

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, September 6

8:00am – For the people of this parish  
10:00am – Flora Mastroianni – remembrance  
12:00pm – Marilyn McMaster – 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary

### Thursday, September 10

9:00am – Julia deNobrega – remembrance

### Saturday, September 12

4:00pm – Katherine Hyde -6<sup>th</sup> anniversary

### Sunday, September 13

8:00am – For the people of this parish  
10:00am – Joseph & Rose Amoroso – remembrance  
12:00pm – Juvinal & Aris Goncalves - remembrance

## Please remember in your prayers

- For:** Brady Poz (Chris Poz's nephew) 12months old with liver cancer & Gerry Coughlin, (Sr. Marie's sister) & Rev. Thomas Gallagher who is seriously ill,
- For:** Those who are homebound and ill especially: Charlie Dornan, Mary Ellen Bauer, Helen Bath, Joseph Ameri, Jay Balsavich, Catherine Butler, Mary Webby, James Conley, Manuel Jancinto, Francis Gibbs, Marilyn Castillo, Catherine Farmer, Emma Keene, John Hardy, Elaine Sullivan, Fontaine Metta, Judy Wallen, Rita Ritucci, Lorice Hashem & Mary Pauliks who is seriously ill.
- For:** All civilians, peace workers, relief workers, & military in areas of conflict and war, 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

"The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom, and the favor of God was upon him". -Luke 2:40  
We ask our Lord to bless students of all ages who are returning to their studies, May they grow spiritually in their faith and academically in order to serve Jesus with their talents! Dear Mother Mary protect and guide them all through the year. Amen.

### Readings for the Week

**Monday** – Col1: 24-2:3 Lk6:6-11(437)  
**Tuesday** – Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8: 28-30, Mt 1: 1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23  
**Wednesday** Col 3:1-11, Lk 6: 20-26 (439)  
**Thursday**,- Col 3: 12-17 Lk 6: 27-38 (440)  
**Friday** :1 Tm 1: 1-2, 12-14, Lk 6:39-42 (441)  
**Saturday** 1Tm 1: 15-17. Lk 6: 43-49 (442)  
**Sunday** Is 50: 5-9a, Jas 2: 14-18, Mk 8: 27-35 (131)

## Teachers Wanted for Religious Education

**Join** our fall program - grades 1-10. If interested; please call the Religious Education Office at 508-586-9561

## Parish Calendar

### Saturday /Sunday, - September 6/7

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for parish expenses not met by the offertory

### Sunday, September 6

1:30pm – Instruction class for parents preparing to baptize an infant

### Monday, September 7

Labor Day

### Wednesday, September 9

3:15pm – RCIA for High School Children (rectory upstairs)  
7:00pm – Brockton Collaborative at Christ the King Parish

### Thursday, September 10

7:15pm – Finance Council meeting (rectory upstairs)

### Saturday / Sunday September 12/13

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Catholic University  
ARISE Together in Christ signup & presentation  
Religious Education Registration Day after all Masses  
Come and meet our new coordinators –  
Marcia Walkama, Joseph Moore, Amy MacKinnon,

### Sunday September 13

1:30pm – Parish Baptisms (church)

### Monday, September 14

4:00pm – RCIA for children (rectory basement)  
7:00pm – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (rectory upstairs)

### Thursday, September 17

10:30am – Mass and Anointing at Braemoor Nursing Home

### Saturday, September 19

8:00am – Building Committee (rectory upstairs)  
10:00am - 3:00pm – Boy Scout Troup 1046 CAR WASH (rectory parking lot)

## save the Date

Saturday/Sunday September 19-20  
Religious Education Registration after all Masses  
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### Priest Appreciation Dinner

On Wednesday, September 16, 2009, there will be a Priest Appreciation Dinner held at the Seaport Hotel / World Trade Center from 5:45 -9:00pm. This evening is the major celebration in the Year for Priests and is the public celebration of Cardinal Sean's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as Bishop. Tables of 10 and individual tickets are still available. The cost of each ticket is \$500 and they will need to be reserved by Wednesday, September 2. All proceeds benefit the Clergy Pension and Healthcare Funds. More information is available from your pastor or Sarah Winslow in the Clergy Funds Office, 617-779-3789

**Offertory**

Weekly expenses	\$6300
August 15/16 – Offertory	\$4699
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$958
Weekly deficit	-\$643

**Why do we always seem to have two collections?** Good question. First, the USCCB (United States Catholic Conference of Bishops) sets a schedule of second collections to help the broader Church in the world. Second, While the giving habits in our parish are certainly appreciated, they are still such that an insufficient amount is given in the first collection, that is why we add a second collection – to make up for the shortfall. Thank you.

