

Readings for this Sunday and Questions for Discussion

Second Sunday in Lent

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Key Passage: Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white.

Adult: How has your faith in Jesus transformed you?

Child: How has the example of Jesus helped you become a better person and Christian?

Saturday

3:00 p.m. **Stations of the Cross**

4:00 p.m. 10th Anniv. For *Ella LaMarche* requested by
The Family

Sunday Second Sunday in Lent

7:30 a.m. Memorial for *Margaret & John Flynn* requested by
The Family

10:00 a.m. 37th Anniv. For *Rev. John Finn* requested by
The Parish

5:00 p.m. Mths Mind for *Dorothy Burnham* requested by Family

Monday 7:45 am **Morning Prayer**

8:00 a.m. Memorial for **Madeline Mitrano** requested by
The Maglitta Family

Tuesday 7:45 am **Morning Prayer**

8:00 a.m. 1st *Anniversary of Deceased Parishioners*
Antoinette Kuklinski mother of Jane Joncas

Wednesday 7:45 am **Morning Prayer**

8:00 a.m. Mths Mind for *Dorothy Burnham* requested by her
Sister, Irene

8:30 -6:00 pm *Eucharistic Devotion/Benediction*

Thursday 7: 45 am **Morning Prayer**

8:00 a.m. *Deceased Family Members of Parishioners*
Stacia Judycki Mother of Christine Crepeault
Gloria Antonio Mother of June Laliberte
Sara Carson Mother of Helen Rehberg

Next Saturday

3:00 p.m. **Stations of the Cross**

4:00 p.m. 3rd Anniv. For *Mary Stuba* requested by Mr. & Mrs.
Everett Lindblad

Next Sunday Third Sunday in Lent

7:30 a.m. 5th Anniv. *Arlene Glidden* requested by the Family

10:00 a.m. Memorial for. *George & Marjorie Page* requested
By The Family

5:00 p.m. Memorial for *Sara Carson* requested by Joan Shanley

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY

FEBRUARY 18 IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS' DAY

2008 ANNOUNCE MASSES

The 2008 Mass Book is available to parishioners who wish to
arrange memorial Masses for their deceased family members.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE LAST WEEK

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February is Catholic Press Month

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

DATES HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO MARCH 15, 16, & 17

Watch you mail for the Registration Forms for the Fall 2008-2009 calendar year. Due to a high volume of late registrations received last year, families who choose to register after the March 31 deadline will be subject to a \$25.00 late fee per child. Mark your calendar and please register on time.

Grafton Cluster Faith Formation

Would like to expand its scope. There is a need for interested parishioners to serve on our three faith formation subcommittees: family, adult, and children. We invite you to come to an orientation meeting at St. James Parish Center on Sunday, March 2, from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Call Sr. Yvonne at 508-839-3993 X 12 for more information or to express your interest.

Class Schedule

Reminder: school vacation will be held Feb. 18-22, therefore Religious Education classes will not meet for these two weeks. Regularly scheduled classes will resume on March 2.

Penitential Rite

At the 10:00 am Liturgy this Sunday we will celebrate the Penitential Rite with our RCIA candidates, Edna May Opatka and Juliana Powers.

Various Parish Scenes

There's always something happening at St. Marys!

King and Queen of Mardi Gras, A scene from the Ministry Fair. AJ Reinhardt and Mary Ann Johnson!

Rite of Sending of candidates
Juliana Powers with sponsor
Colette Dale and Edna May
Opatka with sponsor, Jan LaPointe.

Our candidates and sponsors
at the Cathedral after the
Rite of Election.

Our parish is allocated 271 subscriptions for \$ 5,149

We need you to consider renewing or taking a subscription this year. You will find in your February packet of envelopes one for the Catholic Free Press. As a parish, we continue to be responsible for the allocated bill whether or not we have the subscribers. Can you this year take a subscription so we can at the least break even? Our parish is allocated 271 subscriptions and we have only 110 subscribers so we need 160 new families to subscribe.

