

**Mass Intentions**



**Saturday, January 3**

9:00am – Ryan Mone - anniversary  
 4:00pm – Marjorie Moynihan anniversary

**Sunday, January 4**

8:00am – For the people of this parish  
 10:00am – Alfred Danksewicz – 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary  
 12:00pm – Carolyn Moreau – 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary

**Tuesday, January 6**

9:00am – Immacula & Metelus Desarmes – Birthday remembrance

**Friday, January 9**

9:00am – Gordon A Parenteau – 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary

**Saturday, January 10**

9:00am – Julia DeNobrega – remembrance  
 4:00pm – Frank Metta – 64<sup>th</sup> anniversary

**Please remember in your prayers**

**For: June Jurek**, who on this weekend will participate in the Rite of Acceptance as a candidate for baptism.

**For:** Those who are homebound and ill especially: Helen Bath, Joseph Ameri, Jay Balsavich, Catherine Butler, Mary Webby, Patti Lukac, James Conley, Joseph & Lorice Hashem, Manuel Jancinto, Olive Burns (John Burns' mother), Peggy Ford, Francis Gibbs, MaryKennedy, Marilyn Castillo, Mary Murphy, Raymond Gadaire Catherine Farmer, Rev. Robert Kelleher, Roberta Willard. Rev. Joseph Callahan, Bob Martin, John Murphy, & Mario DiMarzo

**For: Clara Columbo** whose funeral was celebrated this past week

**For:** All civilians, peace workers, relief workers & military in areas of conflict and war, that they be protected from all harm.

**For:** All those working for peace and justice in Pakistan, Israel, Burma, Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan, and Darfur.

**For:** The people of Mumbai India, 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  
 Our New Years Wish for All of You.**

“May God be close wherever you are,  
 And be your guide, like the Christmas Star.

May happiness be yours today,  
 and all year long, for this we pray.

May angels guide you both day and night,  
 May your waking hours be warm and bright.

May all good fortune, peace, and love,  
 Be your blessings from God above.”

(- Elsie Natalie Brady)

**Parish Calendar**

**Saturday/Sunday, January 3/4**

*The Epiphany of the Lord*

2<sup>nd</sup> collection to meet the parish deficit  
 Sign up for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Religious Celebration on 1/18

**Saturday, January 3**

**4:00pm** – Rite of Acceptance as a Catechumen for June Jurek

**Sunday, January 4**

**10:00am** – *Three Kings* dramatization by the children in our RCIA program

**1:30pm** – Class for parents & godparents preparing to baptize an infant.

**Monday, January 5**

**2:30pm** – Parish Special Events Committee (Rectory upstairs)

**4:30pm** – RCIA for children (rectory basement)

**7:00pm** – Parish Pastoral Council (rectory basement)

**Thursday, January 8**

**7:00pm** – Parish ARISE Leadership (rectory upstairs)

**Saturday/ Sunday January 10/11**

Tickets on sale for Pasta Dinner at Georges Restaurant 1/29  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for *Parish Operating Budget*

**10:00am - Children's Liturgy of the Word begins & Cub Scout bake-sale** and coffee being served after Mass in the church hall.

**1:30pm** – Parish Baptisms

**Sunday, January 18**

**1:15pm** – Religious Celebration for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at Temple Beth Emunah

**Thursday, Jan 29**

**6:00pm** – Pasta Dinner at George's Café to benefit the parish

**Offertory**

Weekly expenses	\$6600
December 27/28 – Offertory	\$4716
Parish Budget	\$1102
Weekly deficit	-\$782

If every adult gave \$3.00 more per week, we would not have a deficit.

