



St. André Bessette Parish

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

- 9:00 a.m. - Star of the Sea Church (Town Church)

Wednesday

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

St. André Bessette Parish Christmas Mass Schedule



ADVENT PRAYER

Blessing the Advent Wreath with Children

Dear Jesus, as we light the candles on this Advent wreath, may the light of your presence bring Hope, Peace, Joy and Love to our hearts. Bless our family and our friends, and be with all those who are in need this Christmas season. Amen.

Week 4, Love

Dear Jesus, the whole meaning of Christmas can be explained in one little four letter word...LOVE. You sent your gift of pure love to us that first Christmas. Love descended from heaven to be born of a virgin. Love lay in the scratchy hay of a manger in a meager barn in Bethlehem. All of your love, God, was robed in the delicate skin of a baby and wrapped in swaddling clothes.

This final week of Advent, help us to reflect on the magnitude of love that was made manifest in Jesus. Father, fill our hearts and minds with the significance of that truth. Thank you, Lord, for loving us enough to send Jesus. In Jesus' precious name we pray. Amen

We would like to cordially invite you, your family, your friends, your neighbors, and even your relatives who are from out-of-state to celebrate the birth of Jesus with us this Christmas. Here are our Mass times for Christmas and Christmas Eve:

Christmas Eve (Sunday, 12/24)

- 4:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church - School St., Amesbury
- 4:00 p.m. Star of the Sea Beach Chapel - 141 N. End Blvd., Salisbury
- 6:00 p.m. Star of the Sea Town Church - 18 Beach Rd., Salisbury
- 8:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church - School St., Amesbury (Choir sings Christmas songs before Mass at 7:30)

Christmas (Monday, 12/25)

- 8:00 a.m. Star of the Sea Town Church - 18 Beach Rd., Salisbury
- 10:00 a.m. St. Joseph Church - School St., Amesbury (Note the time change)

New Years

- 4:00 p.m. , **Sunday, December 31, Star of the Sea Town Church** - 18 Beach Rd. Salisbury
- 9:00 a.m., **Monday, January 1, St. Joseph Church** - School St., Amesbury

Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 23

4:00 pm St. Joseph - Deceased members of Robert Gonthier Sr. Family

6:00 pm Star of the Sea - Jeanette ER. Cattan

Sunday, December 24

8:00 am Star of the Sea - People of the Parish

9:30 am St. Joseph - People of the Parish



The Cold Months are here !

The St. Vincent de Paul Society assist many people **year round**. The need is great, especially during this trying time.

If you can, please remember them as you leave the church by leaving a donation in the poor boxes or by mailing a check donation to

St. Vincent de Paul

11 Sparhawk St., Amesbury, MA 01913

Thank you and God Bless you.

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.

Parish Office Hours during Christmas Week

Monday, Dec. 25: Closed, Christmas Day

Tuesday, Dec. 26: Closed

Wed. & Thurs., Dec. 27 & 28: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Friday, December 30: Closed

Monday, January 1: Closed, New Year Day



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Combined Weekly Offertory

Star of the Sea and St. Joseph Churches

Saturday/Sunday, 12/9-10, 2023 Offertory

117 envelopes:	\$2,614.00
Loose:	\$1,429.00
Online Giving unavailable	<u>\$ 1,363.02</u>
Total:	\$5,406.00

Second Collection - Heat

Envelopes & Loose:	\$1,719.00
Online Giving Offertory	\$1,363.00
Online Giving Grand Annual	<u>\$1,300.00</u>
Total:	\$4,382.00

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Upcoming 2nd Collections

December 23/24 - No second collection

December 31 - Electricity

Special Christmas Collection

December 24/25 - Clergy Health



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