

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 24

4:00pm – Joseph Niccoli – 6 yr anniversary

Sunday April 25

8:00am – for the people of this parish
12:00am – Elizabeth Bassett – 1yr anniversary

Saturday, May 1

9:00am – Maria Castano - 20th anniversary
4:00pm – Anthony J. Anzalone – 22nd anniversary

Sunday, May 2

8:00am for the people of this parish
10:00am – Fr. Joseph Manning – Memorial Mass
12:00pm – John F. Altieri – 2nd anniversary

Parish Calendar

Saturday/Sunday April 24/25

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Vocations to Christian Life
2nd Collection for parish bills not covered by offertory

Saturday, April 24

6:00pm – Girl Scout Dance (Church hall)

Sunday, April 25

10:00am – New Life Celebration by 1st communion II children & parents
Religious Education Registration for September 2011
after the 10:00am Mass in Church hall.
11:15am – Parish Finance Council (rectory upstairs)

Wednesday, April 28

7:00pm – BIC /LOC (rectory upstairs)

Thursday, April 29

6:30pm – First Communion Mass Rehearsal (church)
7:30pm – ARISE Program Celebration (church hall)

Saturday, May 1

9:00am – Meals prepared for the Homeless in church hall
11:00am - First Communion Mass

Sunday, May 2

10:00am – Memorial Mass for Fr. Joseph Manning & Reception in church hall
1:30pm – Baptism class for parents and Godparents preparing to baptize an infant. (rectory downstairs)

Monday, May 3

7:00pm – Parish Pastoral Council (rectory downstairs)
7:00pm – ARISE Team (rectory upstairs)

Save the Date

Saturday, May 8

11:00am – First Communion Eucharist

Sunday, May 9

10:00am – Parish celebration of First Communion and crowning of Mary's statue

Wednesday May 12

7:00pm – Parish Finance Council

Friday, May 14

7:00pm - Human Trafficking Awareness Session at Christ the King Parish Center 42 Wendell Ave Brockton

Sunday May 16

Coffee Sunday after 8:00am and 10:00am mass

Tuesday, May 18

7:00pm – Brockton Service for Christian Unity (church)

Sunday, May 23

1:00pm – Appreciation Luncheon for all Parish Volunteers

Saturday, June 19

11:00am -3:00pm – Parish Picnic (rectory grounds)

Sunday, July 11

5:05pm – Parish Day at the Rox Game

Please remember in your prayers

For: Fr. Edward McDonough, West Bridgewater, who will undergo extensive heart surgery on April 30.
For: Brady Poz (Chris Poz's nephew) 12months old with liver Cancer. Those who are homebound and ill especially: Charlie Dornan , Helen Bath, Joseph Ameri, Jay Balsavich, Catherine Butler, James Conley, Manuel Jancinto, Francis Gibbs, Marilyn Castillo, Catherine Farmer, John Hardy, Rita Ritucci, Lorice Hashem , Harry Owens, Maria R. Eduardo, John O'Brien – (Jean Rowan's brother who is critically ill), Lottie Doyle, Edda Tuite, , Terri Resnack, Deletta Froio, Barbara Foley, Helen Sheehan and her sister Nora Cronin Marian Cole , Alfred Melchionda & Marie Jean Baptiste who is seriously ill
For : **Judy Wallen** whose funeral was celebrated here this past Week. May she rest in peace.
In : thanksgiving for the missing who have been found in the aftermath of the Haitian earthquake and for those still missing especially the relatives of our parishioners
For: the unemployed and those under- employed.
For: All civilians, peace workers, relief workers, & military in areas of conflict and war, especially: Sam Bath, Edson Batista. Peter Farley, Ryan Moffett, Kevin Murphy, Brian O'Rourke, Robert Packard, & Derek VanDyke that they be protected from all harm.
That the recent incidents of domestic violence may serve as an alert to family members and helping professions for the need to get people help before people are hurt.
For: All those working for peace and justice in Pakistan, Israel, Burma, Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan, Darfur, and the eastern part of the Congo.
For: The young people and others in our city who have been murdered and for a greater commitment from the community to address the seed beds of this violence



**Thoughts from
Our Spiritual Development Committee**

“Always live under the eyes of the Good Shepherd and you will walk unharmed through evil pastures.”

