

Please Pray for...

All who have died these past weeks, especially those suffering from senseless violence. We offer our sympathy and our prayers to their family and pray that they will rest in peace.

Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Fr. Martin Donahue, Mary Madden, Elaine Lamoureux, George Gouin, Dottie Woodward, Peter Lacroix, Heather Harris, Simon Kibe, Jean Wheeler, Melanie Paquette, Al Shedyak, Stevie Day, Kathleen Bowen, Paul Masiello, Paul Provencher, Bernadette Pervier, Bob Peluso, Bill Keyes, Diane Cyr, Theresa Cassavant, Laurie Gablaski, Ann Gablaski, Addison Lacaire, Elizabeth Lemerise, Pat Benoit, Gloria Butler, Joyce Frigon, Laura Wynn, Carey Dubois, Raymond Brodeur, Dawn McDonald, Michael Kady, Bonnie Sheldon, Heather Lech, Joseph Nisel, Joseph Sauris, Cheryl Branham, Judy Wilson, Pauline Casavant, Jon Widdison, Lynn Desforges

OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS JULY 29 & 30

Envelopes	\$5,104.00
Loose	\$ 385.50
Total collection	\$5,489.50
Number of envelopes	152
Mass Attendance	318

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
WE MADE OUR GOAL!! THANK YOU!**

FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK Salad Dressing

FIRST SATURDAY EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION SEPTEMBER 2, 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 sign up sheet in the sacristy.



Outreach Ministry: Carol St. John visits and brings communion to the homebound and those in nursing homes. If you know of someone who needs a visit please call her at 508-885-3017 or 508-864-6323

Catholic Charities Home Care Program is seeking a per diem Registered Nurse to supervise trained Personal Care Aides, in elderly and handicapped homes, in the surrounding towns of Southbridge. Please call 1-800-649-4364.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Office hours: 10:00 – 5:00

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, only, from 10:00-5:00

Contact Judi at 508-885-3111 x 105 or jbrennan@parishmail.com

Faith Formation classes begin in September.

PLEASE REGISTER FOR NEXT YEAR NOW!!!!

Schedule for the 2017 – 2018 year will be:

Sunday	9:00 – 10:00	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

Faith Formation Needs for the Fall:

- High School Catechists 1 Sunday a month
- Someone to organize Prayer Partners for 2nd Grade and Confirmation Classes
- Someone to work w/ GLOW Youth Group implementing activities throughout the year.

Thank you to all who donated articles for the school supply drive for Catholic Charities.

PICNIC PICNIC

Parish Picnic Committee: Meeting on Wednesday, August 9th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Anyone interested in helping with the Parish Picnic is welcome to attend. We are looking for ideas for fun games and activities for this event. Many hands make light work for all. Contact Ken at 774-745-0335 or Sandy 508-885-3111 for more information.



Catholic Charities Home Care Program is also looking Aides to Provide Light Housekeeping, Laundry, Shopping and Personal Care. Paid Training and a schedule to meet your needs...1-800-649-4364

Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life. A 30 week experience of Directed Prayer and Reflection in the tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola is being offered by a team of Jesuits and 3 couples who are trained in Ignatian Prayer, starting October 1, 2017 at St. Mary's Church in Jefferson. Informational nights will be held at St. Mary's Church in Jefferson on August 20 at 6:00 pm and St. Rose of Lima Church in Northborough on August 27 at 6:00 pm. For more information visit www.findinggodindailylife.com/worcesterspex-home or email: worcespex19@gmail.com or call Dick at 508-885-4462

A message from Fr. Bill

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Whereas the baptism of the Lord is the starting point of Christ's public life and His Ascension back to the right hand of God is its end, the Lord's transfiguration is the summit of the earthly life of Jesus. To properly understand this high point, the prior conversation that Jesus had with His disciples on the road to Caesarea Philippi is essential. Peter had responded to Jesus' question, "Who do you say I am?" and declared Jesus to be the Christ. Having accepted Peter's confession of faith and revealing to them His forthcoming passion and death, Jesus takes Peter, James and John with Him up the mountain. There, on the mountaintop, Jesus was transfigured and His divine origins became visible. Moses and Elijah, representatives of the first covenant, especially the Law and the Prophets, converse with Jesus. Then, the Father's voice is heard declaring Jesus to be His beloved Son. Wrongly, Peter wants to freeze this moment; instead, the disciples bow down in adoration at their singular privilege. From now on, Christ is not simply the prophet, He assumes His priestly role and will eventually be both Priest and Victim: the priest who offers sacrifices and the victim who is sacrificed.

