



Rev. Eric Asante, Administrator

SACRED HEART~ST. CATHERINE

of Sweden Parish

Second Sunday of Easter

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Lords Day

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 10:00 AM

NOON (African)

Weekday

MON, TUES, WED & FRI 9:00 AM

Holy Days

See Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament

Adoration/First Friday

9:30am - 5:30pm

Confessions: Every

Saturday 3-3:30pm



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Food Pantry Hours: Thursday

9:45am - 2:30pm and

Saturday 10am - 1pm

Prayer Shawls Ministry

call the rectory

Bingo: Every Friday 6:30-10pm
lower church hall

596 Cambridge Street Worcester, MA 01610

WEEK OF April 27 & 28, 2019

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES

Sat. April 27—Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM - Parishioners of the Parish

Sun. April 28 ~ 2nd Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM— Parishioners of the parish

11:00 AM Recitation of the Rosary

12:00PM (African Mass)

Sat., May 4—Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM - Parishioners of the parish

Sun., May 5 — 3rd Sunday of Easter

10:00 AM Albert Lorusso — family

2nd Sunday of Easter

He has you in mind. Do we think about that much? The God of the universe has us in mind, individually as persons and together as one human family. We hear this truth in today's Gospel story of Thomas. His doubt is likely familiar to us by now. "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Jesus is God. He could have risen any way he wanted. He could have risen perfectly healed, as a further sign of his power over death and suffering. But when Thomas encounters him, we see what Jesus chose. "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." In resurrecting his body, Jesus already has Thomas in mind. Jesus retains his wounds for Thomas, for the disciples, and for all who would doubt the sacrificial power of love. This intentional love of Jesus is echoed by John and his disciples, who authored this Gospel. "Jesus did many other signs...these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ...and that through this belief you may have life in his name."

From its earliest beginnings, the Church knew the power of sign and story. When they wrote the Gospels, they had us in mind. We are all Thomas from time to time. We need to see the mercy of God lived and real in our lives. This can happen throughout the circumstances of our daily comings and goings. It can also happen through meditating on the Scripture, through placing ourselves in the stories and listening to God's voice speaking. We don't get to see what the disciples got to see, but we know, through them, that God always has us in mind. As he reminds the disciples, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."



(As of Monday)

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center:
Helen Paquet & Patricia Martin

We will not be calling UMass Memorial as they don't have a system to give us the information we need. If you or a loved one is in one of those hospitals please let us know so we can be sure to visit them and pray for them.

Please continue to pray for all of our service men & women who serve to protect us.



(Please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass)

Saturday, May 4

Lector: Tony Halpin

Commentator: Deb Durnin

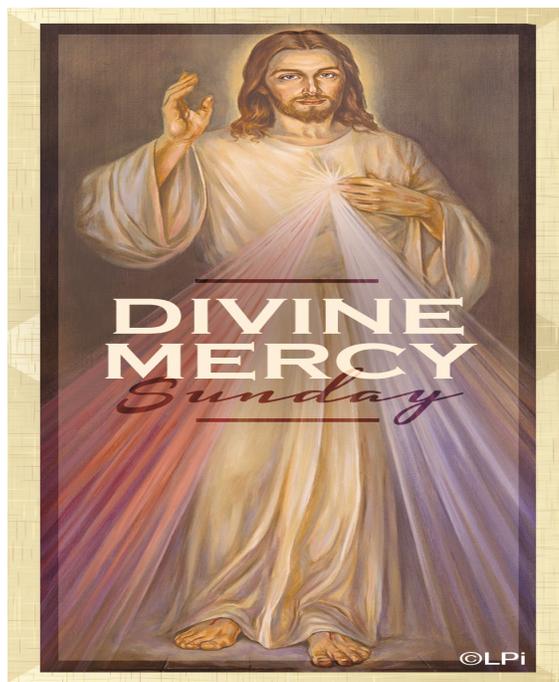
Ministers of Holy Communion: Eileen Lohnes & John Harrington

Sunday, May 5

Altar Servers: Jacob Lorusso & Vanessa Sulminski

Ministers of Holy Communion: Richard Flynn, Daniel Fullen, Glenn Gibson, Kate Hamilton, Patricia Reardon, Ben Sulminski

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday; Jesus, I trust in you



BINGO

May 3, 2019

Team # 1 — Paul Levesque, Beverly Farrar, Donald Ducharme, Judy Keenan, Shane LaBelle

The Every –Week Crew and Early Shift Workers

Theresa Courtney, John Harrington, Lisa Hickory, Emma Lusignan, Patricia Wassel, Joan Lorusso, Pat Markiewicz, Ed Corrigan, Carole Nourse, Jeannine Corrigan, Debra Diaz, Donald Ducharme, Fran Peperato, Debbie Plant, Ed Wall, Julie Carrigan, Paul Levesque, Donna Niles & Michael Burgraff

**Ladies Guild Kitchen Crew:
Cindy Desrosiers & Pauline Puishys**



Upcoming Events

May

- 2nd—Divine Mercy Meeting @ 6:30 in the parish hall
 - 5th—First Communion
 - 12th—Ladie’s Guild Raffle
- 16th— Divine Mercy Meeting @ 6:30 in the parish hall
- 30th—Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass 9am and 7pm

Mother’s Day Basket Raffle

Take a chance to win Mom a beautiful basket. We will be offering a wine themed basket and a spa themed basket. We will begin selling tickets on April 27 & 28 before and after Mass. And again on May 4 & 5 before and after Mass. Stop by and take a chance.

Food Collection

Next weekend will be our monthly food collection for the parish food pantry. Items needed are non-perishable food, personal care items, laundry & dish detergent. Thank you for your continued support to help offer assistance to those in need.

What are some benefits of a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration?

Everyone that spends time in adoration of Jesus in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist develops a personal relationship with Jesus and grows in love and holiness. Quiet time with the Lord in adoration enables people to listen and recognize His voice as He speaks to their hearts. Many of the faithful who attend adoration report various miracles and healings. Parish communities experience increased Mass attendance, service of others, unity, conversions, the return of fallen away Catholics, as well as, vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The laity work together to coordinate Eucharistic Adoration helping to build a faith filled community.

Please join us the first Friday of every month for adoration from 9:30am to 5:30pm



OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING
April 13 & 14, 2019

Good Friday \$2.00, Easter Offering \$25.00, Catholic Relief Fund \$56.00 Weekend Offering \$1954.55

Did you forget your envelopes? Did you attend Mass somewhere else and forget to send in your missed envelope? You can sign up for online giving or use the app to never miss a stewardship giving. The app is called

ConnectNow Giving or visit our website to sign up for online giving. Any questions please call the rectory.

Partners in Charity

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2019 Partners in Charity Appeal. Sacred Heart St. Catherine has raised \$18,843.00 towards our goal of \$28,700.00. To meet our goal we still need \$9857.00. If you have not made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the pews. Or visit www.partners-charity.net to do it online.

No gift is too small, any donation is greatly appreciated.