1. Good reasons to subscribe to the Catholic Free Press

1 We are your voice among secular news media.

The Catholic Free Press is the Worcester Diocese's voice among all other news outlets. Providing diverse and in-depth coverage of local event, moral issues and national/global faith bases news. As the official newspaper of the Worcester Diocese, we also know the importance of sharing the Good News and spreading the Word.

2. Subscriptions help expand outreach

Paying for a yearly subscription will not only sustain the future of your diocesan paper, it will assist us as we expand our outreach through advertising and marketing, the Internet and partnerships with other Catholic organization. And, with your continued commitment – *the Church's voice amongst secular news organizations in Worcester County will remain strong.*

Fuel Bills for the Parish - ytd

Budget is \$ 6,400 and the actual cost is \$5,164, Please remember to use your February Utility and Energy envelope or the Buy a Barrel envelope.

The electric budget and costs are right on budget.

Snow Removal -ytd

Budget is 6,000 and actual costs are 6,683 or a shortfall of \$ 683.

Urgent a Car donor is needed: - a family is still in desperate need of a car - this person can't get to work, therefore this person will lose his job and housing soon. If someone can donate a car call Deacon Nick 839-3993 ext 11 "If you teach a person to fish," etc....

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



FEBRUARY 17, 2008

LITURGICAL MINISTERS
FOR NEXT WEEKEND—February 23rd & 24th

Saturday

4:00 pm

Lector: Patrick Sheridan,

Ministers of Holy Communion: Linda Sheridan, Marilyn Chard,
Julie Koss Stephany

Altar Servers: Courtney Linehan, Kayla Leonardi, Mike Rodak,
Margaret Harrison, Stephanie Carey

7:30 a.m. Mass

Lector: Jim Gallagher

Ministers of Holy Communion: Beth Caldwell, Nancy Ganas

Altar Servers: Melyssa Ganas, Jocelyn, Brenton & Joc Caldwell,
Alexander Milosz

10:00a.m. Mass

Lector: Donna Verdolino

Ministers of Holy Communion: Rolande Parent, Paul Verdolino,
Louise Scott

Altar Servers: Amanda Charest, Amberly Parent, Melanie Dadah,
Amy Tellier, Erin Farley

5:00 p.m. Mass

Lector: Danielle Carlo

Ministers of Holy Communion: Jean & Pat Pizzimenti, Kate
Helmes

Altar Servers: Stephanie Carey, Laura Moro, Ashley Casello,
Alanna Patch, Bridgit Kodenkandath

Feb. 18 Mon. 7pm	Book Club	Kitchen
Feb. 18 Mon. 7pm	Soup Kitchen	Conf Rm
Feb 19 Tues 7Pm	Finance Mtg	Conf Rm
Feb. 21 Thurs. 7pm	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Rm
Feb 26, Tues. 7 pm	Rel. Ed. Board	Conf. Rm.
March 4 Tues. 7pm	Pro-Life Mtg	Kitchen
March 11 Tues 7pm	Parish Council	Music Rm

8th ANNUAL DIOCESAN
CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

WHEN: SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH

WHERE: The DCU Center, Worcester –

All parish men, as well as their sons, brother, fathers and friends are invited to this great annual Conference. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders:

PRESENTERS: **Dr. Ray Guarendi** ('Why Be Catholic?'),
Professor Russell Stannard ('Cosmology: Room for a
Creator?'); Father John Riccardo ('Confession: A Fireside Chat
with the Lord'); John Martignoni ('A Re-Conversion Story');
Thomas H. Powell, Ph.D. ('Different Gifts But the Same Spirit:
How We Are Called to Lead'). Bishop McManus will offer the
conference Mass. Diocesan priests and bishops will hear
confessions. For a conference brochure, further information, or
registration, call 508-929-4345. Visit our website at
www.worcesterCatholicMen.org – for information and ticket
purchases. **Peter Crepeault** is our parish coordinator. He can be
reached in the evening at (508)839-5866 or crepeault@aol.com

Tickets ordered before Feb. 22nd are 35.00 and it includes lunch,
ordered after Feb. 23 will be 45.00. This is the fastest growing
conference in the Northeast. Please try to attend. I (Deacon Nick)
guarantee you will come away filled with awe and the Spirit.