

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CENTRAL FALL RIVER, MA


Mass Schedule

Saturday, April 13:

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

Sunday, April 14:

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

Monday, April 15:

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

Tuesday, April 16:

9:00 a.m. (Good Shepherd)
12:05 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)
4:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)

Wednesday, April 17:

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

Thursday, April 18:

7:00 p.m. (Good Shepherd)

Friday, April 19

7:00 p.m. (St. Stanislaus)
6:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)

Saturday, April 20:

4:00 p.m. (Good Shepherd)
7:30 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral)
7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's Cathedral, Brazilian)

Sunday, April 21

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)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (Vigil)

Candido & Maria DaSilva
Ethelvina (Tillie) Souza
Brazilian Community

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Joao DaCosta esposa e filhos
Manuel and Agueda Neves
Sue Plichta
Jose F Calouro
Spanish Community
Alfred and Stella Stulpin

Monday of Holy Week

Jose and Gloria Silva

Tuesday of Holy Week

Louis A Cyr
For all parishioners
Chrism Mass

Wednesday of Holy Week

Donald Desmarais
Father Kaszynski

Thursday of Holy Week

Mr & Mrs Manuel Pacheco & son Daniel

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Nowacki Family (Karen Plichta)
Spanish Community

Vigil of the Solemnity of Easter

Peggy Medeiros
Easter Vigil with Bishop daCunha
Brazilian Community

Solemnity of Easter

For all parishioners
For all parishioners
Father Robert Kaszynski
Antonio Brandao Sousa
Spanish Community

The Sanctuary Lamp (St. Mary's Cathedral) burns in loving memory of the Souls in Purgatory
The Sanctuary Lamp (Good Shepherd): José F Calouro
The Our Lady of Angels (Good Shepherd): Marcelino Melo
The Sanctuary Lamp (St. Stanislaus): Val Polka (Senior Choir)
The Divine Mercy Lamp (St. Stanislaus): In Thanksgiving for all Graces and Blessing Received
Our Lady of Czestochowa Lamp (Saint Stanislaus): For the people of the parish
Pope Saint John Paul Lamp (Saint Stanislaus): In Memory of Mark Butler (Denis & Valli)

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THE SHEPHERD'S CORNER

THE GREAT AND HOLY WEEK. With today's celebration of Palm Sunday, we enter into the most sacred week of the whole church year. This week is what our Lenten journey has been all about. Lent has prepared us to enter into this sacred time and allow the Lord to once again renew us as individuals and as a community.

This year, our first year as a collaborative, we are going to engage in what is called a Stational Liturgy. This is a tradition from Rome that dates back to the late 2nd Century. It was a practice that brought the Pope and the people of Rome together in the various important churches of Rome for prayer making their way through their city and uniting it in prayer. Instead of having separate Sacred Triduum's in each of our parish, we will engage in a common Triduum that will take us stationally through the Churches of our Collaborative. Our choirs have come together to form a common choir, our other ministers are also coming together to enrich these celebrations. We will pray together throughout the city. A full schedule of our Holy Week events is found in a special handout in the bulletin today.

Holy Week is one continuous, week-long celebration of our salvation. Today, Palm Sunday, is the prologue to the week. We see today where we are headed in the days ahead.


On Thursday (at Good Shepherd) we are reminded of the incredible gift of God's presence in the Eucharist, and the call to be people of service, people who wash one another's feet. Friday (at St. Stanislaus) will remind us of the depth of God's love for us. That God loves us so much, so deeply, that He sacrifices His only Son so that we might be saved. The Easter Vigil on Saturday (at St. Mary's Cathedral) and Easter Sunday remind us that God can conquer all things – even death. The resurrection is not only about Jesus being restored to life; it is about the promise that God makes to each one of us in our baptism, that we will live with Him forever.

My challenge to everyone is don't merely show up again next Sunday for Easter, but enter into this Great and Holy Week. Let us pray together throughout our city, for our city. Experience the sights and sounds of Holy Week, its messages and promises. Walk each day through the great story of our salvation and experience what this week offers. Let God renew you with the grace and the wonder of Easter. See you all this week!

