

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 2, 2015

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 1 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, August 2 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, August 2 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Our Parish Family**

Sunday, August 2 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

Monday - 8 am 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 8 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, August 9 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, August 9 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Jaylin Rose Johnson - Forever in our hearts, Mark & Joyce**

Sunday, August 9 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

Weekly Offering: \$516 **Repair/Maintenance:** \$70

Second Collection This Week is for Fuel

Second Collection Next Week is for the Church in Eastern Europe

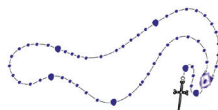
Thank you to all who make up their envelopes for weekends missed due to vacation, illness or inclement weather.

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Trey Niles, Margaret Murdock, Connie Hamel, Sandy Kulvete, Alice Ostrowski, Deb Nichols, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Marion Gay, Anna Henrie, Anita Poirier, Bernice Leger, Anne Marie Beliveau, Rachel Catlow, Alicia Wieszorek, Diane Lupaczyk, Chet Yackowski, 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

Join in praying the Rosary, starting 20 minutes before Mass on Sundays.



RESPECT LIFE

“For the Lord, your God, is the God of gods, the Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who has no favorites, accepts no bribes, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and loves the resident alien, giving them food and clothing.” - *Deuteronomy 10:17-18*

PARTNERS IN CHARITY 2015 STILL SHORT OF GOAL

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift or pledge to the 2015 Partners in Charity Annual Appeal. Thus far, St. Martin's has raised **\$4,250, or 65% of our goal of \$6,500**. We are still \$2,250 short of our goal. If you have not yet participated, please consider making a gift or pledge.

TRIPS OFFERED FOR PAPAL VISIT

Worcester Diocese with Canterbury Pilgrimages & Tours will offer two options (either Sept. 22–27 or Sept. 24–27) for trips to the World Meeting of Families to be held in Philadelphia for the Papal visit with Pope Francis. For more information, visit www.worcesterdiocese.org/world-meeting-of-families or call Canterbury Pilgrimages & Tours at 800-653-0017, noting that you are with the Diocese of Worcester. Sign up early; space is limited.

CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL CONFERENCE

The Immaculate Heart of Mary New England Homeschool Conference will be held at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, 50 Warren St., in Lowell, on Friday, August 14, 12 noon - 6 pm. Speakers will include: Dr. Amy Fahey, Dr. Bill Thierfelder, Mrs. Mary Ellen Barrett and Mrs. Colleen Billing. Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. For more information, please visit www.ihmconference.org, email: info@ihmconference.org or call 540-636-1946.

MASS INTENTIONS

Intentions may be scheduled for weekend Masses throughout the year. To request a date, call the rectory at 978-939-5588 or see Pat Gale after Mass.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the rectory when someone is moving to a nursing home, in the hospital or in need of prayers. Arrangements can be made for Communion or a visit. Please pray for all those who are sick.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

Do you receive our parish envelopes? If not, you may not be registered. Call the rectory for a census card or pick one up at the church entrance. New parishioners are always welcome!

“Jesus said to them, “Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” - Jn 6:32-33

PARISH BBQ - THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped out in any way with our annual parish Festival & BBQ last weekend. The funds raised help to keep our property maintained — but more importantly, this annual event offers a wonderful opportunity for our parishioners, and the community, to gather for a day of fun and fellowship. The festival raised just over \$3,000 for our parish improvement fund.

If you won a prize at the festival but have not yet picked it up, you may do so at the rectory after Mass today.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

The Otter River Sportsman's Club has been reserved for our 2016 Festival & Chicken BBQ. Mark your calendars now: Saturday, July 23, 2016.

TEMPLETON FOOD PANTRY

The Templeton Food Pantry is in constant 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, located in Baldwinville behind the American Legion, is open from 9 am - 1 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays (closed second Thursday/open the second Saturday of the month).

COME BUILD SNOWMEN WITH US

We may be in the midst of a heat wave — but the Craft Group meets every Wednesday afternoon to make snowmen and other “cool” projects for the Holiday Fair. All ladies of the parish are invited to join in these weekly work sessions. Craft experience is not needed, but your ideas are always welcome! Stop by the rectory on any Wednesday afternoon at 2 pm.

POLISH PICNIC

The Otter River Sportsman's Club will hold its annual Polish Picnic from 11 am - 5 pm this Sunday, August 2. Polish food, Polish music and dancing to a Polish band.

THE GIORGIO CREW

We are a group of young people from Holy Cross Parish under the patronage of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassatti with the goal to promote Catholic identity and camaraderie in our youth and young adults through service to the community. The Giorgio Crew has done a variety of activities in the past. Most of our events are comprised of jobs for those in our community — anything from raking leaves to staining decks and chopping wood.

For more details about The Giorgio Crew and how you can participate, or how to hire the Crew for work around your home, pick up a card in the vestibule.

APOSTOLATE OF HEALING

Father Ralph Diorio • Apostolate of Divine Mercy & Healing
Sunday Service August 9 & August 23, 2015 at Maironis Park Banquet Hall, 52 South Quinsigamond Avenue, Shrewsbury, 12-4 pm. Cost \$10.00



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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.