Please Pray for…

All who have died these past weeks. We offer our sympathy and our prayers to their families and pray that they will rest in peace.

Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Fr. Martin Donahue, Jill Cote, Peter Lacroix, Regis Breault, Simon Kibe, Jean Wheeler, Pat Monfette, Al Shedyak, Kathleen Bowen, Max Sandberg, Paul Masiello, Paul Provencher, Bernadette Pervier, Bob Peluso, Bill Keyes, Diane Cyr, Theresa Cassavant, Laurie Gablaski, Ann Gablaski, Addison Lacaire, Elizabeth Lemerise, Dawn McDonald, Pat Benoit, Gloria Butler, Joyce Frigon, Hannah Laythe, Laura Wynn, Carey Dubois, Raymond Brodeur, Michael Kady, Bonnie Sheldon, Fr. Chet Devlin, Heather Lech, Joseph Nisel, Joseph Siauris, Cheryl Branham, Judy Wilson, Pauline Casavant, Jon Widdison, Lynn Desforges

OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS APRIL 8 & 9

Envelopes	$4,595.00
Loose	$ 956.10
Total collection	$6,551.10
Number of envelopes	220
Mass Attendance	548

Thank you for your generous gifts this past weekend which enable us to continue to do God's work. May God bless you all. Please consider weekly or monthly online giving.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

The Partners in Charity appeal is off to a very good start. We have received $30,895.00 in gifts and pledges from 127 givers toward our goal of $43,000. Every gift, great and small enables the church to continue her works of charity, education, and pastoral ministry. THANK YOU for your generosity!

FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK
Beef Ravioli & Mayonnaise

St. John the Baptist in East Brookfield will hold an International Dinner and Variety Show at North Brookfield Elementary School on Saturday April 22nd at 5:30 pm. Adults $10.00, children under 12 $5.00 with a $20.00 per family max. Please call to reserve tickets or more info 508-867-6811.

There will be Eucharistic Minister training, for old and new people, after each mass the next weekend. Also, a procedure sheet for Eucharistic Ministers is in the Sacristy for you to go over before then.

Meeting for Lectors on Sunday April 23rd at 6:30 pm. This meeting is for all Lectors, old and new.

Novena to the Divine Mercy at St. John's Church Chapel in Worcester, 44 Temple St. at 5:00 pm April 10, 11, 12, 17, 18. 19, 20, 21 and 22. Deacon Paul Dacri will be the celebrant each day and service will consist of Divine Mercy Prayers and Benediction.

Faith Formation News

Office hours:
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00-5:00 Contact Judi at **508-885-3111 x 105 or jbrennan@parishmail.com**

Faith Formation is done until the fall.

PLEASE REGISTER FOR NEXT YEAR NOW !!!!
Schedule for the 2017 – 2018 season will be:

Sunday	**9 – 10**	**Grades K – 5**
Sunday	**5:30 – 7:00**	**Grades 9 – 11**
Monday	**4:45 – 6:00**	**Grades 2 – 5**
Tuesday	**7:00 – 8:15**	**Grades 6 – 8**

Grades 2 – 5 will only have 1 class on Sunday morning and one class on Monday afternoon. First Come, First Serve

Annual International Bazaar will be held on Friday, June 9th and Saturday June 10th!!! ***WE NEED YOUR HELP!***

Polish Booth is looking for a Co-Chair to help organize and run the booth and please call the office to volunteer….

Easter Cantata: "The Sacrifice", presented by the Ecumenical Community Choir will take place:
April 15th @ 3:00 pm Masonic Home, Charlton
April 23rd @ 3:00 pm St. John the Baptist, E. Brookfield

Open House: Venerini Academy is holding their Spring Open House on Thursday, April 27 from 9 – 11 am, 27 Edward Street, Worcester 508-753-3210 ext. 7310. Or visit them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Pancake Breakfast - fundraiser

We will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday April 23 from 8:30 – 12:00 as a fundraiser for the 6 high school students who will be going to Baltimore, MD for a Mission Trip in June. We will be serving Pancakes (plain, chocolate chip & blueberry), Bacon, Sausage, Fruit Cup, Juice, Milk, Coffee, Tea & Cocoa. Cost $5.00 per person, under 2 Free…..

