



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

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

Prayer Shawls Ministry call the rectory

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 April 7 & 8, 2018

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES

Sat. April 7—Vigil: Divine Mercy
7:30 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
Tuesday, April 10
9:00 AM Special Intention for Fr. Ryszard Polek
Thursday, April 12
9:00 AM Edward Prostack—wife, Theresa
Friday, April 13
9:00 AM Special Intentions for Joanne Shea
Sat. April 14 - Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter
4:00 PM - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Paladino, Louis Paladino & Marlene Germain—Family
Sun. April 15 ~ Third Sunday of Easter
10:00 AM Annie Mae Bynum (11th Ann.) - Family
11:00 AM Recitation of the Rosary

Divine Mercy Sunday

Should we be a little easier on Thomas? The last few days have been a whirlwind. On Thursday, a Passover celebration went horribly awry as Jesus was betrayed and taken into custody for unstated crimes. Less than 24 hours later, the simple arrest has turned into a death sentence to be carried out that very afternoon. Most of the disciples fled, including Thomas. He would have heard of the events of Good Friday secondhand, in shock over the death of his Lord and Master. Then Sunday morning arrives with joy from a few disciples—Jesus is risen! But there is no persistent sight of him, only Mary Magdalene's quick moment in the garden and an empty tomb. Another day passes.

The Apostles are gathered that Monday night, but Thomas is absent. He returns to a jubilant report of the risen Lord. Again, Thomas has seen nothing.

The experience must have been surreal. Did Jesus really appear raised from the dead? Did he really suffer and die? Has all of this been some strange hoax? Desperate for an answer, Thomas insists, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

After his resurrection, Jesus' body--mangled and bloody from the crucifixion--is restored. Did it need the scars? A perfected body would have taught us one lesson: everything is renewed as it once was, the past erased. Jesus chooses another lesson, however. He retains his scars that we might know him. In the whirlwind of our lives, we make our own mistakes, our own betrayals and compromises. In the resurrected Jesus, we see a God who does not forget his own sorrow. We are invited to meet him--wound for wound--and place our hand on his own nail-scarred palm, the eternal sign of his everlasting mercy.



(As of Monday)

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center:
Fredrick Baird, Margaret Foley. Memorial Hospital:
None Listed. UMass. Campus: **None Listed.**

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



who serve to protect us.

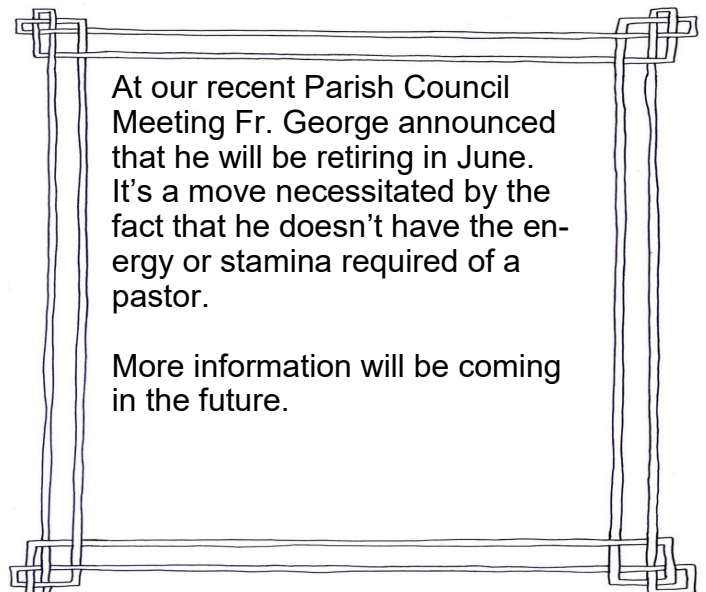
(Please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass)

Saturday, April 14

Lector: Kathy Hannon
Commentator: Deborah Durnin
Minister of Holy Communion: Catherine Darensborough, John Harrington, Eileen Lohnes

Sunday, April 15

Lector: Alma Sheehan
Commentator: Patricia Reardon
Altar Servers: Joyce Abalo & Jacob Lorusso
Ministers of Holy Communion: Jean Doiron, Ben & Kerri Sulminski, Patti Taylor, Rose Kempton, Prisca Yawlui



BINGO

April 13, 2018

Team # 2—Alma Sheehan, Frank Adams, Chuck Hamilton, Pat Reardon, Donald Ducharme

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:
Beverly Farrar & Elaine Marcoux**

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.

Ladies Guild Craft Time

First meeting starts April 25, 2018. 6:00 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

Craft time has been moved to: 2nd Sunday of the month, church hall

11:15 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Also 4th Wednesday of the month, church hall

6:00 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

All are invited...bring a craft to make or come and help make crafts for our Annual Bazaar. For more information please see June Sulminski or call the rectory.

SAVE the DATE

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

Friday, May 4

First Friday Mass, Adoration and
Benediction

Sunday, May 6

First Communion during
the 10AM Mass

"Feed the Hungry" Service Day

Saturday, April 14, 2018

10:30 am in the Church Hall

We will gather in the Church Hall at 10:30am and make sandwiches and put together bags for our friends on the streets of Worcester. We will leave the hall about 12:30 to deliver the bags. We are hoping to have 3 - 4 drivers so we can divide and deliver into different parts of the city. Parents and children are invited to participate together. This is a wonderful service project experience for families.

Once each car has made their deliveries we will meet back at the church hall for pizza and drinks.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

March 25, 2018

Catholic Relief Services \$67.00, Good Friday Collection \$30.00, Easter \$110.00, Current Expenses/Utility Fund \$90.00, Easter Flowers \$30.00 Sunday Offering \$2833.00

April 1, 2018

Good Friday Collection \$701.00, Catholic Relief Services \$5.00, Easter Collection \$1439.00, Easter Flowers \$5.00, Sunday Offering \$3244.00

Partners in Charity

Goal \$28,700

Raised \$21,615

Balance to Raise \$7,085