

### Please Pray for...

All who have died, especially **Richard Chabior Vincent Mastro and Lillian Remillard**. We offer our sympathy and our prayers to their families that they will rest in peace.

#### Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Yvette Bouvier, , Cheryl Boucher, Fr. Martin Donahue, Peter Lacroix, Sheila Carroll Cunnon, Theresa Johnson, Janice Baronoski, 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, Michael Jette, David Auger, Pat Benoit, Lorraine Cote, Barbara Gaudette, Tom Pawlowski, Joseph Nisel, Rochelle Warren, Baby Ryan, Jean Wheeler, Catherine Baril, Donald Ritchie, Tim Josti Sr., Fr. Chet Devlin, Lea Derosier, Alice Sullivan, Jeanne Provencher, Darlene Kennedy, Ruth Flynn, Erlene Lachapelle, John Ahearn, 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

### OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS MARCH 26 & 27

Envelopes	\$5,490.00
Loose	\$ 991.00
Total collection	\$6,481.50
Number of envelopes	176
Attendance	826
Easter Collection	\$3,591.50
Easter Envelopes	180
Good Friday	\$ 367.00

Thank you for your generous gifts this past weekend which enable us to continue to do God's work. May God bless you all.

### FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** is celebrated each year on the Sunday after Easter which this year is on April 3. In observance of this we invite you to join the Spiritual Renewal Committee in reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy following the 8:00 am Mass this morning. This devotion lasts only about 15 minutes and is a good way to celebrate the year of Mercy. All are invited to join in.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING** for all volunteers from previous years and for new volunteers will take on Sunday April 10 after the 10:15 Mass in the hall. At this meeting, we will begin to build our team and announce the theme for this year's VBS.

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT** Members of the Confirmation class will be on retreat this Sunday preparing for the Sacrament which they will receive on April 28. We ask you to keep the young people in your prayers today and during the next month as they prepare for this special day .

**Easter Sunday**

### 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

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 – 10:00</b> <b>10:30 am 7:30</b> <b>6:30 – 8:00pm</b>	<b>Grs. K thru 6</b> <b>Confirmation retreat</b> <b>Grades 9 &amp; 10</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>4:15 – 5:30 pm</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> <b>7:00 – 8:15 pm</b>	<b>Grades 2 – 5</b> <b>Drop In Center Open</b> <b>Grades 6, 7 &amp; 8</b>

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND VISITATION:

The Eucharistic Chapel located in the Pastoral Center is open 24 hours a day for adoration. If there is no one else in the chapel when you leave, remember to close the wooden doors in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

### PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL

Because of Holy Week , there is no new report this week. We continue our annual Partners in Charity Appeal this weekend. We have collected **\$26,065.00 representing 142 gifts**, which is **52 %** of our goal. We still have a long way to go to reach this year's goal of **\$47,500.00**. To meet this goal we will need the support of everyone. This money supports the works of the church in our diocese , works of education . charity and pastoral ministry We encourage you to become partners in the works of mercy carried out by the church.

**MONTHLY MEALS** Many people commented on how much they enjoyed the Wednesday night Lenten meals .It was evident from your good attendance and great spirit . Even though we can't do this all year , we do offer a monthly parish meal usually on the second Wednesday of the month. The next one will be on April 13 and will be Breakfast for Supper. Hope to see you then.

**3rd Annual Jennifer McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship Dinner Saturday, April 2, 6 -8 pm Knights of Columbus Hall, Spencer, Favorite dishes from local restaurants. \$10.00 Advance ticket sales only Tickets on sale after Mass this weekend or call Mary McLaughlin at 508-885-2256 or purchase with PayPal at [www.Jam4Jen.com](http://www.Jam4Jen.com)**

### PASTORS NOTES

Happy Easter to all and welcome to our celebration of the most important event in the church year, the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. In this event we find our hope for the future, here on earth, and for our future life with God in heaven. We see the promise of new life, death and sin destroyed, and heaven's gates thrown open to receive us. Bishop McManus has written us an inspiring message which is included in today's bulletin. I add my own personal prayers and wishes for you and your family to his and pray that the rising of Jesus may brighten our days, dispel our darkness whatever form it may take, and most of all give us peace.

