

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

  
**Mass Schedule**

**Saturday, December 29**  
4:00 p.m. (Good Shepherd)

5:15 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)  
7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral, Brazilian)

**Sunday, December 30**

9:00 a.m. (Good Shepherd)  
10:00 a.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)  
11:00 a.m. (St. Stanislaus)  
11:30 a.m. (Good Shepherd, Portuguese)  
12:30 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral, Spanish)

**Monday, December 31**

12:05 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)

**Monday, December 31**

5:15 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)

**Tuesday, January 1**

9:00 a.m. (Good Shepherd)  
10:00 a.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)  
11:00 a.m. (St. Stanislaus)

**Wednesday, January 2**

12:05 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)  
6:00 p.m. (St. Stanislaus)

**Thursday, January 3**

9:00 a.m. (Good Shepherd)  
12:05 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)

**Friday, January 4**

12:05 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)  
6:00 p.m. (St. Stanislaus)

**Saturday, January 5**

4:00 p.m. (Good Shepherd)  
5:15 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)  
7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral, Brazilian)

**Sunday, January 6**

9:00 a.m. (Good Shepherd)  
10:00 a.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)  
11:00 a.m. (St. Stanislaus)  
11:30 a.m. (Good Shepherd, Portuguese)  
12:30 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral, Spanish)

**Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Vigil)**  
Alma C. Medeiros, Manuel M. Medeiros, &  
Alfred F. Almeida Sr.

June Roberts  
Brazilian Community  
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
Jean Judge  
Vivian Cambra  
For the People of The Parish  
Maria des Mercês e Marido Manuel Martins  
Spanish Community  
Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas  
Souls in Purgatory  
Solemnity of the Mother of God (Vigil)  
For all parishioners  
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
José Correira, Maria Costa, Francisco DeJesus  
For all parishioners  
For all parishioners  
Saints Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen  
Erwin Nebelkoff  
Living & Deceased Members of The Holy Rosary  
Sodality

Christmas Weekday  
Intentions of Father Tom Washburn  
Fr. William Costello  
Saint Anselm  
For all parishioners  
Living & Deceased Members of The Cichon &  
Piszc Families

Epiphany of the Lord (Vigil)  
Christine Barboza & grandparents  
Joseph and Rose Ferreira  
Brazilian Community  
Epiphany of the Lord  
James & Dolores Judge  
Maria Fonseca Oliveira  
Cabral, Nobrega, Doyle Families  
Maria de Jesus e Inocenso Cordeiro & Family  
Spanish Community

*The Sanctuary Lamp (St. Mary's Cathedral) burns in loving memory of the Souls in Purgatory*

*The Sanctuary Lamp (Good Shepherd): Paul G. Arruda*

*The Our Lady of Angels (Good Shepherd): For parishioners of St Anne's, Holy Cross, and Holy Rosary*

*The Sanctuary Lamp (St. Stanislaus): In Thanksgiving for all Graces & Blessings received (Valerie A Butler)*

*The Divine Mercy Lamp (St. Stanislaus): Maria Rosario Sousa*

*The Our Lady of Czestochowa: Living & Deceased Members of The Niewola & Butler Families (Butler Family)*

*The Pope Saint John Paul Lamp: burns for the people of the Parish*

**THE SHEPHERD'S CORNER**

**WELCOME ABOARD!** As we prepare to begin yet another New Year, I want to take a moment to welcome some new staff members and introduce them to you.

We are blessed to bring a few new people onboard as we begin to formulate how this new collaborative of our parishes will function.

The first is a name that many of you will already know. **Deacon Alan Thadeu** joins the staff of the Catholic Community of Central Fall River as Director of Operations. Deacon Alan comes to us from working as a member of the staff of our Diocesan Chancery where he oversaw diocesan properties as well as directing diocesan liturgies that involve Bishop da Cunha. Deacon Alan will assist me in the day-to-day operations of our collaborative overseeing the temporal side of things – buildings, staff, finances etc. He will also continue his work with diocesan liturgies, most of which occur at our Cathedral.

