



Rev. Eric Asante, Administrator

SACRED HEART~ST. CATHERINE

of Sweden Parish

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Lords Day

SATURDAY:4:00 PM

SUNDAY:10:00 AM

NOON (African)

Weekday

MON, TUES, WED & FRI 9:00 AM

Holy Days

See Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament

Adoration/First Friday

9:30am - 5:30pm

Confessions: Every

Saturday 3-3:30pm



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Food Pantry Hours: Thursday

9:45am -2:30pm and

Saturday 10am -1pm

Prayer Shawls Ministry

call the rectory

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

596 Cambridge Street Worcester, MA 01610

BINGO

October 4th, 2019

Team #1-Paul Levesque, Beverly Farrar, Donald Ducharme, Judy Keenan, Shane LaBelle

The Every –Week Crew and Early Shift Workers

Theresa Courtney, John Harrington, Lisa Hickory, Ed Corrigan, Carole Nourse, Jeannine Corrigan, Debra Diaz, Donald Ducharme, Fran Peperato, Debbie Plant, Paul Levesque, Donna Niles & Michael Burgraff

Ladies Guild Kitchen Crew:

Cindy Desrosiers, Pauline Puishys & Beverly Farrar



Upcoming Events

September

**Ladies Guild Collection for Christmas Bazaar
Religious Education Class**

The **Ladies Guild** will be collecting books, cds, puzzles, VHS tapes and games for our Christmas Bazaar in November. No textbooks or books before 1999 please. There will be a box outside the elevator in the church hall for your donations. Thank You!

Religious Education will start this Sunday, September 29th at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Father Asante's Retreat/Vacation

Father Asante will be traveling to Africa on September 30th and returning November 5th. Please keep him in your prayers for a rejuvenating retreat and a restful vacation. While he is away we will have Communion Services/Mass on Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Friday's. Weekend masses will be the same time and will be covered by Fr. O'Brien, Fr. Reidy and Fr. Donato Infante. The Parish office will continue to be open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 8:30-1:30.

Table Rentals we are renting table space at our bazaar (November 2nd) again this year. If you have a craft you would like to share, or are a vendor who would like to offer your product, please call June (508) 579-1067 to sign up. The fee is \$20 Parishioners and \$25 for non-parishioners.

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

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

September 21st & September 22nd, 2019

\$2,472.34

Religious Education-\$25.00

Current Expenses-\$75.00

Catholic Schools-\$100.00

Did you forget your envelopes? Did you attend Mass somewhere else and forget to send in your missed envelope? You can sign up for online giving or use the app to never miss a stewardship giving. The app is called

ConnectNow Giving or visit our website to sign up for online giving. Any questions please call the rectory.

partners in Charity

Great News! As of August 31st, our parish exceeded our Partners in Charity goal of \$28,700. Sacred Heart-St. Catherine's received 87 gifts totaling \$30,017. We received a sizable anonymous gift and another generous gift from a former parishioner that put us over the top. A sincere thank you to everyone who donated to this year's campaign. May God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

"Charity Is The Measure by Which Our Lord Judges All Things"

St. Padre Pio

Save the Date: October 5th

The Scholarship Committee will be hosting a spaghetti supper on **Saturday October 5th** following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. There will be a basket raffle and a 50/50 raffle. Tickets are on sale at all weekend Masses. Ticket prices are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 8. Proceeds benefit the Parish Scholarship Program.

The Annual Catholic Schools Collection

The collection will be held this weekend, **September 28th and 29th**. The funds raised will benefit the Central Catholic School within the diocese. Thank you for your support of our Catholic Schools.

October 6th Blessing of Pets

Sacred Heart-St. Catherine Annual Blessing of Animals will take place on Sunday, October 6th 2019. Rain or Shine at 2:00 p.m. Medals of St. Francis will be distributed. The ceremony includes special prayers, blessing, and readings. Refreshments and treats will be served.

WEEK OF September 28th & 29th 2019

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES

Sat. Sept. 28th—Vigil of the 26th Sunday in Ordinary time

4:00 PM - *Parishioners of Parish*

Sun., September 29th~ 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM— *William Personís and Jaqueline Morgan- Kathy and Ann Hannon*

11:00 AM *Recitation of the Rosary*

12:00PM *(African Mass)*

Sat. October 5th- Vigil of the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - *John B. McAdams Sr. (46 anniversary & Thomas P. Vassar Sr. (45th anniversary)- Family*

Sun., October 6th-27h Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM *Julie Anctil-Eileen Kopaz*

September 29, 2019
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If you saw someone dead come to life tomorrow, what would you change about your life? Would you say "nothing"? That's what Jesus seems to hope. After all, we already know what to do. In this Sunday's Gospel, a rich man and a poor man pass away, the former to damnation and the latter to peaceful rest alongside the Jewish patriarchs. The rich man asks if the poor man can appear to his brothers and advise them to live a more virtuous life. The parable offers a strong rebuke: "They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them." In other words, they should already know what to do.

We, too, know what to do. More than Moses, Jesus Christ himself has spoken, and continues to speak through his Church.

The rich man did not heed the wise words, despite knowing them. If we are convicted against certain Christian teachings in our heart, how much good will miraculous "proofs" do? We know more than the law and the prophets - we know the prophetic law of love proclaimed by Jesus Christ. Are we living like we believe it?

Where in our lives are we like the rich man? Do we know how to treat the poor but still we ignore them in our excess? Do we know the third commandment, but the Sunday liturgy feels "optional" when other weekend commitments arise? Have we heard Christ's teachings on sexuality, but consider them out of reach for us? We have received a great many truths as Christian people. We are blessed by God with the sacraments and the abundance of His graces. We have what we need - in Him - to begin to live a virtuous life now



(As of Monday)

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center:
None Listed

We will not be calling UMass Memorial as they don't have a system to give us the information we need. If you or a loved one is in one of those hospitals please let us know so we can be sure to visit them and pray for them.

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, October 5th

Lector: Patricia Reardon

Commentator: Mary Ellen Bohdiewicz

Ministers of Holy Communion: John Harrington, Eileen Lohnes

Sunday, October 6th

Lector: Glenn Gibson

Commentator: Mike Buffone

Altar Servers: Eiryanna Gachuma, Noah Sulminski

Ministers of Holy Communion: Richard Flynn, Jean Doiron, Patti Henry-Taylor, Rose Kempton, Jo Luikey, Patricia Reardon

Our Annual Christmas Bazaar will be on Saturday, November 2nd

40 Days For Life Fall Campaign

40 Days for Life is an international, ecumenical campaign to end abortion through prayer and fasting, peaceful public vigil, and community outreach. The Fall campaign will run from September 25th- November 3. There are no specific prayers or things to fast from, making it very easy for all to participate in ending the scourge of abortion. Suggested prayers include the rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet or attending daily Mass as often as you can during the 40 days. You can fast from a particular food item or meal, or activities (like TV or the internet) You decide what prayers you will pray and what you will fast from. A very important part of the campaign is the peaceful public vigil held each day from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. outside of Planned Parenthood, 475 Pleasant Street Worcester. You can get more information at www.40daysforlife.com/worcester. Or Call Lee at (508) 887-1064. To receive the daily devotional in your email box each day, sign up at www.40daysforlife.com.

Holy Hour for Life

This **Sunday**, as part of 40 Days for Life, we will have a Holy Hour for Life from **5:00-6:00 p.m.** Please come to pray for an end to abortion.

Food Collection: Next weekend we will have our monthly food collection for our parish food pantry. Thank You for your continued support!