

A stained glass window depicting Jesus Christ in the center, wearing a white robe with a sash, surrounded by several disciples. The background features green foliage and trees. The scene is rendered in a traditional stained glass style with bold black outlines and vibrant colors.

St. André Bessette Parish
Star of the Sea Church  *St. Joseph Church*
Salisbury *Amesbury*
February 16, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."

Luke 6:20



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

Phone: 978.388.0330 Web: www.StAndreB.org

Let Us Celebrate

Welcome! 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 71**

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

WEEKEND MASSES

WEEKDAY MASSES

Saturday

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

Monday

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

Tuesday

9:00 a.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

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
2 School St.
Amesbury, MA 01913



Star of the Sea Town Church
October thru May
18 Beach Rd.
Salisbury, MA 01952



Star of the Sea Beach Chapel
Memorial Day thru Columbus Day
141 North End Blvd.
Salisbury, MA 01952

Bring your Palms to church the weekend of March 1 & 2

**Burning of the Palms
For Ash Wednesday
Sunday, March 2nd
After 9:30 a.m. Mass.**



Join us in the preparation of ashes for our Lenten Journey 2025.

Ash Wednesday Schedule



March 5, 2025

**9:00 a.m. Mass - St. Joseph Church
12 Noon Service - Star of the Sea Church
7:00 p.m. Mass - St. Joseph Church**



**St. Andre Bessette Parish: *Coming This Lent ...*
(Check future bulletin announcements for details.)**

Adult Faith Formation Offering:

“Suffering’s Greatest Mystery: The Revelation of God’s Profound Love”

All of us, in one way or another, have experienced suffering. Especially when suffering becomes hard to bear, it challenges our belief and trust in God. This 4-week course offering will help participants to understand the ways that suffering goes hand in hand with God’s love and most importantly, that it is not possible to have one without the other.

St. Andre Bessette Afternoon of Reflection:

“Those Who Walked with Jesus From the Cross to the Resurrection”

All are welcome to join us for an afternoon of prayer followed by a pot-luck supper as we journey with those who accompanied Jesus through His Passion, Death and Resurrection.

One on One Companionship

For anyone interested in making their Lenten journey with the support of spiritual guidance, we are offering one-on-one spiritual direction according to the desires and needs of parishioners.



**This year, will you be ready for Lent?
Journey with us with two brand new series from the
Augustine Institute.**

By signing up, you’ll receive emails two weeks before Lent with new episodes of How to Lent to help you prepare for the holy season. Throughout Lent, you’ll also receive new episodes of Foretold: Finding Hope in God’s Providence. Go to website: <https://daily.formed.org/lent> and sign up.

Another Lenten journey is “Best Lent Ever” through Dynamic Catholic.
Go to: www.DynamicCatholic.com/Lent2025



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
- 1LT Nicholas Fortuna, US Army National Guard
- SGT Keagan Gorman, USMC
- SPC Zachary Zbierajewski, US Army
- SSG Heath Coburn, US Army
- TSGT Meaghan Zieske, USAF
- CAPT William Austin, US Army
- SGT Jonathan Krafton, US Air National Guard
- CAPT Olyia Bashaw, USAF
- 1LT Mark C. Bashaw, US Army
- SGT Nicholas Everett, US Army Reserves
- GM Cody Russell Morin, US Navy
- 2LT Evan King USMC
- LCPL Ruairi Cleary Bentley, USMC
- SGT Anthony J. Tomkiewicz Jr., USMC
- AFC Lucas J. Tomkiewicz, USAF
- SGT Evan M. Munson, US Army
- SN Ryan Perkins, US Navy
- SGT Alec V. Salzer, US Army
- PFC Matthew DiBona, US Army
- AN Spencer T. Butzen, US Navy
- CAPT Jake Gilbert, US Army
- PFC Joseph Desprez, US Army
- 1LT Eleanor Fremont-Smith, US Army

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

To our Parishioners who have family members serving our nation...We Thank You.



If your loved one has been promoted to a new rank or has been discharged from the military, please call the parish office at (978)388-0330, or email at HelenT@StAndreB.org so we can update their status. Also, if you have a family member that entered the military and would like their name on our prayer list, please let the parish office know.

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, February 16 - Alden Bronson
- Monday, February 17 - Alexander DeTirado
- Tuesday, February 18 - Joseph Jasinski
- Wednesday, February 19 - Nicholas Jones
- Thursday, February 20 - Diego Mendoza
- Friday, February 21 - Thiago Mesquita de Sousa
- Saturday, February 22 - Henry Sueffert

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

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.



