



# Holy Name Parish

## PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Jay T. Maddock  
In Residence: Rev. James M. Fitzpatrick  
Assisting Priest: Rev. Richard Furlong  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Daniel M. Nunes  
School Principal: Dr. Patricia M. Wardell  
Director of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry:  
Mr. Patrick McNabb  
Director of Music: Mr. Erik Thompson

## SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass - 4:00 pm Saturday;  
Sundays: 8:30, 10:30, and 5:00 pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

7:00 AM (Monday - Friday)  
8:00 AM Saturday and Holidays

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard on Saturday at 3:15 pm,  
or by calling Fr. Jay for an appointment.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday - Fridays 7:30 am to 9:00 pm

## WEEKLY HOLY HOUR

Monday at 7:00 - 8:00 pm  
No Holy Hour on Holidays  
Rosary, Miraculous Medal Novena,  
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

## CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Wednesday at 3:00 pm

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment. Parents must contact  
the Pastor for an appointment.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Those parishioners wishing to be married here at Holy Name must contact the Pastor AT LEAST EIGHT MONTHS before the date of the wedding. No arrangements should be made for a reception until you make arrangements with the Church.

## VISITATION AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We are pleased to anoint and/or bring Holy Communion to any parishioner who cannot participate at Mass for any legitimate reason. Please contact us.

## Holy Name Parish Mission Statement

Holy Name Parish is a Eucharistic Family of Faith, united with Catholic people throughout the world. Nourished by Word and Sacrament, we strive to help each member grow in their Faith. We seek to imitate Christ by assisting others in their spiritual and material needs, as we journey toward achieving our ultimate goal of eternal life.

## Holy Name Parish Office:

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Fax: 508-675-4755  
Website: www.holynamefr.com  
Office/Secretary e-mail: office@holynamefr.com  
Pastor's e-mail: frjay@holynamefr.com  
Music Ministry e-mail: music@holynamefr.com

## Holy Name Parish Office of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry

850 Pearce Street, Fall River, MA 02720-5534

Telephone Number: 508-678-7532  
Faith Formation e-mail: faithformation@holynamefr.com  
Youth Ministry e-mail: youthministry@holynamefr.com

## Holy Name Parish School

850 Pearce Street, Fall River, MA 02720-5534

Telephone Number: 508-674-9131  
Fax Number: 508-679-0571  
Website: www.hnsfr.org

## Welcome to New Parishioners

If you are new to our Parish, we offer you a warm welcome. We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, and your stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure. We would be happy to have you be a registered member(s) of our parish. It's easy to do. Call Fr. Jay at 508-679-6732 to set up a time to meet and be registered.



And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God." - Lk 1:35



**DECEMBER 23 & 24, 2017  
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

|           |       |            |  |
|-----------|-------|------------|--|
| Saturday  | 12/23 | 4:00 p.m.  | The Stanton & Dauphinais Families  |
| Sunday    | 12/24 | 8:30 a.m.  | Janina McCloskey, 3rd Anniversary  |
|           |       | 10:30 a.m. | Mr. & Mrs. Adrien Picard   |
| Sunday    | 12/24 | 4:00 p.m.  | Manuel Cabral  |
|           |       | 6:00 p.m.  | James & Madalaine Maddock, James Maddock, Jr., John Maddock, Gerald & Patricia Dugan, and J. Stephen & Theodore Pearson, Jr. |
| Monday    | 12/25 | 12:00 a.m. | Leslie Jane Medeiros   |
|           |       | 8:30 a.m.  | William A. Mello   |
|           |       | 10:30 a.m. | William P. Thran   |
| Tuesday   | 12/26 | 7:00 a.m.  | William T. Davis   |
| Wednesday | 12/27 | 7:00 a.m.  | The Lynch Family   |
| Thursday  | 12/28 | 7:00 a.m.  | Roland Frazier   |
| Friday    | 12/29 | 7:00 a.m.  | Helen Carvalho, 2nd Anniversary  |
| Saturday  | 12/30 | 8:00 a.m.  | Henry (Hank) Bernardo  |
|           |       | 4:00 p.m.  | Michael Benoit   |
| Sunday    | 12/31 | 8:30 a.m.  | Wilfred Pontes   |
|           |       | 10:30 a.m. | Joseph R. Daley, 6th Anniversary   |
|           |       | 5:00 p.m.  | Joan Arruda, 12th Anniversary  |

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING  
DECEMBER 16 & 17, 2017**

**Budget:**..... \$5,901.00  
**Monthly Debt to Date:**..... \$1,491.00



**ST. IGNATIUS' PRAYER FOR GENEROSITY:** "Lord, teach me to be generous. Teach me to serve You as You deserve; to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, save that of knowing I do Your will."

