



Rev. Eric Asante, Administrator

# SACRED HEART~ST. CATHERINE

*of Sweden Parish*

## 2nd 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

January 24th, 2020

**Team #4– Kerri Sulminski, Michael Burgraff, Jean Davidson, Sonny Collins**

## 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:  
Beverly Farrar & Deb White**

I am sorry for the confusion over the bingo schedule, I appreciate your patience. Call me anytime with corrections or feedback.



## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

Jan. 11th & Jan 12th

\$2,749.97

Current Exp. Collection: \$331.00

Christmas: \$25.00

Catholic University: \$5.00

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  
If your envelopes are not at the back of the church, please call the office.  
Thank You!

### How about making a Cursillo weekend?

**Cursillo or "short course in Christianity" is an uplifting and educational experience.** Cursillo was brought from Spain to the United States in 1962. The weekend is facilitated by a team of laypeople and clergy who deliver organized talks and discussions. What the presenters add to the talks is the witness of their own lives, their struggles and triumphs in Christ. The weekend is full of laughter, prayer, great music, wonderful meals and more! Our 2020 dates are: Men's: February 6-9, 2020 and September 10-13, 2020; and Women's May 28-31 and October 22-25, 2020. All Weekends will be held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. For additional information, please contact Pam Hamilton at 774-239-8909 or phamilton12842@gmail.com. Or Joan Laracy at 774-239-2474 or joanlaracy@yahoo.com.

**Volunteers needed:** If you have some spare time on Wednesday mornings after 9:00 am mass, there is a small group that has been cleaning the church at that time. Things are always done faster in a group. Drop in and lend a hand. It would be very much appreciated. We hope to see you there!

When I am afraid, in you I place my trust." PS 56:4



# Upcoming Events

January

Jan. 22nd-A Day of Prayer

January 26th-Friendship Dinner

February 9th-Epiphany Dinner

**Please join us for Coffee Shop after 10:00 a.m. mass every Sunday.** You can catch up with old friends, meet some new people and have a sweet treat.

**A Public Square Rosary** will be held to pray for an end to abortion, on Thursday, Jan. 23rd from 11:00—noon at Planned Parenthood, 470 Pleasant Street, Worcester.

With winter here, a reminder that if Worcester Public Schools close due to snow, there will be no 9:00 a.m. mass that day. A flock note will also go out that day letting you know. If Worcester Public Schools has a delay, mass is still on. If you are not receiving flock notes and would like too, please call the office and let me know. Thank you!

If you need a tax statement for your donations, please call Maryellen in the office.

**Please join us every Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. mass to recite the rosary.**

"When the Holy Rosary is said well, it gives Jesus and Mary more glory and is more meritorious than any other prayer."

St. Louis de Montfort

### EPIPHANY MEAL

**Please join us on for our Epiphany Meal with St. Matthews** on Sunday, Feb. 9th from 2:00 p.m.-4:00p.m. . Sacred Heart St. Catherine's and St. Matthew's Episcopal Church (Corner of Southbridge Street.) celebrate each year at this time. Please join us for a hot Turkey Dinner with all the fixins. **The Dinner will be at St. Matthews. Dinner is at 2:00. No charge**

**Wednesday, Jan. 22nd is A Day of Prayer for the legal protection of Unborn Children.** We will note that day with adoration of The Blessed Sacrament. This will go on all day (9:30-5:00) Please sign up for an hour of adoration to pray for an end to abortion and a great respect for life. The sign up sheet is on the table near the elevator in the church. Many thanks for your time and support!

**Please join us for the 4 Corners Friendship Dinner on the 4th Sunday of this month, January 26th, from 4:00-6:00 p.m.** at 4 Corners Friendship Kitchen at St. Matthew's. Free of Charge. Dinner, Entertainment, A Children's Reading Corner. Located at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 695 Southbridge Street.

**There will be 9:00 a.m. mass this Monday on Martin Luther King Day.** The office will be closed.

*Week of January 18th & 19th 2019*

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES**

*Sat. Jan. 18th—Vigil 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM - *Parishioners of the Parish*

*Sun. Jan. 19th- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

10:00 AM— *Bob Lukey-Family*

11:00 AM *Recitation of the Rosary*

12:00 PM *(African Mass)*

*Sat. Jan 25th-Vigil of the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM - *Parishioners of the Parish*

*Sun., Jan. 26th 10:00 AM- The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

10:00 AM - *Donald O'Brien-9th Anniversary-Family*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 19th , 2020**

On the cusp of fame, power, or influence, would you turn it down? Today's Gospel again features John the Baptist. Controversial but popular, John has gathered quite a group of followers. He has disciples. People come from near and far to be baptized by him. Pharisees and government leaders are drawn to his preaching. If John was another man, a lesser man, he would have claimed his own greatness. Instead, John the Baptist is a witness to humility.

*"The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and said, 'Behold the Lamb of God ... he is the one of whom I said, "A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me." ... the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known.'" Rather than point to himself, John points to Christ. John could have grasped at what he had accumulated. He could have seen Jesus as a Messianic competitor. Instead, John knows who he is. He knows his place as forerunner. Because John knows who Jesus is. "I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."*

A life of humility, a life for others, can be challenging to live. So much of our culture is built around achievement and individualism. We can justify it, too, in pursuit of "greater goods" and higher ideals. In the process, however, we might miss our own participation in the kingdom of God. John, for all of his humility, was not an afterthought. In another Gospel passage, Jesus calls him "the greatest prophet," even the greatest of men. Why? Because he fulfills the mission given to him by God: to announce the coming of the Messiah. We too are prophets and forerunners. Our witness to the Gospel is meant to point people to Jesus. Consider your own mission this week. To whom are you called to announce the good news of the Son of God?

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center:  
**Kevin McGrath Theresa Desavage**

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.

**WEEKEND  
MINISTRY SCHEDULE**  
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**(Please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass)**

**Saturday, January 25th**

Lector: Rose-Aimee Zeblehi

Commentator: Kathy Hannon

Ministers of Holy Communion: John Harrington, Eileen Lohnes

**Sunday, January 26th**

Lector: Michael Boover

Commentator: Lisa Villa

Altar Servers: Noah Sulminski, Caroline Villa

Ministers of Holy Communion: Mike Buffone, Richard Flynn, Glenn Gibson, Elaine Halpin, Ben Sulminski, Robert Yawlui



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sarpong on their wedding. May God richly bless their marriage.