- Padre Pio's Counsel

Offertory

Weekly expenses	\$6300.00
Offertory	\$4513.00
Budget collection	\$941.00
Deficit	-\$846.00



Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28a

Readings for the Week of April 25, 2010

Sunday:	Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24---13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

In Memory of Fr. Joseph Manning

Our Lady of Lourdes Church will celebrate a Memorial Mass for Fr. Joseph Manning, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church from 1991-2005 on Sunday, May 2 at 10:00am. There will be a reception after Mass hosted by the Catholic Daughters of America in the church hall. Please save the date!



Our Lady of Lourdes Annual Parish Picnic

It would seem to the staff that Saturday, June 19th 11:00am - 3pm might be the best date and time for our annual picnic, however the hospitality committee will need help. Willing volunteers are encouraged to call the rectory at 508-586-4715, leave your name, and phone number. Thank you.

2010 Catholic Appeal - Called to Love and Share. Thank you to all supporters of the 2010 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$22,387 from 120 households, reaching 58.1 percent of our parish goal of \$38,500. If you have not yet pledged, please consider a gift today and help us meet our goal. Remember, our parish will receive 25 percent of all funds we raise above our goal. Please remember to make your pledge now even if you plan on fulfilling that pledge later in the year. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms in the back of the Church to be mailed in, or for more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Every gift matters. Thank you!

Help Wanted

Teachers, hall monitors, and classroom helpers for grades 3-10 for fall 2010 religious education classes. Please contact the rectory at 508-586-4715

Religious Education Reminders - First Communion I & II

- **Sunday 4/25** Last class for both FC1 and FC2 for the year.
- **Thursday 4/29 6:30pm** required rehearsal in church for Group 1 May 1st First Communion

From Fr. Cloherty

Each April there is commemoration of the destruction of six million Jews during the 1940s by the German Nazi government. This tragic criminal event is usually referred to as The Holocaust. Jews prefer to use the Hebrew word, Shoah. "Holocaust" is the word used in the Hebrew Scriptures to describe the sacrifice and burning of animals in the Jerusalem Temple before its destruction in the 70 AD. "Shoah" means "disaster." So we can see why that word is preferred to describe a horrific period in human history.

This Sunday you will see butterflies in the church, lots of them. Not real ones, but butterflies created by our First Communion II children. They are a symbol of new life – the new life that Jesus began to live after God raised him from death and the darkness of the tomb.

Though the exact number will never be known, it's accepted that 11 or 12 million people died in the Shoah, six million Jews among them. Many Catholic priests, nuns and the faithful were killed; Saint Edith Stein was among those killed in Auschwitz. An estimated 1,500,000 children were killed.

After Sunday, the butterflies will be sent to the Holocaust Museum in Houston, Texas, to eventually be displayed as part of a *1,500,000 Butterfly Display* scheduled to open in spring, 2013. To date, 400,000 butterflies have been collected.

Below is a poem written by 23-year-old Pavel Friedland while living in the Warsaw ghetto in 1942. He died in Auschwitz on September 29, 1944.

"The Butterfly"

The last the very last.
So richly, brightly, dazzling yellow.
Perhaps if the sun's tears would sing
Against a white stone...
Such, such a yellow
Is carried lightly way up high.
It went away I'm sure because it wished
To kiss the world goodbye
For seven weeks I've lived in here
Penned up inside this ghetto
But I have found what I loved here
The dandelions call to me
And the white chestnut branches in the court
Only I never saw another butterfly.
The butterfly was the last one
Butterflies don't live in here, in the ghetto.