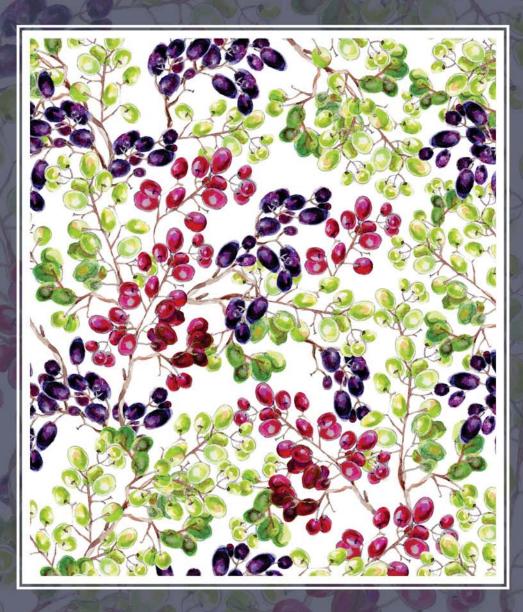
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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." John 15:1-2

## SAINT THERESA OF AVILA PARISH

## IN COLLABORATIVE WITH SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM PARISH

## SAINT THERESA OF AVILA

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm in Main ChurchSunday:8:00 am, 10:00 am in Main ChurchDaily:Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 amHoly Days:As announcedConfessions:Thursday 6:30 –7:00 pm in the Chapel.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday morning following 8:30 A.M. Mass SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am Daily: Tuesday, Thursday 4:30pm, Saturday 8:30am Holy Days: As announced Confessions: Saturday morning 9:15-9:45 A.M. Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: Saturday morning

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## MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 28, 3024

## Sunday, April 28

8:00 A.M Mary Jane Zucca—Memorial Mass 10:00 A.M. Patricia Tuohy—Anniversary Mass

Monday, April 29

8:30 A.M. Joanna DeGuglielmo-Memorial Mass

## Wednesday, May 1

8:30 A.M. Special Intention Mass Austin Benson—Memorial Mass

## Friday, May 3

8:30 A.M. Deceased Members of the Fahey Family Memorial Mass

## Saturday, May 4

4:30 P.M. Bernard Logue—Anniversary Mass Austin Benson—Month's Mind Mass Anthony Pagliarulo and Annie McAdams Memorial Mass

## Sunday, May 5

8:00 A.M	Arthur Joseph O'Keefe—40th Anniversary Mass
10:00 A.M.	Meg Beatty Coyne—Anniversary Mass
	Marie Bostrom—Anniversary Mass

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## MISSION STATEMENT PRAYER OF SAINT THERESA OF AVILA

Christ has no body now on earth but yours; yours are the only hands with which He can do His work, yours are the only feet with which He can go about the world, Yours are the only eyes through which His compassion can shine forth. Christ has no body on earth now but yours.

APRIL 28, 2024

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As of April 16, 69 donors from Saint Theresa Parish have pledged \$26,885 to the 2024 Catholic Appeal- - - 34% of our goal of \$78,500. If you have not made a donation yet, please use the envelopes in the pews or scan the QR Code above to do so. We thank you for your generosity.



A CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Date/Time: Sunday, April 28 - 6:30pm to 8pm Location: Saint John Chrysostom Parish 4750 Washington St, West Roxbury Contact: Rudy Flores - 617-325-1300 x118



#### APRIL 28, 2024







#### RECESSIONAL HYMN

**COMMUNION HYMN** 



The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place at Saint Theresa Parish on Thursday evening, May 2. **THERE WILL BE NO CONFESSIONS ON THURSDAY EVENING.** Confessions will resume on Thursday, May 9th

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FX. I	will praise you, Lord,	in the as-sem-bly	of your peo - ple.
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#### PREPARATION HYMN

	I Am the	Vine	
1., 4. I am the	vine and		branch - es,
2. So let my	joy com -		cheer you
3. Stay close and	root my		in you:
Pruned and pre -	pared for	all to	see;
In whom my	hope and	king - dom	lies;
What you re -	quest, you	soon shall	have
Cho - sen to	bear the	fruit of	heav - en
Lov - ing each	oth - er	as I	loved you,
Un - til you	car - ry	fruit in	plen - ty,
If you re -	main and	trust in	me.
Sa - vor that	love whici	h nev - er	dies.
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## CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD PANTRY

The Catholic Charities Food Pantry remains in desperate need of donations, especially now with rising prices. The situation continues to be urgent for many families. You may bring your contributions of food to the rectory garage on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 A.M.—1:00 P.M. Thank you for your ongoing generous support.

