

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 14, 2016

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 13 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, August 14 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, August 14 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Leon Konstantynowicz, by parishioners**

Sunday, August 14 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

Monday - Feast Day - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent

Monday - Feast Day - noon at St. Martin's

Monday - Feast Day - 7 pm at Holy Cross

Tuesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Thursday - 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, August 20 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, August 21 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, August 21 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Jane Lempart, by Pat Gale & family**

Sunday, August 21 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

Weekly Offering: \$702 **Fuel:** \$149

Second Collection this Sunday is for the Church in Eastern Europe

Thank you to all who make up their envelopes for weekends missed due to vacation, illness or inclement weather.

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Bob Young, Janet Clark, Marie Quader, Marie Jacques, Trey Niles, Margaret Murdock, Connie Hamel, Sandy Kulvete, Alice Ostrowski, Deb Nichols, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Anne Marie Beliveau, Rachel Catlow, Alicia Wieszorek, Bob Brown, Claudette Yackowski, Emma Blais, Angela Martin, Michelle Smith, Mason Jandris, Michael Theriault, Doug Young, Tim Wilson, Joe Barrett, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Come early, and join in praying the Rosary 20 minutes before Mass each Sunday.



RESPECT LIFE

"The Church always advances between the cross and the resurrection, between persecutions and the consolations of the Lord. This is the path: those who take this path do not go wrong." ~ Pope Francis, *Homily on the Feast of St. George, April 23, 2013*

ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

On Monday, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption, the principal feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It celebrates both the departure of Mary from this life and the assumption of her body into heaven. It is a holy day of obligation. Feast Masses will be celebrated Monday 8:00 am at Holy Cross, **noon at St. Martin's**, and 7:00 pm at Holy Cross.



RCIA- RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Have you received all the sacraments of the Catholic Church? Are you interested in knowing more about what it takes to become Catholic? Do you know someone who might be interested? Do you want to know more about the teachings of the Catholic Church? Inquiry sessions are planned to begin soon after Sept. 19 to address these or other questions you may have. Come to the first few classes to see if it is for you! Call Stephen and/or Chris Schroeder, 978-410-5925 for information or to sign up.

ALTAR SERVERS CANOBIE LAKE TRIP & HIKING TRIP

Altar servers are invited to go to Canobie Lake Park on Friday, Aug. 19 and to go Hiking on Saturday, Aug. 27., before the school year begins. Both trips are being planned as a "thank you" for their service. An email will soon be sent out to altar servers with details. Please Mark the dates on your calendar! You may call Monique for questions 978-939-7363.

ASSISTANTS NEEDED FOR GRADES 1, 3 & 4

Please consider helping out with this most important ministry, to teach our young ones. If interested please call Sandie, 978-939-8227.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the rectory when someone is moving to a nursing home, is confined to home or in need of prayers. Arrangements can be made to visit or take communion to the homebound. If you know someone who is going to be hospitalized, please call the rectory. The hospitals can not call the churches, so it is hard for us to know you are there. We continue to pray for all those who are sick and unable to attend Mass.

"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." —Lk 12: 50-52

RESTORE THE CHURCH, BUILD THE FUTURE

The collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe will be held this weekend. Your generosity is essential to meeting the spiritual and physical needs of people in this region. Many are still suffering the effects of living under communism. To learn more about how your donations are making a difference, please visit www.uscccb.org/ccee.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY DRIVE CONTINUES

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2016 Partners in Charity Annual Appeal. To date, St. Martin's has raised \$4,170, or 67% of our goal of \$6,200. Let us reflect on God's great generosity, and respond with generous giving of our own.

Bishop McManus has asked those who have not yet made a gift or pledge, to please consider giving as we have not reached our goal yet. Please find a commitment pledge envelope located in the pews or on the table the vestibule, or visit www.partners-charity.net.

120 CLUB

A new club has begun. The first week's winner was #12, Carol Skelton. There are open numbers; if you'd like to join, speak to Linda Columbus.

CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group meets at the rectory at 2 pm on Wednesdays to create items for St. Martin's Holiday Fair. All women are invited to attend. Crafting skill is not needed, but your ideas are always welcome!

TEMPLETON FOOD PANTRY

The Templeton Food Pantry is always in need of donations. Non-perishable food may be brought to Mass any Sunday and volunteers will deliver your donations to the Pantry. Please help our neighbors in need.

The Food Pantry is now located at rear of the Templeton Senior Center in Baldwinville. Summer hours: **9 am - noon** on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

HOLY CROSS FAMILY FESTIVAL

Save the date September 18 - Holy Cross Family Festival and Chicken BBQ from 11 am to 3 pm. Fun for the whole family. Tom's Famous Chicken will be served from 12-2 pm. Tickets will be available soon. Adults tickets are \$9 and children are \$7.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church in Gardner will be open (ramp door) each Wednesday from 6:00AM to 8 PM beginning August 17, 2016. Those who wish to sign up to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament or receive more information on this devotion may call Anne Marie Roberts (978-632-4075) or Theresa Violette (978-939-2173).



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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 during the fall/winter season, 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.