



First Sunday of Advent

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY

ST. BRIGID OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

PARISH OFFICES ARE LOCATED AT:

St. Brigid Parish
59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
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www.assumptionmillbury.org

www.stbrigidparish.org

Check our websites for individual email addresses.

MASS TIMES

Assumption Church

12 Waters Street

Mon. & Thurs.: 9:00 AM

Tues. & Wed.: 7:00 AM

Sun.: 9:00 AM

St. Brigid Church

59 Main Street

Sat.: 4:00 PM

Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:00 AM

PASTORAL & ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Fr. Dan Mulcahy, *Pastor*

Deacon Ron Buron, K.H.S., *Permanent Deacon*
Facilities Manager

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.,
Pastoral Care Ministry

Claudette Belair, *Music Director*

Greg Bernard, *Faith Formation (Gr. K-12)*
Family Ministry

Kathy Buron, *Safe Environment Coordinator*

Donna Gazaille, *Administrative Assistant*

Ronald Marlborough, *Maintenance Director*

Carol Trainque, *RCIA Director*
Liturgical Coordinator

Members of the staff may be contacted by calling the Parish Offices at (508) 865-6624. The offices are open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM. If the offices are closed, feel free to leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Baptism

Baptism Gatherings, to prepare families for the sacrament of Baptism, are held 4 times a year. Baptisms are held each month.

For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish offices at (508) 865-6624.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the rectory when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought weekly to all shut-ins.



**Assumption
School**

Millbury, MA

A legacy of learning...a history with heart

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Sat., November 26

4:00 PM **Corinne Russell**
By: Paul and Gloria Schimke

Sun., November 27

7:00 AM **Alice Canavan**
By: Her daughter, Lillian Clifford

9:00 AM **Ruth M. Hobey** (1st Anniversary) and
her brothers **William, Roland, Donald**
Pierre and John Duquette
By: William D. Hobey

11:00 AM **Helen White**
By: Sue Chausse

Mon., November 28

9:00 AM **Ellen Norton**
By: Bob and Gail Faron

Tues., November 29

7:00 AM **The People of the Catholic**
Parishes of Millbury

Wed., November 30

7:00 AM **Stella Army**
By: Madelaine Willette

Thurs., December 1

9:00 AM **Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.**
By: Eva Donovan

Sat., December 3

4:00 PM **Sylvio Bourdeau**
(Birthday Remembrance)
By: His Wife and Family

Sun., December 4

7:00 AM **Paul Grabauskas**
By: Bob and Julia Guertin

9:00 AM **Patricia Wagner**
By: The Flagg Family

11:00 AM **John and Mary Zalieckas and**
Sister, Dorothy
By: Bob and Julie Guertin

(Our apologies for any errors or misspelled names.)

**Saturday, December 3, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid**

L: J. Hanratty AS: T. Yaz, T. & F. Jakubiak
EM: K. Anderson, M. Bourdeau, P. Michalak, L. Magnuson

Sunday, December 4, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid

L: J. Mazeika AS: J. Mazeika, C. Belsito
EM: W. & M. Blunt

Sunday, December 4, 9:00 AM at Assumption

L: R. Bazin AS: C. Tronerud, A. Drapeau
EM: B. & L. Pease, T. Tronerud, G. Pothier

Sunday, December 4, 11:00 AM at St. Brigid

L: R. & Z. Curnen AS: M. Hoban, A. Seaman
EM: D. Roberts, M. Horner

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT**Scripture for the week of November 27, 2016**

27 SUN Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44
28 Mon Is 4:2-6/Mt 8:5-11
29 Tue Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24
30 Wed Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22
1 Thu Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27
2 Fri Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31
3 Sat Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
4 SUN Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK:**Our Lady of the Assumption Candle***For the People of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury***St Brigid Candles***In loving memory of
Joseph Dunn
Requested by his family**In loving memory of
Leo Metivier
On the 32nd anniversary of his birth to new life
Requested by his family**In loving memory of
Patty Lyn Campomizzi
A birthday remembrance
Requested by Eleanor Mancani***Remember in Prayer this Week:**

Those who serve in our Military:

Jimmy Dixon Patrick Hafferty Nicole Leonard
Brandon Perkins Marc Winchester

Reminder: Forms are available at each parish to add names to the Prayer List or call the rectory at 508-865-6624 with your request. Names will be removed on a monthly basis.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER**Prayer Line 508-865-5373**

If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayer, call the confidential prayer line listed above.

LORD
Hear Our Prayers**REMEMBRANCE SECTION**

Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a \$50 donation for the year. Please contact Donna at (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one.