We also welcome **Debbie Zane**. Debbie is joining our staff as a Pastoral Associate. For more than 30 years Debbie has been active as a church minister. She was Director of Youth Ministry at my former parish in Connecticut, and since then has gone on to obtain a Master's Degree in Pastoral Ministry from Boston College School of Theology and Ministry and a certificate in spiritual direction. Debbie will assist with the pastoral side of the ministry working with the grieving, with adult faith formation, outreach, counselling and spiritual direction, and more as we move forward.

Finally, we welcome **Michael Boucher** to the staff as Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Mike has been a youth minister and musician for many years in Scituate and more recently in Buzzards Bay, and will help us as we create a new and vibrant youth and young adult ministry for Central Fall River. He will also direct the music at our new Sunday evening Youth and Young Adult Mass set to begin next month.

Each of these positions does not replace anyone who currently works or volunteers in these areas. Rather they will help us to organize, revitalize and bring together the many different things happening across parishes into a new collaborative vibrancy.

Please join me in welcoming them to our community especially as we begin a new vital conversation moving forward.

Peace, love, and prayers,  
*Fr. Tom*

**SNOW CANCELLATION POLICY**

If school is canceled, all Masses and church functions are canceled. Office is closed. If school is delayed, morning Masses (Good Shepherd) are canceled, noon Mass (Cathedral) and evening Masses (St. Stanislaus) will take place as usual. Office opening is delayed. If snow occurs on the weekend, Sunday Masses (and Saturday Vigils), will take place as scheduled, but please use your best judgment and be safe.



**Holy Day Schedule January 1, 2019**

Monday, December 31 (Vigil)  
5:15 p.m. - St. Mary's Cathedral  
Tuesday, January 1  
9:00 a.m. - Good Shepherd (bilingual)  
10:00 a.m. - St. Mary's Cathedral



**Due to the holiday the collection reports will be issued in the next bulletin**

**Welcome to all new parishioners or those who might be visiting our parish. Please introduce yourself after Mass or stop by the Parish office during office hours.**

**ADULT GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** Thursday, January 10, 2019 from 4-6 p.m. (for five consecutive weeks) at the Dartmouth Council on Aging, 628 Dartmouth St., Dartmouth with Mary Finnin, Bereavement Coordinator of Community Nurse Home Care. Register by January 9, 2018.

**Food Pantry at Good Shepherd**  
Donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries are always welcome. The food pantry is available to anyone in need by appointment. Please call the parish office.



**HELP WITH ALTAR LINENS** The Cathedral is looking for a volunteer to cleanse and iron the altar linens used for Mass each week. If you are able to assist with this service to our liturgy, please contact Fr. Tom (fritomw@gmail.com or 508-673-2833).

If you are interested in becoming a Lector or Eucharistic Minister please contact the parish office.

## Respect Life Ministry

"At the dawn of salvation, it is the Birth of a Child which is proclaimed as joyful news: "I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord" (Lk 2:10-11). The source of this "great joy" is the Birth of the Saviour; but Christmas also reveals the full meaning of every human birth, and the joy which accompanies the Birth of the Messiah is thus seen to be the foundation and fulfilment of joy at every child born into the world (cf. Jn 16:21)."

~Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae (1)

Respect Life Prayer Intention : For all Christians; that the wondrous birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ will awaken our hearts to the priceless gift of every child.

