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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

Karen Lemoine

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SATURDAY March 16th

4:30PM Mr. & Mrs. Leo Brouillard by John &

Christine Brouillard

SUNDAY March 17th

8:30AM Alfred Lemoine by his wife Barbara

11:00AM Michele Dauphinee by her family

MONDAY March 18th

8:00AM Arthur & Blanche L'Ecuyer by their grandson

TUESDAY March 19th

8:00AM Chester and Mary Chase by the Lavallee's

WEDNESDAY March 20th

8:00AM Roger Mathieu by the Lavallee's

THURSDAY March 21st

8:00AM Parish Family

SATURDAY March 23rd

4:30PM William Blodgett by his family

SUNDAY March 24th

8:30AM Raymond Kaminiski 11th anniversary by

Sharon and Kevin

11:00AM Annette Courteau by her children

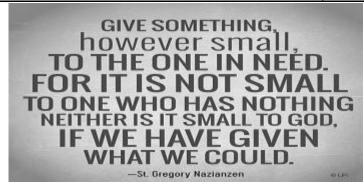
Please keep these people in your prayers:

Barbara Beauchamp, Jeff Thibeault, Joseph Peloquin, David Patnode, Rhonda Lavallee, Ann Marie Legassey, Sharron Grocki, Linda Chipman, Jeannine Patnode, Eric Lambert, Donna Labrie, and all those in our parish book of prayers.

Healing Prayer

Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay your healing Hands upon all those who are sick. We beg You to have compassion on all those who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their pitiful circumstances.

In Jesus, we pray.
Amen.



Weekly Parish Support

March 3, 2019

Envelopes Collected 91 Electronic Giving 18	\$ 2,612.00 567.00
Renovation Envelopes 37 Winter Envelopes 6	797.00 184.00
NA Meeting rental Window Repair	38.00 100.00
Easter Flowers Catholic Free Press	36.00 39.00
Donation Easter offering	34.00 35.00
Wall repair	50.00
Total	\$ 4,492.00

March 10, 2019

Envelopes Collected 71 Electronic Giving 35 Renovation Envelopes 11 Winter Envelopes 11 Church in Latin America Yoga rental Hospital Stipend Easter Flowers Catholic Free Press Donation	\$ 2,274.00 2,379.00 276.00 705.00 235.00 190.00 300.00 15.00 39.00 20.00
Total	\$ 6,433.00



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 17, 2019



A Lenten Letter from Bishop McManus

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Lent comes late this year. Late though it may be, most of us are not immediately eager for the austerities of Lent. Though perhaps not ready for it, we all nonetheless need Lent. We need Lent because we are sinners called to repentance. We need it because we are Christ's disciples called to holiness and we need Lent because the demands, distractions and allures of modern life can imperceptibly skew our priorities and dampen the spiritual joys that rightly belong to those whose faith is fervent.

For forty days Lent calls us to re-prioritize our lives that they may be centered on Jesus Christ and His Gospel. We do this through deepened prayer, more frequent penances and more generous almsgiving. We undertake these practices not to revert to old ways six weeks later. We undertake them that, through conversion of life, we may know Christ better and share more deeply in the joy of His Easter triumph throughout the whole of our lives.

The Lenten season is austere in its observances, reserved in its liturgies and sacrificial in its call for generosity. But because its practices draw us closer to Christ, Lent is also renewing, inspiring and exciting. So often we let things come between us and the radical call to take up the Cross and follow Christ with a selfless love of God and neighbor. Lent gives us the incentive, framework and communal support to acknowledge the primacy of God in our lives and to seek our consolations by putting God first. When we do that, we realize that the security, happiness and peace for which we daily strive come not from the acquisition of things, the esteem of others or the experience of pleasures. Rather, they are found in drawing close to God, experiencing His love and being confident in His promises. That continuing discovery can make our lives simpler, happier and more meaningful. What we "give up" is more than compensated for by what we gain. We all have so much to gain this Lent.

I urge you to reflect on Christ's love and mercy. Examine your life, confess your sins and draw close to God through your prayer and acts of penance, regular celebration of the sacraments and sacrifice for those in need.

Lent may start late this year but it is also just in time. May we embrace its opportunities that we may reap its rewards – Christian joy, not only at Easter, but throughout our lives on earth and forever in heaven.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Reverend Robert J. McManus Bishop of Worcester

Partners in Charity

Last weekend we began our parish participation in this year's *Partners in Charity Campaign*. We thank all of you have made your commitment to *putting our faith in action*.

