

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 9, 2017

### MASS SCHEDULE

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

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 15 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, July 16 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, July 16 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's  
Deceased Members of Our Parish**

Sunday, July 16 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

**Weekly, July 2:** \$1,100    **Peter's Pence:** \$30    **Fuel:** \$30

**"Support Our Historic Church" campaign:** \$375

*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.



"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

~ Pope Francis, "Day for Life Greeting." © 2013

### CCD TEACHERS NEEDED

Two teachers are needed for Grade 4 CCD classes. Please consider helping out with this most important ministry, to teach our young ones. If interested please call the Holy Cross rectory, 978-632-2121!

### 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.

Thank you to those who have already contributed to this restoration fund. To date, \$875 has been donated.

### EMMAUS MINISTRY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

A Catholic ministry for parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago. Losing a child under any circumstance is horrific. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously. All are welcome to a One-Day Spiritual Retreat, St. Anthony Shrine in Boston on August 5, 2017. Call Diane at 617-542-8057 or visit [www.emfgp.org](http://www.emfgp.org).

### COMMUNITY FREE LUNCH SCHEDULE

On Thursdays, continuing until August 17, free lunches will be served to ALL at noon as follows:

July 13 - First Congregational Church, 28 Green St., Gardner

July 20 - First Congregational Church, 28 Green St., Gardner

July 27 - First Congregational Church, 28 Green St., Gardner

August 3 - First Baptist Church, 14 High St., Gardner

August 10 - Monument Park

August 17 - First Congregational Church, 28 Green St., Gardner

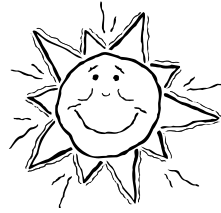
These lunches are sponsored by Annunciation Parish, Bethany Baptist, First Baptist, Chair City, First Congregational, Faith Lutheran Churches in Gardner in conjunction with the CAC.

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*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."*  
Mt 11:28-30

## BBQ TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW

Our annual Festival & Chicken BBQ is just two weeks away — **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. Please purchase or reserve your tickets by next Sunday at the latest to enable ordering of dinners.**



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. Thank you to all who have contributed to the Theme Baskets.

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!

### DEVOTIONAL CANDLES: OUR PRAYERS RISE LIKE INCENSE

Have you noticed the new stand with votive candles, located in front of the painting of our patron, Saint Martin? A tradition in many Roman Catholic churches is to burn candles as a way to offer our prayers for others. As the candle continues to burn, your prayers are continually lifted to God.

### 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.**

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK

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.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you registered in the parish? Have you recently been married or moved out of your parents home and still attend our church? We ask that you register as a new family or parishioner. You are not are not in our census unless you request it. If you are not receiving envelopes or parish mail, you may not be registered. It is necessary to be a registered member of the parish when making arrangements for baptisms, religious education classes, marriage, sponsor certificates and letters of recommendation.



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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.*