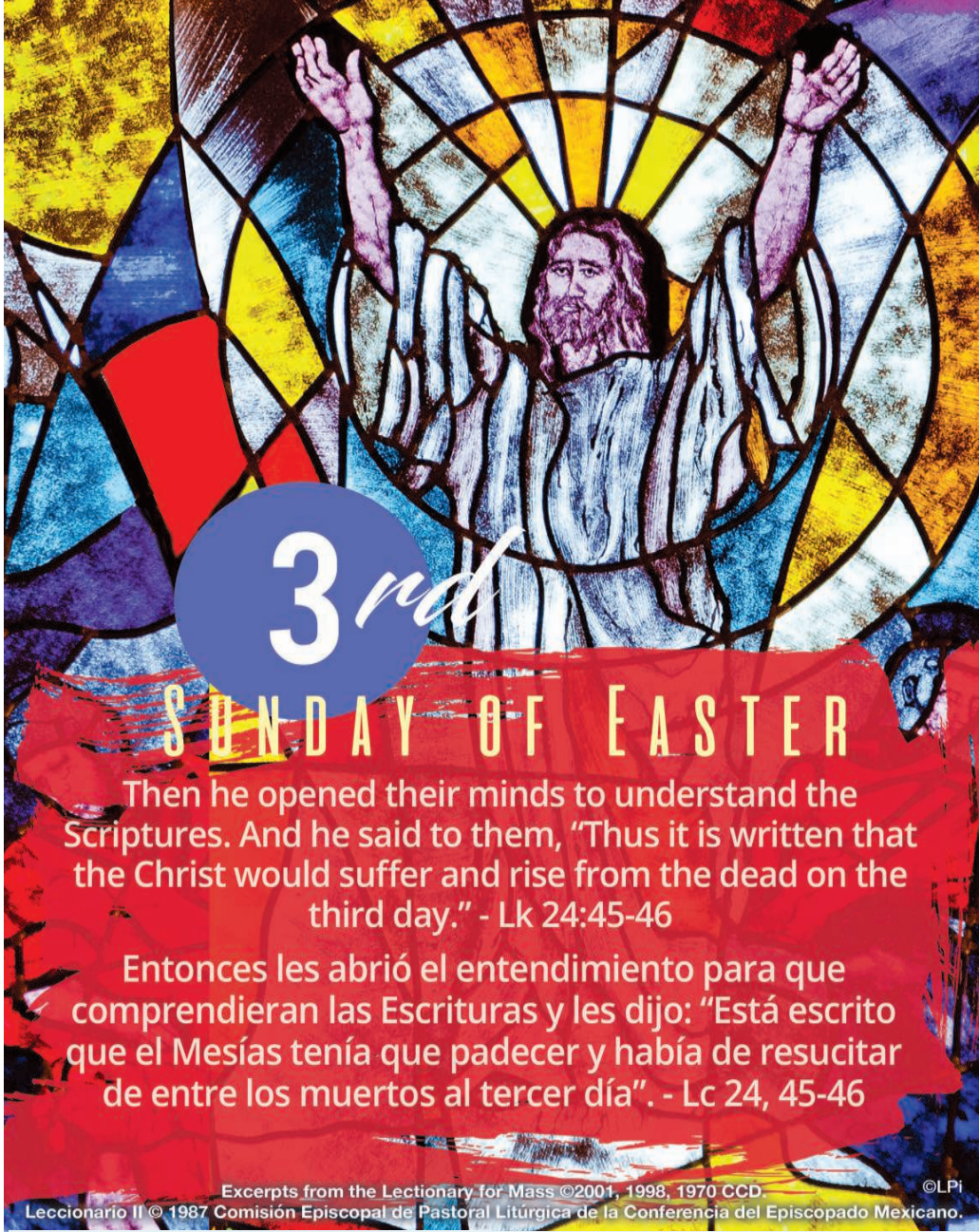


Saint Peter Parish

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SUNDAY OF EASTER

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." - Lk 24:45-46

Entonces les abrió el entendimiento para que comprendieran las Escrituras y les dijo: "Está escrito que el Mesías tenía que padecer y había de resucitar de entre los muertos al tercer día". - Lc 24, 45-46

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9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES:

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 AM
Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 PM
Wednesday 8:45AM
Anytime by request.

