

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 12, 2017

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 11 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, November 12 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, November 12 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's  
Joseph Dembek by the family**

Sunday, November 12 - 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, November 11 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, November 12 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, November 19 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's  
Bernard Gronowicz, by our parish family**

Sunday, November 12 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

**Weekly, Nov. 5:** \$899    **All Souls:** \$32    **All Saints:** \$26

**Second Collection This Week:** Repair & Maintenance

**Second Collection Next Week is for the Campaign for Human  
Development. The Fuel collection will be taken up on Nov. 26.**

*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 Raymond Emond, Jennie House, Christine Parfait, 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 30 minutes before Mass each Sunday.



### NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

November 19, 2017 — Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**PROVERBS 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 • 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-6 • MATTHEW 25:14-30**

### BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Bible study on the Gospel of St. Mark is held on Sunday mornings, from 11:45 am - 1:00 pm (during CCD) on the stage in Holy Cross Hall, through Dec. 10.

Bible Study with Deacon Jim is held each Monday evening at St. Vincent de Paul church hall. The topic is "Sacrifice and Praise: an Introduction to the Psalms." Join us for fellowship at 6:30 pm followed by Bible study from 7 - 8 pm.

### CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AT LA SALETTE SHRINE

The Rosary Sodality will have a Wilson Bus trip to see the Christmas Lights at the LaSalette Shrine in S. Attleboro on Dec. 9, from 3 pm to 9 pm. The cost will be \$20 for the bus. Bring your own food or purchase it at their Cafeteria if desired. Please contact Joy, 978-632-1104 if interested. We are hoping to fill the bus for this wonderful event!

### PARISH FAMILIES IN NEED

We encourage families of Holy Cross & St. Martin Communities to call the Holy Cross rectory at 978-632-2121 to let us know if we can be of assistance to your family this Christmas. Hardships hit one time or another and the Giving Tree Committee would love to help.

### ST. MARTIN'S HOLIDAY FAIR — DECEMBER 2 & 3

Work is well under way for the Holiday Fair on Dec. 2 & 3! Thank you to all who have helped fill or provided complete theme baskets. Gifts are still needed for the Chinese Auction, major prize and match game tables. All donations welcome! Please remember to bake some goodies for the fair!

### ALL SOULS — NOVEMBER

During the month of November, we observe the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. We pray for those who have gone before us in faith, those who have shared their faith with us, especially our relatives and friends.

*Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them. O Lord, and  
Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.*

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### "THE NOTICE ZONE"

**A quick reference to "Need to Know" and upcoming Holy Cross  
& St. Martin Parish Events**

- \* Holy Cross Holiday Fair, Holy Cross Hall, Nov. 18, 9 am - 2 pm
- \* Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast, Nov. 26, 8- 11 am
- \* St. Martin's Holiday Fair, American Legion, Dec. 2, 9am - 2 pm and Sunday, Dec. 3, 9 am - 1 pm
- \* Christmas Lights - LaSalette Shrine - Dec. 9, 3-9 pm, Rosary Sodality invites parishioners. See details in upcoming bulletins



## Diary of a Little Soul

WEEK 7: November 13

I've got elbows! You should see me practice bending and flexing them. I also have a sense of balance thanks to my inner ear, which is already being formed. It's never too early to begin my daily exercise routine even though I'm only about an inch long! Mom would be surprised to know all the things I can do. She hasn't even felt me yet!

*And whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me.*

Matthew 18:5

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### BABY FOOD & CLOTHING DRIVE

Remembering that Jesus came to us as an infant, each year parishioners of St. Martin's collect food, clothing, blankets and other baby items to give to young families in need at Christmas time. The collected items will be delivered to the Healthy Families Program operated by the Visiting Nurses Association in Gardner. A collection basket will be available in the vestibule beginning this week. Infant clothing, as well as baby blankets, food, bibs, toys, and baby care items (shampoo, bath soap, etc) may be brought to church any weekend until December 3.

### 120 CLUB

Last week's winner was #11, Sarah Welch.

### HOLY CROSS HOLIDAY FAIR

The Rosary Sodality Holiday Fair will be held next Saturday, Nov. 18, from 9 am to 2 pm in the Holy Cross Church hall. Home-made fudge, pies and baked goods will be in Grandma's Kitchen. Basketville, Crafters De-light, Clever Hands, 'Children's Only' gift room, and a Thanksgiving Basket Raffle will be featured. Lunch will be served in the Tea Room.

### HAM & BEAN SUPPER

There will be a Ham & Bean Supper at the Memorial Congregational Church, The Common, Baldwinville on Nov. 18, 2017 from 5 pm to 6:30 pm. Adults are \$9 and Seniors are \$8. Please call 978-939-2631 for reservations.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST NOV. 26

The Otter River Council, Knights of Columbus will hold a pancake breakfast on Sun. Nov. 26 in our parish hall from 8 am to 11 am. Pan-cakes, sausage, eggs, juice and coffee will be served. The price is \$6 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages 6 - 12, under 6 are free. Proceeds will help the Holy Cross holiday food baskets.

### 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.



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#### Rosary

30 minutes before Sunday Mass

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard from 3:30 to 4:15 pm on Saturdays at Holy Cross Church 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.