

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 8, 2016

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 7 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, May 8 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, May 8 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's  
Justin Ard by Barbara Becker & Family**

Sunday, May 8 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

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

Saturday, May 14 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, May 15 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, May 15 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's  
Rev. William O'Brien, by parishioners**

Sunday, May 15 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

**Weekly Offering - May 1: \$878 Fuel: \$50**

**Second Collection This Week is for Fuel**

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 Jim Alie, Marie Quader, Marie Jacques, Trey Niles, Margaret Murdock, Connie Hamel, Sandy Kulvete, Alice Ostrowski, Deb Nichols, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Anna Henrie, Anne Marie Beliveau, Rachel Catlow, Alicia Wieszorek, Bob Brown, Claudette Yackowski, Emma Blais, Angela Martin, Michelle Smith, Mason Jandris, Michael Theriault, Doug Young, Tim Wilson, Joe Barrett, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc.

### PRAY THE ROSARY

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



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please note Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Monday nights at 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm at Holy Cross Church.

### PARTNERS IN CHARITY: UPDATE

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2016 Partners in Charity Annual Appeal. To date, St. Martin's has raised \$3,920, or 64% of our goal of \$6,200. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope available in the pews or on the table in the vestibule. Thank you!

*Blessed Pope John XXIII and Blessed Pope Paul II, pray for us.*

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK

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

### HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



On Mother's Day, we make special efforts to honor, thank and pray for our mothers. Their love, care and concern for us are unsurpassed. May they be blessed with the choicest of God's graces. The Church sets aside the month of May to honor our Blessed Mother, Mary for she truly is, indeed, 'blessed among women.'

### Worcester Diocesan Survey

As part of diocesan-wide strategic communications planning, we invite parishioners to take an online survey to help us understand better how people are communicating today. Being able to stay in touch with parishioners given increasingly hectic schedules is more important than ever. Your 5 – 10 minutes will provide critical input to improve our efforts at the parish and diocesan level. Please visit [www.surveymonkey.com/r/comm-strategy](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/comm-strategy) before next weekend and help us hear you!

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

How have you enriched your marriage lately? Visit <http://www.wwmema.org/> for information on upcoming weekends! Worldwide Marriage Encounter - "Love one another, as I have loved you." *John 15:12*

### DO YOU ENJOY GARDENING?

Help is needed in maintaining the little garden in front of the statue of Mary on the church lawn. If you enjoy gardening and would like to take care of the garden this summer, please speak to Pat Gale after Mass.

### RESPECT LIFE

"An unexpected pregnancy can bring joy, excitement, awe, gratitude, and deeper love than I know was possible." — "10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting," USCCB

*"I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one."*  
— *Jn 17:22-23a*

## 120 CLUB

Last week's winner of the 120 Club was Shirley Murray, #29.

## CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group meets at the rectory at 2 pm on Wednesdays to create items for St. Martin's Holiday Fair. All women are invited to attend. Crafting skill is not needed, but ideas are welcome!

## FIDDLER'S CONCERT

The Prince Edward Island Musicians, Richard Wood & Gordon Belsher will be back with a concert on Friday, May 20, at Kamaloht, to benefit Holy Cross Parish. Doors will open at 7 pm with concert beginning at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$15. Call Bob Oliva 978-632-2499. Get your tickets early, they are selling fast!

## YARD SALE/VENDOR SALE

Holy Cross Sodality will hold a Yard & Vendor Sale on Saturday, May 21, from 9 am - 3 pm, in Holy Cross Hall. Rent a space to sell your household treasures, crafts or business products (e.g., Avon, Tupperware, Essential Oils). Cost is \$25 for 8 x 10 space (+\$5 for table/\$5 electricity use), plus one item for Church's Chinese Auction table. Crafters and Home Based Businesses are welcome! To register, call Diane Kodys 978-939-5532 or Sandie Hill 978-939-8227.

## 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 Food Pantry is now located at the Templeton Senior Center in Baldwinville. It is open from 9 am - 1 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## ANNUAL SPRING RAFFLE

St. Denis Parish, Ashburnham, is holding its 12th Annual Spring Give-Away on Saturday, May 21, 2016. Prizes are: 1st - \$10,000; 2nd - \$1,000; 3rd & 4th \$500; 5th - 8th \$250. Each ticket is \$100. and includes dinner for two at St. Denis' Fr. Lacey Hall, catered by Sean Patrick's Restaurant, on the night of the drawing. The odds are great with a max of 300 tickets sold! So take a chance to win a prize. You can call the Rectory at 978-827-5806 to purchase a ticket. We appreciate your support and good luck to all!

## CATHOLIC FREE PRESS

The Catholic Free Press is the official publication of the Diocese. Each parish is allocated a certain number of subscriptions each year that the parish must purchase. Please consider subscribing and supporting your Diocesan newspaper.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MUSEUM

The Knights of Columbus Museum recently opened Missin of Faith: The Coming of the Gospel to America, which explores Catholic evangelization from the arrival of Columbus to the present. A series of public lectures is planned throughout the show. The museum, at 1 State St., in New Haven, CT., is open from 10 am - 5 pm. daily. Admission and parking are free. More information: kofcmuseum.org.



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### Rosary

20 minutes before weekend Masses

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard at 4:45 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.