BAPTISMS: Please call the rectory to meet with a member of the baptismal team.

MARRIAGES:

Please call the rectory at least twelve months in advance to begin required marriage preparation.

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SATURDAY April 14th4:30PM **William and Beatrice Genier** by familySUNDAY April 15th8:30AM **Leo and Ernestine Caya** by Ray Blette11:00AM **Al and Doris Erickson** by the Hansson'sMONDAY April 16th8:00AM **Mrs. Chrystene L. Zarazenski** by the Lavallee'sTUESDAY April 17th8:00AM **Walter and Jennie Lubas** by the Lavallee'sWEDNESDAY April 18th8:00AM **Parish Family**THURSDAY April 19th8:00AM **John Hallam** by his wife Susanne HallamSATURDAY April 21st4:30PM **Jeannine Murray** 1st anniversary by familySUNDAY April 22nd8:30AM **Doris Richard McCourt** by Gladys Kaminski
and Sharon & Kevin Curtin11:00AM **Leo Sabourin** 20th anniversary by family*Stewardship of
treasure***April 8, 2018**

Envelopes Collected	105	\$ 2,655.00
Electronic Giving	35	2,051.00
Renovations envelopes	35	771.00
Winter expenses	4	180.00
Donations		59.00
Easter offering		59.00
Solemnity of Mary		5.00
Christmas Offering		5.00

Total \$ 5,785.00

Partners in Charity

Total gifts: 72
donations to date: \$46,474.00

If you have not yet made a pledge or a gift, please find and fill out a commitment pledge envelope in the pews. You may return it in the collection basket or deliver it to the rectory during the week. If you prefer to make your commitment on line, you may take the opportunity to do so at www.partners-charity.net.

Please Pray for:

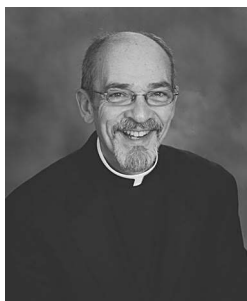
*Sharron Grocki, Linda Chipman,
 Jeannine Patnode, Rhonda Lavallee,
 Ed Kennedy, Eric Lambert, Luke Wieggers, and
 Donna Labrie*

Prayer for the sick

Father, Your love is as wide as the oceans
 As deep as the sea,
 And as tall as the heavens.
 May your spirit rise like a mighty wave and come
 and restore those who are ill.
 You are the water of life,
 You are a fresh spring,
 You are healing rain
 To all those who are in need. Amen

**How about making a
Cursillo weekend?**

Cursillo or "short course in Christianity" is an uplifting and educational experience. Cursillo was brought from Spain to the United States in 1962. The weekend is facilitated by a team of laypeople and clergy who deliver organized talks and discussions. What the presenters add to the talks is the witness of their own lives, their struggles and triumphs in Christ. The weekend is full of laughter, prayer, great music, wonderful meals and so much more. Our 2018 dates are: Men's - February 22-25 & June 14-17; Women's - May 3-6 & October 25-28. All weekends will be held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. For additional information, please contact Sue Leighton at 508-278-3155 or sleighton1958@gmail.com OR Joan Laracy at 774-239-2474 or joanlaracy@yahoo.com.



A note from Father Tom

"[Jesus] said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, 'Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.'"

Luke 24: 44-48

"You are witnesses of these things ..." We are witnesses of these things! This is so in a way different from the way in which those first disciples would be witnesses, of course. Jesus does not sit among us and eat a piece of baked fish in front of us. We are called and inspired to be witnesses who see and hear, who are caught up into and who give our own energy to the full life of witness of the Church, the Living Body of Christ.

This life we share is quite varied, from person to person and from moment to moment. Some of what we do because of who we are is rich in its beauty, some is daunting in its challenges. We try to live lives that have the strength and integrity to teach our children. We extend ourselves to care for the sick and our frail elderly. We reach out to touch the needs of mind, body and spirit of those whose needs become our own.

