

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 11, 2007

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 11 - 8:00 am, Holy Cross

Sunday, March 11 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Mary Arlig, by St. Martin's parishioners

Sunday, March 11, 10:30 am, Holy Cross

Monday, Tuesday - 8:00 am, Holy Cross

Wednesday - 8 am, Holy Cross; 9:00 am, St. Vincent de Paul

Thursday, Friday - 9:00 am at St. Martin's

Saturday, March 17 - 5:15 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, March 18 - 8:00 am, Holy Cross

Sunday, March 18 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Alec Hamel by the family

Sunday, March 18, 10:30 am, Holy Cross

Weekly Offering: \$742 **Second collection this week is for Fuel.**

Second Collection next week is for Relief Services

Thank you to all who "make up" envelopes after vacations.

Your envelopes used at other local churches are returned to St. Martin's.

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Michael Theriault, Janita Oullette, Dave Jacques, Philip Arseneault, Doug Young, Olga Zielinski, Robert Poirier, Mary Alger, Marie Quinlisk, Claire Quinlisk, Margaret Baczewski, Mitchell Pavlosky, Patricia Fougere, Tim Wilson, Linda Maker, Jacquelyn Robichaud, Charlie Smith, Dorothy Fontaine, Raymond Bourgeois, Mary Bourgeois, Odella Arseneault, Joe Barrett, Genevieve Cummings, Chris Nolette, William Lemire, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc, Ruth Smith, Ruth Dubzinski, and Lillian Lawrence.

WINTER WEATHER NOTE

If school is cancelled due to snow, weekday Mass is also cancelled.

MASS INTENTIONS

Intentions may be scheduled for weekends and weekday Masses throughout the year. To request a date, call the rectory or see Pat Gale after Mass.

V LENTEN SCHEDULE V

Each Friday evening during Lent, the **Stations of the Cross** will be held at 7 pm at Holy Cross, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Each Sunday afternoon during Lent, the **Stations of the Cross** will take place at St. Martin's at 3 pm.

On Wednesday evenings during Lent, **Stations of the Cross** will take place at 7 pm at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Baldwinville.

A **Lenten Ecumenical Service** will be held at 7 pm March 14 at Memorial Congregational Church in Baldwinville. The offering for Ecumenical worship services is canned goods for the food pantry.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Plan to attend daily Mass during the Lenten season:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8 am at Holy Cross, E. Templeton

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8 am at Immaculate Heart, Winchendon

Wednesday, 9 am, St. Vincent de Paul, Baldwinville

Thursday and Friday, 9 am at St. Martin's, Otter River

LENTEN RICE BOWLS

Operation Rice Bowl connects you through prayer and action with the poor and vulnerable overseas and in the US. Rice Bowls are available in the vestibule. Take one home with you and share your blessings during Lent.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

All grades meet this Sunday, March 11, and next Sunday, March 18.

COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER MASS NEXT SUNDAY

CCD students will serve coffee and donuts at the rectory after Mass next Sunday, March 18. Everyone is invited to stop by.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION NEWS

The Lord has blessed us with over a full decade of adoration to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and we are now in our second decade of adoration at the Blessed Marie Rivier Adoration Oratory. The 12th anniversary celebration will be held at Holy Cross Church next Sunday, March 18, at 1 pm. Fr. Joe Jurgelonis will lead us in praising Jesus through song, prayer, the Word and Benediction. Everyone is invited to "come and see" and to celebrate this most joyous occasion. Then as a community, we will gather for refreshments in the church hall.

LENTEN SERVICE

Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 pm Tuesday, March 13 at St. Vincent de Paul Church for an increase in priestly and religious vocations. Immediately after Mass, a brief program, *What it Means to Be a Catholic*, will be presented.

CRAFT GROUP MEETINGS RESUME IN MARCH

The Craft Group has resumed its weekly meeting schedule. The group meets at 6:30 pm each Tuesday to create items for the Holiday Fair. All women of the parish are invited to attend; crafting experience is not necessary. Join the ladies for a relaxing, enjoyable night out!

120 CLUB

Last week's winner was Jeanette Hallock. Ticket holders may pay for their tickets in the vestibule after any Mass. Three open tickets are available, #46, #77, and #83, and a raffle will be held for the tickets. The drawing for the first of those tickets will be held this weekend. See Linda Columbus or Desire Poirier to take a chance.

SPAGHETTI & MEATBALL SUPPER

The 31st annual spaghetti & meatball supper benefitting Our Lady of the Holy Rosary School will be held from 5 to 7 pm Wednesday, March 14, in the lower church hall at Holy Rosary Church, Nichols Street, Gardner. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children. Prepared and served by the Croteau Family and Friends.

VOCAL RECITAL IN GARDNER

Holy Rosary parishioner Ellen Sawyer, a junior and vocal performance major at Gordon College in Wenham, MA, will present a 75-minute recital which includes works in German, French, Italian and English by composers such as Telemann, Rossini, Chausson and Larsen at 3 pm Sunday, March 11, at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, 105 Nichols St., Gardner. Printed program notes and translations provide wonderful insight and understanding to the prepared selections. The recital is free. All are invited to attend.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

St. Edward the Confessor Church in Westminster will hold a St. Patrick's Day dinner from 5 to 7 pm Saturday, March 17 in the church hall. Menu includes corned beef and cabbage with vegetables, or ziti with meatballs; salad, rolls, coffee, punch and dessert. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children under 12; free for children under 6. Tickets available at the door. For information, call Louise Rathier at 978-874-0639.

LIONS CLUB MEAT RAFFLE

The Templeton Lions Club will hold a meat raffle at 7 pm Friday, March 16, at the Templeton Fish and Game Club. Door prize. Three free tickets for each pair of eyeglasses donated, up to 5 pair.

TURKEY SUPPER

A Turkey Supper will be held at 5:30 pm on Saturday, March 17, at East Templeton United Methodist Church. Adults, \$8, children under 12, \$4. For reservations call 978-939-4317 or 978-632-8816. Takeout available.



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Rosary

20 minutes before weekend Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard at 4:45 pm on Saturdays at Holy Cross Church in East Templeton, or by appt.

Sacrament of Christian Marriage

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

Ministry to the Sick and Elderly

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

Parish Registration

If you are new to the area, we welcome you to join our parish family. Please introduce yourself after Mass and register in the parish. We want to know and serve you.