

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 9

4:00pm – Gordon A. Parenteau – 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary

### Sunday, January 10

8:00am – For the people of the parish

10:00am – Jessie Nesseralla – anniversary

12:00pm – Bernard Allain – 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary

### Friday, January 15

9:00am – Patrick J. Quirk – 1 yr anniversary

### Saturday, January 16

4:00pm – John Southworth – 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary

## Please remember in your prayers

**For: Jessica & Haley Sullivan, Ryan Hurley & Patricia Swenson** who will be baptized this weekend.

**For: Matthew Uto, Marian Lupica, Ruth Mathews, Barbara Amirault, and Evelyn Welch** whose funerals were celebrated here recently

**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, Mary Webby 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, Phylis Hancock, & Terri Resnack

**For: the unemployed and those under- employed.**

**For: All civilians, peace workers, relief workers, & military in areas of conflict and war, especially: Sam Bath, Ryan Moffett, Brian O'Rourke, Peter Farley, Robert Packard, Derek VanDyke, Edson Batista & Kevin Murphy** 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

Dear Jesus, this year let me see and love you in the Eucharist, see and embrace you in the sacrament of the present moment, see and praise you in the beauties of nature and persons. Let me see you and love you in the sorrows and joy that come my way

### Readings for the Week

**Monday** – 1 Sm 15: 16-23, Mk 2: 18-22(311)

**Tuesday** – 1 Sm 16: 1-13, Mk2:23-28 (312)

**Wednesday** – 1 Sm17: 32-33, 37, 40-51, Mk3: 1-6 (314)

**Thursday**- 1 Sm 18: 6-9, 19: 1-7, Mk 3: 7-12 (314)

**Friday** :- 1Sm24: 3-21/Mk3: 13-19(315)

**Saturday** –2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27, Mk 3: 20-21 (316)

**Sunday** - Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, 1Cor12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27 Lk1:1-4,4: 14-21 (69)

## Parish Calendar

### Saturday / Sunday January 9/10

The Baptism of the Lord

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection to pay for parish bills not covered by the regular offertory

Tickets for Our Lady of Lourdes Pasta Dinner at Georges Café - January 21 on sale at the doors

Signup for the lunch at the Religious Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday on 1/17 (last call)

### Sunday, January 10

10:00am – Parish Baptisms

3:00-6:00pm – BIC Clergy Retreat (Stonehill College)

### Monday, January 11

7:15pm – Parish Pastoral Council (rectory downstairs)

### Thursday, January 14

7:00pm – BIC/LOC Committee (rectory upstairs)

### Saturday/ Sunday, January 16/17

Russian Orthodox Nuns from St. Elisabeth Convent, Minsk, Belarus will be here after all Masses to sell the goods from their workshops – icons, carved crosses etc.

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### Sunday, January 17

Coffee Sunday after the 8am & 10am Mass

1:15pm – Religious celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King at Temple Beth Emunah

### Thursday, January 21

6:00pm - Pasta dinner at Georges Café (a parish fundraiser)

### Thursday, January 21

7pm - 8pm - Saint Edith Stein will be celebrating Holy Hour for Life

# Save the Date

### Sunday January 24

1pm-6pm - Prayer Vigil and Procession to Brockton High School to show our concerns over the recent shooting there. (Church hall)

**Annual Interfaith Assembly for Life:** to commemorate the 37<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Roe v Wade will be held on Sunday January 24, form 2- 4pm at Faneuil Hall Boston.

