



Mass Intentions



Saturday, February 13

4:00pm – John F. Murphy – 1st anniversary

Sunday, February 14

8:00am – For the people of this parish
10:00am – Derek M. Hughes – 2nd anniversary
12:00am – Damiana Correia – anniversary

Tuesday, February 16

9:00am – Joseph Sica – 1 month anniversary

Wednesday, February 17

7:00pm – Diane Puliafico – 2nd anniversary

Saturday, February 20

4:00pm – Carol Rose Gibbons Ernst Enos – anniversary
Diane Lynn Gibbons Smith
Rosemary Gibbons Ripley
Daniel William Ernst
Jeffrey Michael Ernst

Please remember in your prayers

For : Hugo Perpetuo Soares & Elvira Marie Ferrara who will be married here this weekend.

For: Sister Patricia Lambert CSJ who died this past week may she rest in peace.

For: Brady Poz (Chris Poz's nephew) 12months old with liver Cancer. Those who are homebound and ill especially: Charlie Dorman , Helen Bath, Joseph Ameri, Jay Balsavich, Catherine Butler, James Conley, Manuel Jancinto, Francis Gibbs, Marilyn Castillo, Catherine Farmer, John Hardy, Judy Wallen, Rita Ritucci, Lorice Hashem , Harry Owens, Maria R. Eduardo, Steven Hashem, John O'Brien – (Jean Rowan's brother who is critically ill), Lottie Doyle, Marge Murray, Edda Tuite, Phyllis Hancock, Terri Resnack, & Barbara Foley

For : Our brothers and sisters who were injured and those who died in the recent earthquake in Haiti

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

If you spend time in God's presence, you will think differently about yourself and about the people around you. You will have the mind of Christ and be full of His love."

Happy Valentine's Day!

Give love away today!



Parish Calendar



Saturday/Sunday February 13/14

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd collection to pay bills not covered by the regular offertory

Sunday February 14

Coffee Sunday after the 8:00am & 10:00am

9:30am- Burning of Palms (near the garage)

10:00am - Commissioning of ARISE Group Leaders

7:00pm – St. Edith Stein –Our Lady of Lourdes Marriage - Committee (St. Edith Stein Parish).

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday Collection will support our poor boxes – Masses 9:00am & 7:00pm.

Prayer service at 4:30pm

Friday, February 19

3:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 20

10:30am – Mass for victims of Haitian earthquake at Christ the King Church.

Saturday/Sunday February 20/21

First Sunday of Lent

2nd collection for Rev. Paul Moritz Scholarship Fund

8:45am- 2nd Grade parents reconciliation & making peace

10:00am- Rabbi Ayer Berk from Temple Beth Emunah preaches.

Save the Date

Wednesday, - February 24

6:00pm – Lenten evening Mass

6:30pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, February 27

11:00am – First Reconciliation / Penances

Morning of Prayer for Ministers of Communion to the Sick, Homebound & Nursing Homes:

Saturday, February 27, @ 10:00am -12:00pm at Holy Family Church, Duxbury. Sponsored by the Archdiocese. There is no charge for the Morning Prayer but we need to register. If interested, please leave a message for Jeanne Lafond at the rectory by Sunday, Feb 20.

Brockton Catholic Response to the Grief of Brockton Haitians

We are holding a *Haiti Earthquake Victims Memorial Mass* on Saturday, February 20 at 10:30am at Christ the King Parish. All of you are welcome and encouraged to attend. Marie Pierre Victor, a Psychotherapist and member of the Haitian community, has offered her services to lead a Grieving and Prayer Workshop on three consecutive Wednesdays beginning February 24th at 7:00pm at Christ the King Parish (Life House / Teen Center). Space is limited to 15; please register.

Readings for the Week**Monday** –Jas 1: 1-11 Mk 8:11-13 (335)**Tuesday** – Jas 1: 12-18, Mk 8: 14-21 (336)**Wednesday** –Jl 2: 12-18/2Cor5:20-6:2 Mt6:1-6,16-18 (219)**Thursday** - Dt 30: 15-20 Lk 9: 22-25 (220)**Friday** :- Is 50: 1-9a Mt 9: 14-15 (221)**Saturday** –Is 58: 9b-14 Lk 5: 27-32 (222)**Sunday** - Dt 26:4-10/Rom10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13 (24)**Religious Education News**

Our Religious Education program has a need for a 6th grade and 7th grade teacher. and some volunteers as elevator monitors during the Wednesday classes The class meets Wednesdays 6-7 in the church hall. There is also a need for a 10th grade teacher for Monday evenings 6-7pm. Training and support will be offered. Please call the rectory and leave a message for Amy or Joe if interested. **Classes on Sunday, February 14 are cancelled** because of the public school scheduled vacation.

