

ST. MARY'S
PARISH FAMILY
Faith, Family & Friendship



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WELCOME TO ST. MARY PARISH, FR. AUGUSTIN!

MEET OUR NEW PAROCHIAL VICAR FR. AUGUSTIN VONDOU

Special thanks to Donna Humphrey
for providing this interview for us!

When did you know you wanted to be a priest? I started feeling the call to the priesthood at the age of nine.

Who or what was your biggest influence in coming to this decision? I am thankful to my parents who raised us in the Catholic faith and prepared the grounds for the Lord to address His call to me. My parents gathered us every evening for family prayer and on some mornings of Feasts and Solemnities. They put in me the love and passion for the Lord and for working in His vineyard.

How did your journey bring you to the United States? As a diocesan priest, I promised obedience to my bishop. I was comfortably the pastor of a rural parish (Holy Family parish in Ngong) when he asked me to meet him urgently. It is then that he informed me that he would like me to go for further studies in the United States. Out of obedience, I gladly accepted to come here.

What surprised you the most about this country? The quality of the infrastructures positively surprised me: From the airport to roads, schools and parishes that are all beautifully built. The friendliness and generosity of the people are amazing.

What do you miss the most, other than your family, about Cameroon? I miss Cameroonian food, especially some specialties from my village that are not found here.

Do you have brothers and sisters? I have six brothers and three sisters. Actually I had seven brothers; my oldest brother passed on when I was three years old. We are now 11 with my mom: A complete soccer team.

What was your favorite book as a child? As a child there were no libraries around like here. My favorite book was the New Testament we each received when we were preparing for 1st Holy Communion. So it was my bedside storybook.

If you could spend one hour with anyone, living or dead, who would that be and why? It would be my late dad. He died on January 15, 2009 while I was saying mass. He sacrificed everything for his children and my mom. He died poor. If he were alive, now that I can, I would tell him how much I love him and I would take care of him better. If I had the means to do so, perhaps he would not have died that early. It breaks my heart to have seen him die when I could not make him comfortable, but I console myself that he is resting in perfect peace now; he is with the Lord whom he so much loved.

Name three things on your "bucket list." Visiting Rome one day, visiting the Holy Land and convincing myself to eat a category of sea food (lobster, clams, crab, oysters, snails and scallops).

How did you connect with Fr. Rich? It is providential, and I am grateful to God that I met Fr. Rich. After my first year in Chicago, I was looking for a parish in Boston where I could minister. At a meeting of priests it was announced that a Cameroonian priest was looking for ministry, and Fr. Rich said there was a great need in his parish. We connected and he invited me to Our Lady of Fatima in Sudbury. For the past almost three years he kept inviting me, and I happily came because I found in him a role model, an exemplary, amazing and generous priest. And so my wish has been to minister with him.

What's next on your agenda? I am looking forward to ministry with the amazing community of St Mary as parochial vicar. I love to serve and to bring God's grace to his people. While here I will also be writing my dissertation, the last step of my Ph.D. program.

PARISH STAFF

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PARISH COLLABORATIVE PLANNING

www.disciplesinmission.com

MASSES

Weekends (Upper Church)

Saturday: 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:30am

Weekdays (Lower Church)

Monday – 6:45am
Tuesday – 9:00am
Wednesday – 6:45am
Thursday – 6:45am
Friday – 9:00am

Reminder: The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before weekday Masses

Fridays following 9am Mass: Exposition and Adoration concluding with Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00pm

Holy Days (Upper Church)

6:45am, 9:00am and 7:00pm

Holiday

9:00am **only**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION-

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45pm

BAPTISM- Celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 2:00pm. Please contact the Parish Office at 781/729-0055.

MARRIAGE- Arrangements for marriage should be made with the parish priest at least eight months in advance to allow for adequate preparation.

VISITATION TO THE SICK- We are most eager to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church. If you wish to receive the sacraments of Confession, Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the Parish Office.

Scripture for the week of July 15, 2018

15 SUN Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14/Mk 6:7-13
16 Mon Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34—11:1
17 Tue Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24
18 Wed Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27
19 Thu Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30
20 Fri Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8
21 Sat Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21
22 SUN Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Council of Social Concern

Items for the month of July

Jello and instant pudding
Canned fruit

Donations may be dropped off in the bin
at the **Winchester Stop and Shop**

Welcome Fr. Augustin and Deacon Tony!

