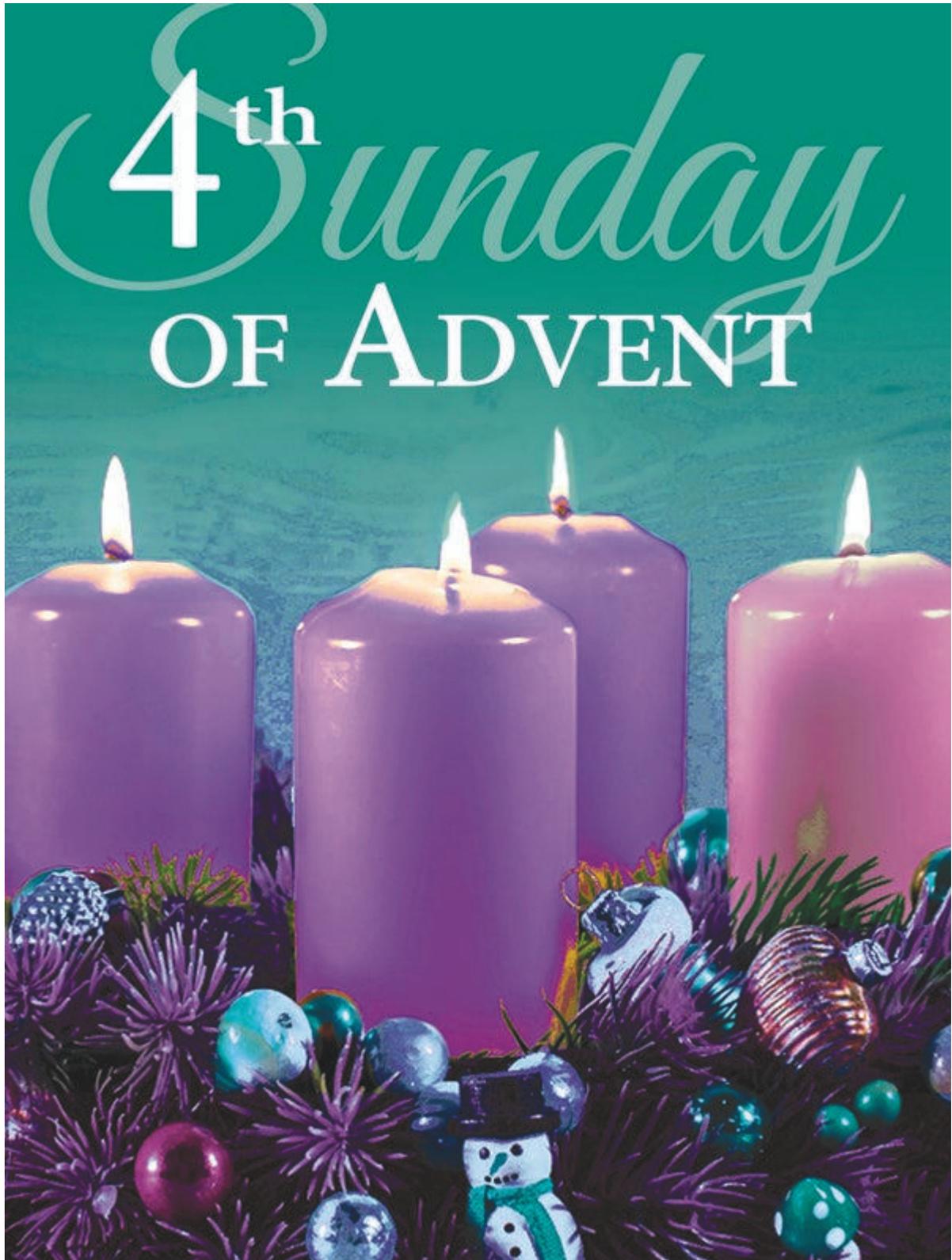




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December 19, 2021

HOLY FAMILY

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 18
5:00 pm Peter Shannon – Memorial
Sunday, December 19
7:30 am Our Parishioners
9:00 am Michael P. Collins – Memorial
10:30 am George & Alice Fotopoulos – Memorial
5:00 pm Sheila Corbitt – Memorial
Monday, December 20
8:15 am John P. Hearson – Month's Mind
Tuesday, December 21
8:15 am John P. Pearson – Birthday Memorial
Wednesday, December 22
8:15 am William Coffey – Memorial
Thursday, December 23
8:15 am Margaret Davis Murphy – Anniversary
Sunday, December 26
7:30 am Our Parishioners
9:00 am Barbara Kennedy – Memorial
10:30 am Sheila Dahlen – Birthday Memorial

