

Please Pray for...

All who have died especially **Fr. Richard Carey and Theresa Berard** who died this week. We offer our sympathy and our prayers that they will rest in peace.

Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Yvette Bouvier, Richard Chabior, Cheryl Boucher, Fr. Martin Donahue, Peter Lacroix, Sheila Carroll Cunnion, John Waage, Theresa Johnson, Gloria Butler, Joyce Frigon, Laura Wyne, Theresa Cassavant, Paula & Juan Miranda, Raymond Brodeur, Howard Cooper, Joseph Siaures, Bonnie Sheldon, Pauline Casavant, Baby Aiden, Frank Harvey, Diane Gosselin, Paul Provencher, Fr. William O'Brien, Micael Jette, David Auger, Pat Benoit, Lorraine Cote, Barbara Gaudette, Tom Pawlowski, Joseph Nisel, Rochelle Warren, Baby Ryan, Jean Wheeler, Catherine Baril, Tim Josti Sr., Fr. Chet Devlin, Lea Derosier, Alice Sullivan, Jeanne Provencher, Darlene Kennedy, Ruth Flynn, Erlene Lachapelle, Lillian Remillard, John Ahearn, Pamela Collette, Patricia Johnson, Betty Cabana, Laurie Gablaski, Carey Dubois, Diane Cyr, Baby Jana, Theresa Thibault, John Paul Sribiag, Ernest Tremblay, Elizabeth Lemerise, Heather Lech, Frances Barrett, Baby Oliver, Theresa Suchocki, Baby Parker, Patricia Burdette, Ann Gablaski, Eddie LaFlamme, Addison Lacaire, Pat Benoit, Jeanne Lacroix and Amy Richard

PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE WEEK

That the Holy Spirit will guide all voters to choose wisely

OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FEBRUARY 20 & 21

Envelopes	\$5,542.50
Loose	\$ 481.50
Total collection	\$6,024.00
Number of envelopes	215
Attendance	539

Thank you for your support this past weekend. We continue to try to keep with the expenses of running this busy parish and are doing well because of those who support us regularly. May God bless you for your generosity.

FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK

Stuffing Mix

BABY BOTTLES Continue to remember to place your extra change and sacrificial Lenten offerings in the baby bottles. They should be returned on Palm Sunday.

PLEASE BE CAREFUL when you are walking on the parish property. Because of the frequency of the snow storms in the past few weeks we have to plow and sand more often. Sometimes it is difficult for the plow driver to see someone walking behind the truck. So please use extra care. Thank you.

WEEKLY LENTEN MEALS will be held every Wednesday night during Lent. This week's meal will be **Baked Potatoes & Chili**. This meal will be presented by our parish Monthly Meal Ministry. It will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The Faith Formation office will be open this week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00 – 5:00 pm. If you wish to leave Judi a message, she can be reached at **508-885-3111 Ext. 105**.

Faith Formation Classes this week

Sunday	9:00 – 10:00 am	Grades K thru 6
	6:30 - 8:00 pm	Grades 9, 10 & 11
Tuesday	4:15 – 5:30 pm	Grades 2 – 5
	6:30 pm	Drop In Center Open
	7:00 – 8:15 pm	Grades 6, 7 & 8

SPECIAL LENTEN MASS EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:45 PM. PLEASE JOIN US

CONFESSIONS EVERY TUESDAY EVENING FROM 7:00 TO 8:00PM IN CHURCH

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND VISITATION:

The Church is open daily from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm
The Eucharistic Chapel located in the Pastoral Center is open 24 hours a day for adoration
Special Year of Mercy Penitential Service will be announced

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE This is the last weekend to be able to sign up for the **Diocesan Men's Conference at the discounted rate**. The conference will take place on Saturday, March 12 at the DCU Center from 8:30 am to 5:00pm. As usual, a fine array of speakers has been assembled including a former NFL player who became a priest also a producer of Catholic Films, and a father of four who speaks on fathers and sons to name a few. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during lunch and Mass with Bishop McManus will conclude the day. Registration is \$ 45.00 before February 29 and \$ 60.00 after that or at the door which includes lunch and all materials. Brochure and registration forms are at the doors of the church.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

We will conduct our annual Partners in Charity in Pew Appeal next weekend March 5 & 6 at all Masses. Partners invites us to join with the rest of the diocese in carrying out the in helping the church to carry out the corporal and spiritual works of mercy .The agencies supported by this appeal include the works of Catholic Charities, the educational ministries of the diocese, and the care of those in need including the support of retired priests, the children at Nazareth home and the faith life of many of the new nationalities that make up a growing part of our diocese. If you have already sent in your pledge card to the diocese, thank you. If not please think prayerfully of making a gift and becoming a partner with us in the charitable works of mercy.

