

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 2, 2017

### MASS SCHEDULE

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

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

**Sunday, July 2 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's  
For all who serve in our armed forces**

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

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

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, July 8- 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

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

**Sunday, July 9 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's  
Rose O'Malley by Jim O'Malley**

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

**Weekly, June 25:** \$766    **Fuel:** \$34    **Peter's Pence:** \$23

**"Support Our Historic Church" campaign:** \$500

*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 Dianne Murray, Gianna Howlett, 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, Alicia Wieszorek, Claudette Yackowski, Emma Blais, Angela Martin, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc.

### PRAY THE ROSARY

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



### MASS INTENTIONS

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



**A warm welcome is extended to our new pastor, Fr. Patrick Ssekyole. May you find our hearts and minds open and a peaceful place to call home.**

### BISHOP CONSECRATES NEW ALTAR

Last Sunday, Bishop Robert McManus came to St. Martin's Church for the consecration of our new altar, reminding us that the altar is at the center of our Catholic faith. This special ritual was moving and for most of us, a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Thank you to all who helped with this special Mass and visit: those who cleaned the church and rectory; the choir, altar servers, lector, Eucharistic Minister and those who helped prepare the altar after the dedication; and those who made the coffee reception after Mass work so smoothly. Special thanks to Bob LeMieur for designing and building the sanctuary furnishings, and Matthew Brooks for creating the image of our patron saint.

### WARM GREETINGS FROM FATHER PATRICK SSEKYOLE

Dear members of Holy Cross Parish and St. Martin Mission,

I warmly greet you all. I want to let you know that I am humbly and prayerfully happy to become your pastor. I come to serve you with love.

By being appointed your pastor, you have now become my spiritual and communal family. And I assure you that all I will do as your pastor will be rooted in and informed by the love of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Gospel and the Church. And I totally believe that we will prove that we are truly Jesus Christ's disciples as we live and work together in love to build further God's kingdom in the Templeton and Otter River area. For Jesus clearly tells us, "This how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35). I eagerly look forward to meeting each one of you in the course of time. May God's blessings be upon us all.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Patrick Ssekyole



Dear Holy Cross/St. Martin Parishioners,  
I wish to extend a big thank you for your well wishes, prayers and generous gifts. They are very much appreciated! Again May God bless you all,

*Fr. Marcia*

### Church Renovations & Repair - Improvement Fund

This month, the refurbished tabernacle is expected to return to St. Martin's. Work toward the replacement of the siding on the church continues. Bids for this major undertaking have been received and are being reviewed.

Parishioners are invited to support these renovations by making contributions or pledges to the "Support Our Historic Church" renovation fund; envelopes for this purpose are available in the vestibule.

Have a happy and safe  
Fourth of July!



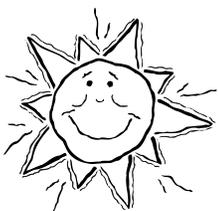
### **PARKING FOR MASS**

If the parking lot seems full when you arrive for Mass, please keep in mind that you can park in a line down the center of the lot, on the grass next to the rectory garage, or in a single file on one side of the rectory driveway.

### **PARISH SUMMER FESTIVAL & BBQ - JULY 22**

Our annual Festival & Chicken BBQ is just a few weeks away!. **Mark the date: Saturday, July 22 at the Otter River Sportsman's Club, from 10 am to 2 pm. Dinner tickets are still just \$8 and are available in the vestibule or may be reserved by calling the rectory at 978-939-5588.**

Your help is needed to make this parish get-together and fund-raiser a success. Donations of new items for the Chinese Auction, Major Prize Raffle and Match Game are always welcome. Lists of items needed to fill the Theme Baskets are posted in the vestibule — every donation, of one item or a complete basket, is appreciated.



Donations of Kingsford Charcoal help to keep the price of our dinner tickets down. **Workers will also be needed to set up and man booths, and to clean up at the end of the day. Please speak to Linda Columbus or Pat Gale if you are able to help out on July 22.**

The Festival offers a great opportunity to spend an enjoyable day with your fellow parishioners, friends and neighbors in a beautiful setting. Be sure to mark your calendar now!

### **NEW HOURS AT THE 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 – noon on Tuesdays and from 1 to 3 pm on Thursdays.**

### **TEMPLETON MAC N CHEESE FESTIVAL**

Templeton Elders will host the Mac N Cheese Festival next Saturday, July 8, from 11 to 3 pm on the Templeton Common. Come as your favorite Superhero. All proceeds support the Templeton Senior Community Center. Volunteers for two-hour shifts still needed as well as a Leader for Superhero Games! Call Gail Noel 978-939-8519.

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



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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.*