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

View 9:00 am Mass live at www.holyfamilyduxbury.org

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Saturday at 8:15 am in main church

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00-4:45 pm

First Fridays 6:30-7:30 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 9 am ending with

Evening Prayer/Benediction at

5 pm in Our Lady's Chapel

Please enter rear door of church

(NO ADORATION ON CHRISTMAS EVE DAY)

PASTOR'S CORNER

What are your plans for Christmas? Will be going away or staying home? If you're staying home, you may be planning to bring along to Christmas Mass some children, grandchildren or other guests who may not have weekend Mass a normal part of their routine. This is an opportunity! It's a chance to share with them how special your participation at Mass is to you. When done in a genuine way without any "guilt trip" language, after praying to the Holy Spirit for courage and guidance on what to share, it could provide some powerful "food for thought" and reflection on what their faith means to them.

For all of us who come to Christmas Mass, we realize that this moment is a wonderful opportunity to reach out to those who are not active in the practice of their faith, who, for various reasons, come to Christmas Mass to celebrate with their family members, friends and neighbors. Their presence with us is a wonderful thing, and could well be an answer to somebody's prayers. Still, these folks will take up a lot of space, including perhaps your usual seat, which some will find off-putting and inconvenient. I encourage you to move beyond any negative feelings this may engender, and make a special effort to give them a warm welcome. Your pleasant attitude, your making room for them, your gentle smile (vs. annoyed look) will go a long way to let them know they are accepted, loved brothers and sisters in Christ, and that we'd like to have them join us more often. I thank you in advance for whatever special efforts and sacrifices you will make to offer this kind of hospitality - not only at Christmas, but throughout the year. You never know what positive impact it will make. Please pray that all of us will experience an abundance of God's love and peace at Christmas!

God bless you!

Fr. Bob

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve – Friday, December 24:

3:00 pm

5:00 pm

7:00 pm (Adult Choir)

9:00 pm

Christmas Day – Saturday, December 25:

10:00 am and 11:30 am

(No 5:00 pm Mass)

For those unable to attend Christmas Mass, all Masses will be live-streamed on our website:

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Thank you! We are a generous people and our God is a generous God.



LEGACY SOCIETY - Please remember Holy Family Parish in your will. It is a wonderful way to help pass on the legacy of our faith to future generations of parishioners! When you do, please let us know so you can join the Legacy Society. Contact our Finance & Operations manager, Cheryl Provost for details.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION - Next week, at all our Christmas Masses, our only collection will be to support the health and retirement needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity! For more information, please visit clergytrust.org.

OFFERTORY GIVING - on a regular basis to our Sunday collection or electronically through our Online Giving option enables our parish to better manage current expenses and more importantly, to be able to prepare a realistic budget for the next year. **Please use the Online Giving option to make a recurring contribution to Holy Family** by using the QR code on this page, or by visiting <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/hfdux>. Thank you!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION BASKETS - Recently, we resumed passing the collection basket during the offertory time of the Mass. As you contribute a portion of your livelihood for the support of Holy Family Church, you symbolically join it with the offering of bread and wine, which represents your own sacrificial offering united to the offering Jesus made for us on the cross. We will no longer be using the receptacles at the doors of the church for parish offerings. Those who contribute online are welcome to drop in the basket a green "I gave online" card available at the doors of the church.

GUIDED MEDITATION TODAY - Our Advent tradition of Guided Meditation will return. Come spend 15-20 minutes after Mass in the chapel **this weekend** after the 5:00 on Saturday and the three Sunday morning Masses! Take a few precious moments to spend a little extra time in prayer to prepare for the coming of Jesus this Christmas!

