



ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH

The Catholic Parish of East Falmouth on Cape Cod

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This Week's Liturgy

From Sadlier Press (our textbook company) This page offers a reflective look on this coming week's readings for Mass. Included are prayers, reflections and activities for all ages.

[We Believe Web](#)

Saints Corner

Each week we will highlight a different saint and link you to more information about their lives. This week, we celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12th! This feast day celebrates the appearance of our Blessed Mother to a man named Juan Diego in Mexico. [Click here to learn more about Our Lady of Guadalupe!](#)

Live Stream

We are now live streaming here at St. Anthony's! All of our Masses and special

Faith Formation Update December 13, 2017

Dear Faith Formation Families,

I hope you all are having a great week so far. This is our last class weekend before the holiday break. I am so very thankful for how the first half of the year has turned out and am looking forward to the second half of the year. This weekend we also celebrate in the Church the 3rd Sunday of Advent also known as Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is a word that means to "rejoice" and for right reason. We are just a short time away from Christmas, when we celebrate the coming of the Son of God. We are reminded this weekend that this is a joyful time and that we should rejoice for what is to come. In the first reading for this Sunday, the prophet Isaiah writes, "I rejoice heartily in the LORD, in my God is the joy of my soul." Let us welcome the Lord into our hearts and let that joy permeate every aspect of our lives. It is through joy that we can truly live out the Gospel message.

News & Updates

Gr. 1-7

Our Faith Formation program will meet as normal this weekend.

Sunday students will meet on Sunday, December 10th from 9:50am-10:50am, and Monday students will meet on Monday, December 11th from 4:15pm-5:15pm.

If you know that your student will be absent, please let me know so that we can maintain accurate attendance records.

As a reminder this will be our last class session until January. Have a very blessed Christmas and a happy New Year!



Pre-Confirmation (gr. 8) and Confirmation (gr. 9)

Pre-Confirmation (gr. 8) and Confirmation (gr. 9) will meet on **Sunday, December 17th**. Sign-in for Mass at 10:45am in the parish basement followed by Mass at 11:00am. **After Mass,**



events will be live streamed on our website. [Click here to check out the stream!](#)

Pre-Confirmation (gr. 8) will meet in Fatima Hall and Confirmation (gr. 9) will meet in the church basement.

As a reminder for our Confirmation (gr. 9) students: please remember to turn in your [sponsor](#) & [Confirmation name](#) forms (click for each form) this Sunday, December 17th. It is **very important** that we receive these forms by that day.

Confirmation (gr. 9) Retreat

As a reminder to our Confirmation (gr. 9) class: our Confirmation retreat REVERSED is **this Sunday, Dec. 17th beginning with Mass at 11AM, followed by retreat until 5pm.** As part of your commitment to the program, attendance for all of the retreat is **mandatory.** If there are any questions, please feel free to get in touch with me.



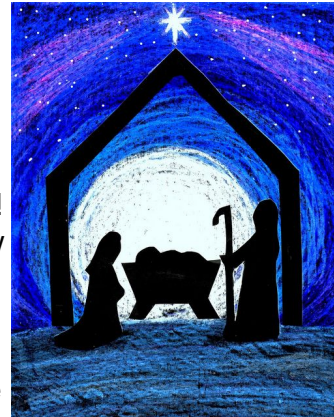
Safe Environment

Continuing this weekend, students will be participating in a Safe Environment presentation for part of their class. This is a program mandated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as part of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People that is required for students of all ages. Please refer to the separate letter that was sent out for more information.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas is fast approaching and I wanted to let you know about our Christmas Mass Schedule here at St. Anthony's! As a reminder, because of how the calendar is this year, the 4th Sunday of Advent falls on the same weekend as Christmas. Because of this, we are still obligated to attend Mass twice that weekend (once for the 4th Sunday of Advent and once for Christmas).



Christmas Eve

4:00 PM– With music from our new adult choir
6:00 PM– With music from our children's choir

12:00 AM– With contemporary worship music

Christmas Day

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

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