**2010 National March for Life:** Jan 22, 2010 Washington D.C. Bus will depart from Immaculate Conception East Weymouth on Thursday

**For more information** call Bill Gilmore at 508-583-3352 or check the website: [www.masscitizensforlife.org](http://www.masscitizensforlife.org)

### Wednesday, February 3

7:30pm – Parish Finance Council (rectory upstairs)

### Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday - 6:00pm Mass

<b>Presiders</b>		
Sat January 16	4:00pm	Fr. Cloherty
Sun January 17	8:00am	Fr. Cloherty
	10:00am	Fr. Butler
	12:00pm	Fr. Callahan

<b>Offertory</b>	
Weekly expenses	\$6300.00
January 2/3	\$4530.00
Budget	- \$1770.00

Thank you for your generous offering to the annual Christmas collection for Retired Priests. Total amount = \$10,866.00

## Please Join Us

All Arise members as well as those who wish to know more about the program are invited to attend a special evening at St. Edith Stein Parish on Sunday, January 24 from 6 to 8 pm. Mary Ann McLaughlin, director of the Arise program for the Archdiocese of Boston will be the guest speaker and we lead us in an evening of prayer and faith sharing. The evening will begin in the upper church and light refreshments will be served.

**St. Joseph Retreat Center**, 339 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset invites you to the following programs.

- January 21: My Healing Presence For Others
- February 22: Encountering Jesus at the Well

Besides scheduled events, the retreat house is often available for individual or group private retreats. For more information and to register, visit our website [www.csjretreatcenter.org](http://www.csjretreatcenter.org), call 781-383-6024/6029, or email [retreat.center@csjboston.org](mailto:retreat.center@csjboston.org)

### **Discernment Retreats for Men** **Know of a man who may be called?**

On the weekend of February 5-7, 2010, Cardinal Sean will lead two retreats for men to experience seminary life, pray and reflect upon the Priesthood, meet other men like themselves and discern God's call in their life. The Discernment Retreat at Blessed John XXIII Seminary for men age 40 and older will be held on February 5-6, 2010 and the Discernment Retreat at St John's Seminary and Connors Family Retreat Center for men ages 18-40 years will be held on February 5-7, 2010. The Vocation Office invites you to submit names of men you think might have a vocation to the Priesthood to be considered for this retreat. Please send their names and contact information to the Vocation Office at 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, Ma. 02184 or by email at [Dfortin@rcab.org](mailto:Dfortin@rcab.org) For more info call 617-746-5949. One of the priests from the Vocation Office will contact the men to see if this retreat is right for them.

*Thank you St. Jude for prayers answered.*

## From Fr Cloherty

"Weavings" is an Ecumenical Journal on Spirituality. I found this poem in the Advent-Christmas issue. I hope you enjoy it as we finish the Christmas Season this weekend.

### *The Shepherd Speaks*

**You** are sleeping, newly,  
fresh, your breath a gentle sigh.  
I find you after a journey  
so long, long with remarkable stars  
and midnight hymns. Angels descending with Angels  
their voices, stillness, sing joy.  
The walk here broke my feet and my heart,  
snapped the straps that tied me to a life  
I was no longer living,  
that did not hold me, freed me  
from the relentless, empty questions  
of whether there was a You,  
and so, whether there was a me.  
How can we live without someone seeing us?  
No, it is not possible, My eyes are wide,  
and your gaze infinite.

Tonight I find home, in this scent of wild  
arrivals: precious you, the mother and father,  
the obliging animals, the friends who came with me

bundled against the wooden trough  
watching you breathe, soft, ordinary.  
In this finding, this unexpended advent, I am  
over-awed – overflowing -- over-loved and  
committed to you, now born with you.  
While I do not appear again in your story,  
I am the beginning of everyone's story  
who loves you, who seeks you, who finds you.

I am the friend of your mother,  
the witness of your father,  
the first voice of the widening circle.  
I am the shepherd who left his flocks  
in the deepest night, for one remarkable quest,  
chosen for an extraordinary task,  
to see you, to be seen.  
Invited to know how you breath  
lifts quietly from your chest  
holding all the world, holding all my world.  
Your breath, like my breath,  
your breath, God's breath,  
swaddling me with ancient hope,  
that I carry with me from the barn  
into fields of sweet loam,  
into the heart of the seeker,  
into the mind of one sought.

By Mary L. Fraser