In Remembrance:

John & Julia Anger	Kevin Lemoine
Lee Aubin	Rita Lemoine
Jeanne Augustine	June Ann Leonard
Larry F. Army	Lorraine Letendre
Arthur G. Boucher	Mark Lizotte
Natalie Bourdeau	William and Irene Louis
Patricia Bourdeau	Ralph & Helen Ludvigson
Sylvio E. Bourdeau	Marilyn McLeod
Frank Cammuso, Jr.	Leo & Jane Metivier
Gladys Carroll	Kenneth Michalak
Philip Chabot, Sr.	Mary B. Mrozinski
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer	Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Roland O. Couture	Joseph Noonan
Gerald & Peggy Croteau	Albert Nikosey
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.	John P. O'Malley
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.	Janet Parsekian
Raymond DeRouin	Anne Rita Pierce
Armand Desorcy	Elaine Roy
Joseph Dunn	Darlene Russell
Timothy P. Eckland	Dorothy Russell
Lois M. Fisher	Marshall Russell
William Gain, Jr.	Michael W. Russell
Bernice Gaudere	William Russell
Raymond Godbout	Pauline Smith
Ruth Gonsorcik	C. Richard Stockhaus
Daniel Guadagnoli	Frederick Stockwell
Derek Hamilton	Sandra Lee Stockwell
Matthew Hartline	Margaret E. Stockwell
Paul J. Jandron	Joseph F. Stockwell
Joanne Juskavitch	Neal R. Thomas
Claire Kobel	Edward Tokus
Richard Kroll	Robert E. Vaillancourt
Lillian Langevin	Lucille Vecchione
Tan Le	Margaret Wendt
Edward L. Lemoine	Ronald Woodward
	Frank J. Yaz

SUNDAY ~ NOVEMBER 27TH

Liturgy of the Word for Children @ OLAH - 9:00 AM
 Faith Formation Gr. 3-4-5-6 @ OLAH - 10:15 - 11:30 AM
 Rite of Sending (Confirmation) - Gr. 10 @ SBC - 11:00 AM
 Boy Scouts Religious Emblems @ SBC - 2:00 - 3:30 PM
 Faith Formation Gr. 7-8-9 @ OLAH - 6:00 - 7:30 PM
 SLA @ SBH - 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ NOVEMBER 28TH

AA @ SBH - 7:00 PM
 GA @ OLAH - 7:30 PM

TUESDAY ~ NOVEMBER 29TH

CaFÉ @ SBH - 11:00 AM
 Holy Hour @ OLAC - 5:50 PM - 6:50 PM
 CaFÉ @ OLAH - 7:00 PM
 Choir @ SBC - 7:00 PM

THURSDAY ~ DECEMBER 1STMustard Seed

Scouts @ SBH - 6:00 PM

SUNDAY ~ DECEMBER 4TH

Liturgy of the Word for Children @ OLAC - 9:00 AM
 Faith Formation Gr. 2 @ OLAC - 10:15 - 11:30 AM
 Chain of Lights Craft Fair @ SBH - 12:00 - 4:00 PM
 SLA @ SBH - 7:30 PM

KEY TO LOCATIONS

SBC=St. Brigid Church OLAC=Assumption Church
 SBH=St. Brigid Hall OLAH=Assumption Hall
 CPO=Catholic Parish Offices OLAS= Assumption School

Key To Gift Tags

Christmas Tags	St. Vincent de Paul Society
Blue Bells	Urban Missionaries
Yellow Stars	Bethany House
Cherry Ornaments	Dismas House
White Envelopes	Diocesan Seminarians - to be mailed



This Sunday, **November 26 and 27**, is the **First Sunday of Advent** and the start of our Giving Tree Program.

Please take a tag from the tree, purchase the item(s), wrap the gifts, secure the tag to the gift and return the gift to church and place it under the Christmas tree no later than **11:00 AM on December 11th**. This year we have tags from our own St. Vincent de Paul Society, from Urban Missionaries (formerly Refugee Apostolate in Worcester), from Bethany House (non-profit charitable organization which provides support to prisoners, ex-prisoners and their families) and Dismas House (a supportive community that provides transitional housing and services to former prisoners and real-life educational opportunities to students from area colleges, and from throughout the US and the world!). There are also tags for our Diocesan seminarians. These gift cards for the seminarians should be put in the envelope and mailed.

Thank you for helping to make this a Merry Christmas for so many.