All Are Invited! The next Respect Life Prayer Service will be Saturday, January 5th at 8:45 a.m. at St. Stanislaus Church. The service is followed by refreshments and fellowship

### Prayer Intentions

Priscilla Barton, MaryJane W., Alice Gauthier, Crystal Bedal, Ricky Nobrega, Rita Cabral, Rebekah Ponte, Kim & Anne Fischer, Beatrice Moniz, Michael Facchini, Rose Facchini, Patricia O'Brien, Anne Marie Hallisey, Kathleen Correia, Pat Cabral, Barbara Howard, Ann & Bob Zygiel, Penny & Joe Bucko, Donald Vezina, Kim Dias, Fernanda Dias, Floyd Fischer, John Romero Jr., Eddie Gravel, Anne Varley, Patricia O'Brien, Kelly O'Brien, Alyssa Camara, Claire Carreiro, Joanne Soares, Edward Gavin, Anne Cournoyer, Teri Stewart, Wyatt Boulais, Julie Sousa, Tom Sousa, Mary Ann Araujo, Margaret Pietraszek, Teri Dias, Abigail Tavaras, Jillian Lowney, Bruno Texeira, and Braydyn Bentley Dias, Christine Barboza RIP, Francisco Silva, Val Monteiro, Bobby Rozycki, Eddie Gravel, John Romero Jr., Jeannie Quinn, Kevin Soares, Marlene Harrington, Patricia O'Brien, Kelly O'Brien, Francis Pacheco, Bob Pereira, Luis Raposo, John T. Haggerty, Barbie Canuel, Paul Canuel, Carter Wheeler, Joyce, Barbara Simcock, Patience Raposa, Colt Raposa, Dan Rego, Pat Wilson, Cookie, Herman Costa, Kevin Cartin, Richard Moniz, Greg Moniz, Pauline Grocott, Pam Almeida, Kenneth Copsetta, and Sarah Steen

**In Thanksgiving for all graces and blessings received.  
To request prayers for a loved one call the parish office at 508-678-7412**

### Prayer Line/Book

**Anyone interested in joining our prayer line to pray for those in need please call the parish office.  
To request prayers please call 774-955-0409**

**Parishioners in the Armed Services-**If you know any parishioner serving in the Armed Forces or a Veteran please email or call the parish office.  
Patrick Rioux Sr. Retired

"Almighty God and Father, hold our service men and women in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for their selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## CAROLING, CAROLING . . .

Everyone is invited to join in a caroling festivity on Sunday afternoon, December 30 (the Feast of the Holy Family) starting in the Cathedral at 2 p.m. and continuing at the neighborhood apartment buildings. The music will be familiar, and no special talent is expected of the singers. Instruments are welcome. Following the caroling there will be refreshments at the Cathedral parish hall in the school.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

On January 15, 2019 @ 6:30 pm - Cathedral relief services and at 7:00 pm - Cathedral fundraising/ social activities. These meetings will be held in the Cathedral rectory. New members and ideas are always welcome. A blessed and Holy Advent & Christmas season to all!

The Rosary of the 1000 Hail Mary's will be prayed January 12th from 5:00am -10:00am in English, Spanish, Brazilian, and Portuguese in the chapel of the Cathedral. All are welcome!

## OUR FORMED SUBSCRIPTION

Please visit Formed and explore the wonderful collection of movies, talks, books, and programs sharing the beauty and wonder of our Catholic faith. There's something for everyone — adults, teens and children, those who new to the faith and those seeking to deepen their knowledge. Best of all, it's FREE. Watch or listen on your phone, computer, tablet, or television. Go to [goodshepherd.formed.org](http://goodshepherd.formed.org) to register for your free account today!

### FORMED PICK

## The Story of the Nativity

### Explore the Birth of Christ

This fast-paced look at the true story of the Nativity clears away misunderstandings about Jesus's origin and is invaluable for learning more about the truth of Christmas.



"I LOVE the biblical referencing tying the Old and New Testaments together...it shows the fullness and perfection of God's plan unfolding!"

—Sandy S., Eustis, FL



### Holy Rosary Sodality

The Holy Rosary Prayer Intention for December : That we may all grow in Grace, Humility, and Charity.

Beginning on December 5, the Rosary will be prayed at 5:30pm on Wednesday and Friday evenings prior to Mass. All are Welcome!

For information in English or Portuguese call Norma 508-496-0199

Saint Stanislaus December Prayer Intention: For the grace to welcome the presence and peace of Jesus that comes to us through the Motherhood of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and that the Church hierarchy receives the Holy Spirit's grace to faithfully lead the Church.

