



Saturday, March 11

4:00pm All Souls Intentions of John & Laura Kneeland

Sunday, March 12

9:00am Lena Bruso requested by Marcel & Ann LeClair

11:00 am Robert Stone requested by SVDP

Monday, March 13

8:30am Jack Baker requested by the Moynahan Family

Tuesday, March 14

8:30am Charles Marcelonis 22nd Anniv. requested by the Thomas Family

Wednesday, March 15

8:30am John Medeiros requested by Germaine Fernandes

Thursday, March 16

8:30am Beverly Seymour 3rd Anniv. requested by the family.

Saturday, March 18

4:00pm John & Agnes Zikaras & deceased family members, requested by the family

Sunday, March 19

9:00am For the health & well being of Bonnie Mousseau requested by the K of C

11:00am Steven J. Germain requested by St. Ann's Parish

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament First Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm in the Church



"May the love and protection Saint Patrick can give... Be yours in abundance as long as you live." - Irish Blessing



On this Second Sunday of Lent the Church invites us to consider the events of the Transfiguration which are recounted in the Gospel. At the Transfiguration, Jesus took Peter, James and John up Mt. Tabor and revealed to them the Resurrection in advance. Jesus knew that none of His friends would be with Him on Easter morning when He rose from the dead, so He chose, in mercy, to show them Easter beforehand so that when they faced the troubling events of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday they would not lose faith but hold on to the hope that Jesus would surely rise from the dead.

Yet, although Jesus predicted this at least three times in the Gospels, it seems that no one remembered His words. The disciples' lack of remembrance of Jesus' words lead them to become overwhelmed with fear and emotion when He was arrested and killed. This also led them to scatter when Jesus needed them closest to Him.

We, like the disciples, often forget Jesus' words. In order to remember them we must take the time to read and reflect on Scripture. This year, the Shrine Association has provided us with a Lenten resource that contains God's Word to us: the Little Black Books. Reading this daily and reflecting on it can lead us to deepen our friendship with Jesus through listening to His words and putting them into action in our lives.

In addition to this Lenten book, St. Ann's hosts a weekly Bible Study on Wednesday nights at 7:00PM which is another great way to remember Jesus' words and put them into action in our lives. If you have not yet tried our Bible Study, Lent is a good time to take this opportunity. Bible Study is made up of a group of faith-filled parishioners and other area Catholics who seek to grow in the spiritual life and prepare for Sunday Mass by looking at the Gospel ahead of time. Join us to engage the process of spiritual growth!

Let us remember to keep Michael Davis-Ickes and Lillie and Tiara Torteson in our daily prayers as they prepare to receive the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. In Christ. Fr. Michael

### Meetings

**NA** Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall  
**K of C** 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall  
**SVDP** 3rdb Sunday of the Month  
**Rosary Group** Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church  
**Bible Study**  
 7:00pm in the Church Hall  
**Please have read John 11:1-45**

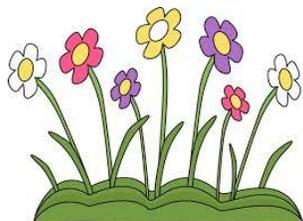


Grades 1-4 3:30 - 4:45pm  
 Grades 5 -10 6:00 to 7:15pm  
**First Communion parent meeting**  
**1:00pm March 12th**  
**Next Family Mass**  
**9:00am Mass March 19th**  
**Activity: Holy Trinity**  
**Shamrock Craft**



**St. Ann's Youth Group**  
 Providence Bruins Hockey Night  
 Friday, March 31  
 7:05pm at the Dunkin Donuts Center  
 Tickets only \$20.00  
 Contact person: Dan Coonan  
 #508-498-1968

**Save the date  
 for the  
 Senior  
 Spring Fling  
 Luncheon**



St. Ann's SVDP Society cordially invites the seniors of the parish, 50 years young and up to a Senior Spring Luncheon on **Sunday, April 2 at 12:00pm** in the hall.

Please fill out the response form on the bulletin tables or call the rectory at #508-987-8892



**Food Collection to benefit  
 the Oxford Food Shelf  
 1st Weekend of the Month**



Next weekend 3/18 & 19, is in Pew Commitment Weekend for the 2017 Partners in Charity Appeal. Once a year, we commit ourselves to this ongoing work by supporting this life giving appeal. We reflect on God's great generosity, and respond with generous giving of our own. With your support, faith in action is visible every day in the compassionate outreach of Catholic Charities, to the least among us; in the prayerful witness of our retired priests and the joy of new priestly vocations; to the many diocesan ministries and programs that heal, teach and care for others. Watch the Appeal Video at home this week at [www.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net). Please come to Mass next weekend prepared to make a commitment to the appeal. Thank you



**Choir Rehearsals for Holy Week and Easter will be held after the 9:00am Mass starting on March 12th. Please join us!**

# Lent



**Confessions: Tuesdays at 5:30pm**  
**Rosary: Tuesdays at 6:00pm**  
**Pathways to a Healthy Mind, Body & Spirit: Jesus Heals and Sustains Us Tuesdays at 6:30pm** in the Religious Education Room.  
**Fridays: Stations of the Cross and Benediction at 6:30pm** in St. Ann's Church  
**Stations of the Cross at Noon at St. Roch's Church**  
**Lenten prayer materials can be found on the bulletin tables and daily meditations by Bishop Baron on the parish website.**

## Pope Francis' message for Lent 2017

The Word is a gift. Other persons are a gift.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
 Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God "with all their hearts" (Joel 2:12), to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us. Even when we sin, he patiently awaits our return; by that patient expectation, he shows us his readiness to forgive (cf. Homily, 8 January 2016).

Lent is a favorable season for deepening our spiritual life through the means of sanctification offered us by the Church: fasting, prayer and almsgiving. At the basis of everything is the word of God, which during this season we are invited to hear and ponder more deeply. There are copies of the Pope's full message on tables in the front and back of Church. Deacon Jim