On **December 3 and 4**, the second week of Advent, you are asked to bring an unbreakable ornament from your house to place on the tree in God's house. These ornaments will be part of our church decorations this year, and then will be distributed to our community's homebound parishioners next year.

On **December 10 and 11**, please bring your gifts and place them under the giving tree. Please remember to securely tie packages together if there is more than one item for your tag. If you purchase a gift card, please put it in a gift bag or a box and wrap it. All gifts should be wrapped and must be returned no later (**but earlier is fine**) than the weekend of December 10 and 11 at 11:00 AM as the gifts will be packed up that day. If you are unable to purchase the desired gift or have any questions, please call Donna at 508-865-6624.

On **December 17 and 18**, you will receive a special gift from God's house to yours.



Please bring an ornament next weekend to add to our decorations. These will be distributed to our community's homebound parishioners next year!

STEWARDSHIP

St. Brigid Parish

Income

Weekend of November 12/13, 2016

Regular Weekly Collection	\$4,822.00
Electronic Giving (11/7 - 11/13, 2016)	\$560.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	\$5,382.00

Other Parish Income:

Mass Stipends	\$65.00
Candles	\$20.00
Utilities (includes online when applicable)	\$342.00
Funerals	\$900.00
Faith Formation Registration/Supply Fees	\$90.00
All Saints	\$15.00
Grand Annual	\$705.00
Christmas Flowers	\$10.00
Donation (SLA)	\$100.00
October Reimbursement (Assumption)	\$4,009.41
Total Other Income	\$6,256.41

Total Income for Operating Expenses \$11,638.41

Other Non-Parish Income:

Debt	\$505.00
Debt (Electronic Giving)	\$95.00
Specialty Ministries	\$25.00

St. Brigid Cash Flow

November 10, 2016 - November 16, 2016

Payroll (Week end 11/12)	\$4,079.30
Payroll Taxes (Includes Employee's Share)	\$1,820.94
PayChex, Inc. (Payroll Processing Fee)	\$43.97
RC Bishop of Worcester (403 B Plan)	\$157.48
Aquarion Water (Church)	\$125.79
Aquarion Water (Parish Offices)	\$125.53
Charter Communications (Phones and Internet)	\$212.61
Reimbursement (Music)	\$59.30
Reimbursement (Mary's Little Lambs)	\$21.89
True Pest Control (Church and Parish Offices)	\$150.00
RC Bishop of Worcester (Diocesan Budget Bill)	\$4,164.00
RC Bishop of Worcester (Health and Dental Ins.)	\$3,905.81
Total Monies Paid	\$14,866.62

NOTE:



As we continue to examine our spending, we have consolidated our pest control accounts. We are now being serviced by True Pest Control of Millbury at both properties. We have added an additional building to the properties being serviced and are saving money!



SECOND COLLECTIONS:

**Nov. 26/27 ...
Specialty Ministries**

**Dec. 3/4 ...
Debt**

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

Income

Weekend of November 12/13, 2016

Regular Weekly Collection	\$1822.00
Electronic Giving (11/7 - 11/13, 2016)	\$100.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	\$1,922.00

Other Parish Income:

Mass Stipends	\$20.00
Candles	\$10.00
Utilities (includes online when applicable)	\$181.00
Grand Annual	\$230.00
All Saints	\$2.00

Total Other Income \$443.00

Total Income for Operating Expenses \$2,365.00

Other Non-Parish Income:

Debt	\$127.00
Debt (Electronic Giving)	\$50.00
Specialty Ministries	\$5.00

Assumption Cash Flow

November 10, 2016 - November 16, 2016

Aquarion Water (Church)	\$79.23
Aquarion Water (Grove St.)	\$77.56
Aquarion Water (Rectory)	\$107.57
RC Bishop of Worcester (Diocesan Budget Bill)	\$2,343.00
True Pest Control (Church and Grove Street)	\$150.00
Reimbursement (Mustard Seed)	\$29.80
Total Monies Paid	\$2,787.16

November 27, 2016

1st Sunday of Advent

"For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." Matthew 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and grow in gratitude for all that we have been given.

YOUTH & FAMILY FORMATION

YOUTH MINISTRY



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 or
 @ MillburyCYC



YOUTH CENTER THIS WEEK

Youth in grades 7-12 welcome!

Due to our Faith Formation Schedule and Thanksgiving, the Youth Center will not be open again until Thursday, December 1st.

In Gratitude to our Veterans



Last Sunday evening our grade 7-9 Faith Formation students brought in over 60 donations of new socks, underwear, hats and gloves for our veterans. Students also attached heart shaped messages of gratitude to their gifts.

