

Mass Intentions

Parish Calendar

Saturday, March 6

4:00pm – Thomas Francis Reardon – 25th anniversary

Sunday, March 7

8:00am – For the people of this parish
 10:00am – Dorothy Venuti -4th anniversary & Matthew Venuti 3rd anniversary
 12:00pm – Cuong Dinh – 5yr anniversary

Monday, March 8

9:00am – Peter Nesseralla , Evelyn & Robert O’Neil

Tuesday, March 9

9:00am – Cecile Fournier –1 month anniversary

Saturday, March 13

4:00pm – Maria Metta - 27th anniversary & Frank Metta - 65th anniversary

Sunday, March 14

8:00am – For the people of the parish
 10:00am – Richard Brennan – 1yr anniversary
 12:00pm – Khuyen Nguyen – 25th anniversary

Saturday/Sunday, March 6-7

Third Sunday of Lent
 Catholic Appeal Weekend
 The Second collection will help pay parish bills not covered by the regular offertory

Sunday March 7

1:00pm – 4:00pm – Cub Scouts Blue & Gold Banquet
 6:00pm - St. Edith Stein / OLOL Marriage Prep Committee (church hall)

Monday, March 8

6:00pm – Rehearsal for confirmation (church)

Wednesday, March 10

6:00pm – Lenten Mass
 6:30pm - 8:00pm - “The Light is On For You” Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confessions

Thursday, March 11

7:00pm – meeting with parents of children in the RCIA (rectory)

Friday, March 12

3:30pm – Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 13

11:00am – Confirmation Mass with Bishop John Dooher

Saturday / Sunday March 13/14

Fourth Sunday of Lent
 2nd collection- Pledges for the Catholic Appeal

Saturday, March 13

4:00pm -Model person- to- person conversations
 Anointing of the Sick after Mass

Sunday, March 14

10:00am – Girl Scout Sunday
 Model person-to-person conversations
 6:00pm – Marriage Preparation Committee (church hall)

Please remember in your prayers

- For:** those adults and young people preparing for baptism at the Easter Vigil: **Donna Kennedy, Eloisa Teixeira, Alicia Smith & Thomas Craig.**
- 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, 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 , Deletta Froio, Helen Sheehan & Nora Cronin
- For:** **Patricia O’Donnell** & John Joseph Barry Jr. whose funerals Were celebrated here this past week – May they rest in peace
- 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

Mass	Time	Presiders
Sat March 13	4:00pm	Fr. Cloherty
Sun March 14	8:00am	Fr. Butler
	10:00am	Fr. Callahan
	12:00pm	Fr. Visbisky

Readings for the Week of March 7, 2010

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
 Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Offertory	
Weekly expenses	\$6300.00
February 27/28	\$5748.00
Budget	\$1085.00
Parish deficit	+533.00
Thank you for your generosity	



Thoughts from

Our Spiritual Development Committee

Heavenly Father, as I continue the Lenten Season, help me to turn away from sin and back to you through my daily penances. Give me the gift of your love. I ask this through Christ, your Son and Our Lord. Amen



Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

Project Rachel Healing Retreats

Do you know someone who is carrying grief and sorrow over past abortions? Project Rachel is the post-abortion ministry of the Catholic Church to help those dealing with the pain of abortion. Project Rachel will offer three "Come to the Waters" post-abortion-healing retreats this spring: Sunday, March 13 and Saturday, June 5. For more information and registration for the date of your choice, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

