St. Robert Bellarmine Church

“Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus”

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 1
2:30 PM **Wedding – Kerry DellaTorre and Daniel Krista**
5:15 PM **Emma Aglione (1st Ann.),** *By family*

SUNDAY, APRIL 2
8:00 AM **John Taglione (Ann.),** *By Lisa*
Robert Taglione (Ann.), *By Lisa*
10:00 AM **Bob Wilson (11th Ann.),** *By family*
Kate Levesque (Birth.), *By Saulnier family*
11:30 AM **Joseph & Biagio Cefala and Francesca Mazzei (Rem.),** *By family*

MONDAY, APRIL 3
12:10 PM **Joseph Moretti (Rem.),** *By Peggy*

TUESDAY, APRIL 4
12:10 PM **Chris Davis (Rem.),** *By Gloria*

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5
12:10 PM **Joseph Levesque (Rem.),** *By Eleanor and Anne*

THURSDAY, APRIL 6
NO SCHEDULED MASS TODAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 7
12:10 PM **Charles Agnew (5th Ann.),** *By family*
7:00 PM **Stations and Benediction**

SATURDAY, APRIL 8
5:15 PM **Charles Agnew (5th Ann.),** *By family*
Adrienne Poirier (Rem.), *By family*

SUNDAY, APRIL 9- PALM SUNDAY
8:00 AM **Michelina Langella (1st Ann.),** *By family*
John Mercurio (Birth.), *By family*
10:00 AM **Connie & Vincent Laurenza (Rem.),** *By Sal, Cee and Chris*
Marie Ferrara & Vicki Cini (Rem.), *By sister*
12:00 PM **Bob Quaranta (Ann.),** *By family*

Sanctuary Lamp

Week of April 2 – April 8
"In Memory of"
Bob Wilson (11th Ann.), *By family*

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 2, 2017

My Jesus, mercy!

PASTOR'S COMMENTS
Borrowed from Paul Turner

Dead from Sin, Alive with Spirit

As Lent nears its end, we become more mindful of our sins. We have promised to renew our hearts throughout this season. We have accepted a spirit of penitence. The elect, who are preparing for baptism at Easter, have received our prayers in scrutiny rites that purify their intentions and turn their hearts more firmly towards Christ.

But at this stage of Lent, we may be even more aware of our sin. Perhaps we have not been completely faithful to our Lenten resolutions. Perhaps we feel more strongly the difficult challenge to overcome bad habits that have taken years to form. Lent offers promise, but it sometimes causes discouragement.

Sin is no stranger to the human condition. But sin is not our natural condition. Through baptism, we are children of God.

St. Paul tells the Romans not to feel disappointed by their experience of sin, because the Spirit of God is much more powerful. "If Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness."

God's Spirit raised Jesus from the dead. The same Spirit dwells within us. The same Spirit gives life to our bodies prone to death.

If Lent has made us more aware of our sin, it should also make us more aware of God's love. God's Spirit reaches us, holds us, and lifts us high—in spite of our sin.

Fr. John

There will be an inter-parish Lenten Reconciliation Service on Saturday, April 8th from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM at St. Philip's Parish, Greenville. All are welcome!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Office Hours: 9am to 4pm.
Monday – Thursday
Phone : 232-9321
E-mail – srbccd@aol.com

Religious Education Classes

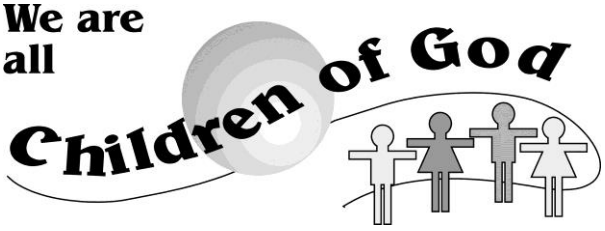
Day	Date	Grade	Time
Sun	Apr 2	1 thru 4	9:45-11:00
Sun.	Apr 2	7 thru 10	6:30-7:45
Tue	Apr 4	5 & 6	4:00-5:15

Pope Francis Prays:

The Lord can change us, he wants to change us, he loves to change us, and this he does through love. He only asks us for our faith, to give space to his love so it may act and bring about a change of life in us.

