



# Alleluia

## CHRIST IS RISEN!

Parish Vision Statement:  
We, as Christ's disciples, are the hands, minds & voices which lovingly glorify God by serving  
Each other as a Christian family.

### *Sacred Heart - St. Catherine of Sweden Parish*

### *@ Sacred Heart Church*

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**Food Pantry: 508-753-2555**

Food Pantry Hours: Thursday 9:45am—2:30pm,  
Saturday 10am—1pm

**Bingo: Every Friday 6:30-10pm lower church hall**

### **SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

#### **Lord's Day:**

Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM

#### **Weekday:**

Monday-Tuesday, Thursday- Friday 9:00 AM  
(No Mass on Wednesday)

#### **Blessed Sacrament Adoration/First Friday:**

9:30 AM - 5:30PM

#### **Confessions:**

Every Saturday 3-3:30 PM

WEEK OF March 31 & April 1, 2018

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES**

Sat. March 31—Vigil: Easter Vigil

7:30 PM - Robert Luikey -Family

Sun. April 1 - Easter

10:00 AM— Special Intention for Fr. George Ridick

11:00 AM Recitation of the Rosary  
Monday, April 2

9:00 AM Special Intentions for Genevieve Tole—A Friend

Tuesday, April 3

9:00 AM James Thill—Mark & Lynn Lorusso

Thursday, April 5

9:00 AM Special Intention for Buddy Hayfron (Birthday) - Family

Sat. April 7 - Vigil: Divine Mercy Sunday

4:00 PM - Stephen Horgan—Wife

Sun. April 8 ~ Divine Mercy

10:00 AM Marian O'Brien (30th Ann) - Family

11:00 AM Recitation of the Rosary

**Easter Sunday**

The first light of Easter dawn had begun to creep over the horizon. The steadfast women from Friday's gory events are returning again to the body of their Lord. "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" How quickly we return to mundane concerns and how thoroughly God wants to surprise us! Imagine the utter shock upon seeing the stone rolled away, the tomb empty, and a stranger clothed in light proclaiming the impossible. "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here." He is risen indeed and the world will never be the same.

We know from other Gospel passages that Mary Magdalene made haste to the disciples to proclaim the Good News. We know that Peter and John rushed to the tomb to see for themselves. We know that the wonder and awe of the Resurrection permeated the lives of the apostles until their own dying day. Can we comprehend the utterly world-changing nature of this surprise? The historical reanimation of a dead man is of no real value to us. But we know that Easter Sunday is so much more. By the Resurrection of Jesus, life has triumphed over death for us all. The gates of heaven are opened and the treasury of graces is poured out upon the here and now. This Resurrection Day, let us draw near, amazed yet unafraid, to the risen Christ. Let us recall the words of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, "Jesus is not a character from the past. He lives, and he walks before us as one who is alive, he calls us to follow him, the living one, and in this way to discover for ourselves the path of life" (Easter Vigil, April 15, 2006).



(As of Monday)

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center: **Not Updated.** Memorial Hospital: **Not Updated.** UMass. Campus: **Not Updated.**

Please continue to pray for all of our service men & women



who serve to protect us.

(Please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass)

**Saturday, April 7**

Lector: Tony Halpin

Commentator: Mary Ellen Bohdiewicz

Minister of Holy Communion: Carole Gardella, Diane Marotta & Kathy Hannon

**Sunday, April 8**

Lector: Daniel Fullen

Commentator: Rose Kempton

Altar Servers: Rafael Albino & Noah Sulminski

Ministers of Holy Communion: Michael Buffone, Richard Flynn, Jean Dawson, Alissa Doiron, Robert Yawlui.

**Catholic Easter Prayer**

Lord, the resurrection of Your Son  
has given us new life and renewed hope.  
Help us to live as new people  
in pursuit of the Christian ideal.  
Grant us wisdom to know what we must do,  
the will to want to do it,  
the courage to undertake it,  
the perseverance to continue to do it,  
and the strength to complete it.

source: New Saint Joseph People's Prayer Book

# BINGO

April 6, 2018

**Team # 1—Beverly Farrar, Ed Wall, Shane LeBelle, Judy Keenan, Donald Ducharme, Paul Levesque**

**The Every –Week Crew and Early Shift Workers**

Theresa Courtney, John Harrington, Lisa Hickory, Emma Lusignan, Patricia Wassel, Joan Lorusso, Pat Markiewicz, Ed Corrigan, Carole Nourse, Jeannine Corrigan, Debra Diaz, Donald Ducharme, Fran Peperato, Debbie Plant, Ed Wall, Julie Carrigan & Michael Burgraff

**Ladies Guild Kitchen Crew:  
Cindy Desrosiers &**

**\*\*Vision statement is located on the cover of bulletin\*\***

**Consoling the Heart of Jesus**

We will be having the Consoling the Heart of Jesus Retreat beginning April 12 through June 14th, meeting every Thursday 6:30-8pm in our parish hall. If you are interested please see Cathy Flynn or call Lynn in the rectory to sign up.

**Mass for Life—April 9, 2018**

All are invited to join Bishop Robert J. McManus and students from our Catholic Schools at the annual Mass for Life on Monday, April 9, 2018 at 10:00am at St. Paul’s Cathedral, 19 Chatham St., Worcester. The diocesan pro-life awards, honoring individuals who have shown extraordinary witness to the sacredness of human life, will also be presented at the Mass. All are welcome!

***Worcester Bravehearts Parish Night***

We are planning a Parish Night at the Worcester Bravehearts Game  
Friday, June 15th @ 7:05pm

The cost is \$8.00 and will be due by April 16th with the flyer form from the table near the elevator with the required information.

At our recent Parish Council Meeting Fr. George announced that he will be retiring in June. It’s a move necessitated by the fact that he doesn’t have the energy or stamina required of a pastor.

More information will be coming in the future.

# SAVE the DATE

**Friday, April 6**

First Friday Mass, Adoration and Benediction

**Saturday & Sunday April 7 & 8**

Divine Mercy Weekend

**Sunday, April 8**

3pm Confirmation held at St. Paul’s Cathedral

**Thursday, April 12**

Consoling the Heart of Jesus Retreat  
6:30pm in the parish hall


**Saturday, April 28**

Ham & Bean Supper  
5pm

**Parishioners who need rides...**

We are looking for your help to pick up and bring to Mass 3 women once a month. 2 have walkers so you will need room to put them in your trunk. If you can help please see or call Theresa Gallagher, 508-340-8224.

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING**

**† STEWARDSHIP**   
Count your blessings, acknowledge God’s gifts to you and express thanks to Him in praise.

March 18, 2018

Catholic Relief Services \$395.00, Catholic Free Press \$39.00, Easter \$5.00, Sunday Offering \$2337.00

**Partners in Charity**

Goal \$28,700

Raised \$18,265

Balance to Raise \$10,435