Fr. Bill

August Calendar Raffle Winners:

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

August 1	Theresa Parker	\$100.00
August 2	Chris & Paul Cournoyer	\$100.00
August 3	Joseph Ledoux	\$50.00

Recruiting Ignation Volunteers: Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is open to men and women 50 years of age or better, who can commit to two days per week of service in parishes, schools and non-profit organizations working directly with people experiencing poverty or marginalization, or in the pursuit of social justice. The service commitment takes place over a ten month period, September through June. IVC is recruiting volunteers for the upcoming year. Persons interested in applying or for more information should email Dave Hinch (dhinchen@ivcusa.org) for an application. IVC combines service with monthly spiritual reflection in community with other volunteers.

Pilgrimage to Grotto in Leicester

The Sisters of Mercy will host the annual Mass and Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Grotto at Nazareth in Leicester on the Feast of the Assumption, Tuesday, August 15. The Pilgrimage will begin at St. Joseph Church, 759 Main St. Leicester at 9:15 am. The rosary will be recited throughout the one mile walk to the Grotto at Nazareth Home for Boys. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 am in the Grotto. Fr. James Mazzone will be the principal celebrant. The Pilgrimage is a tradition which the Sisters of Mercy began in 1901 and have continued each year since then. Visitors may pray at the Grotto before or after Mass and throughout the day.

EWTN Global Catholic Network invites you to their Family Celebration at the DCU Convention Center in Worcester on Sat. & Sun. September 9 & 10 for an inspiring weekend for your entire family. The theme will be "Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Fatima". Be renewed in your faith with inspirational talks by your favorite EWTN Hosts. Bishop Robert McManus will serve as the celebrant and homilist at Sunday's Holy Mass. Admission is free, no tickets required. Log onto www.ewtn.com/familycelebration for more information

The Transfiguration of the Lord

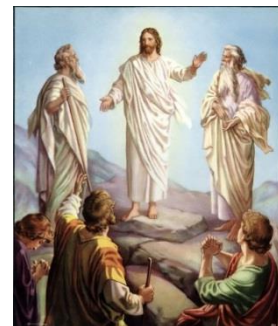
Mass Schedule

Saturday, August 5 4:30 pm Robert Morrison by his Wife & Family
Sunday, August 6 8:00 am For the People of the Parish 10:15 am Emile Lamoureux by Paul & David
Monday, August 7 8:00 am
Tuesday, August 8 8:00 am Doris & Rita Lussier by Normand & Alice Vandale
Wednesday, August 9 8:00 am For the Moreau Family by Louise
Thursday, August 10 8:00 am Rosa McDonald by Theresa Ethier
Friday, August 11 8:00 am No Mass Today
Saturday, August 12 4:30 pm Lois Trzcinski (20 th Anniv) by Vinny & Family
Sunday, August 13 8:00 am For the People of the Parish 10:15 am Dick Pelletier by his Family

Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 6	Coffee Shop OPEN
10:15 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word
Monday, August 7	
10:00 am	Food Pantry CLOSED
Tuesday, August 8	
Wednesday, August 9	
7:00 pm	Parish Picnic Committee
Thursday, August 10	
10:00 am	Food Pantry OPEN
Friday, August 11	
Saturday, August 12	
3:30 pm	Confessions
Sunday, August 13	Coffee Shop OPEN
10:15 am	Family Mass

"And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light." Matthew 17:2



August 6, 2017