Please Pray for...

All who have died especially **Pamela Collette and John McDavitt Jr.** who died this week. We offer our sympathy and our prayers that they will rest in peace.

Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Yvette Bouvier, Richard Chabior, Cheryl Boucher, Fr. Martin Donahue, Peter Lacroix, Sheila Carroll Cunnion, Theresa Johnson, Janice Baronoski, Gloria Butler, Joyce Frigon, Laura Wyne, Theresa Cassavant, Paula & Juan Miranda, Raymond Brodeur, Howard Cooper, Joseph Siaures, Bonnie Sheldon, Ray Kallio, Pauline Casavant, Baby Aiden, Frank Harvey, Diane Gosselin, Paul Provencher, Fr. William O'Brien, Michael Jette. David Auger, Pat Benoit, Lorraine Cote, Barbara Gaudette, Tom Pawlowski, Joseph Nisel, Rochelle Warren, Baby Ryan, Jean Wheeler, Catherine Baril, Donald Ritchie, Tim Josti Sr., Fr. Chet Devlin, Lea Derosier, Alice Sullivan, Jeanne Provencher, Darlene Kennedy, Ruth Flynn, Erlene Lachapelle, Lillian Remillard, John Ahearn, Patricia Johnson, Betty Cabana, Laurie Gablaski, Carey Dubois, Diane Cyr, Baby Jana, Theresa Thibault, John Paul Sribiag, Ernest Tremblay, Elizabeth Lemerise, Heather Lech, Frances Barrett, Baby Oliver, Theresa Suchocki, Baby Parker, Patricia Burdette, Ann Gablaski, Eddie LaFlamme, Addison Lacaire, Pat Benoit, Jeanne Lacroix and Amy Richard

PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE WEEK

For many people to come to back to the mercy of God

OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS MARCH 5 & 6

Envelopes	\$6,869.00
Loose	\$ 436.50
Total collection	\$7,305.54
Number of envelopes	266
Attendance	494

Thank you for your generous gifts this past weekend which enable us to continue to do God's work. May God bless you all.

FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK canned pineapple

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE MONDAY EVENING

We will celebrate a Lenten Penance Service in our church on Monday evening, March 14 beginning at 7:00 pm. There will be readings, a homily, and several priests present to hear confessions. This will be our major Lenten opportunity to receive the sacrament of the Mercy of God. Take time to come and be forgiven, healed and to receive the inner peace which Jesus offers to us.

PALM SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND

We begin the most solemn week of the church next weekend as we celebrate Palm Sunday. Palms will be blessed at each Mass. The solemn celebration with choir and procession of the children will be at the 10:15 am Mass. After the procession the children will go to Children's Liturgy to hear a simplified version of the story of the Passion. We invite all of you to join us as we begin Holy Week.

BABY BOTTLES should be returned next Sunday which is Palm Sunday. There will be boxes at the church doors to receive your Lenten sacrifices for the benefit of Visitation House.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The Faith Formation office will be open this week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00–5:00 pm. If you wish to leave Judi a message, she can be reached at **508-885-3111 Ext.105**.

Faith Formation Classes this week

Sunday	9:00 – 10:00 am 6:30 - 8:00 pm	Grades K thru 6 Grades 9, 10 & 11
Tuesday	4:15 – 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 – 8:15 pm	Grades 2 – 5 Drop In Center Open Grades 6, 7 & 8

SPECIAL LENTEN MASS EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:45 PM. PLEASE JOIN US

CONFESSIONS EVERY TUESDAY EVENING FROM 7:00 TO 8:00PM IN CHURCH

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND VISITATION:

The Church is open daily from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm The Eucharistic Chapel located in the Pastoral Center is open 24 hours a day for adoration.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL

We continue our annual Partners in Charity Appeal this weekend. Because we have not received a report from the diocese of those who have sent in their gifts directly, we cannot give you an accurate report. We still have a long way to go to reach this year's goal of \$47,500.00. To meet this goal we will need the support of everyone. Remember, in appeals like this, every gift both large and small is important. Pledging allows you to spread your gift over 10 months and makes it easier to be generous. If you have already sent your gift directly to the diocese, we thank you. If not, gifts can be mailed to the parish, put in the basket or dropped off in person. Please pray for the success of this important appeal.

WEEKLY LENTEN MEALS will be held every Wednesday night during Lent. This week's meal will be meatball sandwiches. This meal will be provided by the Knights of Columbus. It will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.

CHURCH CLEANING FOR EASTER We will be cleaning the church for Easter on Friday evening March 18th beginning at 6:00pm. Lots of arms are needed to polish, dust, shine and sweep. Bring a dust rag and come on down, many hands make light work.

3rd Annual Jennifer McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship Dinner Saturday, April 2, 6 -8 pm Knights of Columbus Hall, Spencer, Favorite dishes from local restaurants. \$10.00 Advance ticket sales only, Call Mary McLaughlin at 508-885-2256 or purchase with PayPal at www.Jam4Jen.com

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DEACON? Are you a male, college graduate, age 31 to 65? An information session will be held at O.L. Mt.Carmel parish center on Saturday April 2 at 9:00 am. Spouses are invited and urged to attend as well. For details call 508-929-4335.