**PARENTS** of children who take part each Sunday in our **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** are reminded that it **will not take place** on Sundays, December 24 & December 31.

**THOUGHT FOR TODAY:** Mary received and responded to the Lord's will through the invitation of an angel. Who are God's messengers in your life? **Listen** to God speaking to you through them.

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DEC. 23 - 24**

**VIGIL MASS AT 4 P.M. ON DEC. 23**

**MASSES AT 8:30 AND 10:30 ON DEC. 24**

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**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**CHRISTMAS EVE, SUNDAY, DEC. 24**

**4:00 P.M.**

**6:00 P.M.**

**CHRISTMAS DAY, MONDAY, DEC. 25**

**12:00 A.M. MIDNIGHT**

**8:30 A.M.**

**10:30 A.M.**

**A WARM WELCOME** to all who are going to join us for Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day; those who are visiting family and friends, our college students home on Christmas break, and those who join us each week for Mass. All are welcome to join us each week to praise and thank God and to receive strength from Him through His Word and Sacrament.

**THANKS TO ONE AND ALL** from Fr. Jay, Fr. Jim Fitzpatrick, Fr. Rich Furlong, Deacon Dan Nunes and all our parish staff for your cards, messages, gifts and prayers for Christmas.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT:** We celebrate **CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY** (Jan. 7). Why not leave up **your Christmas Decorations** throughout the Christmas Season.

**WHY DO YOU GENUFLECT TO THE TABERNACLE** (behind the Main Altar) **BEFORE GOING INTO YOUR SEAT BEFORE MASS?** The "Red Sanctuary Lamp" next to the Tabernacle indicates the presence of Jesus Christ. We genuflect on one knee before entering our pew as a **SIGN OF LOVE AND RESPECT** for the **REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE TABERNACLE.**

**THOSE WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO DISTRIBUTE THE BOOKS** after Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are **ASKED TO COME TO THE SACRISTY BEFORE MASS** to receive instructions for the distribution. **THANKS.**

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**IN SUPPORT OF LIFE:** “An unexpected pregnancy can be a difficult and frightening time, and it’s important that your friend knows you are thinking of her and supporting her. Your support might be the only support she receives. Even if we never know how, the smallest things we do can change someone’s life.” From the U.S. Bishops Pro-Life Committee. “10 Ways to Support Her When She’s Unexpectedly Expecting. [www.bit.ly/10WaysRespectLife](http://www.bit.ly/10WaysRespectLife)

**OUR ADVENT BABY BOTTLE PROGRAM** supports the work of “A WOMAN’S CONCERN,” a non-denominational group that offers many pregnancy health services **at no cost** to mothers, babies and families throughout our area. They have an Office right here in Fall River. The bottles **WILL BE COLLECTED AFTER CHRISTMAS ON THE WEEKEND OF DEC. 30 – 31** and **all monies** will be given to the program. Our efforts are truly helpful to many families.

**THE “SIGN OF PEACE” DURING FLU/COLD SEASON:** With the Flu/Cold Season upon us, we will continue to invite people to **share a sign of Christ’s peace** with one another, prior to the reception of Holy Communion. However, **this does not have to be done by shaking hands, etc. It can be simply a verbal exchange between two people.**

**GETTING TOWARDS THE END: OUR ANNUAL PARISH COLLECTION** is well underway. Over the past years, through your generosity to this Appeal, we have been able to undertake some extraordinary repairs to our buildings and property as well as be pro-active in providing for cost-saving measures for the good of our parish (i.e., the conversion of all three buildings to use natural gas as a source of heating). With the advice of our Parish Finance Council and Parish Pastoral Council, we will continue to address the ongoing need for repair projects and capital improvements. **We recently installed all new heat detectors in the church as part of our efforts to maintain safety standards.** Your generosity makes this possible. Returns can be made through the collection basket, by mail, or by dropping it off at the Parish Office (located at the Rectory). **If each family does its fair share, we will have another SUCCESSFUL APPEAL.** As of **Dec. 18, we have received \$44,730.00 from 216 families.** We still have a ways to go to surpass last year’s total of **\$53,915.00. THANKS.**

**WE ARE GRATEFUL** to all who advertise in our bulletin each week and encourage parishioners to patronize their businesses.