We are so blessed and grateful that the Lord has called Fr. Augustin and Deacon Tony to minister with our parish family. Both are entering new chapters in their journey with the Lord, and both have responded very generously to His call. Fr. Augustin is beginning the dissertation phase of his doctoral studies. He is first a priest and sought permission to serve full time in a parish while he works on his dissertation. Deacon Tony moved to Massachusetts to be with his family. Instead of being a “retired” deacon, Deacon Tony wants to minister with us as a volunteer senior deacon. I am certain we will be blessed by their ministry. Please join me in welcoming Fr. Augustin and Deacon Tony to St. Mary and in thanking God for their generous response to His call.



Meet Deacon Tony DiLorenzo

When I left my assignment this past October at St. Cecilia’s Catholic Community in Ft. Myers, Florida, I stated in my farewell address that “Old soldiers never die, they just fade away.” Of course I was quoting General Douglas MacArthur in his farewell address to Congress many years ago.

Allow me to quote myself when I now say “Old soldiers never die, they just temporarily fade away to live another day.” Sylvia, my wife of 52 years, and I left Florida to spend whatever remaining years the Lord has planned for us with our son, daughter-in-law and first grandchild. Some may call it a sacrifice, but Sylvia and I feel we left one paradise for another. We settled comfortably in Medford but have chosen the community of St. Mary’s as our home parish.

When Fr. Rich arrived on his very first weekend of masses, he said: “I can use all the help I can get.” I sat in the pew thinking that it wasn’t an invitation for me since I am supposed to be retired. I was ordained in 1986 and since then, I have humbly served, as a Deacon, in almost every ministry. I was done. But the Holy Spirit had different plans for me. It turns out that I temporarily faded out until this time when I rise to live and serve another day and maybe many more with your acceptance and with the Holy Spirit’s blessing. I can only serve in the Boston Archdiocese as a Deacon with “senior status” because of age. This means I am not permanently assigned to St. Mary’s staff but as a contributor to be used as the parish needs. This may include preaching on a regular basis, officiating at baptisms and an occasional wedding as well as wake services.

I am so grateful to the Holy Spirit for depositing me here, to worship together with all of you, to be of service to Fr. Rich, Fr. Augustin and Fr. Joe and for the spiritual vitamin B-12 shot I received to allow me to serve another day. Sylvia and I look forward to meeting you.

Join Fr. Erikson at the TV Mass

On Thursday, July 26, Fr. Erikson will be celebrating Mass on Catholic TV. The Mass is broadcast live at 9:30am from the beautiful chapel of Catholic TV in Watertown. If you would like to attend the Mass, please call the Parish Office at 781/729-0055 and let us know.



Thank You!

Hem your blessings with thankfulness so they don’t unravel! Mission of Deeds is so blessed by the wonderful generosity of the parishioners at the recent linens and household goods drive. Many needy individuals and families will benefit greatly from this spirit of giving. We would love to have you stop by anytime for a tour and see your generosity in action. We are open Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm.

God bless you,
Bruce Murison
Executive Director



Congratulations and blessings to Robert Keohane and Erica Capone as they celebrate their wedding on Saturday evening!

What's Happening...

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Listen to the instruction Jesus gives His disciples in the Gospel! They went out with confidence to preach as Jesus directed. Those instructions are meant for us, his current day disciples. Let us take seriously the fact that we are sent to bring “good news.” Rely on the words that St. Paul says in the second reading, “God has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing.” Jesus gives us what we need, so let’s get going!

Chapel in Honor of Fr. Dick Messina

Would you like to honor the memory of Fr. Richard Messina and increase vocations to the priesthood? One of our parishioners has partnered with Franciscan Missions in Wisconsin to expand the Franciscan formation house for friary students in Mexicali, Mexico. The formation house is filled to capacity, and more friary students are coming. They need space to pray, eat, sleep and study as they respond to God’s call and prepare to serve God and the poor as Franciscan friars. This project will foster vocations and honor both Fr. Messina and his patron saint, St. John Vianney. The new chapel in the formation house will be named St. John Vianney Chapel. The total cost of the project is \$293,000 and will be paid over time by our parishioner and others who want to be part of this meaningful memorial project. To give a gift in any amount, send a check made payable to “Franciscan Missions” at 940 N. Browns Lake Drive, Burlington, WI 53105. Please include “Mexicali Project” in the memo.

Cor Unum Meal Center

Every third Monday of the month (July 16, August 20, September 17...) 10-12 volunteers from St. Mary Parish Family volunteer at the Cor Unum Meal Center in Lawrence, MA. The volunteer group meets at 3pm in the Parish Center for a brief overview and to coordinate carpools to Cor Unum. The group is back to St. Mary’s by 7:30pm. Please contact Christa Lucas at 781/729-1965 or clucas@stmaryswinchester.org if you would like to join the group!