**Prayer Group at Good Shepherd  
Monday and Wednesday nights 7:00-9:00pm in the  
Conference Room**

### Prayer Blanket Ministry

Tuesday, January 8th 12:00pm-3:00pm in the Good Shepherd hall, bring a lunch.

If you would like to join the prayer blanket ministry or to request a blanket please contact Joan Burda 508-679-6186

**Bible Study at Good Shepherd  
Will resume on Tuesdays at 3:30pm in January**

### Shepherding the Homebound

Through home visits, reassuring phone calls and sending cards or letters on a regular basis, our ministers will engage the elderly/homebound through conversation and social support. Volunteers who are Eucharistic Ministers can deliver the Holy Eucharist to those who ask. Our intent is to visit those in Nursing Homes as well as those restricted to their own homes. Homebound includes those parishioners who cannot easily get out of their homes due to temporary or chronic illness. If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister or Lector please call the parish office. You do not need to have a special need to ask for a visitor.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to be a visitor or you would like to request a visit.

### Altar Servers needed!

Any child (girl or boy) in Grade 3 and above who are interested in being more involved in the Mass are asked to consider becoming an altar server. For more details, please call the parish office or see Father Washburn.

The next altar serving training will begin the end of February on Saturday mornings. Time and place to be announced.

### PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION NIGHT

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, Bishop of Fall River, has authorized the formation of a new class for Permanent Deacons beginning in the spring of 2019. Those interested in pursuing the vocation of the diaconate are invited to submit a preliminary application. Additional details and a preliminary application is available on our website—[fallriverdeacons.com](http://fallriverdeacons.com). A final informational meeting will be held on January 17, 2019 at Holy Name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Center, 121 Mt. Pleasant St., New Bedford at 7:00 p.m. Questions? Call 508-990-0341 or visit [office@frpermanentdiaconate.com](mailto:office@frpermanentdiaconate.com).

### DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM

The Diocesan Marriage Preparation program needs more team couples—both newly married and veterans (age is not a consideration). We constantly hear from those working in the program, how much they get out of their involvement. They meet in three locations: Mansfield, Dartmouth and Dennisport on Cape Cod. In each location there is a team of volunteers that facilitate three to five sessions per year. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please email or call the Office of Faith Formation at [bbonneau@dfrcs.org](mailto:bbonneau@dfrcs.org) or call 508-678-2828, #13.

### ADULT SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

A program to prepare adults for complete reception into the Catholic Church through Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation (RCIA) as well as adults looking only for Confirmation, will begin in the Cathedral rectory on January 12, 2019, and will end before Easter. Classes will run from 3:00-4:00 each Saturday (excepting inclement weather) and costs nothing. If you are interested, please call the rectory before January 12th and leave a contact number, or see Deacon Peter Cote after any of the Cathedral Masses. Thank you.

**Save the Date: The Fall River Diocese 2019 Women and Men's Conference** will take place on Saturday, March 9, 2019, at Stonehill

College in Easton. Response over the past two years has been very positive to this one-day Lenten program that features noted speakers, music, Mass, fellowship and more. So, please mark your 2019 calendar now and watch for details on the Women and Men's Conference in the coming months.

### Seniors' News

Foxwoods Casino Thursday, January 3, 2019. \$18 includes bus fare, gratuity for driver, free play, and buffet. Bus leaves Good Shepherd Church parking lot S. Main St at 8:30am.

Mohegan Sun Casino Thursday, February 7, 2019. \$18 includes bus fare, gratuity for driver, wheel, and \$15 food voucher. Bus leaves Good Shepherd Church parking lot S. Main St at 8:30am.

For more information or reservations call:  
Phyllis 508-676-8378  
Adele 508-672-0030  
Ann 508-674-7355

**Any current altar servers who would like to serve for all 3 Parishes in the Collaborative (St. Mary's Cathedral, Good Shepherd, and St Stanislaus) please contact the parish office**