Peace, love, and prayers,

Fr. Tom

Total of the collections of the weekend of April 7:

	Good Shepherd	St Stanislaus
	Wkly: \$3,062	Wkly: \$2,559
	Fuel: \$1,222	Needy: \$926
	Etc.: \$691	Etc.: 703

CATHEDRAL RELIEF SERVICES

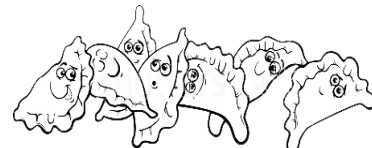
Sincere thanks to all of our parishioners & visitors who contribute to our parish food pantry with care and compassion especially during this Lenten season when you fill our baskets & shelves to feed the needy in our community. Please remember that monetary donations are graciously accepted too. Please place your donation in an envelope marked Food Pantry & drop it in the collection basket. As always please pray for those in need and for our generous donors who allow us to provide this much needed ministry. Thanks to St Stan's school community for their generosity in donating several boxes of non perishable food items. Our next distribution will be held on **APRIL 28, 8 to 9:30 am**. We will stock the shelves on Tuesday, April 23 after the 12:05 mass and prepare the distribution bags on Thursday, April 25 at 6pm (both of these dates are scheduled in the same week due to Holy Week) Volunteers are always welcome to assist with stocking the shelves, preparing bags & distribution. If anyone expresses a need for food items at anytime we have distribution bags available at the rectory or in the Church building to fulfill those requests. We also have some monetary resources to assist people's requests in other ways, please do not hesitate to ask and if we cannot help we have information available to refer people to other agencies.

ITEMS NEEDED: pasta & sauce, hearty soups, cereal, oatmeal, non refrigerated milk, pancake mix & maple syrup, Mac & cheese. We had 65 bags leftover and we prepared an additional 30 bags. Our patrons can be anywhere from 15 to 80 so we always want to be ready for the greater amount. This month we had. 52 patrons.

ST. STAN'S FAMILY FESTIVAL NEWS

Our annual Festival is Friday May 31st, 5-9pm and Saturday June 1st, 5-9pm. The next distribution of raffle tickets will be April 28th. Please pick up your ticket envelopes if you haven't yet at the 11am mass. Thank you to all who continue to take the time to make our polish food. Many hands make less work! "In Memory Of" envelopes as well as the festival flyer will be in the bulletin after Easter. We are still asking for volunteers to help us set up and break down the chairs, tables, freezers, refrigerators etc. Thanks to everyone who has continued to help and support our festival! If anyone is interested in getting involved please contact me.

Maryanne
508-493-0759



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Monday: Monday of Holy Week; Income Tax Day
Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week
Thursday: Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum
Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday);
Fast and Abstinence; Passover begins
Saturday: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night;
Holy Saturday

YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MASS

We continue our new Youth & Young Adult Sunday Evening Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral. This Mass is youth focused and has excellent contemporary Christian music. It is OPEN TO ALL. Perfect if you didn't have a chance to get to Mass Sunday morning. We're always looking for youth and young adult readers, servers, and Eucharistic Ministers. Contact Fr. Tom (frtomw@gmail.com) if you'd like to help out. If you would like to schedule that Mass for your intentions, please call the rectory at 508-673-2833 Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Just a reminder** — There will be NO 6:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday, April 21. Thank you.

WE WANT TO CONNECT WITH YOU

We are using a new service - called Flock Notes - to communicate with parishioners. With this service, we can send out timely notices about important things happening in the parish. All you have to do is text 3CFR to 84576 on your phone to sign up or visit: <https://app.flocknote.com/3cFallRiver>. It only works if you sign up, so please take a moment to do that today.

LENTEN RICE BOWLS Please turn in your rice bowls as soon as possible. Sincere thanks!

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Cathedral Relief services will meet on Tuesday, May 7 at 6 pm. The Central Catholic Fall River collaborative social activities / fundraising will meet on Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30 pm. Both of these meetings will be held in the Bishop's chapel. New members are always welcome!

YOUTH MASS WITH BISHOP DA CUNHA - April 14

Bishop da Cunha will join us on Sunday, April 14 as presider for our Sunday evening Youth Mass (St. Mary's Cathedral, 6 p.m.). Join us for this special Mass with our young people and our bishop!

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.

PRAYER LINE

Anyone interested in joining our prayer line to pray for those in need please call the parish office.

To request prayers please call 508-678-7412

PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

Tuesday, May 7th 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

ST STAN'S SENTIORS

May 2 - Foxwood Casino \$18 includes busfare, gratuity for driver, free play and buffet.

Bus leaves Good Shepherd parking lot at 8:30am

For more information or reservation call

Phyllis 508-676-8378; Adele 508-672-0030;

Ann 508-674-7355

HOLY ROSARY SODALITY

The Holy Rosary Prayer Intention for April: During this Lenten season pray for grace, forgiveness, and love of all our brothers & sisters around the world.

For information in English or Portuguese call

Norma 508-496-0199

The prayer intentions for April for the Holy Rosary Sodality of St. Stanislaus Parish are that our parish grow in holiness and courage so that we may follow faithfully in Our Savior's footsteps, and that we allow God's Divine Mercy to transform our lives in real and profound ways.

