

348 lbs of soup & meat



Food Pantry Challenge



Saint Vincent de Paul Baldwinville, MA

PASTORAL STAFF

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Rev. Mr. James A. Connor, *Deacon*

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 and 11:00 AM
Weekday: 9:00 AM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
Holy day: 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Plans may be made by contacting the pastor or deacon at least one month ahead.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard Saturdays from 3:15 to 3:45 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Plans may be made by contacting pastor at least one year prior to the intended wedding date.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please notify us when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized so that we may visit and offer the sacraments of the Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (C.C.D.)

Held Sunday mornings 9:45-10:45 September - May
Mrs. Jennifer McNeaney, *Safe Environment Coordinator*
Mrs. MaryRose Sideleau, *Sacraments Catechist*
Ms. Lynn Murray, *Confirmation Catechist*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

If you are interested in the process leading to membership in the Catholic Church, please contact Mrs. Susan Turcotte, *R.C.I.A. Coordinator* at (978) 939-8969.

REGISTRATION & E-MAIL

All are welcome to join our parish family.
Please call the rectory at 978-939-8851 or fill out a registration form found at church entrances.
E-mail us at stvindepaul05@aol.com
Follow our website at saintvincentcatholicchurch.com

BULLETIN COPY DEADLINE

All items for the parish bulletin must be submitted in writing to the rectory office by the previous Sunday.



Mass Intentions



Saturday	March 7	4:00 PM ~ George E. Sideleau (41st anniv) by Ray & MaryRose
Sunday	March 8	8:00 AM ~ George Guillet by his grandson, Marc Brouillette
Sunday	March 8	11:00 AM ~ Dan Marion (20th anniv) by his family
Monday	March 9	9:00 AM ~ George Guillet by his grandson, Marc
Tuesday	March 10	9:00 AM ~
Wednesday	March 11	9:00 AM ~
Thursday	March 12	9:00 AM ~
Friday	March 13	9:00 AM ~
Saturday	March 14	4:00 PM ~ Paula Roy & Debbie Salafia by the Paul family
Sunday	March 15	8:00 AM ~
Sunday	March 15	11:00 AM ~ Marge McGettigan (anniv) by Jenn & Tim

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Special thanks to everyone who makes-up their envelopes for weekends missed due to vacations, illness or weather. Our weekly bills average \$3,000 year round (not including oil).

Last weekend's collection was \$2,229

The Latin America Church collection was \$177

Maintenance & Repairs was \$615

Thank you!



UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

March 8 - "Monthly Maintenance & Repairs"

March 15 - "Fuel Offering"

March 29 - "Catholic Relief"

April 5 - "Monthly Maintenance & Repairs"

April 10 - "Good Friday"

LITURGICAL ROLES

If you can not serve or find a replacement, please call Deacon Jim at 978-297-5133. Please stop by the Sacristy before Mass to see if you are needed to serve even if you are not scheduled.

Saturday, March 14 at 4:00 PM

(EM) Renee Paul

(L) Tim Paul

(AS) Matt & Brandon Paul

Sunday, March 15 at 8:00 AM

(EM) Charlene Arsenault

(L) Allen Hopkins

(AS) Kelly Taylor

Sunday, March 15 at 11:00 AM

(EM) Paul Musgrove

(L) Lisa Musgrove

(AS) Ashlyn & Ethan Musgrove



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION CHALLENGE

Help St. Vincent de Paul Parish collect the most food for the Food Pantry. Bring the suggested donations of Toiletries next weekend to church and place in the bins available.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CCD CLASSES

Classes are held Sunday mornings from 9:45 - 10:45. Classes will be held on March 8,15,22,29.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study with Deacon Jim is held on Mondays in the parish hall. Join us for fellowship at 6:30 pm followed by Bible Study at 7pm.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

We are grateful for the Memorial Donations and Bequests that parishioners have made in their obituaries & wills.



WHY DO WE COVER CRUCIFIXES AND STATUES DURING LENT?

This old custom of veiling religious images is a way of focusing on the penitential aspect of this liturgical season. It reminds us in a visual way that our faith in all its glory is made possible only through the work of Christ in his suffering and death on the cross. When we cover or remove these holy and sacred images that we are so accustomed to, we are starkly confronted and reminded in a poignant way of all that Christ has won for us. Temporarily veiling the crosses and religious images in the penitential color of Lent is a beautiful custom that helps us to reflect on the deeper theological meaning of the liturgical season. We use veils to alert us of the special time that we are in. When we walk into church and notice everything is covered, we immediately know that something is different. The veils focus our attention on the words being said at Mass. When we listen to the Passion narrative, our senses are allowed to focus on the striking words from the Gospel and truly enter into the scene. The Church uses veils to produce a heightened sense of anticipation for Easter Sunday. The veils are not meant to be there forever. The images need to be unveiled; it is unnatural for them to be covered. The unveiling before the Easter Vigil is a great reminder of our own life on earth. We live in a “veiled” world, in exile from our true home. It is only through our own death that the veil is lifted and we are finally able to see the beauty of everything in our lives.



DAILY MASS

Daily Mass 9:00am Monday thru Friday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Deacon Jim will host the Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 6:30 pm in Lent.

BENEDICTION

There will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm led by Deacon Jim.

CONFESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING TUESDAY EVENINGS

March 3rd March 17th March 31st

Confessions will be heard from 7:00-7:30pm. Confessions are also available at the Deanery Pilgrimage before the services, before any weekday Mass or any other time by appointment.

DEANERY PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Doors open at 6:00 pm with Confessions at 6:15 pm and the Service at 7:00 pm ~ Reception to follow
March 11th St. Vincent de Paul, Baldwinville
March 18th St. Edward, Westminster
March 25th St. Francis, Athol
April 1st Immaculate Heart of Mary, Winchendon
Sunday, April 19th Annunciation Parish, Gardner

LENTEN RULES & REGULATIONS

Every Catholic 14 years of age or older must abstain from eating meat on all Fridays of Lent.

BAKERS NEEDED

This Wednesday, March 11 we will host the Deanery Prayer Service. Baked Goods will be needed for the reception after the service. You may deliver your baked goods this Wednesday from noon-7pm in the parish hall. Thank you!

PRAYER SHAWLS

Prayer Shawls give comfort to the sick or troubled. Shawls or Military Pocket Shawls are available. Call Darlene LaClair at 508-331-2613.