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO STATE MIGRANT CRISIS

We remind you about the Saint Vincent de Paul clothing bin in the parking lot at Saint John Chrysostom Parish for donations of clothing to help the migrants. Your generous response to this emergency request will be greatly appreciated.

Come pray the beautiful Patriotic Rosary for our Country on **THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**, Thursday, May 2 at 1:00 P.M. at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 547 Washington St. Rte 1A, Norwood, MA For Information, call: 781-762-4391



#### A PRAYER FOR THE HOLY LAND

May all who love the Holy Land seek to bring about among all the parties engaged in the fighting a cessation of violence, respect for civilian populations and the release of hostages. "As we pray urgently for peace, we recall especially all the families and individuals suffering from these

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#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

#### PROJECT RACHEL

Are you – or someone you know – seeking peace after an abortion? The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women experiencing regret from a past abortion to attend a Come to the Waters of Healing one-day retreat. Upcoming dates are Saturday, May 11 and Saturday, June 8. Locations are confidential. For more information on the retreats or other services, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or <u>help@projectrachelboston.com</u>.

AL-ANON FAMILY meets on Zoom every Wednesday night, 7:30--8:30 P.M. Meeting ID number is 815 638 572 82. The password to get into the meeting is 665775. You can also find this on the Al Anon site. New members always welcome!



## PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

#### LORD, OUR GOD, HELP OF THE HELPLESS, BE NEAR OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS WHO SUFFER THIS DAY. GRANT THEM STRENGTH, PEACE OF MIND AND HEART, AND RENEWED HEALTH IF IT BE YOUR WILL, THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD.

#### AMEN.

Tim Albert, Gary Anderson, Joseph Anderson, Mary Antonellis, Michelle Baker, Alan Bartlett, Marilyn Barry, Margaret Barto, Catherine Bielawa, Stephen Bisordi, Joseph Blackman, Diane Blaskiewicz, Kevin Boettger, Margaret Bomba, Jr., Damien Brennan, Chet Broderick, Katie Broderick, Paul Broderick, Kendall Buczvnski, Stephanie Buczvnski, Frank Budukiewicz, Geraldine Bulman, Joan Bumila, Larry Burke, Allen Cameron, Lisa Carden, Maria Cemrania, Jeanne Clancy, Nicholas Cleary, Brendan Cogavin, Charles Collins, John Collins, Rose Connolly, Mary Connors, Eileen Corrigan, Teresa Costa, Tom Cunningham, Richard Curran, Jr., Debra Daum, Gary D'Avila, Mary DeSantis, Lorraine DeVirgilio, Cristina Donatelli, Claire Donohoe, Kristen Doty, John J. Doyle, Kathleen Durepo, John Ellis, Helen Evans, Audrey Fallon, Barbara Farulla, Joseph Federico, Mary Feeney, Rose Finn, Joseph Fisher, Griffin Fleishman, Charles Fleming, Patrick Flynn, Dan Foley, Neil Foley, Terry Forkins, Ben Fox, Nora Frasier, Karen Glazer, Louise Gogg, Louise Goodwin, Eleanor Gordon, Colin Andrew Greco, Stephan Grundy, Patricia Hade, Denise Hamilton, Ann Hanlon, Patricia Dolan Harwitz, Elizabeth Heffernan, Mary D. Hennessey, Jackie Hess, Barbara Hickey, Louise Marie Hogan, Eleanor Howard, Janet Hughes, Meaghan W. Hussey, Kyle Johnson, Phil Keating, Mary Kenny, Karen Kostek, Irene Kyricos, Kylee LeSourd, Madison Paige Losuts, Taylor Anne Lynch, Lois MacDonald, Kathleen Maloney, Shawn Patrick Maloney, Elizabeth Matalobos, Jason McCann, Michael McCarthy, Patrick McCarty, Linda McClelland, Helen McCloskey, Mildred McDermott, Kara McGonagle, Erin McGuirk, Ellen McKenna, Jessica McKenzie, Joanne McKenzie, Neil McLaughlin, Paul McNamara, Hilda Mendise, Anna Minotti, Cynthia Monahan, Joe and Cindy Morello, Deanna Morrissey, Maryellen Mulkern, Pat Mullen, Honora Murphy, Annie Murray, Maria Nadile, Michael Nadile, Donna Nazzaro, Bruce Newman, Billy O'Brien, Mary O'Brien, Sister Mary O'Brien, Daniel O'Connor, Jay O'Connor, Natalie O'Connor, Patrick O'Connor, Barbara Page, John Palumbo, Virginia Palumbo, Steve Papia, Sheila Papia, Nicole Pellagrino, James Perri, Carol Pitman, Marie Polo, Virginia Prendergast, Kathy Psarros, Barton Ramos, Josephine Rappa, Steven Ricchiuti, Theresa Ricco, Joel Rivera, Kate Robbins, Kathleen Ryan, Merry Samonte, Lawrence Samonte, Stephen Shea, Jeannie Schlosky, Gina Scrima, John Sera, Kevin Shea, Zachary Shea, Claire Sloane, Terry Smart, Catherine Spellman, William Spicer, Albert Spiniello, Diane Carr Staton, John Sullivan, Patsy Sullivan, Philip Sullivan, Timothy Sullivan, Irene Supino, Steve Theodorakis, Mary Timony, Ellen Tobin, Joshua Torremoro, Edward Treseler, Jr., Edward Treseler, Sr., Peter Usherwood, Stephen Usherwood, Albert Vincentio, Ellen Vogel, Mary Walsh, Paula Ward, Catherine Watson, Brian Webber, Cassandra Welles, Bill Whitcomb, Anthony Young, and Florence Yu

