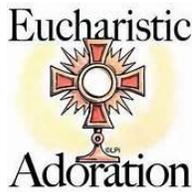




Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday, March 24** **4:00pm Stanley Midura**
requested by St. Ann's Parish
- Sunday, March 25** **9:00am John Sheridan 21st Anniv.**
requested by the family.
- 11:00am Jane Woodbury-King**
requested by David Dumais
- Monday, March 26** **8:30am Gloria Farley**
requested by Barbara & Michael Lavallee
- Tuesday, March 27** **8:30am Ruth Shattuck 4th Anniv.**
requested by David Dumais
- Wednesday, March 28** **8:30am Frances & Gaspar Casavant**
requested by Paul Casavant
- Holy Thursday, March 29** **7:00pm Frank Jones 4th Anniv.**
requested by his wife and family
- Easter Vigil** **7:30pm Riley Boulay**
requested by his Aunt Victoria
- Easter** **9:00am Polly Goddard**
requested by Theresa Braney
- 11:00am Polly Goddard**
requested by SVDP



Tuesday, April 3 at 4:30-6:00pm
led by Acolyte Tom Creamer



Weekly Collection March 17 & 18	
Adults	\$ 2,982.00
Children	\$ 10.00
Maintenance	\$ 200.00
Bottles & Cans	\$ 20.50
Easter Flowers	\$ 470.00
Other sources of Income	\$ 59.00
Total of parish support	\$3,741.50
Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses	\$ 4,110.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 571.00
SVDP	\$ 37.00
Poor Box	\$ 39.00
Roof	\$ 20.00

FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends in Christ,

Holy Week celebrates the central mysteries of our faith, the Passion, death and Resurrection of Jesus. These central mysteries combined make up the Paschal Mystery.

Palm Sunday begins Holy Week as the Church remembers Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. One of the greatest ironies of Jesus' life was that the same people who gladly rejoiced at His coming into the city also jeered at Him and ridiculed Him as He was condemned to death and lay dying on the Cross.

How could there be such a profound change in the people of Jerusalem? The answer is that their original love of Jesus was not solidly grounded. It was a fair-weather love, present only when prevailing opinion swayed in Jesus' favor. When public opinion seemed to veer against Jesus, this fair-weather love disappeared and was replaced with hate.

We might be apt to chide the people of Jerusalem for their fickleness but if we're honest we might admit that we are like them. How much does prevailing opinion shape what we decide? Each one of us is a member of society and as we live in society we can't be immune to society's influences. Yet, we cannot let our Catholic faith become something which is easily changed or discouraged because of prevailing opinions against it. Our faith, a gift from God, is precious. Our faith becomes rooted and solid when it is frequently practiced, when we nourish an individual prayer life, when we study Scripture and when we engage actively in the life of the parish. In these ways, our faith becomes a personal commitment and other's opinions about it cannot uproot it from our hearts.

In Christ,

Fr. Michael



**No Coffee Shop
Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday
Coffee Shop will resume
Sunday, April 8th**

Meetings

NA Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall
K of C 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall
SVDP April 15th following the 9:00am Mass
Rosary Group Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church
Bible Study
7:00pm in the Church Hall
Please have read Mark 16:1-7



Save the date for the Senior Spring Fling Luncheon



St. Ann's SVDP Society cordially invites the seniors of the parish, 50 years young and up to a Senior Spring Luncheon on Sunday, April 15 at 12:00pm in the hall. Please fill out the response form on the bulletin tables or call the rectory at #508-987-8892 The response forms can be placed in the offertory basket.



Applications for the St. Ann's SVDP and Chip Hanlon scholarships for graduating seniors are available on the website and in the sacristy. The deadline to apply is April 20th.



Yard Sale will be held on June 2 & 3, 2018

Collection of items will begin on Saturday, April 7, from 10 to 1pm, but if you know of someone who is moving now and they have items they wish to donate we do have some space to store items. We are looking for volunteers to help with the cleaning and sorting of items. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board. We also need parishioners that have pickup trucks and are willing to pick up some items at homes.



Religious Education

We are looking for new altar servers. Students in Grade 3 and up are eligible. A training session will be held on Saturday, April 7th at 2 :00pm. Please contact the rectory if you are interested.



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday: Masses 4:00pm 9 & 11:00am

Monday: Mass at 8:30am

Tuesday: Parish Reconciliation Service 6:30pm

Wednesday: Mass at 8:30am

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00pm

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross with Religious Education students 4:00pm

Service of the Passion of our Lord 7:00PM

Easter Vigil 7:30pm

Easter Mass of the Resurrection 9 & 11:00am

Easter Egg Hunt to follow the 9:00am Mass (in the hall if the front lawn is not good)

Divine Mercy Weekend April 7 & 8

Divine Mercy Chaplet to be prayed 15 minutes before each Mass and veneration of the image at all the Masses



Thanks to all of our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2018 Partners in Charity Appeal. Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal of \$40,000. Gifts and pledges have totaled **\$19,117**. You can also make your gift online at www.partners-charity.net A Partners Appeal video may be viewed at vimeo.com/255598536 Thank you!



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