"LAST CHANCE" CONFESSIONS BEFORE CHRISTMAS - Spiritually prepare for the celebration of Christmas by coming to one of the final opportunities to go to Confession before Christmas: this Tues., Dec. 21 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm and Wed., Dec. 22 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES - If you wish to donate towards Christmas Flowers in memory of deceased loved ones, special envelopes are available at the doors of the church. The names of your loved ones printed clearly on the envelope will be included in an upcoming Christmas season bulletin. Any funds left over after the purchase of flowers will go toward parish operating expenses.

MASK / SOCIAL DISTANCING AT CHRISTMAS - During this surge in the pandemic, all **MUST** wear a mask during Mass, in accordance with an advisory from Cardinal Seán. There will be a section in the lower church for those who would prefer to wear masks **and** social distance. We ask that you stay home if you are exhibiting signs of illness, even if only of a minor nature. All Christmas Masses will be **l i v e - s t r e a m e d** on our website: www.holyfamilyduxbury.org.



USE THIS CODE TO GIVE! - You can now donate to the parish through Givebutter, which accepts **credit cards, Venmo, Apple Pay, and PayPal**. To access Givebutter, use the QR code above, or visit <https://givebutter.com/hhdgsB>.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - MBK is assigning families for its Christmas Campaign. For those who want to adopt a family, please visit MBK at <http://mybrotherskeeper.org/adopt-a-family>. Include your name, address, cell phone number, and the size of the family you are able to provide for. You may bring your gifts to Dn. Art's Bay Farm condo at 69 Tussock Brook Rd between 8-6 any day until **this Tuesday, Dec. 21**. His contact info is: 781-264-0473 or akeefe@holyfamilyduxbury.org. If you are available to bring bags from Art's home over to MBK in Easton, please contact him to be put on his "driver list."



NEW YEARS MASSES - to celebrate the **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God** (not a holyday of obligation this year) will take place on Fri., Dec. 31 at 5:00 pm and Mon., Jan. 1 at 8:15 am. Masses to celebrate the **Solemnity of the Epiphany** (Jan. 1/2) will be on Sat., Jan. 1 at 5:00 pm and Sun., Jan. 2 at 7:30, 9:00 and 10:30 am (the usual weekend Mass schedule).

EVANGELIZING FRIENDS & RELATIVES AT CHRISTMAS - During these days of Advent, start praying now for those you hope will return to Christ and the Church. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the courage to invite family or friends to attend Mass with you. Many people are simply waiting for such an invitation! When you do invite, be sensitive to the way you extend the invitation - extend it as one that genuinely cares for them and longs for them to become full members of the community of faith. For example, you could say, "Our family is planning to attend the 9 o'clock Mass on Christmas Eve at Holy Family; would you (and your family) like to join us?"

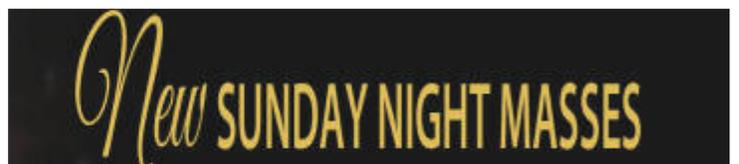
WHY NOT "CHECK-IN" - You may have noticed in the introduction of Weekend Mass an invitation for you to "check in" on your favorite social media before silencing your device. It's one simple way we can share our faith with others. By letting them know where you are - in church at Holy Family, you're sending a message that practicing your Catholic faith is important to you. And, that might just give them pause to consider how important their faith is to them.

AT CHRISTMAS MASS: SMILE AND MOVE IN - Christmas is the celebration of the great mystery of the Incarnation—the gift of God becoming man. When you encounter those who may not be "regulars," smile—be a model of joy! Another way to be welcoming is to move to the center of the pew so that others may easily find a place to sit. Go even further by inviting people searching for seats to join you in the pew!