Online and Envelope Giving—Our parish is blessed with extraordinarily generous parishioners and with a parish staff, parish council and finance councils who are great stewards of our resources. We encourage you to consider online giving as a means of contributing to the weekly offertory and/or the Grand Annual collection. This means of giving is convenient for our parishioners and efficient for the parish. It is also a wonderful way for you to assist in the ministry and expenses when you are away. You can set up recurring donations on a weekly or monthly basis, or you can give on a non-recurring (single pay) basis. Go to www.stmary-winchester.org and scroll down to the green Online Giving icon at the bottom of the page to enroll. If you receive parish giving envelopes at home but do not use them, please call the Parish Office to let us know, and we will discontinue the mailing of the envelopes to you. We pay the vendor for the use of weekly envelopes, so this will save us the cost of the envelopes as well as the mailing. Of course if you prefer cash or check donations or the weekly envelopes, then it is fine and wonderful for you to continue contributing in this way! We are so very grateful for your generosity, and we are dedicated to making sure we maximize your donations.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

July 14/15

Monthly Collection

August 18/19

Monthly Collection

Spiritual Help for Catholic Grieving Parents



www.emfgp.org

The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents

Serving the Spiritual Needs of Parents Whose Children of Any Age Have Died by Any Cause—No Matter How Long Ago

From the Office of Chaplaincy Programs

Ministering to grieving parents whose precious children have died can be daunting. There are no words and seemingly, no comfort. Yet the promise of eternal life and the rich teachings of our faith can tremendously help these broken parents who desperately need it.

To meet this need, the Office of Chaplaincy Programs is now offering the Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents, a unique program providing spiritual retreats for grieving parents given by grieving parents. It is a way you can offer your parishioners a safe place where they can find peace, comfort, and hope—at least for a time.

Currently we are offering One-Day and Weekend Retreats. Parents focus on questions, such as “Where is God in my pain? Where is my child right now? Will I ever see my child again?” “How can I get through this horrific situation?”

Coming Up! Archdiocese of Boston Emmaus Ministry Retreats See www.emfgp.org for more details.	
August 4, 2018	St. Anthony Shrine, Boston (Diane Monaghan 617-542-8057)
September 8, 2018	St. Anthony Shrine, Boston (Diane Monaghan 617-542-8057)
September 22, 2018	St. Patrick Parish, Stoneham (Patrice Fitzpatrick 781-438-0200)
November 2-4, 2018	Miramar Retreat Center, Duxbury (Diane Monaghan 617-542-8057)
December 8, 2018	St. Albert-St. Francis Collaborative, Weymouth (Patty Canova 781-337-1299)

What's Happening...



Summer Camp

June 18—August 17
Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm

St. Mary Summer Camp will run for eight weeks (June 18-August 17 (**no camp July 2-6**)) and is open to all children ages 3-10 years old. The staff will engage educational, artistic and recreational activities for all campers. The daily rate is **\$70** and the weekly rate is **\$325** (for 5 days per week). Checks may be made payable to St. Mary School, and **payments are non-refundable**. For more information regarding St. Mary Summer Camp please contact Kim Novello, Camp Director at knovello@stmaryswinchester.org.

Please call St. Mary School at 781/729-5515 for enrollment information.

Congratulations and blessings to St. Mary's School for being honored with the 2018 Readers Choice Award for BEST PRESCHOOL!



2018 Winchester Regional Favorites

Category: Daycare/Preschool
 Winner Gold:

St. Mary's School, Winchester



2018 Winchester Favorites

Category: Daycare/Preschool
 Winner #1 Choice:

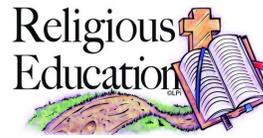
St. Mary's School, Winchester

<http://www.wickedlocal.com/section/favoritestown?town=winchester>



St. Mary Youth Group News

Mon., July 16: Cor Unum Meal Center (3:00pm-7:30pm) Lawrence, MA (every 3rd Monday of the month)



It's Time to Register for CCD Classes!

Registration information was emailed last week to all families who were registered last year. If you did not receive it or you are new to town, have an oldest child entering Grade 1 or have a child in Catholic school entering Grade 10 (Confirmation Prep. Class), please send an email to stmarysccd@comcast.net or call the Religious Ed. Office at 781/729-1965. Visit our website at www.stmary-winchester.org to register online. Select the Religious Ed. tab.

Religious Education Teachers Needed

Our success depends on YOU!



Would you consider sharing your faith with a class of 10-12 children? Classes run from the first week of October until the first week of April (a total commitment of 18-21 one-hour classes for the school year). Your participation truly makes our program work well. If you are able to help, please visit the parish website where you can find **volunteer information** under the Religious Ed. tab or email stmarysccd@comcast.net. Thank you!

