Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 2, 2016

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 1 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, October 2 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

Sunday, October 2 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
George Murdock, 20th Anniversary by Babara & Steve White

Sunday, October 2 - 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, October 8 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, October 9 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

Sunday, October 9 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Joe Dembek by the family

Sunday, October 9 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

Weekly Offering: $364 **Catholic Schools:** $123
Second Collection next 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 Bob Young, 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, 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.

Blessing of the Animals

Fr. Marcin will bless parishioners' pets **this Sunday, Oct. 2,** at 2:00 pm in the Holy Cross Parking Lot.

Respect Life Sunday

Eucharistic Adoration will be held in our parish, from 12 noon to 6 pm on Sunday October 2, Respect Life Sunday, at Holy Cross Church. Please see the sign up sheet and join in prayer during this "40 Days for Life" Fall Campaign.

Respect Life

"When we stand before Jesus crucified, we see the depth of his love which exalts and sustains us, but at the same time, unless we are blind, we begin to realize that Jesus' gaze, burning with love, expands to embrace all his people." *— Pope Francis, Evangelii gaudium, no. 268*

Religious Education

SUNDAY: Grades K-5 @ 8:30 am, Grades 6-11 @ 11:30 am at Holy Cross
NO Classes next week - Columbus Day holiday

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Every Wednesday all are welcome to the 8 am Mass at Holy Cross Church and a Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help will follow. If you have any intentions to pray for, print them on a piece of paper and put them in the basket in front of the Statue of Mary in the back of Holy Cross Church.

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration is held on Monday evenings at 7:30 pm at Holy Cross Church. Everyone is welcome to stop by the church to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Please come and join us with First Friday Devotions, this Friday, October 7. It will begin with Confession, Mass followed by Taize prayer and worship.

6:15 pm Confession
7:00 pm Mass
7:30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with Taize Prayer

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be passing out tootsie rolls and accepting donations for children with challenges after Masses **this weekend, Oct. 1 & 2**. Please consider supporting the Knights in this worthy cause. Thank You.

The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." *— Lk 17:5-6*

Baby Bottle "Spare Change" Drive

The Pro-Life Committee will be conducting a baby bottle drive during the Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign (Sept. 28 - Nov. 6). **Empty baby bottles will be distributed at all Masses this weekend,** to be filled with your spare change to help support the work of Care Net, a pregnancy resource center for North Central Mass. All donations will be collected at Masses on Nov. 5 & 6 and go directly to this ministry of loving women in the crisis of unplanned pregnancies. Our mission is to love them with gentle compassion and to tell them the truth.

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 your ideas are always welcome!

120 Club

Last week's winner was #110, Pat Burdett. There are open nunbers; if you'd like to join, speak to Linda Columbus.

Bible Study at St. Vincent de Paul

Bible study with Deacon Jim are held on Mondays in the hall at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Baldwinville. Fellowship begins at 6:30 pm and class starts at 7 pm. All are welcome!

St. Vincent de Paul Fall Festivities

St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Baldwinville will have a **Tag Sale/Flea Market** on Sat., Oct. 8 in their church hall from 8 am - 2 pm.

The Annual **Meat Raffle** will be held on Sat., Oct. 15 at the Baldwinville American Legion, 3 Central St. at 7:00 pm. You could win your holiday roasts!

A **Harvest Fair** will be Sat. Oct. 22, from 9 am to 4 pm in their church hall. It will feature Theme Baskets, Country Store, Holiday Sale Table, Major Raffle (Cash Prizes), Lunch - Food- Snacks, Chinese Auction, Gift Certificate Auction, Baked goods, Crafts, Silent Auction, Money Tree, 50/50 & More!

Winter Coat Drive

Our Winter Coat Drive, honoring St. Martin of Tours — who cut his own cloak in half to share with a poor man — will begin on October 9 and run through November 4. New or clean used coats may be brought to Mass any Sunday, and will be delivered to the Community Action Council around November 11, the Feast Day of of our patron saint

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 rear of the Templeton Senior Center in Baldwinville. October hours: ***9 am - 1 pm*** on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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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.