SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 21 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, May 22 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

Sunday, May 22 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's

Ruth Alie by the members of St. Martin's Craft Group

Sunday, May 22 - 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 - Ascension - 8 am and 7 pm at Holy Cross

Thursday - Ascension - noon at St. Martin's

Saturday, May 28 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, May 29 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

Sunday, May 29 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's

John Myntti Jr., 33rd anniversary, by Cathy Bourn

Sunday, May 29 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

May 15 weekly collection: \$560

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

This Thursday is the feast of the Ascension of the Lord. It is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated on Thursday morning May 26 at 8 am Holy Cross, Noon at St. Martin's and 7 pm at Holy Cross.

SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Bruce Strong, Thomas Lupaczyk, 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.

PRAY THE ROSARY

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

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Get more out of Sunday Mass, by reading ahead...

May 29, 2022 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

ACTS 7:55-60 • REVELATION 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 • JOHN 17:20-26

CCD REGISTRATION

Register for the 2022-2023 CCD Program by picking up a form on the table in the vestibule and return it to the Holy Cross rectory.

The fee to cover the cost of books and materials is \$30 per child, \$45 per family. Checks may be made payable to Holy Cross Church. For new parishioners, a census card must also be filled out.

RESPECT LIFE

Project Rachel is the Catholic Church's ministry of healing and reconciliation to those who have been wounded by a past abortion. Call in strictest confidence 508-791-HOPE(4673) to begin your healing journey.

K OF C MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Knights of Columbus Otter River Council #2536 Membership Drive is currently taking place. Contact Mark Connery, connerymark@gmail.com or call 978-928-4750 for details.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF PEACE - 5 DAY MISSION PROGRAM

Have you ever wanted to serve alongside Sisters and get a taste of what community life might be like in a religious congregation? If so, we are offering a free five-day Mission for Peace program, June 22-27, in Wichita and Great Bend, Kansas for single, Catholic women, ages 18-45. Join us for this faith-filled, service-oriented experience. Set aside time to PRAY with our Sisters, to share with other women of FAITH, to discover God's PURPOSE for your life, to enjoy a behind the scenes experience of COMMUNITY LIFE, and to explore RELIGIOUS LIFE lived out as a Dominican Sister of Peace. For information, call or text Sister Mai Dung Nguyen (pronounced "My Zung When") at 405-248-7027 or email mai-dung. nguyen@oppeace.org. You can also see the website at oppeace.org to register for this program.

MEMORIAL DAY



The Memorial Day parade will be held on Monday May, 30. The parade will begin at the Narragansett High School parking lot at 10:00 am and will end at the common in Baldwinville with a short ceremony. All are welcome. Hope to see you all there.

Jesus said to his disciples: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." — *Jn 14: 26-27a*



PARTNERS IN CHARITY - PARISH GOAL REACHED!

Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2022 Partners in Charity Appeal. As of this week, **St. Martin's surpassed its 2022 goal of \$5,000, with total donations/pledges of 5,010**. Thank you for your continued support!

120 CLUB

The 120 Club, which benefits the Parish Improvement Fund, is underway. Last week's winner was #13, Bettye McCrillis.

RETIREMENT PLANNING

The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Fraternal Benefits Night, "Retirement Planning In A Changing Landscape," on Friday June 3rd at 7 pm at Holy Cross Church. Nationally recognized Financial advisor Ed Slott will offer information on advanced tax strategies that are especially important during these changing times. This is open to everyone. Refreshments will be served.

TEMPLETON FOOD PANTRY

Donations of non-perishable foods may also be brought to church any Sunday, and will be delivered to the pantry. Current needs include Ranch dressing, cooking oil, vinegar, and mayonnaise. Thank you to all who continue to contribute to the Pantry to help our neighbors in need.

The Templeton Food Pantry is located at the rear of the Templeton Senior Community Center, off Bridge Street in Baldwinville. It's open from 9 am - noon on Tuesdays; noon - 3 pm and 5 - 7 pm on Thursdays; and from noon - 3 pm on Saturdays. Anyone in need of food is welcome to visit this community resource

FREE CONCERT ON THE COMMON

The Templeton Cultural Council will present a FREE concert by "The '60s Experience" from 2 - 4 pm Sunday, June 5, on Templeton Common. Bring a chair or blanket and enjoy some great sounds of the Sixties!

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

"Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 52 Spruce Street, Winchendon will be holding its annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 25 from 9am to 8pm, and on Sunday, June 26 from 9am to 1pm. We will have a country auction on Sat. evening at 5:30pm and a Sunday breakfast from 9 to 11:30am. We have theme basket raffles, ticket auction, money raffles, games, strawberry shortcake and baked goodies, etc. Please join us!"

LOOKING AHEAD...FESTIVAL TIME!

St. Martin's Annual Summer Festival & Chicken BBQ will be held on Saturday, July 16. Donations for the Chinese Auctions, major prize table, craft table, and theme baskets are welcome. Lists of items needed for the baskets will be posted soon. If you have questions, see Pat Gale or Linda Columbus.

NOTE: With Memorial Day weekend coming, stores including Home Depot and Lowe's have **Kingsford original charcoal** on sale! It's a great time to pick up a bag or two, to help keep the cost of our Chicken BBQ tickets down. Thank you to everyone who helps with this key parish fund-raising event.



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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.