God Bless

MR. ROB MANZO



THIS WEEK

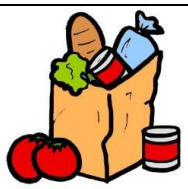
SUNDAY, ROSARY FOLLOWING 8:00 **AM** MASS IN THE UPPER CHURCH
SUNDAY, AA GROUP MEETING AT 5:00 **PM** IN THE CHURCH HALL (EVERY SUNDAY) (*Note the time change*)
WEDNESDAY, AAGROUP MEETING AT 7:00 **AM** IN THE CHURCH HALL (EVERY WEDNESDAY)
THURSDAY, NA GROUP MEETING AT 7:00 **PM** IN THE SACRISTY
FRIDAY, AA AT 8:00 **PM** IN THE CHURCH HALL (EVERY FRIDAY)
FRIDAY, NA GROUP MEETING AT 10:00 **PM** IN THE CHURCH HALL

DAILY READINGS

Sunday Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
First Friday Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

Call: Jan Zarrella (274-6576) or Charon Souza (231-3962) or Eileen Morrison (349-3601)

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR FOOD SHELF!



The Food Shelf is in need of these items:
CEREAL
TUNA
CANNED FRUIT
LAUNDRY DETERGENT
$15.00 STOP & SHOP OR PRICE RITE GIFT CARDS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.
Thank you for your generosity!

40-WEEK CLUB 2017

OUR MAJOR FUND RAISER

Week # 12 Ticket # 0283
$35 : Richard Silva
Captain: Carmino DeRobbio
Tickets are still available at the Rectory Office or call
Ann @ 944-6792, Pat @ 647-7461 or Judy @ 232-3603
All payments must be Up-To-Date to be eligible – Thank you for your support!

Youth Group News

Tuesday, April 18, **Family Fun Day: Movie Night** 7 PM in the Church Hall
(All Ages) Bring your sleeping bags and pillow to watch a movie on the big screen. Popcorn and drink provides. Cost: Free
Saturday, April 22, Bible Day Camp/Fun For Jesus Day. 10 to Noon in the Church Hall.

St. Bartholomew Parish will commemorate its **Annual Parish Dinner Dance on Saturday, April 29, 2017** at 7:00 PM at the Crowne Plaza in Warwick. Music will be provided by "Ambrosiani". A Silent Auction will also be held that evening for those who wish to participate and bid on the many great items. Tickets for the evening are $45.00 per person. **For more information, please call the rectory at 401-944-4466.**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Untie him and let him go." Husbands and wives, untie each other from the fetters of misunderstanding by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Apr 22-23, 2017 in Brewster, MA and Jun 10-11, 2017 in Medway, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at www.WWMEMA.org.

The Lenten journey passes through the Cross, in following Christ on the road to Calvary, to the total gift of self.
It is a journey on which each and every day we learn to leave behind our selfishness and our being closed in on ourselves, to make room for God who opens and transforms our hearts . Pope Benedict XVI

2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

"Faith and Good Works"

If you have not yet donated to this year's Catholic Charity Appeal, please consider making a 10 month pledge of $20 per month. This translates to about $5 a week.
If you do that then you can contribute $200 toward the many works of mercy to help the poor, the elderly and the needy of our diocese.
Extra envelopes are near the Church doors for your convenience.

"Aging with Grace," a *Spirituality for Everyday Living* mini-retreat, led by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out,* will be held Wednesday, April 5 at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA from 10:00am -12:30pm. (Coffee at 9:30) Cost is $20. Pre-registration required. Contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or timeoutretreats@comcast.net.

"New Beginnings," a women's one-day retreat (8:30AM to 5:00PM) led by Peggy Patenaude will be held Wednesday, May 17 at La Salette Retreat Center in Attleboro, MA. For more information, visit www.timeoutretreats.com or contact Peggy Patenaude at 508-548-9149 or at timeoutretreats@comcast.net. To register call LaSalette at 508-222-8530.

If your Lenten sacrifices make you grumpy or short-tempered, find something else you can deny yourself without becoming a pain in the neck.

PASSION PLAY WEEKEND APRIL 8/9

A SPECIAL DRAMATIZED Liturgy of the Word will be highlighted at all weekend Masses.

SATURDAY AT 5:15 PM
SUNDAY AT 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, AND 12:00 NOON

HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 13
Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:30 PM
(Adoration until 10:00 PM only)

GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 14
Way of the Cross – 3:00 PM
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Holy Communion – 7:30 PM

EASTER VIGIL MASS, SATURDAY, APRIL 15 AT 7:30 PM
*****NOTE: THERE IS NO 5:15 PM MASS TODAY*****

EASTER DAY MASSES, SUNDAY, APRIL 16
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, AND 11:30 AM