FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 27, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 26 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, March 27 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

Sunday, March 27 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's Richard Tanzi, one year anniversary, by the family

Sunday, March 27 - 10:45 am at 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

Friday - 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, April 2- 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, April 3 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

Sunday, April 3 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's

Kyle Berger, by Ruth and Jim Alie

Sunday, April 3 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

March 20 weekly collection: \$466 **Fuel:** \$15 The second collection next week will be for Catholic Relief Services.

SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Chris Scott, Mark Hanks, Kate Nicholson, Maryann Robinson, Marguerite Pouliot, Diane Lupaczyk, Raymond Emond, Janet Clark, Marie Quader, Trey Niles, Sandy Kulvete, Pola Yackowski, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Anne Marie Beliveau, Alicia Wieszorek, Emma Blais, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc... and all those affected by the Corona virus.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.

Rest in Peace

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Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of parishioner Beverly Bushey, who died last week, and for her family. Her funeral will be held at 10 am Wednesday at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Baldwinville.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Come to church 30 minutes before Mass to join in praying the Rosary seach Sunday.



NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Get more out of Sunday Mass, by reading ahead... April 3, 2022 - Fifth Sunday in Lent ISAIAH 43:16-21 • PHILIPPIANS 3:8-14 • JOHN 8:1-11

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Divine Chaplet will be prayed at Eucharistic Adoration on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7:30 pm at Holy Cross.

Confession will be held on Wednesdays during Lent at the host church of Deanery Pilgrimage at 6:30 pm, any time by appointment.



ALL FRIDAYS during Lent at 7 pm, there will be The Way of the Cross at Holy Cross Church

DEANERY LENTEN PILGRIMAGE

The Deanery Lenten Pilgrimage is held on Wednesdays during Lent.

This week, March 30, will be at St. Edward's in Westminster. Confessions will be held at 6:30 pm (**Penitents must wear a mask**) with the service to begin at 7 pm. The remaining Wednesday night gathering will be April 6 at Immaculate Heart, Winchendon. The Pilgrimage ends on Sunday, April 24 at Holy Rosary Church, Gardner (Divine Mercy Sunday).

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

Men (of all ages, including teens and college students) are invited to this Annual conference, at Assumption University on Sat., April 2. Visit the conference website at www.firstmensconf.org for information and to purchase tickets. For further information please email Angelo Guadagno at angelo0527@gmail.com or call Elaine Ford at 774-253-2996.



EASTER FLOWERS

Those of you who desire to do so, may make an offering for our Easter Altar Flowers. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the vestibule. They may be given in memory of loved ones whose names will appear in our Bulletin and who will have a special remembrance at Masses here during the Easter Season. Thank You!

"The Veil Removed"

A short film titled, "The Veil Removed" (~7 Mins.) presents the coming together of heaven and earth at Mass, as seen by saints and mystics, revealed by scripture and in the catechism of the Catholic Church. It theatrically reintroduces the sense of awe to those who are at Mass. Consider sharing the link to view on-line: https:// theveilremoved.com/watch.

He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'" — Lk 15:31-32

PARTNERS IN CHARITY 2022

Thanks to our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2022 Partners in Charity Appeal. At this point, \$525 has been received at the Diocese toward our 2022 goal of \$5,000.

Text giving is an easy and a secure way to give. If you know how to send a text message, you can make a gift to Partners in Charity in seconds on your phone. St. Martin's will receive credit. Text donate to 84576. You can also make your gift online at partners-charity.net, where one can view the 2022 appeal video. Gift envelopes have been mailed and are also available in the pews and in the vestibule. Thank you for your continued support! We couldn't do it without you!

120 Club

The 120 Club, which benefits the Parish Improvement Fund, is underway. Last week's winner was #85, Pat Gale.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE

The Otter River Council Knights of Columbus will hold a food drive to benefit the Templeton Food Pantry on Saturday, April 9, from 8 am to noon in St. Martin's parking lot. Non-perishable foods and cash donations are greatly appreciated.

Current items on the Pantry "wish list" include pancake mix and syrup, Taco Kits, creamed corn, beets, cooking oil, Hamburger Helper and salad dressings.

CHOWDER AT ST. EDWARD'S

Eddy's Chowder House is open the Fridays of Lent, from 4 pm to 7 pm - Take Out Only. St. Edward's Church Hall, 10 Church St. Westminster. Menu: Clam Chowder, Corn Chowder, and Fish Chowder, by the Bowl, Pint or Quart.

DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREAT

All high school youth and current 8th graders are invited to sign up for the Diocesan Youth Retreat on May 20-22 at Anna Maria College! The theme for the retreat is Verso L'Alto (To the Heights). The retreat will offer fun & games, music, guest speakers, breakout sessions, and an encounter with Jesus through Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and Mass! Cost is \$75 if registered before Apr. 1st. After April 1 the cost is \$100. Final deadline to register is Apr. 27. To sign up or to get more infor-mation, go to https://neworcester.org/diocesan-youth-retreat. For questions contact Tim Messenger at 508-929-4360 or at tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org

TEMPLETON FOOD PANTRY

Donations of non-perishable foods may be brought to church any Sunday, and will be delivered to the pantry. The Templeton Food Pantry is located at the rear of the Templeton Senior Community Center, off Bridge Street in Baldwinville.

LIFE OF ST. JOSEPH DOCUMENTARY

The Knights of Columbus has produced a documentary on the life of St. Joseph and The Holy Family. This documentary is now available on UTube by searching "St. Joseph Documentary". You can see how St. Joseph has been an inspiration to many especially to family leaders as he quietly guided his family to safety during difficult times. Men can be inspired to be stronger fathers and husbands by following the example of St. Joseph. The documentary is also available online at kofc.org/stjoseph.



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Rosary

30 minutes before Sunday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation During this pandemic, please contact the rectory at Holy Cross Church, 978-632-2121, for an appointment

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.