open starting Monday, November 13 at 7:30 am and be locked at 4:30 pm. That way visits to the parish can continue for those wishing to stop in and pray.



MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Sat. Vigil, Nov. 18 – 33rd Sun. in Ordinary Time
5:30 pm **RICHARD BERUBE**

Sunday, November 19 – 33rd -Sun. in Ordinary Time
8:30 am **JOHN FORTI**
10:00 am **JERRY THIBAULT (2nd Anniv.)**
5:00 pm **JOSÉ CABRAL (6th Anniv.)**

Wednesday, November 22
9:00 am **ODELIA DACOSTA**
BRITTANY PACHECO

Saturday, November 25
9:00 am--**MARIA CABRAL LINDO & FAMILY**

Sat. Vigil, Nov. 25 – Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe
5:30 pm **RICHARD BERUBE**
MARIA ESTRELLA GERVASIO
JOSEPH RAPOZO
ZACHARY BORGES

Sun. Nov. 26 – Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe
8:30 am **JOSEPH LAPOINTE (Birthday)**
10:00 am **DAVID & PAUL LEVESQUE and**
RAY PETIT
5:00 pm **BOB PHENIX**

Altar Breads Consecrated during Mass for the month of November is in Memory of

BARABY & CANUEL FAMILIES

By Bill & Paul Baraby



And

The Sanctuary Lamp that burns at the Tabernacle for the month of November is in Memory of **RAYMOND LAVOIE**

By wife, Maddy

On Wednesday, December 6 a Mass will be celebrated in honor of the Feast day of Saint Nickolas at 5:30 pm. Immediately following the Mass all are invited outside for the Lighting of the Christmas lights around the church and the Blessing of the outside Nativity.



Our Lady of Grace 36th annual
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
Sat., November 25 – 9 am – 3 pm

Sun., November 26 – 9 am to 2 pm

Every year we ask the parishioners to help us out with donations for our very popular Winner-Every-Time Booth. This booth sells out by noon on Saturday and we need lots of items so we can also do Sunday! If anyone has any NEW items to donate please bring to the parish center Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 9:30 to 2:30 pm. Examples??...

ANYTHING NEW of ANY VALUE!
36 More Days Left or Shopping!!

The Our Lady of Grace St. Vincent DePaul Society will be helping families in need for Christmas. Distribution of food vouchers and gift card will be handed out to families on Saturday, December 16. Envelopes are attached to this week's bulletin and the society ask you to please return by Sunday, December 10th. Parishioners that enjoy purchasing gifts in place of a donation can drop them off at the entrance to church anytime up to Sunday December 10. Again, as always, Thank You for your generosity and kindness to all for your continued support of our St. Vincent DePaul Society and our parish to help spread the Holiday Cheer to others.

All are invited to attend A Festival of Lessons and Carols presented at the church on Sunday, December 17 at 2 pm. Rehearsals will start on Sunday, November 26 at Our Lady of Grace at 1:00 pm. If interested please contact Allison Messier at allisonmessier@gmail.com or call/text 603-674-2308.



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