Hope of the Nations Conference

Saturday, Sept. 15

Lowell Memorial Auditorium

A conference sponsored by Hope Conferences and the Archdiocese of Boston is returning on Sept. 15 to Lowell Memorial Auditorium. The program runs from 8:00am-6:00pm. "Hope, Healing and Deliverance" is this year's theme. Keynote speakers include Dr. Ralph Martin, noted author, speaker, and professor on topics related to the New Evangelization and Consultor to the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelization; and Dr. Mary Healy, professor of Sacred Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit and an author/speaker on evangelization, scripture, healing, and the spiritual life. For registration and details, visit hopeconferences.com.

OUR COMMUNITY

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha
4:00pm

Sunday, July 15 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am Anniversary Michelle Vozzella Rebidue
10:00am Anniversary Robert Delaney, Jr. and
Mary & Robert Delaney, Sr.
11:30am Parish Mass

Monday, July 16 Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
6:45am Sick & Homebound Parishioners

Tues., July 17 Weekday
9:00am Guarino, Crowley & Arria Families

Wed., July 18 St. Camillus de Lellis
6:45am

Thursday, July 19 Weekday
6:45am Intentions in the Prayer Book

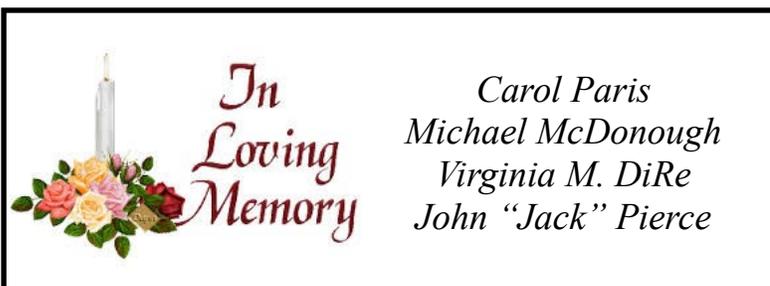
Friday, July 20 St. Apollinaris
9:00am

Saturday, July 21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi
4:00pm

Sunday, July 22 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am Memorial Marie Butera
10:00am Parish Mass
11:30am Anniversary John "Jake" Ciarcia

Today's Reflection

We are all called to be disciples. What does it mean to be a disciple? Today's Gospel describes what Jesus told His disciples when he sent them out: What to bring, what to leave behind, what to say, what to do. As we listen to this passage today, let us imagine what Jesus is saying to us as He sends us out to be His disciples.



CALENDAR NOTES

Tuesday, July 17
9:30am Coffee Connection *Gathering Room*

Friday, July 20
9:30am Exposition and Adoration *Mary Chapel*
of the Blessed Sacrament
3:00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy *Mary Chapel*

Have You Seen Us on Social Media???

Sign up and visit us today!!

 Online Giving at stmary-winchester.org	 Like Us on Facebook St. Mary's Parish Family Of Winchester	 Follow Us on Twitter @StMarysWinMA	 Follow Us on Instagram StMarysWinMA
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Pray for Peace and Safety

If you have a family member serving in the military, please let us know. We will publish their names in the bulletin to remind everyone to ask God's blessing on them, that they may return safely to their families.

Gen. Mark A. Milley	1st Lt. Robert Gill
2nd Lt. Ian O'Leary	Sgt. Madelaine Hinson
Navy Seabee Peter Ferro	Sara Matthewson
Sgt. Spec. James Powers	PFC Nick Garber
PFC Thomas Donahue	Sgt. Alex Hinson
Cpl. Michael Wilkinson	Michael DeLuca
Lecpl. Eamon Garber	Lt. Mark Rippetoe
Cpl. Andrew Powell	Captain Kevin Burke
Pvt. Matthew Kolodgie	Col. Eric Halliday
Lt. Andrew Norris	Maj. Nicholas Caputo
Cpl. Timothy Bell	Lance Cpl. Joshua Morgan
Cpl. Christopher Arrigo	Seaman Brendan Crowther
Col. Christopher Hamilton	Lt. Peter Brennan
Sgt. Matthew Menezes	Pvt. Maria Longo
Lt. J.G. Ted Murner	1st Lt. Kay Murner
Ryan Lamarre, USN	Justin King, US Army
PFC Bryan Strange, USMC	William Gromlich, USN
CPO Matthew Williams, USN	Cpt. Dane Lannon USAF
Eric Brogna, USMC	Staff Sgt. Robert Magee, USMC
SPC Matthew Schipelliti	2nd Lt. Christopher White, USMC
Cameron Alexander	Cody Hamblin
2nd Lt. Thomas Grady	PFC Matthew David Carr
Lt. Kevin Plumer, USN	