



Fourth Sunday of Advent December 23, 2018

Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb. — Luke 1:42

Monday, December 24

4:00 p.m. Carol Keough
6:00 p.m. Walter & Dorothy Martin
8:00 p.m. Lucille & Chester Owocki

Tuesday, December 25

8:30 a.m. Teresa & Francesco Iadarola
10:00 a.m. Muriel M. Hanger (2nd anniv.)

Wednesday, December 26

8:00 a.m. David J. Ednie (9th anniv.)

Thursday, December 27

8:00 a.m. Bob Laliberte

Friday, December 28

8:00 a.m. Fred Whitman
11:00 a.m. Dottie Leavitt

Saturday, December 29

4:00 p.m. Harold & Elizabeth Haas

Sunday, December 30

8:30 a.m. Dorothy & Walter Martin
10:00 a.m. Peter Gimblett
11:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parish Family

THIS WEEK AROUND OUR PARISH December 24-30, 2018

12/27 8:45-10:00 a.m. Faith Sharing P.C.
2:00-9:00 p.m. Lifetouch Photo Session P.C.
12/28 12:00-7:00 p.m. Lifetouch Photo Session P.C.

PARISH SUPPORT

THE WEEKLY COLLECTION figures will not be published this week because the bulletin had to be sent to the publisher earlier than usual due to the holiday. A full report will be in the bulletin as soon as possible.

NEW YEAR'S DAY, 2019

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Vigil Mass: Monday, December 31, 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019, 8:00 & 11:00 a.m.

USHERS/GREETERS are needed at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. If you would like to join this important ministry, please call the parish office, 508-385-3252, ext. 10.

JOIN FATHER WILLIAM, FATHER JOHN AND FATHER RAY as we celebrate Masses on:

- Christmas Eve: 4:00 (Children's pageant), 6:00 & 8:00 p.m.
- Christmas Day: 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.



ATTENTION PARENTS OF A FIRST GRADE

STUDENT: It's not too late to sign up for this year. First Communion preparation begins in the first grade. Please contact Priscilla Silva, ourladycape@comcast.net or 508-385-2115.

THE HAITI ANNUAL APPEAL, (goat letter) has been sent out. If you did not receive yours please contact the parish office, 508-385-3252, ext. 10 or pick up a form at the entrances of the church. Thank you!

ANOTHER PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION HAS BEEN

ADDED! Lifetouch is providing a directory at **no cost** to our parish, and every family photographed will receive a **complimentary directory and a free 8 x 10 portrait**. You can **sign up for photography** online at our church website, ourladyofthecape.org or by calling Lifetouch at 1-866-756-0281.

Photography dates:

Thursday, December 27, 2:00-9:00 p.m.

Friday, December 28, 12:00-7:00 p.m.

All photography will take place in the parish hall. There will be no sitting fee. We look forward to seeing you in our directory!



PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:

Join Fr. William Kaliyadan, Pastor of Our Lady of the Cape, on a ten day pilgrimage to the Holy Land on **December 2, 2019**.

This will be a beautiful journey that is both spiritually and socially enriching and exciting. During this pilgrimage to the Holy Land, we discover the roots of our faith as we see the sites, walk the holy ground where Jesus our Savior walked, and pray the prayers which have helped form the faith we hold as sacred. For more information, please email: wkaliyadan@gmail.com or call Fr. William at 508-737-8103.

THRIFT SHOP**Christmas is coming and we can't wait!**

- **Weekly Specials:** 50% off orange tags (clothing & linens only), \$1.00 a bag on pink tags (clothing & linens only), 50% off Christmas items, books, CD's, DVD's, puzzles and toys.
- **We will be closed Monday, Dec. 24, Tuesday, Dec. 25 and Wednesday, Dec. 26 for the Christmas celebration.**
- **Location:** Luke's Plaza, Rte. 6A, Brewster.
- **Hours** Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- **We are no longer accepting Christmas decorations.** We welcome donations Tuesday-Saturday from 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Kindly consider donating *gently* used clothing, books, jewelry, linens, toys and household items. **We gladly accept ONLY fall/winter donations.** Sorry, but no electrical or electronic items (nothing with a plug). **A Merry and Blessed Christmas to you all!**

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will not meet in the month of December, but will resume our regular schedule on **January 9, 2019**. Please note that we will try to accommodate requests for shawls and lap robes during the hiatus. To make a request, Please call Marie Kurtz at 508-255-0415 or Mary Regan at 508-385-7983.



JOIN THE CHOIR! Do you enjoy music? Do you enjoy singing? Do you enjoy having fun with friends? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then Our Lady of the Cape's choir is where you need to be! Come join our choir and be part of a great ministry here at the parish. Inspire your fellow parishioners each weekend at Mass, participate in the Advent season, sing on Christmas Eve, wear stylish green robes! If interested, please see our music director, Kyle Davis, after Mass or email him at KRD619@gmail.com – we'd be happy to have you!

EXERCISE CLASS FOR ADULTS, will be offered on **Wednesdays**, at 9:00 a.m., in the parish center. **No class on December 26**. The class will be taught by Judy Boucher, certified dance and aerobic instructor. Bring a floor mat or beach towel. A small donation to the parish will be accepted.

AS WE COME CLOSE TO THE END OF THE YEAR, grateful for the blessings we have received, please consider making a donation toward the ***Grant the Dream Fund*** to help with the special projects of the parish. Your thoughtful consideration and generosity will be very much appreciated.