Career Opportunity: The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. We welcome bi-lingual applicants. For more information, please contact, Thomas Racine, General Agent at 508-346-1303 or thomas/racine@kofc.org"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth". Colossians 3:2

A message from Fr. Bill

HE HAS RISEN, HE HAS RISEN INDEED!

May the love and blessing of the risen Christ be with each and every one of you this Easter Season, and always.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Peace, Fr. Bill

First Saturday Eucharistic Exposition
May 6, 2017 8:30am - 4:00 pm

Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary: 8:00am. Confessions following Mass. Exposition starting at the end of Mass and continuing throughout the day until 4:00 pm. Confessions 3:00 – 3:50 pm. Benediction 4:00 pm. If you wish to participate there is a signup sheet in the sacristy.

Interested in becoming a Deacon? Find out everything you wanted to know about the Diaconate program for the Diocese of Worcester. If you are a male, college graduate (or have an equivalent to a degree) and are between the ages of 31 and 60 and have an interest, now is your opportunity to get some answers. Spouses are welcome and urged to attend. Saturday, April 22, St. Anne Parish 130 Boston Turnpike Shrewsbury, MA 01545 at 10:00 am

BABY BOTTLE RETURN: Please remember to return the baby bottles you have been filling this Lenten Season for Visitation House. Your sacrifice this Lenten Season will help many women and children in need. Thank you for all you do.

The **2018 Mass Book** is now open for you to book your mass intentions for your loved ones. $10.00 per mass…Call the office to get the date you want.

Mexicali MEXICAN GRILL

Fundraising Opportunity:
We will be partnering with Mexicali Mexican Grill here in Spencer to have a fundraiser to benefit our Boy Scout Troop 201. This Fundraiser will be held on Tuesday, April18th from Noon till 10:00 pm. All you have to do is get a coupon from us and go enjoy a good meal. Mexicali will donate **20 %** of the ***total food sales*** to the parish….**YOU MUST HAVE A COUPON FOR US TO GET THE BENEFIT!!!!**
Coupons are available in the office, at the doors of the church and on the website…..

Save the Dates: The Spiritual Life Committee will be sponsoring a couple of events:

May 3 Morning of Reflection – Parish Hall
June 14 Pilgrimage to Fatima Shrine in Holliston

Easter Sunday

Mass Schedule

Saturday, April 15	
8:00 pm	Easter Vigil
Sunday, April 16	
8:00 am	Easter Mass
10:15 am	Easter Mass
Monday, April 17	
8:00 am	Joseph Luszey (40th Anniv) by the Family
Tuesday, April 18	
8:00 am	Craig Couroyer by Noella & Jim Kirkpatrick
Wednesday, April 19	
8:00 am	Norma & Normand Ledoux by Diane
Thursday, April 20	
8:00 am	Robert Fecteau by Pauline & Family
Friday, April 21	
8:00 am	**No Mass Today**
Saturday, April 22	
4:30 pm	Lisa Burke (Birthday Remembrance) by Mom & Dad
Sunday, April 23	
8:00 am	Claire Ledoux by the Loftus Family
10:15 am	Robert Snow (2nd Anniv) by the Family
7:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 16	**Coffee Shop CLOSED**
8:00 am **10:15 am**	**Easter Sunday Mass** **Easter Sunday Mass**
Monday, April 17	
10:00 am	**Food Pantry CLOSED**
Tuesday, April 18	
Wednesday, April 19	
Thursday, April 20	
10:00 am	**Food Pantry OPEN**
Friday, April 21	
Saturday, April 22	
3:30 pm	**Confessions**
Sunday, April 23	**Coffee Shop OPEN**
10:15 am	**Children's Liturgy of the Word**

April 16, 2017