GREETERS AND CLICKERS - We want to continue to be an evangelizing parish! We need your help. We are looking for volunteers who would like to be greeters to welcome people, and clickers to advance the PowerPoint slides to participate at Sunday Mass!! Cont. Jeanne Cregan at jcregan@holyfamilyduxbury.org for more info.

How Can We Pray FOR You? **DO YOU NEED PRAYERS?** - A Prayer Ministry Phone Line is available here at Holy Family. Call the Phone Line at 781-934-5055 (x133). Leave your name (it can be only your first name) and the specific prayer request. The intention will be passed along to the members of this intercessory prayer ministry. If you wish someone to call you back to acknowledge your request, please leave your phone number as well.

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY - We will be resuming our Altar Server ministry at Holy Family for children 10 years and older. The commitment is small; one or two weekend Masses a month, flexible according to your child's availability. Training is offered by appointment. Please spread the word to children you know who would like to serve at Mass. Parents of interested children should contact Phillip Nagy at phillip.nagy@verizon.net.



5:00 pm - December 19, January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, June 12.

NOTE: The homily and music at these Masses are geared more to young families, which take the place of what was provided formerly at the 9:00 am Sunday Mass.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



We have received word that our 72 Christmas shoeboxes of gifts you donated recently were shipped to children in Honduras at the beginning of December. Thank you for your help and generosity in making Christmas possible for 72 young children in Honduras!



CAROL SING - All are welcome to join a community cappella Carol Sing, today, Sun., Dec. 19 at 4:00 pm at Dandelion Park, 1896 Ocean St., Marshfield. Enjoy Seasonal Music, Hot Cocoa and Tree Lights. For more info, contact Mary Pat McCauley at 339-933-0515.

SUPPORT FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING ADDICTION AND/OR FOR THEIR LOVED ONES - is available here at Holy Family Parish through an *I Thirst* healing ministry trained counselor/parishioner. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Boston, this ministry offers confidential, caring and spiritual support to those experiencing addiction and/or to their loved ones who are suffering due to this affliction. *I Thirst* counselors receive extensive training and support as they engage in this ministry. For more information, contact Eileen Cerne at 781-424-8533 or Paul Kasimatis at 781-934-5890.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY - Over the coming months, Catholics from around the world will be participating in the Synod on Synodality. What does that mean? Here in Boston it means that we will be gathering, as parishes and as a diocese to pray together and to invite the Holy Spirit to help us to listen deeply to one another, and we will talk together about how best to do that. So, for instance, a parish council may get together and ask "How can we as a parish council do a better job of letting the voices of all our parishioners be heard, even those who are not a part of an inner circle or who might be marginalized for whatever reason?" The archdiocese and the church around the world will be engaging in the same sort of conversation. We pray that the Lord will open our hearts to Him and to all of our people.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Learn more about the Knights of Columbus and help support our Church and community. For more information about joining our Council, contact: Jay M o n a g h a n , P G K , Trustee, Membership Director at: 781-424-7004. More info can also be found at: kofc.org or talk with a Knight. Our Council #15210 meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

DYNAMIC CATHOLIC'S NEW CONTENT HUB: DYNAMIC+ - Obtain the free array of **online** resources addressing pivotal moments in the lives of Catholics including: Baptism / Parenting, First Communion / Reconciliation, Confirmation, Marriage Preparation / Marriage Enrichment - all available at <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/plus.html>. Share the word with those who may appreciate accessing these powerful resources!

WOMEN AFFIRMING LIFE ADVENT REFLECTION - View a 27 minute video presented by Sister Marian Batho, CSJ entitled: *Jesus, Our Brother, Our Mentor and Our Friend* available at [click here](#).

VOCATION TO PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT OPPORTUNITIES - Several new activities are available to engage men of various ages and levels of seriousness in discernment. Descriptions are available at www.VocationsBoston.org. For info., cont. Fr. Michael Zimmerman (mzimmerman@rcab.org/781-343-1975) or Fr. Eric Cadin (ecadin@rcab.org 617- 840-1418).

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Baptism: 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month 12:30 pm
 Contact Parish Office to register.



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