

# *St. André Bessette Parish*

*Star of the Sea Church  
Salisbury*



*St. Joseph Church  
Amesbury*

*January 7, 2024*



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

“Where is the newborn king of the Jews?  
We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.”

Matthew 2:2



# St. André Bessette Parish

**Parish Office Address:** 11 Sparhawk Street, Amesbury, MA 01913

**Hours:** 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM, Monday - Thursday **Closed:** Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

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**W**elcome! We are glad you are here to join us in worship in the celebration of the Eucharist (Mass). At the Eucharist, the Church comes together to hear the Word of the Lord, to pray for the world's needs, to offer the sacrifice of the Cross in praise and thanks to God, to receive Christ Jesus in communion, and then to be sent forth in the Spirit as disciples of the Gospel. If you are not familiar with the Mass, the Order of the Mass can be found on pages 3-29 of the Breaking Bread hymnal. We call particular attention to the text of the Gloria and the Nicene Creed located on the inside cover. The scripture (Bible) readings for today's Mass can be found on **page 57**

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

### WEEKEND MASSES

#### Saturday

4:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Church  
6:00 p.m. - Star of the Sea Church (Town Church)

#### Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Star of the Sea Church (Town Church)  
9:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Church

### WEEKDAY MASSES

#### Monday

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Church

#### Tuesday

5:30 p.m. - Star of the Sea Church (Town Church)

#### Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - St. Joseph Church

## SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

**Reconciliation - Wednesdays,** 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. - Parish Office, 11 Sparhawk St., Amesbury

**Baptism:** Call parish office for scheduling

**Sacrament of the Sick:** For home emergency or when entering the hospital, please call the office.

**Marriage:** Arrangements should be made by calling the parish office at least one (1) year in advance for marriage preparations and desired date.



**St. Joseph Church**  
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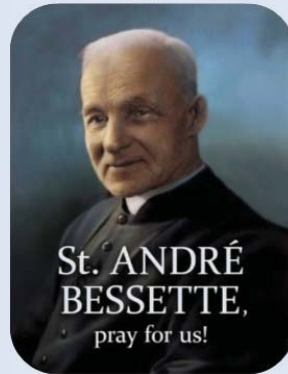


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**Star of the Sea Beach Chapel**  
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## *Feast Day St. André- January 7th*



### *Prayer to St. André Bessette Parish*

*Saint André, we celebrate your presence among us. Your loving friendship with Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Compassion carries your words straight to God's heart and your prayers are answered with comfort and healing through you, from our lips to God's ear, our supplications are heard....*

*We ask to be made a part of God's work in a spirit of prayer, compassion and humility.*

*St. André Bessette, pray of us*

*Pray for us St. André Bessette!*



**MILITARY FAMILY OUTREACH**  
*Please remember in your prayers the men and women of our parishes who are serving our country.*

- SSGT Ben Dignard, USAF, & wife Aurora
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**Heavenly Father, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen**



**Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick in our Parish**  
*May the Spirit of Christ renew the gift of life within them and bring healing to their minds, body and spirit.*

- Pat Ponticelli, Edward Kelleher, Dotty Jean, Maureen & John Leahy, Anthony Ronan, Bob Sousa, Paul Palen, Stacia Simmons, Liam Ford, Paul Lajoie, Kathryn Connelly, Helen Fricano, Deacon Paul Specht, Patrick Sonier, Hannah M., James Blood, Nanette Daley, Carole Young, Brian Donahue, Liam Austin, Matthew Specht, Julio Folgar, Jennifer Campano, Glenn Fournier, Joan Ferraro, Mary B., Dan G., Marty G., Armand Hyatt, Elizabeth Mulcahy, Sandra & Cliff Buttry, Liam Ferrick, Jennifer Riley

### PRAYING FOR OUR FUTURE PRIESTS

Please include in your prayers, an Archdiocese of Boston seminarian by name every day and at every Mass.