## Prayers for my brother Thomas who is in need of a kidney transplant.

If you are willing to give the gift of life, please contact Debbie, his Living Donor Champion, at savetomslife723@gmail.com

If you know of anyone on this list who is no longer in need of prayers please call the rectory to have their name removed 617-323-4410

## Prayer to Saint Joseph Defender of Life

Dearest St. Joseph, At the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child.

We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life.

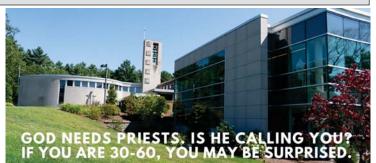
Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.

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## **READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2024 YEAR B**

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5 <sup>™</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER April 28	Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32/1 Jn 3:18- 24/Jn 15:1-8
MONDAY April 29	Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
<b>TUESDAY</b> April 30	Saint Pius V, Pope Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27- 31a
WEDNESDAY May 1	Saint Joseph the Worker Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8
THURSDAY May 2	Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
FRIDAY May 3	Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
SATURDAY May 4	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
6 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER May 5	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17
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#### APRIL 28, 2024



#### FIRST FRIDAY VISIT May 3, 2024 5:00 PM EST Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary

#### HOLY HOUR AND EVENING PRAYER

In-Person Visit: Includes Dinner with seminarians and tour of the Seminary Virtual Visit: Live-stream Holy Hour followed by a Zoom visit (Zoom link provided at registration)

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- The Sacrament of Matrimony: You, Me, and Jesus
- The Rite of Marriage: The Consent We Give and Live
- Finances: Let's Talk Money
- Five Spiritual Practices for Marriage and Family Life: Keeping Christ at the Center of our Marriage
- The Mass: The Presence of Christ
- Marital Sexuality: Love's Perfect Design

To sign up for this Marriage Preparation Program, offered virtually by the Archdiocese of Boston, please visit www.bostoncatholic.org/familylife/transformedinlove

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#### THE VILLAGERS

On Tuesday, May 7, The Villagers will be traveling to the Encore Casino in Everett. A few seats are still available. Anyone interested in attending, please call Doris Ford, 617-325-6765 no later than May 5. You do not have to be a member to join us on this trip.



### HOLY NAME SODALITY

The next meeting of the Holy Name Sodality with Mass will take place on Monday, May 6 at 2:00 P.M. in Holy Name Lower Church. Women from our neighboring parishes are most welcome to join us.

#### EVANGELIZATION APRIL 28 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Listen again to the words of today's gospel - "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without you can do nothing." The accounts of the church in the Acts of the Apostles make it clear that the disciples took Jesus words to heart. The fruits born from remaining close to Jesus were unity, peace and growth among the members. How might we as a community of disciples answer this question: what are the fruits that are being born from our following of and listening to Christ? During this Easter season, may the example of the early church continue to inspire us to draw closer to Christ and to direct our efforts to bearing fruit that will last!

## REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVE



If you would like your relative or friend who is serving in the military to be remembered in the prayers of our parish,

please provide their name, rank, service branch, and location if applicable. You can call the Parish Office (617-323-4410 / 617-325-1300) or email sttoffice24@gmail.com

# **PRAY FOR UKRAINE**



Parishioners can request a Prayer Shawl for someone by contacting Carol O'Brien at sttoffice24@gmail.com or by calling 617-323-4410. Every prayer shawl is different and perfect. Donations of completed shawls may be dropped off in the parish office, Monday—Thursday 9:30—12 Noon or when you come to Mass. Thank you, PHM. (Parish Health Ministry).