Average amount given in offertory envelopes = \$18.00

Average amount given by people who do not use envelopes = \$7.00  
 Please remember the parish in your will, a gift for future generations

Christmas Offertory	\$10,456
Grand Annual	\$32,307

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday** – Jn 3: 22-4: 6 Mt 4: 12-17, 23-25 (212)

**Tuesday**, Jn 4: 7-10 Mk 6: 34-44 (213))

**Wednesday**, Jn 4: 11-18 Mk 6: 45-52 (214))

**Thursday**, Jn 4: 19- 5: 4 Lk 4: 14-22a (215)

**Friday**, Jn 5: 5-13 Lk 5: 12-16 (216)

**Saturday**, Jn 5: 14-21 Jn 3: 22-30 (217)

**Sunday** 1 Sm 3: 3b-10, 19 1Cor 6: 13c-15a, 17-20 Jn 1: 35-42 65)

## Religious Education News

CCD Classes will resume January 5<sup>th</sup>  
 No CCD Tuesday January 6<sup>th</sup> due to early release  
 FC1 classes will resume on January 11, 2009 with a parent  
 and child session.

**Thank you** to the following children in our First Communion 1 class who participated in the "tableau" at the Christmas Eve Family Mass. You all were wonderful participants and added to the Mass. Thank you to the parents of these children for supporting our parish program and encouraging the children to participate at the Mass.

Heather Courteau,  
 Zachary Witt  
 Chasitie Bryce  
 Deeyana Desronvil,  
 Skylar Jacques  
 Amanda Price  
 Nathan Petti

Emma Keene  
 Konice Asomugha  
 Celia Canavan  
 Mia DiStefano  
 Madison McAvoy  
 Christopher LeRoy  
 Anthony Tarentino

## Volunteer Alert

Help needed to bring Communion to homebound parishioners once a month. If you think you are able to help, please call Fr. Cloherty at the rectory



## Brockton Interfaith Community

Hosts

Family Event with Dinner, Raffle, & live entertainment  
 including **Magician Todd Migliacci**

Saturday, February 7 2009 from 6pm to 10pm

At the **Fruth Center**

891 Montello ST.

\$20.00/adult

\$5.00/child 12 & under

\$50.00/ family 2 adults, 3 children 12 & under

Join us in celebrating 19yrs of accomplishments!

## From Fr. Cloherty

As we walk through the Christmas Season, (which reaches its conclusion on January 11<sup>th</sup>), a lot of *thank-you's* are in order:

First, to the choir and Richard Cesarini and to the First Communion I children who gave us a beautiful Christmas pageant at the 5:45pm Mass on Christmas Eve, to those who helped decorate the church on the Monday before Christmas, and to our Lectors, Ministers of Communion, and Altar Servers. A word of thanks also needs to go to all those who donated the 600 gifts for the needy children and families through My Brother's Keeper and to those who donated generously to our Parish Poor Boxes, and finally to Rich Loonie, who (in the absence of a janitor) kept the Church trash moving to the dumpster and vacuumed the church rugs. In all I think we as a Parish celebrated well, the gift that God has given us in Jesus our Brother and Lord.

### Items:

Last week I had to share with regret that as of January 1, 2009 we had to abolish our position of Pastoral Associate because of the deficit we are facing this fiscal year. In order that there will be no break in programs and services to the parish, we now will be looking for parish volunteers to pick up the responsibilities that Jeanne Lafond carried so well while she was with us as Pastoral Associate. These responsibilities are listed below

- Coordinating visitation/Communion to the homebound and to nursing homes
- Bringing Communion to 5 or 6 persons a week
- Training Eucharistic Ministers for Mass
- Helping to train lectors (with Joe Duford)
- Coordinating RCIA /Adult Confirmation program
- Serving Baptism program
  - Taking incoming calls for Baptism
  - Assist with Baptism preparation classes
  - Assisting at Baptism ceremony
- Helping process annulments for parishioners
- Serving as staff person for the ARISE group
- Serving on BIC/LOC group
- Serving on Community Outreach Committee
- Leading Wake Services when needed
- Serving as a back up in emergencies (Holy Week last year)

How these will be covered will be a topic for discussion at the Parish Pastoral Council Meeting which will be held on Monday, January 5 at 7:00pm in the rectory basement meeting room. All are welcome, especially those who wish to volunteer.

*Have a Happy Healthy New Year to all!*