

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 25, 2017

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 24 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, June 25 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, June 25 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
David Jacques, 10th anniversary, by the family**

Sunday, June 25 - 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 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

Weekly, June 18: \$452 Fuel: \$175

There is a Diocesan Collection for Peter's Pence this week; envelopes may be placed in the basket with the regular weekly collection

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, or by speaking to Pat Gale after Mass.

CONSECRATION OF OUR NEW ALTAR

This Sunday, we welcome Bishop Robert McManus to St. Martin's Church next for the consecration of our new Altar. This is Bishop McManus' first visit to our historic church, and we are honored to have him here for this joyous occasion.

An informal coffee hour will be held at the Rectory after Mass. All are welcome to attend and meet the Bishop!



Thank you, Fr. Marcin, for two great years of service to the St. Martin's / Holy Cross parish family. Thank you for your spiritual energy and enthusiasm, for introducing your experience of Catholic Traditions of Poland to us, and for your efforts to renew our Sanctuary. The beautiful new furnishings and painting of our patron saint will forever remind us of your service here. We wish you well in the US Army as a Chaplain and ask God to bless you always.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MARCIN

Life is always changing and everything, whether good or bad, will eventually come to an end. In a parish, from time to time, a new pastor is appointed and the parish adapts to the new spiritual leader of the community. Back in July of 2015, I was fortunate to become a pastor of Holy Cross and St. Martin parishes. I could see from the start that the people here were strong in their faith and in their desire to serve God and one another. I have been a pastor for both parishes just for two years, but I can assure you that those were great years that taught me about your deep spirituality and love for God. I trust that you will give the same love and support to the new pastor as I take my leave to be Chaplain in the US Army.

Finally, I want to thank all of you for your love, prayers, and support. It is hard to leave you, but I believe that God leads us in different ways as we follow His will and He will take care of all of us, wherever we are. God bless you.

Fr. Marcin

RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR FATHER JOE

Annunciation Parish will hold a Farewell/Retirement reception for Fr. Joseph Jurgelonis from 2 to 5 pm on Sunday, June 25, in the Holy Rosary Church hall. Everyone is invited to stop by to wish Fr. Joe well in this new stage of his life.

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM

The 6th Annual Fortnight for Freedom continues in dioceses nationwide through July 4. This year's theme is Freedom for Mission. For more information call the Respect Life Office at 508-929-4311 or visit www.fortnight4freedom.org.

The Rosary will be said after morning Masses at Holy Cross on June 27 and 28 for Religious Freedom.

Church Renovations & Repairs

Thank you, once again, to Bob LeMieur for designing and crafting the beautiful new altar, ambo, tabernacle table and Baptism font; to Matthew Brooks for creating the stunning painting of our patron, Saint Martin; and to Jim Alie Jr., for making the ambry that holds the Holy Oils.

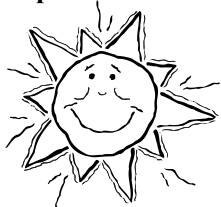
Work toward the replacement of the siding on the church continues. Bids for this major undertaking have been received and are being reviewed, and options are being considered for the floor in the church basement. Parishioners are invited to support these renovations by making contributions or pledges; envelopes for this purpose are available in the vestibule.

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

Summer is just around the corner — and so is our annual parish Festival & Chicken BBQ. **Mark the date: Saturday, July 22 at the Otter River Sportsman's Club, from 10 am to 2 pm.**



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 on July 8, from 8 to 3 pm on the Templeton Common. Come as your favorite Superhero. All proceeds to 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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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.