Mass	Time	Presiders
Sat February 20	4:00pm	Fr. Cloherty
Sun February 21	8:00am	Fr. Butler
	10:00am	Fr. Cloherty
	12:00pm	Fr. Visbisky

Offertory

Weekly expenses	\$6300.00
February 7/8	\$4801.00
Peters Pence	\$1584.00
Parish deficit	-\$1499.00

Archdiocese of Boston Lenten Regulations

Abstinence: Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligations of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used at all.

Fast: Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their sixtieth year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. Regarding other weekdays of Lent, participation in daily Mass and the voluntary observance of fasting is recommended.

Commendable, particularly during Lent, is generosity to local, national, and world programs of sharing our abundance.

From Fr. Cloherty

Weavings is an ecumenical quarterly that offers articles on Christian Spirituality. The current issue offers this poem on living Lent with a new attitude or outlook on life so as to celebrate Easter in a deeper way.

"May Your Gaze Turn Upon Us"

*God of mercy and love, turn your gaze upon us.
You have called us again to the journey called Lent.*

*We have framed our own world
And barriers have been made among us
of hate and suspicion
of fear and reprisal.*

*God of mercy and love,
turn your gaze upon us.*

*Teach us to reframe our world
As we turn our gaze toward you.*

Help us claim, again your Easter promise:

*That everything and everyone we encounter
Will be made new through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

-Amen.

Items:

- **Wednesday, Feb 17 – Ash Wednesday.** Ashes will be offered at 9:00am Mass, 4:30pm prayer service, and 7:00pm Mass.
- Starting Wednesday, Feb 24, there will be a **Lenten Mass** at 6:00pm each Wednesday of Lent except the Wednesday of Holy Week. The soup suppers, formerly held on Lenten Wednesdays have been cancelled due to poor attendance and lack of volunteers to organize this event.
- Every Wednesday, from 6:30pm – 8:00pm the **Sacrament of Reconciliation /Confession** will be celebrated in every Church and Chapel of the Archdiocese. This will begin here starting on 2/14 through March 31. This sacrament is also available in the church from 3:00pm-3:30pm by appointment every Saturday.
- Our principal Lenten program will be our **ARISE Program**, 75 members of the parish will participate in small group faith sharing discussions weekly during this season. We pray for a deepening of faith for all involved.
- The **Stations of the Cross** will be celebrated on every Friday of Lent beginning 2 /19 through 4/2.
- **Rev. Paul Moritz Scholarship Fund** annually grants scholarships to four qualified high school students who are enrolled in the Project Grads Program at Brockton High School. These young people because they are parents, could end up in a spiral of poverty. These scholarships, which are supported by all the Catholic parishes in the city, encourage the students to continue their education for the benefit of both themselves and their children. Your donation in the 2nd collection next week will support this good effort.
- **Our Response to the Haitian Tragedy.** Our 2nd collection for Haiti now stands at **\$5,222.00**. We will join the rest of the city catholic parishes at a Eucharist which will take place this **Saturday, Feb 20 at 10:30am at Christ the King Parish**. As a gesture to our parishioners of Haitian origin, we will host a *"Consolation Meal"* in our hall on Sunday, **Feb 28** at 4:00pm. We have the volunteers we think we need to host this meal, however, if you want to help, call the rectory and leave your name and phone number. If the committee finds that they need more volunteers, they will call you. One way all of us can help is by making a donation to the parish poor boxes, that money will pay for the cost of the meal.
- **Jewish / Catholic Dialogue.** Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and Temple Beth Emunah are putting together a joint committee to foster greater understanding and relationships between our two congregations. Rabbi Ayre Berk, from Temple Beth Emunah will be here on 2/21 at the 10:00am Mass to reflect on our scriptures. Fr. Cloherty was at the temple on Jan 23. More in the future