**Adoration and Relic Blessing**

Public Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in observance of the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, Patroness of the Congregation of Holy Cross, will take place in the chapel of the Father Peyton Center, 518 Washington St., Easton, MA on September 15, beginning with Exposition and Rosary Prayer at 9:00 AM and followed by Adoration until 11:45 AM. After Mass at noon there will be a blessing with a relic from the person of Blessed Basil Moreau, CSC, founder of the congregation who was beatified on September 15, 2007. The congregation sponsors Holy Cross Family Ministries, Stonehill College, Holy Cross Retreat House, Holy Cross Church in Easton, and St. Mary’s Church in Taunton. For additional information, please call Holy Cross Family Ministries at 508-238-4095.

**Retrouvaille...a lifeline**

Retrouvaille is a Christian Peer Ministry sponsored by the Catholic Church for married couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriages. Rediscover a loving marriage with a Retrouvaille (pronounced re-tro-vy) weekend. If your marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, if you are considering a separation or divorce, we believe Retrouvaille can help you. Look us up on the web at [WWW.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://WWW.HelpOurMarriage.com) or call 1-800-470-2230 the next New England Retrouvaille marriage renewal weekends will be held Sept 11-13, 2009 January 15-17,2010 & April 16-18, 2010



**Singers Wanted** If you have an interest in joining our Choir Group, please see Rich Cesarini, the Music Director after any Mass

**RCIA for children:**

Young people – children older than 7 years of age, who have never been baptized, are invited to join a process leading into full initiation into the Church. (Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation). For more information, call Jeanne Lafond at 508-586-4715

From Fr. Cloherty

Once again, I surrender this space to the wisdom of Fr. Thomas Merton. This excerpt is from his book titled “New Seeds of Contemplation”. It is part of a chapter entitled “Sentences”.

The most difficult and most necessary of renunciations: to give up resentment. This is almost impossible, for without resentment modern life would probably cease to be human at all. Resentment enables us to survive the absurdity of existence in a modern city. It is the last-ditch stand of freedom in the midst of confusion. The confusion is inescapable, but at least we can refuse to accept it, we can say “No.” We can live in a state of mute protest.

BUT if resentment is a device which enables man to survive, it does not enable him, necessarily, to survive healthily. It is not a real exercise of freedom. It is not a genuine expression of personal integrity. It is the mute, animal protest of a mistreated psychophysical organism. Driven too far it becomes mental sickness; that, too, is an “adaptation” in its own way. But it is an adaptation by way of escape.

The problem is to learn how to renounce resentment without selling out to the organization people who want everyone to accept absurdity and moral anarchy in a spirit of uplift and willing complicity. Few men are strong enough to find the solution. A monastery is not necessarily the right answer; there is resentment in monasteries also, and for the same reason that, there is resentment anywhere else.

If you want to renounce resentment, you have to renounce the shadow self that feels itself menaced by the confusion without which it cannot subsist. This is the problem: having to live in complete servile dependence upon a system, and organization, a society, or a person that one despises or hates. To live in such dependence and yet to be compelled, by one’s own attachment to what appears to be an “identity,” to seemingly approve and accept what one hates. To have an “I” that is essentially servile and dependent, and which expresses it’s servility by constantly lauding and flattering the tyrant to whom it remains unwillingly, yet necessarily, subject.

Ultimately, it is a question of servility. And servility may be a purely subjective condition. It may be that we regard ourselves as slaves, even when we are not dominated by anybody. It may be that we are not capable of existing except in a state in which we imagine ourselves to be under domination. In that event, resentment may help to make the situation acceptable, but it can never make us healthy. It is only a justification, a pretense that we would be free if we could. But what if we discovered that we are, in fact, free?

It is not that someone else is preventing you from living happily; you yourself do not know what you want. Rather than admit this, you pretend that someone is keeping you from exercising your liberty. Who is this? It is yourself.