This is Catholic Appeal Weekend This is Catholic Appeal Weekend here at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish We, like all parishes throughout our Archdiocese, will be showing a video message from Cardinal Seán at all Masses and asking every Catholic household to participate by making a pledge. Please know that your participation matters and will make a difference. As a Catholic community, we are called during this season of Lent to love and share our blessings with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Participation in the Catholic Appeal, a once-a-year pledge drive to benefit the many central ministries and services of the Archdiocese, is one way for us to answer His call. The Appeal is to our Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish - so your participation and support are critical. Because of the economic downturn, support of the Catholic Appeal is more urgent this year. Please see the information packets on the windowsills to learn more and to obtain a pledge form if you didn't receive one last week. Cardinal Seán thanks all the families from Our Lady of Lourdes that contributed \$31,866 to the 2009 Catholic Appeal. This year, we hope to have 201 households participate. Our financial goal is \$38,500 If we exceed our financial goal, we will receive 25 percent of all funds raised above goal for use here in our parish. Thank you in advance for joining with parishioners throughout our Archdiocese's 291 parishes to carry on and renew the broader mission of our Church.

Lenten Bible Study

Please join us for a Lenten Bible study as we prepare for Easter. We'll be meeting downstairs in the church on Tuesday evenings from 7:00pm -8:30pm on March 16, 23, 30

Girl Scout Sunday All Girl Scouts in the parish are invited to attend the 10a Mass on 3/14 in uniform to celebrate Girl Scout Sunday. Please meet in the parish hall at 9:45. Information contact Marcia Hoyle Walkama 508 587 3257 mhwalkama@aol.com

Confirmation Candidates: Monday March 8, 6:00 p.m. pick up robes(no class); those who are participating in the ceremony (readers, etc.) should plan to stay until 6:30 p.m. Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation - Saturday, March 13, 2010 11:00 a.m.(Candidates and sponsors should arrive at hall no later than 10:15 a.m.)

From Fr. Cloherty

One activity in our parish that may have slipped under your radar is our collaboration with groups and institutions in the city. One of the most important is our membership in Brockton Interfaith Community (BIC). BIC is a partnership we have with 11 Protestant churches and one synagogue to help make Brockton a more livable city. The issues we have worked on through BIC recently are home foreclosures, counseling to avoid foreclosure and violence prevention.

We also partner with St. Edith Stein Parish through our joint marriage preparation committee and with Christ the King Parish through our joint committee that prepares adults for the sacraments (RCIA). As ordained clergy numbers continue to decline in the Archdiocese, (a net loss of 25% each year), collaboration with other Catholic churches in Brockton will become more important and necessary.

Finally, we have a joint committee with Temple Beth Emunah to promote a deeper understanding and appreciation of the faith we share between our two congregations.

I am personally a member of the Stonehill College Jewish/Catholic Committee, the Greater Brockton Clergy Association and the BIC Clergy Committee. However, for me, a positive sign of our parish's healthy future are the committees staffed by our laypeople.

Contact persons for these committees are:

BIC – Sue Reichenberg
Marriage Prep – Bill and Beth Burney
RCIA – Jeanne Lafond and Joe Duford
Temple Beth Emunah - Fr. Cloherty

- **The Hospitality Committee**, which prepares our monthly Sunday coffee hour and arranges other hospitality events in the parish, is looking for more volunteers. If you are open to helping to this great group of people, call the rectory, leave your name, and phone number.

Trinity Catholic Academy Legacy Gala: Trinity Catholic Academy will be honoring Fr. James Flavin, former pastor of St. Edward's Parish, Sister Marguerite Normand of the Sisters of Sacred Heart and the former Sacred Heart School in Brockton, Teacher Theresa Ballard of Trinity Catholic Academy and the former Sacred Heart School in Brockton and Regional Director of Trinity Catholic Academy and former Deputy Superintendent of Brockton Public Schools, Anthony Luizzi. The gala will be held on April 29th at the Shaw's Center in Brockton. To order tickets or for more information, please contact Trinity Catholic Academy at 508-583-6237 or email kobrienmckinnon@tcabrockton.org



Catholic Daughters
Will be selling St. Patrick's Day
Flowers to benefit their
charitable work on March 13 & 14
after all Masses.
Please stop by and pick
up a bit o'spring.



Tuesday, March 9

7:00pm - Twentieth Century Club meeting in the church hall.