

**FOR THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGIES**

Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30):	#610 in <i>Worship</i>
Order of the Mass:	Front Page or #202 in <i>Worship</i>
Glory to God (4,8,10:34):	#320 in <i>Worship</i>
Liturgy of the Word:	#112 in <i>Worship</i>
Gospel Acclamation (4,8,10:30):	#333 in <i>Worship</i>
Preparation Hymn (4,8,10:30):	#765 in <i>Worship</i>
Communion Litany (4,8,10:30):	#940 in <i>Worship</i>



*John testified further, saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God." - Jn 1:32-34*

**MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES**

<u>Sat., 1/18</u>	<u>4:00 pm</u>	<b>Gerard Jimenez</b> , by Elizabeth & Eleanor Gemmell
	(Remembrance)	<b>Richard Sizer</b> , by his mother, Karen Sizer
<u>Sun., 1/19</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<b>Mary Ellen Standing</b> , by her husband
	<u>10:30 am</u>	<b>Phuoc An Le &amp; Dam Thi Le</b> , by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Kevin &amp; Beverly McNamara</b> , by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Teresa &amp; Francis Wade, Sr.</b> , Birthdays, by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Helen 21<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) &amp; Robert (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.) Bullock</b> , by family
	<u>6:00 pm</u>	<b>Clement &amp; Judith Anish and Paul &amp; Alice Chase</b> , by family
<u>Mon., 1/20</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Mary Mooney</b> , by parishioners
	(Remembrance)	<b>Florence Carlson</b> , Birthday, by a friend
<u>Tue., 1/21</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Parishioners' Intentions</b>
<u>Wed., 1/22</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>John McShera</b> , Birthday, by family
<u>Thu., 1/23</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Irene (LeHane) Pichette</b> , Birthday, by the Ford family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Robert McShera</b> , by family
<u>Fri., 1/24</u>	<u>9:00 am</u>	<b>Michael Rockwood</b> , by Al & Rose Rodrigue
<u>Sat., 1/25</u>	<u>4:00 pm</u>	<b>Thomas Leary</b> , by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>John Blanchard</b> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Anniv., by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>Kayla &amp; Nicholas Blanchard</b> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> Birthdays, by Dad & Mom
	(Remembrance)	<b>Msgr. Patrick Doherty</b> , 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv., by family
<u>Sun., 1/26</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<b>Parishioners' Intentions</b>
	<u>10:30 am</u>	<b>Ke Nguyen &amp; Nho Nguyen</b> , by family
	(Remembrance)	<b>John Gagliastro</b> , by Al & Rose Rodrigue
	<u>6:00 pm</u>	<b>Parishioners' Intentions</b>

**BAPTISMS**

Last weekend we celebrated the Baptisms of *Walter Derosier, V* and *Jack Londregan*. We pray that they will grow in appreciation of what was done for them by their parents and learn to practice their faith through the example and support of parents and godparents.

**FROM THE BISHOP – PLEASE READ...**

Dear Friends in Christ,

I want to take this opportunity to make you aware of two deeply troubling legislative bills being considered by the Joint Committee on the Judiciary at the Massachusetts State House.

If enacted into law these proposals would significantly expand abortion access in Massachusetts well beyond what is currently permitted. To be clear, this legislation goes well beyond the Roe v. Wade decision of the Supreme Court.

The specific details of the legislation are contained in this week's bulletin insert. With your help, and the help of your family, friends and neighbors, we must do everything we can to make sure these bills do not become law in this state.

Your voice and the voices of all opposed to expanding abortion access is critically important and must be heard loud and clear at the State House.

With every prayerful best wish for a Happy New Year, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
**Most Reverend Robert J. McManus**  
 Bishop of Worcester

**CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:

-- Weekly Adult Offerings:	<b>\$5,642.00</b>
((\$734.00 in loose offerings and \$4,908.00 in 161 envelopes)	
-- Liturgical Memorial:	<b>\$ 75.00</b>
-- Fuel Donation:	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
-- Charitable Ministries Reimbursement:	<b>\$ 300.00</b>
-- Christmas Envelopes:	<b>\$ 18.00</b>
-- January 1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Day Envelopes:	<b>\$ 80.00</b>
-- Flower Donation:	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
-- Maintenance Fund:	<b>\$ 471.00</b>
-- Debt Reductions Donations:	<b>\$1,105.00</b>
-- Baptism Offerings:	<b>\$ 300.00</b>
-- Catholic Free Press Subscriptions:	<b>\$ 130.00</b>
-- Catholic University Collection:	<b>\$ 590.00</b>
-- Legacy of Hope Pledge Payments:	<b>\$2,859.00</b>