#### Seminarian:

- Sunday, January 7 - Johnathan Saniuk
- Monday, January 8 - Brian Daley
- Tuesday, January 9 - Brian Delaney
- Wednesday, January 10 - Thuy Nguyen
- Thursday, January 11 - Dond Huy Pham
- Friday, January 12 - Luis Alberto Piceno
- Saturday, January 13 - Edward Rodrigue

#### Prayer for Our Priest

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen

#### New Year Prayer

Lord, we pray that this New Year will bring closer to You. Help us to truly celebrate the gifts You have graciously given us and use them to serve You and spread Your word. May we also see and love You in all the people we meet, so that in turn they can see You in us. In this New Year, let us realize that every action of ours no matter how great or small enable us to be in touch with You. Let us accept You in our lives, in the way it pleases You, as **Truth**, to be spoken, as **Life** to be lived, as **Light**, to be lighted, as **Love** to be followed, as **Joy**, to be given as **Peace**, to be spread about, as **Sacrifice**, to be offered among our relatives, friends, neighbors and all people. Amen



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**FOOD DRIVE: JANUARY 6-7**

On the first weekend of the month, please bring a bag or two of groceries when you come to Mass, and place at the main entrances to one of our churches. Cereal; juice boxes; vegetable, fruit, tuna, and chicken canned goods; as well as snacks for kids; and personal care products for families are all needed.

*For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat...*  
Matt. 25:35

**Millennium Gospel Choir  
Performing at  
Immaculate Conception Church  
42 Green St., Newburyport  
Sunday, January 7, 2:30 p.m.**

Don't miss this opportunity to get your praise on and enjoy an afternoon of holiday, spiritual, and gospel music performed by the renowned Millennium Gospel Choir of Boston.

As part of the continued celebration of the 175th anniversary of Immaculate Conception Parish, the choir will entertain with classic and contemporary selections sure to inspire everyone's participation. The concert is free and open to the community.

**Christmas Vigil Masses on AC TV**

St. Joseph Christmas Vigil will be shown on:  
Friday, January 5th at 8:30pm  
Sunday, January 7th at 12noon

Star of the Sea Vigil will be shown on:  
Wednesday, January 3rd at 7pm  
Sunday, January 7th at 11am.



**St. André Bessette  
Combined Weekly Offertory  
Star of the Sea and St. Joseph Churches**

***Saturday/Sunday, 23/24, 2023 Offertory***

Envelopes & Loose:	\$8,148.00
Online Giving 12/18--12/31	\$1,242.00
Second Collections	<u>\$1,630.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$11,020.00</b>

***Christmas Collection, 2023***

Clergy Retirement	\$10,151.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 450.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$10,601.00</b>


**Upcoming 2nd Collections**

- January 7 - Snow Removal
- January 14 - Parish Projects
- January 21 - Heat
- January 28 - Latin America

**Star of the Sea Tuesday Weekday Masses**

Beginning **January 2, 2024**, the daily Mass at Star of the Sea Town Church will be celebrated at **5:30 p.m.**


This time change gives an opportunity for more parishioners who wish to attend a daily Mass.



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The Epiphany of the Lord

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 Tuesday: 12:30 - 4:30p.m.  
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**WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, January 6, 2024**

4:00 p.m. St. Joseph - Alexander & David Iworsky  
 6:00 p.m. Star of the Sea - Barbara & Marie Merrill

**Sunday, January 7, 2024**

8:00 a.m. Star of the Sea - Feast of St. André Bessette  
 9:30 a.m. St. Joseph - Feast of St. André Bessette

**WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, January 8**

9:00 a.m. St. Joseph - James Dion

**Tuesday, January 9**

5:30 p.m. Star of the Sea -

**Wednesday, January 10**

9:00 a.m. St. Joseph - Denys Gonthier

**Saturday, January 13**

4:00 pm St. Joseph - John Wisniewski  
 6:00 pm Star of the Sea - Netta Starbird

**Sunday, January 14**

8:00 am Star of the Sea - James Dione  
 9:30 am St. Joseph - Jim Flannery

**Monday, January 15**

9:00 am St. Joseph - James Connors

**Tuesday, January 16**

5:30 pm Star of the Sea -

**Wednesday, January 17**

9:00 am St. Joseph - Joanne Spurk



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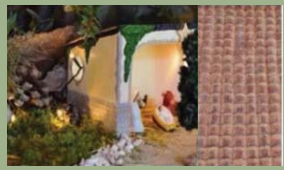


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