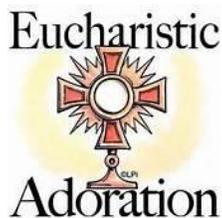


- Saturday, July 28 4:00pm Robert Farrar Jr.**
requested by the family
- Sunday, July 29 9:00am Judy "Nilan" Rivers**
requested by Dee Archambault
- 11:00am Philip Ecklund**
requested by the Ecklund Family
- Monday - Thursday** No Masses
Fr. Michael will be on vacation
- Saturday, August 4 4:00pm Tom Desimone**
requested by Dee Archambault & Richard Renaud
- Sunday, August 5 9:00am Catherine Montville**
requested by SVDP
- 11:00am Catherine Montville**
requested by Don & Sue Morin

Next weekend

My Brother's Keeper Food Collection to benefit the Oxford Food Shelf.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered after all the Masses to anyone in need.



Tuesday, August 7th
at
5:00 to 6:30pm
led by
Acolyte Tom Creamer



Weekly Collection July 21 & 22

Adults	\$ 2,877.00
Children	\$ 24.00
Maintenance	\$ 45.00
Other sources of Income	\$ 106.00
Total of parish support	\$ 3,052.00
Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses	\$ 4,110.00
SVDP	\$ 120.00
Poor Box	\$ 21.00

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK 

Dear Friends in Christ,

The multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes, featured in this Sunday's Gospel, is one of Jesus' greatest miracles. This event was prompted by human hunger, which Jesus noticed was present in the crowd, who had come to hear Him preach and teach. It was Jesus who brought this hunger to the attention of His disciples. The implication of this is that they had the responsibility of doing something about it.

In this miracle, The Church has seen the Eucharist prefigured or foreshadowed. Yet, there is more meaning to this miracle than simply this. The need of human beings for food is central to this event.

Often, we think of the hungry as living far away, in distant countries in abject poverty. Yet, the hungry are among us in our own community. Children and the elderly are often those that are hungry the most. They either do not have enough to buy sufficient food or those responsible for caring for them do not fulfill these responsibilities. In any case, people are hungry in our community every day.

As in the miracle of the loaves and fishes, Jesus turns to us, as His disciples, implying that we have to do something about it. Jesus is ready to work through us to multiply the food that is needed...but we have to make ourselves available to Him through prayer and a willingness to do what we can to assist the hungry with our resources.

Let us remember that we will be judged on our love. We pray for the grace to let Jesus use us today to meet the great needs of the human family.

In Christ, Fr. Michael

SUMMER HOURS Please note that on the Fridays during the months of July and August the church and the office will be closed. This will allow our staff a time for rest and relaxation during the Summer months.

Meetings

NA Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall
K of C 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall
SVDP Sunday August 19th following the 9:00am Mass
Rosary Group Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church
Bible Study Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Church Hall
No Bible Study this week
Divine Mercy 10 week retreat starting June 11th
Monday evenings 6-8 pm



If you are a parishioner and are in need of assistance, please call #508- 987-8892 and leave a message on the SVDP private line and someone from the SVDP will return your call. Maybe you have lost your job and are behind on your utilities or can't afford to have oil delivered. We can help. We also can point you in the direction of other resources that are available.



SVDP Annual Backpack challenge has begun. A list of necessary items can be found on the bulletin tables. Please return your donations to the church by Sunday, August 12th, so that the donations may reach the students before school begins.

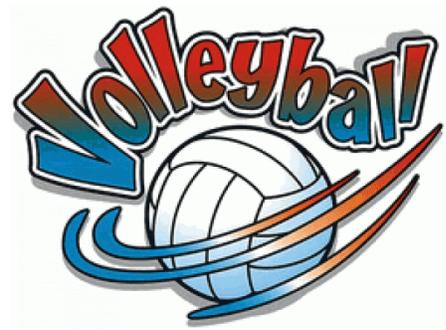
The Ignatian Spiritual Exercises in Daily Life

A 30 week directed prayer experience in the tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola is being offered by a team of Jesuits and parishioners experienced in Ignatian prayer. **Starting on October 2nd, each weekly session will be approximately ninety minutes and will include reflection, direction and presentation.** Sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings at St. Peter's Church in Worcester adjacent to Clark University. Information nights will be held at St. Rose of Lima in Northborough on August 19th, St. Mary's in Jefferson on August 26th and St. Peter's in Worcester on August 28th, each at 6PM. Information and an application form is available on the web site: <http://www.findinggodindailylife.com/worcesterspex-home>. You can contact the team by e-mail at worcspex19@gmail.com or call Dick Kirk at 508-885-4462.



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 **\$34,604.74**. 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!



St. Roch/St. Ann Volleyball Games are played at Greenbriar Recreation Center at 7:00pm

Monday, July 30

Enjoy a warm summer evening as well as supporting the young people of our parish



Children's Mass next weekend

The 9:00am Mass next weekend is especially geared toward the young members of St. Ann's Parish followed by free drinks and snacks in the parish hall. Coffee and donuts, bagels and muffins are available for adults for a \$1.00 donation.

We encourage all the children to join Fr. Michael in the sanctuary for the homily.

Upcoming Events

August 15 Holy Day of Celebration following the 8:30am Mass for the Feast of the Assumption
September 8 Parish Day of Reflection 10 - 2pm
September 8 Dedication of the restored Church Bell Ringer 4pm
September 23 Family Fun Day 12-3pm
September 24 Religious Education Classes resume
October 2 St. Therese Day of Reflection 6:00 pm
October 12 Vendor Fair
October 21 Parish Trip to St. Therese Shrine & Wright's Chicken Farm