

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 15, 2017

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 14 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, January 15 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, January 15 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Anna Henrie by Val and Edna Henrie**

Sunday, January 15 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

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

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, January 21 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, January 22 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, January 22 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Thomas Bushey by Roy & Beverly Bushey**

Sunday, January 22 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

January 1: \$561 Catholic University of America: \$40
Christmas: \$140

Second Collection This Week is for Fuel

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 Zachary Fleming, Ruth Alie, 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, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc.

WEEKDAY MASS CANCELLATIONS

When conditions warrant "Delays or No School" cancellations, there will be NO MASS also. Mass intentions can be transferred to another day.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions can be scheduled by calling the rectory at 978-939-5588, by emailing saintmartinchurch@mail.com, or by speaking to Pat Gale after Mass.

RESPECT LIFE

"God comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others." — Pope St. John Paul II, ©1995 Libreria Editrice Vaticana

PRO-LIFE MASS IN WORCESTER

Join Bishop McManus and pilgrims travelling to the March for Life in Washington, DC, for the annual Pro-Life Mass at 7:30 pm on Thursday, January 26, at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Worcester. All are welcome!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR PRO-LIFE, JANUARY 22

Eucharistic Adoration for Pro-Life intentions will be held from 12 noon to 4 pm NEXT Sunday January 22, at Holy Cross Church. Please see sign up sheet to share 30 minutes of your time to join in prayer for the Pro-Life - Respect Life initiative.

WEEKLY COLLECTION ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The boxed sets of collection envelopes for 2017 have arrived and are available in the vestibule. Please pick yours up after Mass. If you know someone who is unable to come to church to pick up their envelopes, speak to Pat Gale or call the rectory and we will deliver them. If you have been using envelopes during the past year, a set has been prepared for you. If you are new to the parish or have not been using envelopes, but would like to do so, blank sets are available.

If you used envelopes in 2016 and would like a statement of contributions for your tax purposes, call the rectory at 978-939-5588, drop a note in the collection basket, or speak to Pat Gale after Mass.

MARCH FOR LIFE: STILL TIME TO REGISTER

The 44th Annual March for Life in Washington, DC on Friday, Jan. 27, 2017. Buses will leave from Cathedral of St. Paul on Thurs., Jan. 26, 7:30 p.m., and will travel to the Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC in time for Friday morning Mass followed by the March for Life at noon. Buses will return to Worcester immediately following the March, arriving back at St. Paul's at approximately 1:00 a.m. on Sat., Jan. 28. Cost is \$85. For information, visit www.worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life or call 508-929-4311.

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



17TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

All men are invited: to the 17th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference, this year at Assumption College on Saturday, April 1, 2017. Get your tickets early as ticket prices increase on Wednesday, March 15th. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: Father Chase Hilgenbrinck, Shawn Carney, Chris Stewart, Tony Brandt, Joe Dittmar, and Jeff Cavins. Bishops and diocesan and religious priests will hear those confessions. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. For a Conference brochure, or registration, call 508-929-4345. Visit website -www.firstmensconf.org - for information and ticket purchases.

BOOK EXTRAVAGANZA

The Religious Education Board & Rosary Sodality will be hosting their Second "Book Extravaganza" January 29, 2017 at Holy Cross Church. We are in need of gently used books for ages: Preschool - Gr.11. We will also have an adult section for our adult parishioners. Please mark donations for which age group, to help with sorting, and leave the books on the stage in the church hall. We will be collecting books from now until Jan. 27, 2017.

120 CLUB

The winners of the final drawing for the 120 Club were: First, \$500, #76 Linda LeBlanc; Second, \$200, #109 Flossie Leonard; Third, \$100, #24 Jan Lefebvre; Fourth and Fifth, \$50, #37 Shirley Murray and #75 Roy Bushey; Sixth through Ninth, \$25, #73 Roger Tousignant, #95 Tom Berry, #44 Theresa DiVirgilio and #100 Jackie Johnson.

Thank you to all who participate in this parish fund-raiser. A new round of the 120 Club will begin in February. There are open tickets; if you'd like to join, speak to Linda Columbus.

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 pantry is located at the rear of the Senior Center, 16 Senior Drive in Baldwinville, and is open from 9 am - 1 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

NATIONAL NOVENA FOR LIFE

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 January 21 through 29, 2017. 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.9days-forlife.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! Your sacrifices make a difference!



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Rosary

20 minutes before weekend Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard at 3:45 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.