We also received the following online donations:

-- Weekly Adult Offerings:	<b>\$ 772.19</b>
-- Maintenance Fund:	<b>\$ 219.62</b>
-- Debt Reduction Donations:	<b>\$ 92.00</b>
-- Christmas:	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
-- Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Day:	<b>\$ 91.14</b>
-- Catholic University:	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
-- Partners in Charity Pledge Payment:	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
-- Legacy of Hope Pledge Payments:	<b>\$ 250.00</b>

Please note that the only Legacy of Hope pledge payments that we list here are those donated through our Vanco online site or donations made in the name of Our Lady of the Angels that are part of monthly donations. In those cases, we have to write a check to forward to the diocesan office. If your check is made out to Legacy of Hope, we simply deliver the envelope to the chancery without the money going through our checking account.

**REST IN PEACE**

Pray for the repose of the souls of *David Boulay, M. Elizabeth LeBlanc* and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34  
 Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/Mk 2:18-22  
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6  
 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13  
 Mk 3:7-12  
 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6, 11/Mk 3:13-19  
 Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2//Mk 16:15-18  
 Next Sunday: Is 8:23 - 9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17  
 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17



9 Days for Life is a focused period of prayer, penance and pilgrimage set aside to mark the tragic anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion during all nine months of pregnancy. The novena will take place nationwide from **Jan. 21 through 29**. During this time, all are invited to participate by joining together with thousands of Catholics across the country in prayer for a new intention each of the nine days. Visit [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com) to learn more and to download a free app for your smartphone or to sign up for daily emails or text messages with each day's prayer intention. Your prayers matter and our sacrifices make a difference!

**JANUARY 22 – NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

Did you know that in Dioceses throughout the United States, **January 22** is designated as a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Human Life? As Catholics we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms, in a way similar to our Lenten practices. At [www.worcesterdiocese.org/jan-22-day-of-prayer](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/jan-22-day-of-prayer) you can learn more about how you can participate.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES**

There are NO Religious Education classes this weekend because of the holiday on Monday. All classes will resume next Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Confirmation Preparation:**

Sponsors for this year's candidates are asked to attend a session on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> in Rieger Hall after the 10:30 am Mass at 11:45 am.

Classes for the immediate preparation of this year's sophomores will begin on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am (public and Catholic school students).

**First Communion Preparation:**

At least one parent or guardian must attend a session on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> in the school to receive all material needed to assist in preparing your child for First Communion.

**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Sun., January 19 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ordinal Sunday  
**8:00 am Lord's Day Mass**  
*No Religious Education Classes – Holiday weekend...*  
**10:30 am Lord's Day Mass**  
**12:00 noon Baptism**  
**6:00 pm Lord's Day Mass**  
 Mon., January 20 – St. Fabian – Martin Luther King Holiday  
*Office Closed for the Holiday*  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
 Tue., January 21 – St. Agnes  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
 Wed., January 22 – Day of Prayer - Protection of Unborn Children  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
**7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting**  
 Thu., January 23 – St. Vincent the Deacon  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
 Fri., January 24 – St. Francis de Sales  
**9:00 am Daily Mass**  
 Sat., January 25 – Conversion of St. Paul  
**3:00 pm Confessions**  
**4:00 pm Vigil Mass**

**120 CLUB**

The winner of last week's drawing is **Debra D'Agostino - #221**.

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday, January 25	4:00 pm	Fr. Monroe
Sunday, January 26	8:00 am	Fr. Dougherty
	10:30 am	Fr. Monroe
	6:00 pm	Fr. Monroe



Those who have contributed are now making pledge payments. We remind contributors that you can use the envelope in the contribution packets to drop your payments in the collection basket rather than spending postage to mail them. **Please be sure to make checks payable to Legacy of Hope.** You can also set up regular payments on the Legacy of Hope website or use our Vanco site that can be accessed through our website at the ONLINE GIVING icon. We then write a check to forward to the chancery. We have currently reached \$443,828.94 in pledges and onetime gifts to the capital campaign - 106.2% of our goal. As people pay their pledges, we will receive our share beginning in early July and quarterly thereafter for 4 years. Currently, if all pledges are paid, we are due to receive \$182,249.96 over the next four years. In July, we will receive 40% of onetime gifts and pledge payments up to the end of June.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." (Isaiah 49:5)

God has given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and generously share them with others.