**THE 2018 PARISH CALENDARS** are available at the entrances of church. Please take one home with you. **We thank the businesses** who sponsored this year’s calendar.



**OUR LADY OF GRACE ADORATION CHAPEL** is open Monday through Friday, following the 7:00 a.m. Mass until 9:00 p.m.

**THE HOLY NAME VOCATION PRAYER CROSS** is being taken home this week by Collette Fortin and next week by Barbara Wenc. A reminder the Cross and Prayer Book should be picked up in the Sacristy and **returned there the following weekend.**

### PARISH PRAYER LINE

**PARISH PRAYER LINE** is a very important ministry in our Parish. It is an opportunity for parishioners to leave names or intentions that need special prayers from members of our parish. We are **looking for more parishioners who would be willing to commit to taking extra time to pray for these intentions.** It can simply be part of your daily routine of prayer, but will have a great impact on those in need of God’s grace in their lives. If interested in more information and/or volunteering, please call Donna Masterson at 508-676-0412. **If you have any prayer petitions** please call Debbie @ 508-678-8006, Marge @ 508-678-6480, or Nancy @ 508-567-6556.

### PRAYERS

We remember the sick of our parish, especially: Lenora Baker, Rita O’Loughlin, Frankie Pimental, Maureen Ahern, Sheila Oliveira, Thomas Stanton, Carol Power, William Nuttall, Elaine Perreault, Thomas Keane, Catherine Louth, Mae Gouveia, Paula Costa, Helen Mello, Jo-Ann Carr, Claire Flores, Manuel Rapoza, Rosemary Reagan, Nicholas Suneson, Maria Victoria Montaya, Kevin Kelley, Frances Bernard, Robert Lariviere, Edward Cabral., Sarah Hague, Margaret Ryan, Evelyn Lavoie and Alfred Audet.

**PRAYER SHAWLS** for our sick and homebound parishioners are available upon request. Call the Parish Office (508-679-6732) if you would like a Prayer Shawl for someone you know.

**A NOTE FROM FR. JAY:** On the back wall of the interior of the church there are two plaques. Both have names on them. They serve as memorials for deceased parishioners/family members. We are once again offering these Memorial Opportunities. Each name plate may serve as a Memorial for a donation of \$100.00. If you wish to have such a memorial for a loved one, please call Diane at the Parish Office (508-679-6732). See Fr. Jay if you have any questions.



**DECEMBER 24, 2017**

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**HOLY NAME SCHOOL**

Christmas is a time when we recognize God's great love for us in the Incarnation of His Son, Jesus, born of a Virgin, born in a stable, born with only the heralding of angels and shepherds. *At this Christmas, when we all attempt, in some small way, to replicate that love by giving expressions of our love and gratitude to others, please know how very much all you do for Holy Name School, its faculty, staff, and students is truly appreciated. Merry Christmas to all the members of the Holy Name Parish from all the members the Holy Name School Family.*

*Once again the faculty, staff, parents, and students at Holy Name School continued their Christmas tradition of generosity in helping those in need.* Mrs. Masterson coordinated our school's Salvation Army Clothe-a-Child Drive and collected 16 coats or outfits (whichever had been requested by the slips received from the Salvation Army Clothe-a-Child Program) and \$480 in cash donations.

*Holy Name School began its Christmas vacation at the close of school (11:30 a.m.) on Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> and will resume on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>.* Although the school office will be closed, the telephone answer machine will be checked regularly and calls returned in a timely fashion.

**Holy Name School is having an Open House on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.** *All are welcome. We will be accepting registrations at that time.* Please share the information about our Open House with family, friends, and acquaintances who might be interested in enrolling a child at Holy Name School. *If you would like one of our new brochures to share with interested family members or friends, please let us know.* Thank you.

**HOLY NAME FAITH FORMATION**

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS:** There are no Classes this Sunday. Classes for **all students will resume on SUNDAY, JAN 7.**

**ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 1, 2, 8 & 9** who wish to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation **must sign into Mass each Sunday (or Sat. afternoon)**, whether there is class or not (this includes all vacation times as well). If you attend Mass at another Catholic Church on a particular weekend, you must ask the priest who celebrates that Mass to sign a bulletin for you and bring it to your teacher at the next class.