These items were then donated to Veterans, Inc. in Worcester, a facility for homeless veterans in the area.



Faith Formation Sessions November & December

All sessions begin in Assumption Church Hall promptly at the designated time. Grade 2-6 parents are invited to join their children in Assumption Hall after the 9:00 Mass until 10:15AM for music and opening prayer for each session.

Grade 2	December 4 & 18 10:00 -11:30AM
Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6	November 27 December 11 & 18 10:00 -11:30AM
Grades 7, 8 & 9	November 27 December 11 & 18 6:00 - 7:30PM

CSAW 2017

SAVE THE DATES
July 31 - August 4
Grades 8-12

CHAIN OF LIGHTS CRAFT FAIR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH

12:00-4:00PM in St Brigid Hall



Over 30 crafters and vendors!!

Finger sandwiches, chowder and chili for sale

All Proceeds Benefit CSAW 2017





Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Diocese of Worcester
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS

3rd Sunday - 10:00 AM
 The Offices of the
 Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend
*Food Bins are located in the
 Main Entrance of the Church*

*All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and
 placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions.
 NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts*

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend - 12:15 PM
 St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

The pantry is in desperate need of the following:

Rice...Hamburger Helper...Pasta...Spaghetti...Cereal...
 Canned Chicken...Snacks...Fruit...Applesauce

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT SHOP

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 507 Park Ave., Worcester (508)752-4232



2017 Calendars

Calendars for 2017 are now available at the entrance of the Churches. We are grateful to our friends at the Mulhane and Turgeon Funeral Homes for making these calendars available to parishioners each year. Thank you!

LOOKING FOR CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING ON CHARTER TV?

Local Diocesan Programming is now on Charter Channel 193; Boston's Catholic TV is on Channel 101, and EWTN is on Channel 18.

Note From the Knights of Columbus ...

Thank you for your generosity in the support of the Knights of Columbus, Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities.

All tallied, we raised \$592 at the Churches of St. Brigid and Assumption, and many of you enjoyed the Tootsie Rolls that we handed out in appreciation.

100% of money raised is used for programs and agencies helping those with intellectual disabilities in our communities. Vivat Jesus!

Diocesan Multi-cultural Advent Concert December 4th (2nd Sunday of Advent) at 2:00 PM

**Sacred Heart - St. Catherine
 of Sweden Parish
 596 Cambridge Street, Worcester MA**

**Come hear Advent music
 performed by choirs
 from around the Worcester diocese**

**All are welcome to this free event !
 Pastries and coffee after the music in the Hall**

APOSTOLATE OF DIVINE MERCY AND HEALING

Father Ralph A. DiOrio will be conducting a session of simple Inspirational Messages on Love and Healing, Evangelization and the Holy Sacrifice of Mass on Tuesday, November 29th, at 12:00 Noon. It will take place at Maironis Park Banquet Hall at 52 South Quinsigamond Ave in Shrewsbury, MA. A \$10.00 offering for tickets to help cover expenses would be appreciated. Please call (508) 832-7890 for more information and visit our website:

www.rdohealingministry.org

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



“Oh house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!” As we begin the anticipation of Advent, let us walk together in the love of God by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME

Weekends are Dec 2-4, 2016 in Duxbury, MA and Jan 20-22, 2017 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at www.WWMEMA.org.



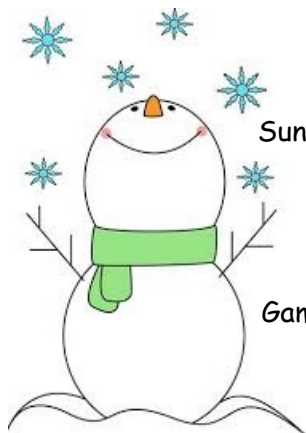
Assumption School Winter Carnival

Sunday, December 4th as part of
Millbury Chain of Lights.

11:30 AM until 2:30 PM

Games, crafts, crafters, raffles,
candy sale and bake sale

Please join us!!



Each year the Middle School Students of
Assumption School participate in the Millbury Lion's
Club Peace Poster Contest. This year's theme is

"A Celebration of Peace."

Our winners are:

1st Place - Emelia Moore

2nd Place - Audrey Hammond

3rd Place - Bronte Chosta

Congratulations!