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Pastor's Notes

I have written a supplement in the bulletin today explaining the history and the meaning of the Jubilee year. I ask you to read it and then to join us at the Reconciliation service on Monday evening. If this not convenient or if you are not ready, please note that these graces can be gained anytime during the year, simply by fulfilling the requirements explained. If you are looking for a good deal with lasting value, this Holy Year of Mercy is meant for you.

ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

Our annual St. Patrick's Dinner will be held next Saturday evening March 19 in the hall. The menu will be Corn Beef, Ham, Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, Salad, Irish Bread and dessert. There will be a cash bar and entertainment by the Irish Step Dancers. Tickets are \$11.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10 and are on sale now at the office. Cocktails 5:30 & Dinner 6:30

HELP FOR THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

Thank you to all who volunteered to cook. If you would still like to help, we need <u>desserts</u>, people to help <u>serve the meal</u>, and help to <u>clean up</u>. We are also looking for someone who would <u>coordinate the Door Prizes and 50/50 raffle</u> and someone to <u>coordinate the Dessert area</u>. Call the office to volunteer. 508-885-3111

EASTER BASKETS FAMILY TO FAMILY

Easter food baskets will be distributed on Saturday March 19. We are looking for families who are willing to feed a specific family for Easter. If you are willing to do this, call Kathy at 508-885 9828 and she will give the size and code number for a family.

EASTER FOOD.. We will need donations of other foods for Easter as well, especially turkeys and hams and vegetables that help to make an Easter meal. To donate call the office 508-885-3111 and give your name to Michele or Sandy. Food is dropped off on Saturday March 19 between 8:00 and 9:00 am

CATHOLIC FREE PRESS It is not too late to renew your subscription to our diocesan newspaper, God's Mercy. Subscription envelopes are in your monthly packet.

CHOIR MEMBERS FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

We are looking to strengthen our choirs for the Holy Week services. The adult choir will sing at the Holy Thursday Mass and on Easter Sunday at the 10:15am. The combined choir will sing on Good Friday and at the Easter Vigil. The senior choir rehearses after the 10:15 Mass on Sundays. The combined choir rehearsal will be announced. For more info speak to Joe Konkol after Mass today or to Sandy Fritze by calling the office. All are welcome to come and help us praise God.

IRISH MUSIC CONCERT with music by Dick Chase with songs, stories and jokes is being offered at Prouty Senior Living on Tuesday March 22. This hour long concert begins promptly at 12:30 pm. Please enter through the Pope St. entrance. For more information or to sign up call 617-431-4937.

FOOD & FUEL CALENDAR WINNERS: Congratulations!!!

March 4	Sue Pervier	\$50.00 Citgo	
March 5	Paul Black	\$50.00 Chef Sau	
March 6	Stu & Sandra Milner	\$100.00 Walmart	
March 7	Michelle Hawes	\$50.00 Five Loaves	
March 8	Gen Strakosz	\$50.00 Cumb Farms	
March 9	Elizabeth Dymek	\$100.00 PriceChopper	
March 10	Betty Cabana	\$50.00 Speedway	

Mass Schedule

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4:30 pm Constance "Dumais" Holmes (20th Anniv) By her children

Sunday, March 13

8:00 am Henry Shepard by McLaughlin Family & Lorraine Shepard 10:15 am Justin W. Robator (30th Anniv) by the Family

Monday, March 14

8:00 am St. Jude by Juan & Paula Miranda

Tuesday, March 15

8:00 am Fred & Annette O'Coin by the Family

Wednesday, March 16

8:00 am Reginald "Shike" Gobi by the Family

6:45 pm Robert V. Hoey by Fr. Jim

Thursday, March 17

8:00 am Adelard Richard by Roland & Robert Richard

Friday, March 18

8:00 am No Mass

Saturday, March 19

4:30 pm Rose M. Kay, Gaetano & Angelina Sposato And Helen Gemme

Sunday, March 20

8:00 am Kaitlyn Langlois by Gramma & Grampa

10:15 am Eva & Eugene Campell by Richard & Leanne Chabior

Calendar of Events

Sunday , March 13	Coffee Shop – Open	
9:00 am	Faith Formation Classes Grades K –6	
9:00 am		
10:15 am	Grade 2 Parent Meeting	
	Family Mass	
6:30 pm	Faith Formation Class Grs 9, 10 & 11	
Monday, March 14		
10:00 am	Food Pantry - OPEN	
7:00 pm	Penance Service	
Tuesday, March 15		
2:00 pm	Lincoln Hill Mass	
4:15 pm	Faith Formation Class Grades 1 – 6	
6:30 pm	Drop In Center Open	
7:00 pm	Faith Formation Class Grades 6 – 8	
7:00 pm	Confessions	
Wednesday, March 16		
5:30 – 6:30 pm	Lenten Meal – K of C	
6:45 pm	Lenten Mass	
7:30 pm	RCIA	
7:30 pm	Vital 3 Youth Ministry	
Thursday, March 17	Feast of St. Patrick	
10:00 am	Food Pantry CLOSED	
Friday, March 18		
6:00 pm	Church Cleaning	
Saturday, March 19	Feast of St. Joseph	
10:30 am	Easter Food Baskets distributed	
3:30 pm	Confessions	
5:30 pm	St. Patrick's Day Dinner	
Sunday, March 20	Return Baby Bottles	
9:00 am	Faith Formation Class Grades K – 6	
10:15 am	Family Mass	
6:30 pm	Faith Formation Class Grs 9, 10 & 11	
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