**March 27, 2016**

**EASTER CANTATA** entitled "Raise the Crown" will be presented by the Christian Community Choir on the following dates.  
 Sunday April 3 at 3:00pm at St. John the Baptist Church  
 Sunday April 10 at 3:00pm at Overlook Masonic Home, Charlton  
 All are invited to come and continue the spirit of the Easter Season.

**INTERNATIONAL BAZAAR** It is time to think about getting the Bazaar organized. There will be a meeting for all chairpersons and for all who would like to volunteer on **Wednesday evening March 30 at 7:00 pm** in the hall. We have a few booths which will need new chairs or co-chairs. Current chairpersons let us know if you are returning this year so that we can plan.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DEACON?** Are you a male, college graduate, age 31 to 65? An information session will be held at O.L. Mt. Carmel parish center on Saturday April 2 at 9:00 am. Spouses are invited and urged to attend as well. For details call 508-929-4335.

**FROM CRIBS TO CRAYONS** is a project to collect gently used, clean children's clothes to be distributed to those in need. This includes anything from infants and toddlers to Men's size medium with emphasis on tops for boys of all ages, girls from 24 months to 3 T, and sneakers up to youth / adult size 5. This is a state project sponsored by Project 351 which is a nonprofit focused on community and service. One 8<sup>th</sup> grade student from each town is chosen to conduct this campaign. The young man from our town is a member of our parish and an altar server. Boxes will be at the doors of the church between April 8 and April 18 to collect your donations.

**ALTAR SERVERS, READERS AND MINISTERS** pick up your April schedule in the sacristy today

**FOOD & FUEL CALENDAR WINNERS: Congratulations!!!**

March 18	Donald Lacaire	\$50.00 Hannaford's
March 19	Jim Woods	\$300.00 Cash
March 20	Janet Robertson	\$100.00 Cumb Farms
March 21	Louise Beauvais	\$50.00 Country Inn
March 22	Roger & Gurlie Perron	\$50.00 Citgo
March 23	Claire Baillargeon	\$100.00 Big Y
March 24	Laurie Zukowski	\$50.00 Sunoco

**Mass Schedule**

<b>Saturday, March 26</b> 7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, March 27</b> 8:00 am Easter Mass 10:15 am Easter Mass
<b>Monday, March 28</b> 8:00 am Evelyn Seguin by Suzanne Lamoureux
<b>Tuesday, March 29</b> 8:00 am Dolores Gosselin by Kathy & Paul Laperle
<b>Wednesday, March 30</b> 8:00 am Lucas Lacaire – Birthday Anniversary by the Family
<b>Thursday, March 31</b> 8:00 am Stephen Sweet (17 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) by his Family
<b>Friday, April 01</b> 8:00 am No Mass Today
<b>Saturday, April 02</b> 4:30 pm Herve & Margie Steiger by the Family
<b>Sunday, April 03</b> 8:00 am Jennifer McLaughlin by the Family 10:15 am Elizabeth Monfette (90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday) by her Family

**Calendar of Events**

<b>Sunday, April 03</b> 9:00 am 10:15 am 10:30 -7:30 6:30 pm	<b>Coffee Shop – Closed</b> Faith Formation Grades K -6 Children's Liturgy of the Word Confirmation Retreat Faith Formation Grades 9 - 10
<b>Monday, April 04</b> 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Food Pantry - Open RCIA
<b>Tuesday, April 05</b> 2:00 pm 4:15 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Howe Village Mass Faith Formation Class Grades 1 – 6 Drop In Center Open Faith Formation Class Grades 6 – 8
<b>Wednesday, April 06</b> 7:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Group
<b>Thursday, April 07</b> 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Food Pantry <b>OPEN</b> Scouts
<b>Friday, April 08</b> 5:00 pm	Wedding. Alan Grant & Megan Craig
<b>Saturday, April 09</b> 3:30 pm	Confessions
<b>Sunday, April 10</b> 9:00 am 10:15 am pm	<b>Coffee Shop Open</b> Faith Formation Grades K - 6 Children's Liturgy of the Word Youth Ministry Night

**WORD AMONG US** for the Easter season available at the doors today. Good reflections for the Easter Season



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Easter Sunday