Have you been a Catholic all of
your life and never received all of
the sacraments of initiation
(Baptism, Eucharist, or
Confirmation)? Have you joined
us from a different faith

background and would like to find out more about the
Catholic Church? If either of the above questions applies to
you, we would be happy to help you on your journey. If
you would like more information, please feel free to call the
parish offices at St. Brigid (508-865-6624), and we would
be happy to answer any of your questions and inquiries.

MARCH FOR LIFE REGISTRATION INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE!

Plan now to attend the 44th annual March for Life in
Washington, DC on **Friday, Jan. 27, 2017!** Buses will leave from
St. Paul's Cathedral on Thurs., Jan. 26 following the Respect Life
Mass at 7:30 P.M., and will travel to the Basilica of National
Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC in time
for Friday morning Mass followed by the March for Life at noon.
Buses will return to Worcester immediately following the March,
arriving back at St. Paul's at approximately 1 A.M. on Saturday,
Jan. 28. Cost is \$70 per seat for registrations postmarked by
Dec. 31, and \$85 thereafter. Registrations will be accepted on a
first-come-first-served basis until all seats are full. For more
details and to download registration forms, visit
worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life
or contact the Respect Life Office at 508-929-4311
or email aledoux@worcesterdiocese.org.
Can't attend this year but want to help? Consider making a
donation to help defray expenses for our students in need
who want to attend. Thank you!

Millbury Historical Society Museum

Asa Waters Mansion

123 Elm Street, Millbury, MA 01527

Free Admission

2016 Scheduled Museum Opening Dates

Sunday Dec. 4 11:00 - 4:00 PM

Learn more at: www.MillburyHistory.org

If you or someone you know has been sexually
abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the
Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings
of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call
Judith Audette
Office for Healing and Prevention,
(508) 929-4363.

A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

PARISH AND LOCAL AREA NEWS

CHAIN OF LIGHTS

Sunday, December 4th 2016

The Millbury Chain of Lights will be held on Sunday, December 4th from 11 AM - 4 PM. Stop by the Senior Center for some Holiday Festivities. Decorate a Gingerbread Cookie in our Beautiful Vintage Railroad Car. Our Tea Room will have sandwiches and homemade desserts along with wonderful entertainment"

Shop our many Miscellaneous Hand Crafted Items

LARGE RAFFLE TABLE!!

Meet Tony Bristol from 96.1 WSRS and spin the SRS Prize Wheel between 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Free Trolley Rides

"Performing at the Chain of Lights"

Millbury High school Jazz Combo at 12:00 Noon

Irish Step Dancers at 1:00 PM

H & H Dance Academy at 2:00 PM



MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

"CRIBBAGE CLUB" - Join us every **Monday at 1:00 PM** for our new Cribbage Club! Have Lunch ahead of time at 12 noon to make it a fun filled day! *Noon lunch every Monday through Friday. Suggested donation \$2.50. Remember every Friday is special treat day. A 48 hour reservation is required.*

KARAOKE!!

Every Tuesday at 11AM

Join us at the Senior Center for some SING-A-LONG FUN with our **new Karaoke Machine!**

"PASTEL DREAMERS"

ADULT COLORING CLASSES

Every Thursday 10 - 11:30 AM

NO SUPPLIES NEEDED!

Come give it a try. It's a very relaxing activity.

BRIDGE CLUB

Fridays at 12:30 PM.

Please give us a call and let us know if you are interested, 508-865-9154.

RMV TRANSACTIONS

Every Wednesday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

We focus on Duplicates/Renewals for Licenses, Registrations, Mass ID, and Placard Cards along with Changes of Address. Call us for an appointment! 508-865-9154

ELDERLY AND/OR HOMEBOUND

Transportation available - 4:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Brigid Church. This ministry is sponsored by both parishes utilizing a handi-capable van. For information call Deacon Ron (508) 865-6624.

SHUTTLE INFORMATION

Saturday, November 26

Saturday, December 3

Saturday, December 10

Saturday, December 17

Saturday, December 24

Saturday, December 31

Jan Hanratty

Michelle Desorcy

Robert Gauthier

Gene Corridori

Jerry Willette

Chris Brady

If you know of a parishioner - who is homebound or shut-in, please contact Deacon Ron at (508) 865-6624 to set up a time to receive Communion



YOUR SMILE FOR TODAY ...

A young priest was giving a lesson on the 23rd Psalm to the children in third grade. He noticed that little Jimmy seemed upset with the verse, "Surely, goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life."

So the priest asked him, "What's wrong, Jimmy?"

Little Jimmy replied, "Well, I'm not too worried about the goodness and mercy part, but I'm not so sure that I would like Shirley following me around all the time."