

- Saturday, February 23** **4:00pm Roger Goddard**
requested by SVDP
- Sunday, February 24** **9:00am John Sheridan**
requested by Jim & Patti Laliberte
- 11:00am Bernard Chesties**
requested by Jim & Patti Laliberte
- Monday, February 25** **8:30am Jane Randell**
requested by Scripture Study Group
- Tuesday, February 26** **8:30am All Souls Intentions of**
Janice Carlson
- Wednesday, February 27** **8:30am All Souls Intentions of**
Mary Worster
- Thursday, February 28** **8:30am All Souls Intentions of**
Frank & Deborah Blanchard
- Saturday, March 2** **4:00pm Sue Selby**
requested by Germaine Fernandes
- Sunday, March 3** **9:00am Ann Marie Houle**
requested by SVDP
- 11:00am Bernard Chesties**
requested by John & Laura Kneeland

Children's Mass next Sunday, March 3 at 9:00am
Following the Mass all the children are invited to the parish hall for a free donut and drink. Adults may purchase a drink and donut for \$1.00. Please join us !



Weekly Collection February 16 & 17

Adults	\$ 3,007.52
Children	\$ 26.00
Maintenance	\$ 80.00
Other sources of Income	\$ 277.00
Total of parish support	\$ 3,390.52
Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses	\$ 4,250.00
Fuel	\$ 1,529.45
SVDP	\$ 85.00
Poor Box	\$ 37.00



Coffee Shop March 3 & 17
Please join us after the 9:00am Mass for fellowship in the hall.

Lent



Ash Wednesday is March 6th

8:30am Mass & 7:00 pm Mass

Distribution of ashes will take place during the Mass.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent at 6:30pm

Lenten Day of Reflection

March 9th, 10 to 2pm in the parish hall
Please sign up on the bulletin board for this event

Parish Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30pm

Living Faith meditation books are available at the bulletin tables courtesy of SVDP

LENTEN RULES FOR FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Abstinence from Eating Meat

All Catholics, 14 years or older, must abstain from meat on all the Fridays of Lent and on Ash Wednesday.

Fasting

Fasting is required for Catholics between 18 years of age and who have not yet observed their 59th birthday. Those who are subject to the obligation to fast may take only one full meal. While two smaller meals are allowed to maintain strength and according to particular circumstances, these two meals should not equal one full meal. On fast days, eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the only two fast days required; though fasting is encouraged throughout Lent.**

Meetings

NA Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall
K of C 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall
SVDP Sunday Feb. 17 following the 9:00am Mass
Rosary Group 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church
Upper Room Ministry 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 6:00pm
Bible Study Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Church Hall
Please read Luke 6:39-45 **Fellowship at 6 PM**
First Saturday Marian Devotion after 4:00pm Mass



St. Vincent De Paul
Serving those in Need

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.

Royal Sandlewood Nursing & Rehab Center in Oxford

Many residents would greatly welcome having a friend to visit as they have no one else - the days are long and they suffer from loneliness. Can you see it in your heart to help? If you can't visit, even a "penpal" friend would be appreciated.

For more information contact Drea Holbrook
#508-987-2165

Make a Bid on Faith

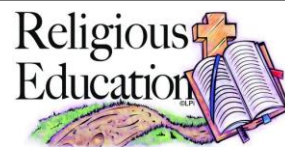
Trinity Catholic Academy and St. John Paul II Parish,
Southbridge
Saturday, March 23 at the La Salle Reception Center 444
Main St. Southbridge at 6:00pm
A 6:00pm Wine Tasting, a Dinner, a Live Auction, a Silent
Auction and more. Advance purchase of tickets is
necessary! Request for detail ticket information please call
Margaret Farrand at 774-318-8083 or Trinity Catholic
Academy School Office at 508-765-3701

February is Catholic Free Press Renewal Time \$39.00 for
Home Delivery plus access to the e-Edition Please use the
renewal envelope in your offertory packet or contact the
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**Feeding the
Community**

**My Brother's Keeper
Food Collection to benefit the
Oxford Ecumenical Food Shelf
1st Weekend of the Month**



Grades 1-4 3:30 - 4:45pm
Grades 5-9 6:00 - 7:15pm
Confirmation Classes Wednesday at 6:00pm



It is never too early to start thinking about our annual yard sale. **The date of this year's yard sale is June 8th & 9th.** We will start **collecting items on Saturday, April 6th** and will close the church hall again this year during the month of May to be able to store the yard sale items. Signup sheets will be available in March for volunteers to help sort and clean the items as they arrive. If you know of someone who is moving and wants to donate items to the parish please contact the rectory. We need many volunteers this year with different gifts and talents to make this fund raiser a success. **Please join us!!**

The Mass request book for 2020 is now available in the rectory. If you have a special date that you want a Mass Intention for a loved one in 2020 it is wise to request it as early as possible. Thank you

19th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference at Assumption College

Men (of all ages, including teens and college students) are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Assumption College on **Saturday, April 6th.** Visit the conference website at www.firstmensconf.org for information and to purchase tickets online and elsewhere. Come and hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: **Kevin Dunn, Francesco Cesareo, Trent Horn, Father Warren Savage, Mike Aquilina and Eric Mahl.** Bishops and priests will hear confessions. Bishop McManus will offer the Conference Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information or registration, call Sara Smillie at 508-929-4345. **Adult tickets are \$45 until March 25th, afterwards \$60.** Student tickets are always \$30.