



*April 25, 2021 – 4th Sunday of Easter*

**Welcome to the Nashoba Valley Catholic Collaborative**

If you are visiting us for the first time, we wish to welcome you and your family and hope that you enjoy your visit with us. If you would like to join either St Mary's or St Anthony's Parishes (we are two separate entities) there are **Registration Forms on our website:** [www.nashobacatholic.org/form/parish-registration](http://www.nashobacatholic.org/form/parish-registration). Don't have the internet or email? Call the office and we would be happy to mail a form to you!

<p><b>WEEKEND &amp; WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Sat, April 24, 4pm     Adriana &amp; Kari Medina r/b Isabel Chesak          Sun, April 25, 8am     Judy Pinard r/b Maryann Madigan          Sun, April 25, 10:15am     Ronald McGrath r/b the family          Wed, April 28, 8:30am          Fri, April 30, 8:30am          Sat, May 1, 4:00pm     Theresa &amp; Robert Cahalane r/b the family          Sun, May 2, 8:00am     Fr. Derosier's health r/b Young Shin          Sun, May 2, 10:15am     Ray Remy r/b the family</p>	<p><b>Please pray for those people who may be ill or have asked for prayers:</b></p> <p>Karen Butler, William Davis, Kathy Eldredge, Anne Fiesinger, Norman Gionet, Br. Joachin, Alec Lawton, Betty LeBlanc, Dotty Marino, Mary Palmer, Donna Vaira, Charlotte Decker, Joseph Tomaszek, Pat Thorsen.</p> <p>Also pray for the souls of Joanne Glaszcz and Bob Hammond who died this past week.</p>
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Dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation remains in effect. Cardinal Sean strongly encourages people in vulnerable populations, especially the elderly and those with complicated physical conditions, to continue to watch from their homes (which you can do on our Nashoba Catholic Facebook page).

**THE CATHOLIC APPEAL: Every gift, regardless of the size, is meaningful and can make an impact. Your participation is very much appreciated by our parish and the thousands that are served through the Archdiocese.**

**We will begin having morning Mass on Wednesday's and Friday's at 8:30am beginning April 28 and continuing each week.**

<p><b>Fatima Winners</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Janet Providakes - \$100.00</li> <li>2. Hollywood Curran - \$75.00</li> <li>3. Margaret Upson - \$75.00</li> <li>4. Matthew Dolan - \$50.00</li> <li>5. Shane Dolan - \$50.00</li> <li>6. Julia Dolan - \$25.00</li> <li>7. Katherine Dolan - \$25.00</li> </ol> <p>Next drawing will be May 17, 2021</p>	<p><b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b></p> <p>"I am the good shepherd; I know mine and mine know me." These words from today's Gospel hold both comfort and challenge! How well do you know Christ? Do you recognize his voice when he speaks to you? Do you willingly follow him as one of his sheep, as one of his disciples? Following the Good Shepherd takes faith, courage and an open heart. Take time this week in prayer to listen to the voice of our Good Shepherd. Pray for the grace to be responsive to his call to discipleship.</p>
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We thank you for your continued support of our two parishes.

**Weekly Offering**  
**St Mary's Collection - \$1674.00      St. Anthony Collection - \$ 2196.00**

(We are two separate parishes and our finances are not combined.)

If anyone would like to start contributing via our EFT program, the Authorization Form is on our website in pdf format. It is under the GIVING BUTTON at the top, right of our homepage. You will need to print it out and mail it to the Office.

### NASHOBA CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

Our Faith Formation program has been a family affair this year! Last week, you received the final lesson, "Easter through Pentecost." We hope that you are enjoying and have enjoyed the **4 video lessons**. You can go to our website [www.nashobacatholic.org](http://www.nashobacatholic.org) to watch these classes. Many, many thanks to all who made this year's program possible: Father D, Pat Kelly, Brian Gill, Ken Bishara, Greg Pepin, and Shawn Denoncour.

Do you have any First Communion dresses, jackets, veils, ties, shoes or other sacramental apparel that is just sitting in your closet? Consider donating it to our Sacramental Apparel closet. Items donated must be clean and in good condition. For more information, please contact Marianne at the above phone number or email.

**ALPHA PROGRAM! Come join us on an adventure of the spirit! Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith, in a friendly, open and informal environment.** No pressure. No judgment. **No Cost.** Over 29 million people across the globe have participated in Alpha! Why not try it?! **Alpha is not so much a course, but an experience!** Gathering once a week over a 10-11 week period, in-person or online via Zoom, each Alpha brings together people from every walk of life. **You do not have to commit to the whole series at once. Just simply Come to check it out at our first week or two.** Please go to <https://applevalleycatholic.org/alpha> to register for the Zoom version taking place on Thursdays, starting April 29, at 7pm. If you have any questions, contact **Marianne Cooper at [faithformation@nashobacatholic.org](mailto:faithformation@nashobacatholic.org) or leave a message at the parish office.**

**St. Mary's THRIFT STORE is only open on Saturdays** from 9am to 2:30pm. All COVID-19 protocols are in place, with a limited number of people allowed in the store at one time. **Donations are accepted from 9-2 ONLY.** No checks, credit or debit cards, or bills larger than \$20 are accepted. No exceptions!!

#### WE ARE HIRING!

Interested in joining our team and supporting our awesome parishes? We would love to hear from you. More information on our website.

The Collaborative Office and Communications Manager (OCM) is a role requiring the handling of a variety of tasks that ensure the smooth daily operations of the collaborative. Overseeing the production and maintenance of electronic, social and printed media, facilitating communication with the clergy, archdiocesan agencies, parishes and other organizations, and generally assisting the Pastoral Staff. Oversees and approves all parish communications. This is a part-time position, 18 hours a week Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### MISSION DAYS 2021

**Mission Days has been scheduled for July 13, 14 and 15.** The event is subject to all of the safety protocols that will be in place at the time. At this point we are looking for the following:

1. Jobs - if you know anyone that needs outdoor work done to their home but cannot get it done due to hardship, please have them contact us at the email below.
2. Kids - if you are going into 7th grade through graduated senior and want an amazing experience, please send an email to Joe Leone.
3. Adults - we always need adults to help with the planning and execution of these days.

**Please contact Joe Leone - [ccoach11@gmail.com](mailto:ccoach11@gmail.com)**