#### Let Anyone Who Thirsts, Come to Me: A Healing Mass for those Impacted by Divorce or Separation

...will be held April 30th at the Pastoral Center from 6:30-9PM. Hosted by Family Life Ministry, the evening includes Confession, Adoration, a witness talk by divorced Catholic Mark Gioia, Mass celebrated by Fr. Jürgen Liias, and prayers for healing. For more information or to register visit <u>https://bit.ly/LetAnyoneWhoThirsts</u> or call Emily Elliott (617) 746-5756.

**COMMUNITY SENIORS** meet at Saint John Chrysostom Parish on the second Tuesday of the month for conversation, presentations of interest to Parkway Seniors, and Bingo. This group is open to both men and women and we are always happy to have new members. We have some fun events planned for this year and would love to have you join with us. Please call Beverly for more information 508-359-9789.

Journey of Faith

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In Word & Deed

here are two different ways to spend a day at the beach. The first is to play in the water all day, splashing and riding the waves that roll into shore. The other way is to sit on a dock, occasionally dipping your feet into the water and then retreat to the comfort of the shade or an air conditioned room. But what's a trip to the beach without a wave or two, or finding a seashell or a small crab? You might as well just stay home!

Some people think that coming to church on Sunday is enough. They put the envelope in the collection basket, receive Communion and then go home. They did their duty. During the week there is little thought of God or faith or church. Other people come to Church with lots of prayers and good (continued on back)

**5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER** 

am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. John 15:1-2 (NAB)

I am the VUAC, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in them will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. - John 15:5



#### FAMILY LIFE:

TO WALK AS ONE

A few months ago, a co-worker mentioned that it was her sister's birthday, but they had not spoken in several years. There was no animosity or problem, just a lack of initiative to pick up the phone and call. So, after a little coaxing, our friend picked up the phone and surprised her sister for her birthday. That call led to a wonderful reunion and the sisters have grown much closer.

It's easy to lose touch with people. A few distractions, a busy schedule, and family events make time fly and we end up promising to call tomorrow, or write this week, or stop by sometime soon for a visit. It can be fun and worthwhile to pick up our old address book and contact the people who mean so much to us. A call or a card can mean

so much and can help rekindle important friendships and bonds.

The same thing can happen with God. We get so busy with life that reading the Bible, spending more time praying, or going to Mass or Reconciliation gets put on the back burner. "I'll do it for Lent" doesn't do much to keep us in touch, especially if you make that promise in July. Dig through your incomplete spiritual resolutions and finish them. Get in touch with God today. Who knows, you might see Him tomorrow!

-Jim Gaffney

## In Word & Deed

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deeds to offer to the Lord, and they leave with a sense of renewal and mission. They put their envelope in too, and it often represents some sacrifice the family made or a special project done just for the church. God is an important part of their lives, and prayer, Scripture and 'religious stuff' is part of daily conversation. Church is not a duty; it's a way of life.

Just like the vine is part of the branch, we are part of Christ and therefore, part of the Church. A vine needs nourishment from the branch to survive and thrive. So, don't just hang around church, like an old vine doing nothing; be a part of the action and be a person of faith!



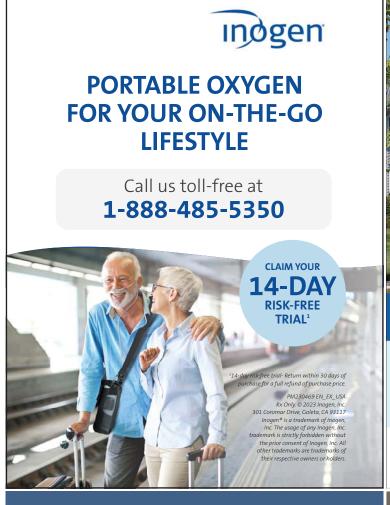
God our Creator, You redeem us and make us your children in Christ. Give us true freedom and bring us to the inheritance you promised.

~ Roman Rite ~

When the sacred scriptures are read in church, God himself is speaking to the people, and Christ, present in his word, is proclaiming his Gospel. Hence the readings from God's word are among the most important elements in the liturgy, and all who are present should listen to them with reverence. The word of God in the scripture readings is indeed addressed to all people of all times.

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