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MAY 3, 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

IN MY FATHER'S
HOUSE THERE ARE
MANY DWELLING PLACES.

— JOHN 14:2 —



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Welcome to Holy Family! We are so happy that you are here with us!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 2

5:00 pm Ann Horgan - Birthday Memorial

Sunday, May 3

7:30 am Polly & Bill McBain - Memorial

9:00 am Our Parishioners

10:30 am Joseph C. & Lucy Kazanowski - Mem

5:00 pm Brigid Lundy - Memorial

Tuesday, May 5

8:15 am Colm McMorro - Anniversary

Friday, May 8

8:15 am Don Mickells - Birthday Memorial

Saturday, May 9

5:00 pm Richard Sullivan - Anniversary

Sunday, May 10

9:00 am Charlie & Gertrude Rooney - Mem

10:30 am Michael Chase - Anniversary

5:00 pm Our Parishioners

ASCENSION THURSDAY

May 14 a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will take place in the church at 8:15 am and 6:00 pm.

Pastor's Corner

Lay Catholic evangelist and speaker, Chris Stefanick, shares about a letter he received recently that touched him deeply. He writes, "A man had made a donation in honor of his recently passed mom, because she loved our ministry so much. He described the joy she kept in the midst of so much pain during the last years of her life. She had lost her husband of many years who died. Not long after that she lost most of her possessions in a fire. Then she lost her best friend to cancer. Her faith never wavered. Nor did her joy. She got sepsis and after 48 days of tremendous suffering in the hospital, she succumbed to it and died. The sheer amount of suffering she went through is enough to make anyone doubt a good God, to make anyone question, to make anyone angry," he wrote. 'But I laid beside her in that hospital bed at night and I heard her cry out "Jesus!...Jesus!...He is so good to me.'" She didn't cry out His name to save her. She didn't cry it out in anger. She cried it out in gratitude. No doubt, she is one of those Saints we won't know in this life, but who we will see shining with the greats forever. "Jesus. Jesus." We know very little about the couple on the road to Emmaus, but we do know that Jesus was everything to them. Their goal wasn't an easy life, health, or wealth. They had left their normal life to follow Him. When they thought they lost Him they were walking home. But they instantly turned around and headed back to Jerusalem after He appeared to them, alive. We don't know how their lives ended, but we do know the one thing that mattered to them above all else: Jesus. Jesus. If we live that way, we'll experience the words he spoke to his apostles ringing true in our lives, "No one will take away your joy" (John 16:22). He spoke this knowing all they'd suffer, and how they'd die. And why? Because no one in this world gave it to them. He did. And, He is so good to us..."

Where are you looking for your joy today? Take time each day to deepen your knowledge of and relationship with Jesus – especially by reading one of the Gospels... a little bit at a time. After reading what Jesus said and did in that passage, ask Him to reveal to you what He would like you to "take away" from that Scripture passage, which He invites you to hold in your heart and ponder. Repeat, as that woman did: "Jesus! Jesus!" Ask Him for a taste of the joy He wants you to experience, no matter what your circumstances are. Remember - you are never alone!

God bless you!
Fr. Bob

SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Mass Times

SAT: 5 PM

SUN: 7:30 AM | 9 AM
10:30 AM | 5 PM

*The 9:00 am Mass offers
Children's Liturgy of the
Word and is live-streamed at
www.holyfamilyduxbury.org
(Scroll down on the homepage
to find the live stream)*

CONFESSIONS

FIRST FRIDAYS

6:30 to 7:30 PM

SATURDAY

4 to 4:45 PM

Accessible by rear door of church

DAILY

Mass Times

MON, TUES, THURS, FRI
8:15 AM in main church

EUCCHARISTIC

Adoration

FRIDAYS

After 8:15 AM Mass ending
at 7 PM. Evening Prayer
and Benediction: 5 PM

CHAPEL

Hours

Open for private
prayer daily

9 AM to 4 PM

Parish Stewardship

Weekly Parish Offertory Budget	\$15,385
Offertory collected on 4/26	\$10,237
Online giving 4/26	<u>5,293</u>
Total for 4/26	\$15,530

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CATHOLIC APPEAL

Once a year, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are asked to support the greater church by giving a gift to the Catholic Appeal. To date, Holy Family has raised \$176,759 toward our 2026 Catholic Appeal goal of \$200,000. To make an online pledge, please visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of the 2026 Catholic Appeal.



RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

Mission: "By the grace of God we seek to build a culture of life and to provide mothers the support necessary to deliver, nurture and foster faith in their children."



In May, we celebrate Mother's Day and the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. When the Blessed Mother learned that her cousin Elizabeth was pregnant, she traveled "in haste" to be with Elizabeth in her time of need, despite being pregnant herself (Luke 1:30). As we celebrate this season of life and reflection, may it bring peace and inspiration to you and your loved ones.