I want to acknowledge and thank all who have contributed to date to exceed the goal determined for us as a parish for *Partners in Charity*. Though our goal has been met, there remains an opportunity for some to participate in this year's campaign to meet the great needs addressed by ministries of the Diocese. As I write today, there is a fairly unglamorous project underway to restore the connection between our church building and the town sewer system on School Street. We also have had to do work on the lighting system in the church, the heating system in the parish center, and we have tackled long-delayed repairs and upgrades of the lock-and-key configuration for all three buildings!

AND ... First Eucharist and Confirmation!!! I will have the chance to say more about these next week!

Alleluia!!!

Fr. Tom

St. Peter's Parish
Furniture & Household Goods Drive
To benefit the donations clearing house

Saturday, April 28, 2018
9:00am to 11:00am
39 Church Avenue, Northbridge

We are collecting donations to help families and individuals leaving area shelters, victims of natural disaster and those unable to afford furniture and household goods on their current income.

If your items are too large/heavy to move, call the donations clearinghouse at 774-243-3805 to arrange a free pickup of items on a different day.

Items desperately needed are:
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Thank you in advance for your help.

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Ham and Bean Dinner

Friday May 4, 2018 at 6:00PM

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COMING SOON

April 1st—22nd Dynamite Sale

April 16th -20th April school vacation

April 19th 8:30am Bibles and Bagels Returns!

April 19th 6:30pm Boys Only Night

April 22nd 1st Communion Breakfast

April 28th 1st Communion rehearsal

April 28th Dynamite pick-up

Ea s t e r E g g H u n t April 1, 2018



The Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church in Whitinsville will host a clothing swap on Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 9am to 11am. We accept donations of gently used (no rips or stains please) men's, women's and kid's clothing, shoes and accessories. Donations can be dropped off on Friday, May 4 between 6 and 7pm or the morning of the swap. Use the driveway between Domino's Pizza and the law office and come in the church's back door. Everything is free and the swap is open to the public. You don't have to donate to take something home and you don't have to take something in order to donate. Whether you're looking to update your wardrobe or clean out your closet, this is the event for you! We will also be accepting donations for the NAC food pantry. Call Christine at 508-234-8131 or email edalynne@hotmail.com for more info.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

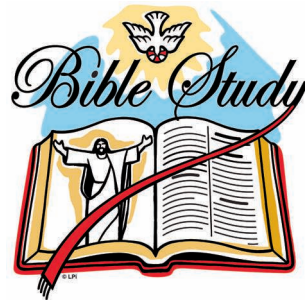
Our next **Loreto Gathering Day** is May 6th. Since May is Mary month, we will be honoring our Blessed Mother by also honoring our Loreto moms! We have a very special morning planned! We will end our morning together at the 11:00 Mass with the Presentation of Flowers to Mary and the Crowning.

Loreto Summer Week is fast approaching! It will be held during the week of June 25th. Volunteers are needed in order to make this week a success. If you would like to volunteer to help that week, please contact Patty @ st.petersloreto@gmail.com or by contacting the Religious Ed Office.

First Communion Time sure flies! First Communion is just around the corner on April 29th at the 11:00 Mass. Please continue to keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Our **Edge** group will not meet this week due to the school vacation. The core team will meet for the monthly planning meeting at 6:00 in the parish center.

The **lifeteen** group will not meet this week due to the school vacation.



Bible and Bagels will return on Thursday April 19th after the 8:00am Mass. Bring a friend and learn more about God's word for your life. Bagels and coffee (or tea) will be served. We hope to see you then!

Spend a day at NDA

Notre Dame Academy is inviting all current 6th and 7th grade and transfer students to spend an academic day at NDA through May 1st. If you are interested, please contact the office of Admission at (508) 757-6200 ext. 229 or email admissions@nda-wroc.org. NDA is the only Catholic private independent college preparatory school for young women in grades 7-12 in central Massachusetts. Please visit our website at www.nda-wroc.org to learn more.



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