



CCB Parent Connector

St. Andrew, St. Mary & St. Theresa parishes



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Saying farewell to summertime can be difficult. It is the end of those long summer days, vacations at the beach, and less-structured family time. The end of summer also marks the return to school, work, schedules and seemingly shorter days. A few years ago my husband and I went to a beach in Maine for the day with another couple we are close friends with. It was the last weekend before my three companions, all school teachers, would be returning to work. The weather was glorious and we stayed until evening, at which time we positioned our beach chairs on a sandbar facing the sunset. It was beautiful and fun but melancholy at the same time as we all sang together, "Don't let the sun go down on me..." We still laugh when we think that there were other folks on the beach that did not know us who witnessed our humorous farewell to summer. Transitions are difficult. Thankfully God created an incredible world complete with a rhythm of days and seasons for us to enjoy. Just as we are saying goodbye to a day, we are welcoming the night. And just as we say goodbye to summer, we are welcoming the beauty of autumn. We may feel that we are losing something, but in actuality the loss is making way for what is to come. The seasons are a powerful lesson for us in dealing with all sorts of change and loss in our lives. So relax. Yes, this summer is coming to an end. But a new adventure awaits. And God assures us that He is with us at every moment.

And behold, I am with *you always*, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28: 20)

ALL OF MY LIFE
IN EVERY SEASON
YOU ARE STILL GOD



REMINDER



SCHEDULE CHANGE!

Catholic Community of Billerica Mass Times as of September 7, 2019

Please note that Mass times at all three parishes will be changing this fall. We hope that this new schedule will accommodate the needs of individuals and families more effectively. Surely, there is a Mass time below that can fit into your schedule!

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 PM – St. Theresa Church

Sunday:

7:30 AM – St. Andrew Church

8:00 AM – St. Mary Church

9:00 AM – St. Theresa Church

10:00 AM – St. Andrew Church

11:00 AM – St. Mary Church

5:00 PM – St. Theresa Church

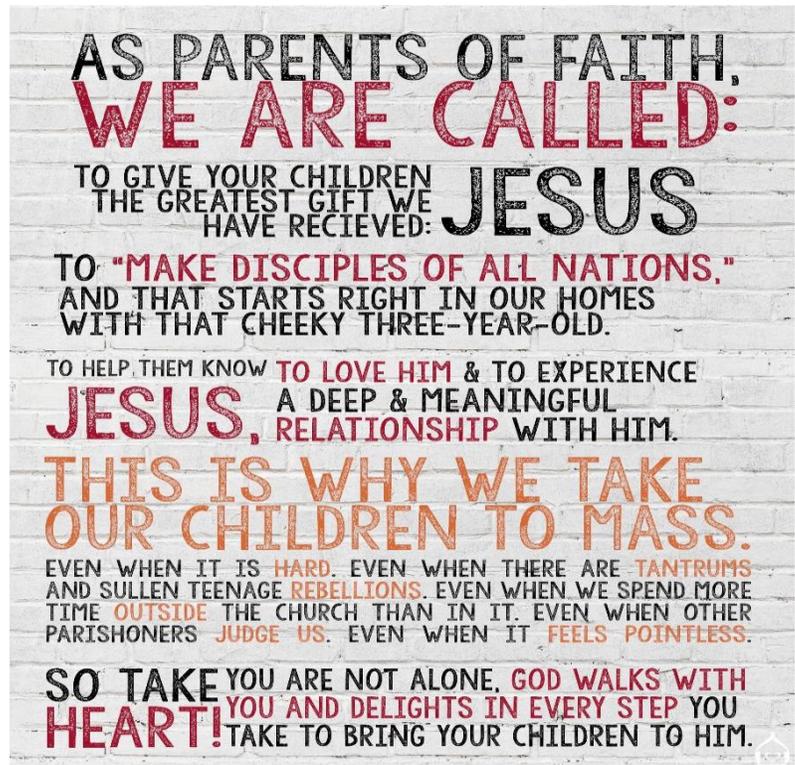
And mark your calendar....



Sunday, September 22

11:00 AM Mass at St. Mary's

**Followed by fellowship &
refreshments!**



Shepherd of my Heart,

I sit at your feet, Lord.

I rest in your presence. In your presence, I become satisfied.

Lord grant me a new, fresh season of prayer in my life.
May my prayers
be spoken containers
that hold the essence of your heart.

Grant me insights into my child, so that I can pour out more
blessings on my child.

Reveal to me how to love my child,
so that my child will feel the depth of my love.

Move my thoughts to the important things of life.
I will listen,
as you remind me
to delight in being with my child. Amen

by Beth McLendon and Robert A. Rohm

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