Edward Kelleher, Paul Palen, Hannah M., James Blood, Carole Young, Brian Donahue, Julio Folgar, Jennifer Campano, Joan Ferraro, Armand Hyatt, Sandra & Cliff Buttry, Jeanine Fowler, Sue James, Patrick Willwerth, Donna & Frank O'Neil, Renee Fowler, Linda Follansbee, Jeanne Turgeon, Eileen Hughes

***St. André Bessette...Pray for us
Pray for us...St. André Bessette***



The Cold Months are here !

The St. Vincent de Paul Society assist many people **year round**. They rely on your generous donations for them to be able to serve the less fortunate in our communities. 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.

SNOW POLICY

When school is cancelled due to inclement weather, either in Amesbury or Salisbury, the daily Mass will not be celebrated. This policy will give our custodial staff the time to clear the snow. Please remember, if it is not safe for our children to be out, it is certainly not safe for our parishioners to be driving to church. Thank you for your understanding.



Note: The parish office will also be closed.

Should a weekend Mass be cancelled due to blizzard conditions, an alert on Flocknote will be sent out. **Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates** & more delivered to you phone.

Text SAB to 84576 or sign up online at:
www.standrebflocknote.com

Weekend Offertory!!!!

If you missed Mass on any particular weekend because of **inclement or frigid cold weather, as well as illnesses**, we ask that your missed offertory donation be placed in the collection basket at the next weekend Mass or mail it to the Parish Office , 11 Sparhawk St. Amesbury, MA 01913.

You can also make your donations online at
www.standrebor.org

Your contributions will help with the heating and snow removal for both properties.

As always, your donations are greatly appreciated.

St. André Bessette

Combined Weekly Offertory

Star of the Sea and St. Joseph Churches

Saturday / Sunday February 1 - 2, 2025

Offertory

74 Envelopes:	\$3,756.00
Loose:	\$1,941.54
Candles	\$ 86.00
Online Giving	<u>\$1,211.55</u>
Total:	\$7,070.23

Second Collection - LA Fire Relief

Envelopes & Loose:	\$4,222.80
Online Giving	<u>\$ 160.00</u>
Total:	\$4,382.80

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Upcoming 2nd Collections

February 16 - Heat

February 23 - Church Around the World



Help to sustain your church with the security and convenience of Online Giving.

To sign up for online giving, go to www.StAndreB.org and click the "Donate" button, located on the right under **Quick Links**. This will bring you to Online Giving Links. From there click the "Give to St. André Bessette Parish" and follow the instructions for "My Donation". Call the parish office if you need help to set up your account.



The Parish office will be closed on Monday, February 17, in observance of Presidents' Day. They will re-open Tuesday, February 18 at 9:00a.m.

Office Staff

Reverend Ronald St. Pierre	Pastor
Reverend Jack O'Brien	Visiting Senior Priest
Reverend Mister Chuck Hall	Deacon
	DeaconChuckHall@gmail.com
Reverend Mister Paul Specht	Senior Deacon

Office Staff

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	SueG@StAndreB.org
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Diana Giard	Coordinator of Faith Formation
	DianaG@StAndreB.org
Faith Formation Office Hours: Tuesday: 12:30– 4:30p.m.	



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& more delivered to you phone.**

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WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS - 2024

Saturday, February 15

4:00 pm St. Joseph - Mary Benjamin, Arlene &
Tony Wallaga

6:00 pm Star of the Sea - People of Our Parish

Sunday, February 16

8:00 am Star of the Sea - Rose & Alcide Theriault

9:30 am St. Joseph - Lucille D'Agastino

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS - 2024

Monday, February 17

9:00 am St. Joseph - Celebrants' Intention

Tuesday, February 18

9:00 am Star of the Sea - Patricia & Maryann
Basque

Wednesday, February 19

9:00 am St. Joseph - Celebrants' Intention

Saturday, February 22

4:00 pm St. Joseph - Rita Shay

6:00 pm Star of the Sea -

Sunday, February 23

8:00 am Star of the Sea -

9:30 am St. Joseph - Agnes David & Norman
Gautreau

Monday, February 24

9:00 am St. Joseph -

Tuesday, February 25

9:00 am Star of the Sea -

Wednesday, February 26

9:00 am St. Joseph -



St. Joseph Church, February 2025

In Memory

Host & Wine

Terry & Bill Axten
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Terry & Bill Axten
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Star of the Sea Church, February 2025

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