Respect Life Committee members will offer silk Roses for Life after all Masses next weekend, **May 9-10**, in honor of Mother's Day. Donations will support Friends of the Unborn Home, which assists mothers and infants in need. All are welcome to join the Respect Life Committee. The next meeting is next **Saturday, May 9 at 8:30 AM** in the Herrick Room.

FIRST COMMUNION

Please keep in your prayers the children who will be receiving their First Eucharist. Front center pews will be reserved for the children and their families, and these Masses may be more crowded than usual. We appreciate your understanding and your help in warmly welcoming them.



First Holy Communion will be celebrated at the following Masses: **May 9 at 5:00 PM; May 10 at 10:30 AM; and May 17 at 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.** If you attend one of these Masses, please take a moment to congratulate the children and share in the joy of welcoming them to the Table of the Lord.

CONFIRMATION

Please pray for our Confirmation candidates. 79 teens and one adult received the Sacrament of Confirmation here at Holy Family on Friday, May 1. This sacrament completes one's initiation in the Catholic Church. May the Holy Spirit to do great things in them and through them in the years ahead!



Join us in congratulating Eric DeBello (pictured with his wife and sponsor, Sarah) as he received the Sacrament of Confirmation and made his First Communion this past weekend at the Cathedral with Archbishop Henning, along with 121 others from around the Diocese.

SHARE YOUR PARISH MOMENTS

It's been a meaningful and full few weeks at Holy Family. If you have photos to share, we would love to see them. Tag us, message us on social media, or email your photos to photos@holyfamilyduxbury.org



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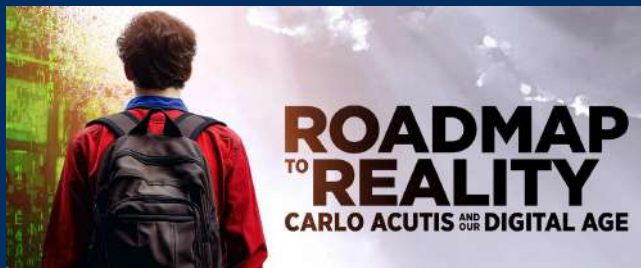


KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?



or completing their initiation in the Catholic Church by receiving Holy Eucharist and Confirmation? Let them know about the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.). We are available at any time to answer what questions you may have. Interested persons are welcome to contact Jeanne Cregan at 781-934-5055 x114 / jcregan@holyfamilyduxbury.org. Please spread the word!

MOVIE NIGHT



Join us for a special Parish Movie Night on **Sunday, May 31 at 6:15 PM** in the Parish Center as we watch the movie *Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality*.

This inspiring film tells the story of Blessed Carlo Acutis, a modern teenager who used his passion for technology to share his deep love for the Eucharist. His life is a powerful reminder that holiness is possible at any age—and in the midst of everyday life.

All are welcome. Bring family and friends for an uplifting evening together.

TOP SECRET: The Case for Christ Investigation!

Summer Bridge Faith Formation

Who: Students entering 6th & 7th grade this fall

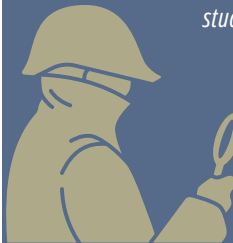
When: **Sunday, July 26** | 5:00 PM Mass, followed by supper & session (approx. 5:00–7:30 PM; students attend w/ a parent)

Monday, July 27 – Thursday, July 30 | 6:00–8:00 PM

Why: This summer, we're opening the case files and examining the evidence. Join us for a 5-night investigation exploring the facts, science, and eyewitness accounts behind The Case for Christ.



Can YOU commit? Becoming an "Official Investigator" requires attendance at all 5 nights. Each session builds on the next, so consistent participation is essential to complete the investigation. *Please only register if your student can attend all sessions.*



This program fulfills the Summer Bridge Faith Formation requirement for the 2026–2027 school year. Scan QR code to register.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Help bring comfort through prayer and knitting. This ministry creates shawls for the sick, elderly, and anyone facing challenges. Monetary donations for yarn are always welcome.

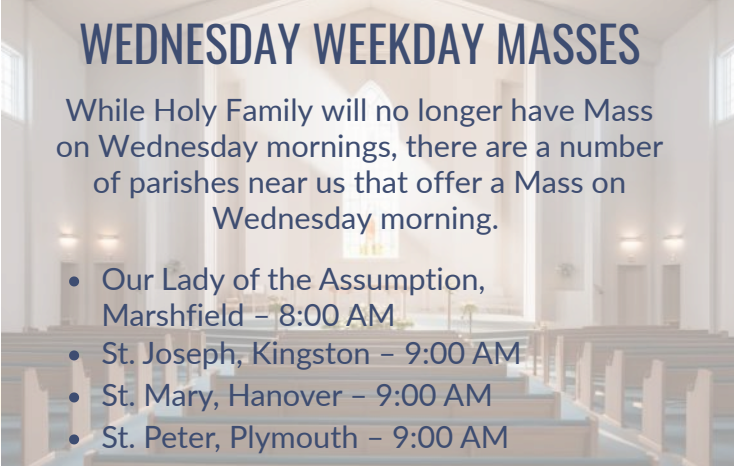


Join the knitting group on the first Tuesday of the month – next meeting is this **Tues., May 5, from 1–2 PM** at Holy Family. For more information, contact Mary Jane Roche at 781-264-4943.