**WEEKLY SANCTUARY LAMP****SPONSOR:** Jean O'Toole

In Thanksgiving of Family

Please call the parish office to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp for one week, a gift donation of \$20. Contact Tina, 508-385-3252, ext. 10.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

- **Monday, December 24, 8:00 a.m.-Noon**
- **Tuesday, December 25, Closed**
- **Monday, December 31, 8:00 a.m.-Noon**
- **Tuesday, January 1, Closed**

ATTENTION ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

who serve on the altar: Special sign-up sheets have been posted in the Vestry for the weekend and holy day Masses, during the weeks of Christmas and New Year's. We did not schedule any EM's for these Masses during the weeks of Christmas and New Year's in advance, in order to better accommodate your holiday plans. If you are able to serve, please stop into the Vestry and sign-up. We need and appreciate your help!

THANK YOU to Hallett Funeral Home and Doane, Beal & Ames Funeral Home for the donation of the 2019 calendars to our parish. This is greatly appreciated. Please take an extra calendar for a homebound person.

THE BRICKS ARE IN! The memorial bricks have been installed around the statue of Our Lady of Fatima, located behind the church in the handicap parking lot.

THANK YOU! The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic lay organization with over 1.8 million members and over 13 thousand church councils. We have helped out our international communities by raising and distributing over 1.1 billion dollars to our churches and communities. In the past 10 years, we have contributed 38 million dollars to aid and support thousands of seminarians and postulants in their religious journey.

Locally, here on Cape Cod, your KOC goal is community service, in our donations to the three parishes of Holy Trinity, Holy Redeemer and Our Lady of the Cape, St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Family Pantry of Cape Cod and much more.

We would like our parishioners to know that during the year of 2018, we have donated \$18,725.00 to our parishes and charities. Our Lady of the Cape received \$3,000! Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Pope Paul VI Council #7312.

Dear Friends in Christ,

This year that is coming to a close, has been a year full of challenges for our world, our country, our diocese and for the Universal Church. We have seen natural disasters; fires destroying homes, lives and entire communities in California; we have seen powerful hurricanes affecting the lives of millions of people; we have seen violence in our country and around the world; we have seen racial tensions and migrants suffering from displacement. We have seen scandals ripping through the heart of the Church and affecting the faith and trust of God's people in the Church and her leaders. We have seen the face of sin and evil all around us.

In our own diocese, four churches closed: Saint Bernadette, Holy Rosary, Holy Cross and Saint Anne. As Bishop of Fall River, these were difficult decisions to make, knowing that closing these beloved places of worship would cause tremendous sadness for the faithful parishioners of these parishes.

On the other hand, we have also seen commitment of so many good people to remain faithful and connected to God and the Church. We have seen the solid faith of so many who are not abandoning God or the church. We have seen people fighting the evil of racism, working to eradicate the sin of sexual abuse, and dedicating their talents to protect life and to protect this planet, our common home. It is because of the generosity and commitment of so many good people, and because we know that God will never abandon us, that hope is kept alive. God's grace and our faith continue to help us remain committed to making this world a better place.

As we celebrate Christmas, let us remember that when Jesus came, He did not find a peaceful, loving world; He found a world filled with discrimination, division, violence and war. Jesus Himself was a victim of these evils, but He faced these evils head-on because He is the Prince of Peace.

This Christmas, as we gather with family and friends, let us remember that Christmas is much more than just a holiday or feast; it is a Sacred moment celebrating the coming of Christ to save us and our world and entrusting us with the task of continuing His mission of saving and Sanctifying the world. Let us pass on to our children and young people the values we received from our ancestors and rekindle the real Spirit of Christmas in our hearts, our homes our families and throughout the world.

Merry Christmas! Feliz Natal! Feliz Navidad! Joyeux Noel!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V.
Bishop of Fall River

Our Lady of the Cape Parish Pastoral Team

Rev. Dr. William V. Kaliyadan, M.S., Pastor

Rev. John Dolan, M.S.

Rev. Raymond Vaillancourt, M.S.

Priscilla Silva, Director of Religious Education

Kathy Russo, Adult Faith Formation & Spirituality

Tina Labossiere, Administrative Assistant

Paula Laliberte, Bookkeeper

Kyle Davis, Music Ministry

Parish Phone Directory

Parish Office & Rectory:	385-3252		
Parish Fax:	385-6864	Prayer Line:	896-3800
Parish Mass Schedule:	385-3252		896-9781
Religious Education:	385-2115	Thrift Shop:	896-5377
St. Vincent de Paul Hotline:	385-7582		

General Information

Daily Masses: Monday thru Friday at 8:00 am
Friday at 11 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:15-3:45 or by appointment

Hearing Impaired Units are available at both churches in the sacristies.

Baptisms: Registration and preparation session required. Call the parish office 3 months prior to baptism (child need not be born).

Weddings: By appointment. Call six months in advance.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the Parish Office immediately if any one in the family is seriously ill.

Communion for Homebound: Please keep us informed of our sick and others who may be incapacitated so that we might minister to those in need, at home, in the hospital or a nursing home.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Fridays Noon- 7:00 p.m.

Parish Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 to 1:00 & 2:00 to 4:00

Weekend Mass Schedule

Our Lady of the Cape Church

September-May	Memorial Day thru Columbus Day
Saturdays: 4:00 pm	Saturdays: 4:00 pm
Sundays: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am	Sundays: 7, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am

Immaculate Conception Chapel

East Brewster, MA

Memorial Day-June	July – Labor Day
Saturdays: 5:00 pm	Saturdays: 5:00 pm
Sundays: 9:30 am	Sundays: 8:00 & 9:30 am

The Chapel is closed after Labor Day until Memorial Day Weekend.

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting or are here for the first time. Make our church a home away from your home. If you attend Our Lady of the Cape Parish regularly and consider this your parish, please take time to register at the Parish Office.

Parish Mission Statement

Our Lady of the Cape Parish is a welcoming Catholic community served by the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette. Through our worship and ministries we invite, evangelize and serve all people, making Christ known by sharing His reconciling love.