FOOD & FUEL CALENDARS It is not too late to get your calendar raffle tickets in!!!!. There are additional calendars at the doors of the church or at the office if you need more. Please remember to send them in by March 1.

Pastor's Notes:

VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

All of us are aware of the declining numbers of vocation to the priesthood. This coupled with the aging of the active priests (myself included) highlights that there is a need for new blood in this important work of the church. The priest is the one who is chosen in a special way to dedicate his life to the service of God's people. He is present to serve your needs and to make Christ present in the sacraments for your spiritual growth. Every year around this time, the diocese hosts an overnight retreat for young men who might be interested in knowing what the priesthood is really all about. The Bishop asks us to submit names of those we feel might make good priests and he invites them to this free weekend to just look at this way of life as an alternative. This year, the retreat will be held from 6:00pm Friday March 18 to 6:00pm March 19. Sometimes parishioners are able to see something in a person that I might not see. So if you might think you see the signs of a vocation in an older high school, college, or young single man give me their name and I will send it in and let the Holy Spirit work from there.

ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

Our annual St. Patrick's Dinner will be held on Saturday evening March 19 in the hall. The menu will be Corn Beef, Ham, Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, Irish Bread and dessert. There will be a cash bar and entertainment by the Irish Step Dancers. Tickets are \$11.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10 they will go on sale beginning tomorrow.

HELP FOR THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

If we are to have this dinner and keep the cost down, we need to have a lot of help. We need 8 people who would be willing to cook a corn beef and its fixings at home and bring it in on Saturday. (we give you all the ingredients) We would also need donations of Irish Bread, (if anyone knows how to make it) desserts and people to help decorate which will take place beginning at noon. This has been a wonderful tradition in our parish but we cannot continue it unless we get a lot of help. Please don't wait for someone else to volunteer. Call Sandy this week at the office at 508-885 -3111.

EASTER BASKETS FAMILY TO FAMILY

Easter food baskets will be distributed on Saturday March 19. We are looking for families who are willing to feed a specific family for Easter. If you are willing to do this, call Kathy at 508- 885 9828 and she will give the size and code number for a family.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES HOMECARE GIVERS program is looking for aides to care for elders and the disabled in their homes. Aides provide light housekeeping, laundry and shopping. They offer paid training and a schedule to meet your needs. For more info call 1- 800- 649-4364.

CATHOLIC FREE PRESS February is Catholic Press month and the time to renew your subscription to our diocesan newspaper. This is an important year to know the Catholic view on issues, as well as keeping abreast of the words and actions of Pope Francis as he calls us to share God's mercy. Subscription envelopes are in your monthly packet.

Mass Schedule

Saturday, February 27 4:30 pm Edward Dobosz (7 th Anniv) by his Family
Sunday, February 28 8:00 am For all parishioners living and deceased 10:15 am Dick Pelletier by his Family
Monday, February 29 8:00 am Richard Lacroix by Juan & Paula Miranda
Tuesday, March 1 8:00 am Marie Hamelin by Gail St.Germain
Wednesday, March 2 8:00 am Emma & Anna Bowker & Nellie Curtin by their Family 6:45 pm The Ledoux Family by Diane
Thursday, March 3 8:00 am David Ramsey by Gloria St.Martin
Friday, March 4 8:00 am No Mass
Saturday, March 5 4:30 pm William Gablaski Sr. (17 th Anniv) and Helen Siplas (9 th Anniv) By Ann & Family
Sunday, March 6 8:00 am 10:15 am Christina Wilson (34 th Anniv) by her Parents

Calendar of Events

Sunday , February 28 9:00 am 10:15 am 6:30 pm	Coffee Shop – Open Faith Formation Classes Grades K –6 Children's Liturgy of the Word Faith Formation Class Grs 9, 10 & 11
Monday, February 29 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Food Pantry - OPEN RCIA Class
Tuesday, March 1 4:15 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Faith Formation Class Grades 1 – 6 Drop In Center Open Faith Formation Class Grades 6 – 8 Confessions
Wednesday, March 2 5:30 – 6:30 pm 6:45 pm 7:00 pm	Lenten Meal – Monthly Meal Ministry Lenten Mass Prayer Shawl Ministry
Thursday, March 3 10:00 am	Food Pantry OPEN
Friday, March 4	
Saturday, March 5 3:30 pm	Partners in Charity appeal Confessions
Sunday, March 6 9:00 am 10:15 am 6:30 pm	Partners in Charity appeal Faith Formation Class Grades K - 6 Children's Liturgy of the Word Faith Formation Class Grs 9, 10 & 11