WEDNESDAY WEEKDAY MASSES

While Holy Family will no longer have Mass on Wednesday mornings, there are a number of parishes near us that offer a Mass on Wednesday morning.

- Our Lady of the Assumption, Marshfield – 8:00 AM
- St. Joseph, Kingston – 9:00 AM
- St. Mary, Hanover – 9:00 AM
- St. Peter, Plymouth – 9:00 AM



ANNULMENTS WORKSHOP

Tuesday, May 12 from 7-8:30

AM, the Archdiocesan Family Life team, in collaboration with



the Metropolitan Tribunal, present *Annulments: A Workshop to Promote Understanding and Healing*. The goal of this online workshop is to help the faithful and parish leadership understand what an annulment (decree of nullity) is versus the myths long surrounding this topic. They will cover the process and the grounds for an annulment, how long it takes, and more. The hope is that a clearer understanding becomes a pathway to healing through a return to full participation in the sacramental life of the Church. For more information visit, bit.ly/UnderstandingAnnulments.

CRADLES TO CRAYONS DONATION BIN

Did you know there is a purple Cradles to Crayons donation bin in the Tremont Street parking lot, next to the St. Vincent de Paul bins?

Cradles to Crayons accepts new and like-new items for children from newborn through age 12. Donations are sorted and thoughtfully assembled into packages for children facing clothing insecurity and other challenges.



As you clean out closets, attics, basements, or garages, please consider donating gently used children's items, especially clothing, books, and footwear.

Please ensure all donations fit inside the bin and are not left outside.

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION EXTENDED

Come spend time with the Lord

We are excited to share that Eucharistic Adoration is being extended once again! Beginning **Friday, June 5**, Adoration will now be available from **9:00 AM to 9:00 PM**, offering more opportunities to encounter Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

To make this possible, we are in need of additional adorers, especially during the new evening hours from 7:00-9:00 PM. Contact Carole McArthur to sign up at cmc11@prodigy.net:

In the Eucharist, we believe Jesus is truly present—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Adoration is a sacred time to sit in His presence, bring Him your prayers, and find peace in the midst of a busy world.



We invite you to consider committing to one hour each week (or every other week). Your "yes" helps ensure that someone is always present with the Lord and makes it possible for others to come and pray.

"Could you not watch with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40)

PROJECT RACHEL

Saturday, May 16, 2026, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats.

Seeking Peace after Abortion? Project Rachel Retreats offer hope, healing, and peace with God. Locations are confidential. Call 508-651-3100 for details.

HEALING SERVICE

Friday, May 15

Deacon Jack Sullivan will lead the service in the main church at Holy Family on **Friday, May 15**, beginning with Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm, followed by Benediction before the healing service at 5:30 pm.

In July 2009, Pope Benedict XVI announced that Deacon Jack's sudden and remarkable healing from a crippling spinal injury – after prayer for Cardinal John Henry Newman's intercession. Deacon Jack will bless attendees with a relic of St. John Henry Newman. For more info, contact Deacon Jack at 781-563-2107.



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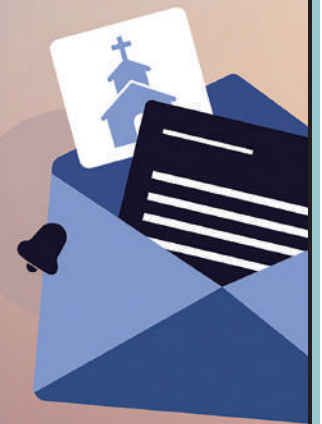
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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Friday 10 AM *

**For the second Sunday thereafter.*

Subject to change due to occasional early deadline date

REGULAR MEETINGS

Christian Men in Discussion

Saturdays at 7:30 am-8:30 am
Contact Deacon Donald Larose
dlarose@holyfamilyduxbury.org

Daytime Bible Study

Thursday (Sept.-June) at 10:00 am-11:30 am

The Respect Life Committee

Second Saturday of the month 8:30 am - 9:30 am
Contact Colleen Larose at
clarose1960@outlook.com

The Prayer Shawl Ministry

First Tuesday of each month from 1 pm to 2 pm
Contact Mary Jane Roche at 781-264-4943

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Contact Jeanne Cregan at
jcregan@holyfamilyduxbury.org

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS - Monday through Thursday - 9 am to 4 pm. Friday 9 am to 12 noon.

FACING A LIFE CHALLENGE? - Our parish Stephen Ministry offers one-on-one confidential care and support. Contact Deacon Don Larose at 781-635-5502 or Colleen Larose at 339-832-2366.

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SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the proposed date and before finalizing reception plans.



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

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