Our parish goal of \$33,300 for this year's campaign can seem daunting, but our shared commitment and sacrifice for the sake of the many charitable works of ministry and education throughout the Diocese of Worcester has enabled us to be successful in years past. We have every reason to believe that, with God's help, we will do so again this year.

If you have not yet made a pledge or a gift, please find and fill out a commitment pledge envelope in the pew today. If you prefer to make your commitment on line, you may take the opportunity to do so at www.partners-charity.net.



The Peace of Bread Community Kitchen has been committed to offering a helping hand and a warm welcome. Weekly meals are provided to people in need in our community.

This program has been an incredible blessing to many, and they have been able to add various programs over the years. Currently, along with a weekly meal, they also offer a Food and Clothing Pantry.

Please help The Peace of Bread Community Kitchen by making a free will offering & receive a Saint Peter's Parish Pen. All money raised will be donated to Peace of Bread to help them to provide meals to the people of our community.

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Mar. 17th 9:30am 1st Communion banner making day

Mar. 17th 6:00pm Altaration continues

Mar. 21st 6:30pm Lifeteen Planning Meeting

Mar. 24th 6:00pm Last Alteration night with parents

Mar. 26th Miss Patty's Birthday! (Don't tell her I told you!)
Mar. 31st 9:30am First communion/Confirmation breakfast

April 6th 5:30pm Chicken Parmesan fundraising dinner

April 11th 6:30pm Lifeteen planning meeting

April 13th Palm Sunday regular Mass schedule

April 14th 1st communion/confirmation breakfast

April 17th 7:00pm Tenebrae service of darkness

April 18th 7:00pm Holy Thursday Mass

April 19th 3:00pm Living stations of the Cross

7:00pm Good Friday Service

April 20th Sundown Easter Vigil

April 21st Easter Egg hunt after Sunday masses

April 27th Furniture/household goods drop off 9-noon

April 28th Sacrament of first communion at the 11am Mass

Next Mission trip fundraising dinner April 6th Chicken Parm Next Mission:Paint May 6th at 6:30pm

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

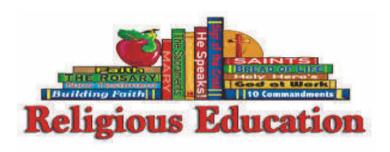
We are collecting donations to help families and individuals leaving area shelters, victims of natural disaster and those unable to afford furniture and household goods on their current income.

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:

Lamps, Dressers, bureaus, kitchen table and chairs, night stands, end tables, and coffee table as well as mattresses, box springs and frames. (twin/full or queen)

Thank you in advance for your help.



LiFCtCCN: The Altaration series continues this Sun-

day evening. We are nearing the end of this session on the Mass. We hope all the parents who were unable to make it last week will join in this week.

our series on morality continues on March 26th. This week will be a planning night for the core team. past Tuesday.

our April Gathering Day and what it means to us as Catholics.

There were over 450 items collected for the elementary school food closets. Thank you again for all your donations! We will be collecting throughout the rest of the school year so if you would like help the children with their Little Disciples Community Service Project, these are the items that the school is in need of: Fruit snack Packs, Crackers, Original Chips Ahoy, Original Vanilla Wafers, Original Oreos, Pirates Booty, Rice Krispy Treats, Gold Fish, Fruit cups, Chips, granola bars. Thank you!!

Got Milk.....Jugs??

Summer Week is coming and our wheels are already turning as to what our environment is going to look like! With that being said, we are taking donations of gallon milk and water jugs. Non-squished please with the caps. The only thing we ask is that you wash them prior to donating as they would be pretty stinky by June! We also need paper towel tubes and 8 oz water bottles. Please drop them in the box in the gathering area. Thank you again!

There will be no Children's Liturgy on Sunday, March 17th due to the Family Banner Day for First Communion candidates

First Communion It's Banner day! The kids

and parents will meet in the parish center at 9:30am to create their pew banners for the sacrament of first communion coming up in April.

Mission Trip Our next dinner is scheduled for April 6th at 5:30 in the hall. We will be serving Chicken Parm! Ticket will go on sale on April 23rd at all Masses. Tell your friends! Can't wait to see you there.



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