The Divine Mercy chaplet will be prayed at 5:20pm followed by the recitation of the Rosary at 5:30pm on Wednesday and Friday evenings prior to Mass at Saint Stanislaus Church. All are Welcome!

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.

BIBLE STUDY AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Tuesdays at 3:30pm

PRAYER GROUP AT GOOD SHEPHERD

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



“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” Mt 5:4

The Consolation Committee invites interested parishioners to join them in their pastoral accompaniment of families grieving the loss of a loved one. Team members offer guidance and support throughout the grieving process, from funeral preparation through those first difficult months. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, please contact Donna Carney at 774-322-0355.

Year of The Visitation of The Icon of Our Lady of Czestochowa Icon Visitation dates have been extended

through August 2019. Being a host family requires only that you honor Our Lady through prayer during your host week. You can bring her to your home following the 11:00am Mass (Sunday) at Saint Stanislaus. Return must be before the 11:00am Mass the following Sunday. A lighter icon of Our Lady is available in the sacristy. You may choose either one. Any questions contact: Denita Tremblay 401-624-9680

STEBENVILLE EAST SUMMER YOUTH CONFERENCE

July 12-14 The Steubenville East Summer Youth Conference is a great opportunity for high-school aged youth to gather with their peers for an exciting weekend learning more about their faith. It takes place at UMass Lowell July 12-14. We are hoping for a good group of teens and chaperones will attend this amazing conference. If you are interested in attending as a teen or chaperone, please contact Mike Boucher at mboucher@3cfallriver.org. A small deposit is required, but we will fundraise the rest.

Join us for a weekend of engaging liturgies, inspiring music, challenging talks and overwhelming joy.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

- Tuesday (4:00 p.m.) **Chrism Mass**, St. Mary's Cathedral
- Wednesday (6:30 p.m.) Confessions, St. Stanislaus
- Last chance for confession before Easter*
- Thursday, (7:00 p.m.) **Mass of the Lord's Supper**, Good Shepherd Church
- Friday, (3:00 p.m.) Stations of the Cross, St. Mary's Cathedral
- Friday, (5:00 p.m.) Living Way of the Cross, begins outside St. Anne Church
- Friday (7:00 p.m.) **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion**, St. Stanislaus
- Saturday (12:00 noon), Blessing of Easter Foods, St. Stanislaus Church
- Saturday (7:30 p.m.) **Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection**, St. Mary's Cathedral

Easter Sunday:

- 9:00 a.m. Good Shepherd Church
- 10:00 a.m. St. Mary's Cathedral (with Bishop da Cunha)
- 11:00 a.m. St. Stanislaus Church
- 11:30 a.m. Good Shepherd Church (Portuguese)
- 12:30 p.m. St. Mary's Cathedral (Spanish)
- THERE IS NO 6:00 P.M. MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY*

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

When battered by life's storms, or immersed in a dense fog of suffering and uncertainty, we may feel alone and unequipped to handle the circumstances. Yet with words that echo through thousands of years into the corners of our hearts, the Lord says to us, "Do not fear: I am with you" (Isaiah 41:10).

~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2017-18 Respect Life Reflection

Respect Life Prayer Intention

For all whose lives are in jeopardy, may they come to know that God never abandons His children, but remains always at their side.

You are invited to join the next Respect Life Prayer Service. It will be held on Saturday, May 4th at 9:00am at St. Stanislaus Church. The service is followed by refreshments and fellowship. All are welcome!

March/April

- 4/14-4/21 John & Mary Lou Cordeiro
- 4/21-4/28 Eileen Hadfield
- 4/28-5/5 Joan Medeiros

May

- 5/5-5/12 Seseske Family
- 5/12-5/19 Tom & Elaine Skibinski
- 5/19-5/26 Tony & Nancy Sousa
- 5/26 -6/2 Joanna Perry

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Priscilla Barton, MaryJane W., Alice Gauthier, Ricky Nobrega, Rita Cabral, Rebekah Ponte, Kim & Anne Fischer, Beatrice Moniz, Patricia O'Brien, Anne Marie Hallisey, Kathleen Correia, Barbara Howard, Ann & Bob Zygiel, Kim Dias, Fernanda Dias, Floyd Fischer, John Romero Jr., Eddie Gravel, Anne Varley, Patricia O'Brien, Kelly O'Brien, Alyssa Camara, Claire Carreiro, 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, Sarah Steen, Paul & Lisa Reed, Alfred Ferry, Richard Kozik, and Lenny Viveiros.

In Thanksgiving for all graces and blessings received.