



Rev. Eric Asante

SACRED HEART~ST. CATHERINE *of Sweden Parish*

2nd Sunday of Lent

**Mass Schedule
Weekend**

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

12 p.m. (African)

Weekday

Monday-Wednesday & Friday

9:00 a.m.

Holy Days

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**Blessed Sacrament
Adoration/First Friday**

9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Confession:

Call for an appointment or
Saturday 3:30-4:00 p.m.



February 25, 2024

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Rectory Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday & Friday

9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

The office is closed on Thursday.

Bingo: Every Friday,

6:30-10 p.m. in Parish Hall

Parish/Bingo Hall: 508-752-9798

Food Pantry: 508-753-2555

Mobile Line: 508-688-1774

Food Pantry Hours: Thursday

9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

& by appointment

596 Cambridge Street Worcester, MA 01610

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 24, 4 p.m.
Helen Hannon Sepuka (+) Birthday
by Kathy & Ann Hannon

Sunday, February 25, 10 a.m.
Birthday Blessings for Daniel
Fullen by Jeanne Lavallee

Sunday, February 25, 12 p.m.
In Memory of Parishioners of the
Parish

Wednesday, February 28, 9 a.m.
In Reparation of the Sins of Abor-
tion, Greater Respect for Life &
the Defeat of Assisted Suicide
Legislation by Sandra Kucharski

Sunday, March 3, 10 a.m.
Birthday Blessings for Pat LaFlash
and Shane LaBelle

First Friday Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be-
gin after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Friday, March 1
and conclude with Benediction at 5:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Please join us every Friday night during Lent
at 7:00 p.m. for Stations of the Cross in the
church.



2nd Sunday in Lent

'Here I am!' he answered."- Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, "*Here I am, Lord,*" when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "*Here I am, Lord,*" when a neighbor needs our help, or when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

2nd Sunday in Lent Prayer

Heavenly Father,
As I enter another week of my Lenten journey,
guide me to the path that leads to You.
Fill my heart with gratitude, patience, strength,
and peace as I strive to become the-best-
version-of-myself, honestly admitting my
shortcomings and sins.
As I renew my resolve each day to become a
better person, let me hear Your voice in the
deepest reaches of my heart.
Give me rest in You.
Help me to accept others, showing them Your
great love instead of casting judgment.
Stay with me through the busy days this week
and remind me that when I need comfort,
solitude, wisdom, or guidance,
I can always turn to You.
Help me develop discipline and generosity
through fasting and almsgiving, and come
closer to You through prayer this Lent.
In Your name I pray,
Amen.

Lenten Confession Times

Confession held every Friday during Lent from
6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and every Saturday
from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Lector Ministry

Saturday, March 2, 2024 at 4 p.m.

Warren Lohnes

Sunday, March 3, 2024 at 10 a.m.

Tony Halpin

Sunday, March 3, 2024 at 12 p.m.

Aimee Zeblehi

BINGO

Team 1 is on Friday, March 1st

Doors open @ 4:30 p.m.,

Games start @ 6:30 p.m.

Bingo Volunteers for Team 1: Mike Burgraff, Beverly Farrar, Diana Mendoza Lisa Hickory, Jennifer Krasinskas, Laurie LaBelle, Jeanne Lavallee, Warren Lohnes, Diana Mendoza, Fran Phillips, Irene Planchiunas, Joseph Tay, Paul Turner, Pat Walsh.

No Bingo, Good Friday, March 29th

SHSCS Youth Choir

Rehearsal will be held on Monday, February 26, 2024 at 5:00-6:00 p.m.

The Coffee Shop

The Coffee Shop will be open after Mass on Sunday, February 25 at 11:00 a.m.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

02/10/24-02/11/24 \$3,263.00

You can sign up for online giving or use the app to never miss a stewardship giving. The app is called Connect Now Giving or visit our website to sign up for online giving. Any questions please call the Rectory @ 508-752-1608.

St. Anthony's Food Pantry

Last week Sarah Walker, Chief Executive Officer of The Worcester County Food Bank and Judy Rittaco,, Development Associate, joined the volunteers at the pantry to participate in distribution day. In a thank you email, Ms. Walker noted, "The process flow at the food pantry is quite impressive, from wheeling out the shelves, packing boxes, shuttling them upstairs, and topping them off with other items. Wow! And the volume of food going out the door is amazing." It was a great opportunity to showcase how hard our volunteers work to help alleviate food insecurity in our community.

This week we began a new pilot partnership with Legendary Legacies, a non profit job training program for young men traditionally underserved by the education and the legal rehabilitation systems. They will assist our men in loading, transporting, unloading, and stocking the 1 ½ - 2 tons of food we receive each week from the Worcester County Food Bank. We are excited about this partnership to help young men redirect their lives and become contributing members of our community.

If you or someone you know needs assistance with food come to the food pantry Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. or call the mobile line at 508- 688-1774 to make an appointment.

Worcester Catholic Men's Conference

The Worcester Catholic Men's Conference returns to the DCU Center on Saturday, March 16, 2024. Come renew your commitment to the Lord for 2024! Adult tickets are \$50 until March 4, 2024. Afterwards \$60. Student (Middle/High School and College) tickets are always \$30. For tickets or further information, please visit:
www.catholicmenworc.com