

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 21st

4:00 Sciortino & DeFeo families, Mem. Mass

Sunday, November 22nd

7:30 Joseph & Ginny Houghton, Mem. Mass

9:00 Robert Graf, 10th Anniv. Mass

11:00 Fred Baczek, 3rd Anniv. Mass

Monday, November 23rd

7:00 For the people of our parish

Tuesday, November 24th

7:00 Polly Considine, Mem. Mass

Wednesday, November 25th

7:00 Return to good health for Genoeffa Bruno

Thursday, November 26th

9:00 Stanley & Anna Guut, Mem. Mass

Friday, November 27th

7:00 In Thanksgiving for prayers answered

Saturday, November 28th

8:00 William F. Markley, Jr., Anniv. Mass

4:00 Shannon Riley, 25th Anniv. Mass

Sunday, November 29th

7:30 Maureen Welch, Month's Mind Mass

9:00 Jesse Ribeiro, 15th Anniv. Mass

11:00 Celia & Leo Rafferty, Mem. Mass

Please note....on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th, we will have no 7:00 a.m. Mass. Our Mass that morning will be at 9:00 a.m.

Wedding Banns

II ~ Brad Whitney & Nicole McNally

This weekend we take up the collection for the Retired Sisters. There will be only one collection.

ARISE in action!

One of our ARISE groups will be presenting a short talk on the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the Masses on the weekend of November 28th & 29th.

Children's Christmas Eve Mass

We are looking for children to participate in our annual Christmas Eve Children's Mass at 5:30 p.m. on December 24th. During this Mass, our children reenact the Christmas story. We need the following "roles" to be filled: Mary, Joseph, angels, shepherds, we need a narrator and readers, gift bearers. We are asking you to call Clare at the Rectory weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or evenings at 781-224-5659. Please call as soon as possible so that we know how many children will be participating. Children of all ages are welcome. This is always a fun and exciting event for the children. Call now for your child to participate and to make sure we have a costume for your child. Please call no later than Friday, December 4th. Thank you!

Upcoming Bible Study Series

Deacon Frank Valeri will present a fall/winter season of Bible study. "The Holy Family of the New Testament, focus on Blessed Mother Mary" on December 9th, 16th & 22nd. All dates are 7:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. All are welcome!

From the Pastor's Desk

Congress continues to debate health care reform legislation. While the U.S. House passed a health care bill that prevents the federal government from funding elective abortions, the U.S. Bishops remain deeply concerned about Senate action, especially as it will affect abortion funding, conscience rights, affordability for the poor and vulnerable, and accessibility for immigrants. In your pews today, you'll find a newly updated flier from the U.S. Bishops Conference asking you to please contact your Senators immediately and urge them to address these moral issues. The flier includes a web address that allows you to send an email message to Congress with the click of a button. The bishops have asked for our swift action and our prayers. Thank you for your help. We can help make sure that health care reform will be about savings lives, not destroying them.

Every year, our parish participates in the Giving Tree program. Through this program, sponsored by Catholic Charities North, our parishioners assist those who are less fortunate. We place two "Giving Trees" (Christmas trees) in the Sanctuary. Next to each of those trees, is a basket filled with paper ornaments. On these ornaments is a gift tag with a specific gift request. If you wish to participate, you are asked to take an ornament from the basket, remove the gift tag and place the blank ornament on the tree. When you purchase the gift item requested, it should be returned to church with the gift tag affixed in some way. You are kindly asked not to wrap the gifts. If you wish to include gift wrapping with your gift, it would be greatly appreciated ~ but the gifts must be unwrapped. The gifts range from toys, gift certificates to grocery stores, clothing, etc. , We ask that the gifts be returned on the weekends of November 28th & 29th and December 5th & 6th. We ask that you please return them no later than December 6th, to insure that they will arrive to those who need them in time for Christmas. Thank you!

My Brother's Table

We are going to serve a meal at My Brother's Table on Monday, November 23rd. If you would like to come with us to help prepare and serve this meal, please call Phyllis at 781-662-2807. Baked or purchased desserts may be dropped off at the Rectory before Monday, 11/23. Also, a request from My Brother's Table has been received looking for new sweaters. If anyone would like to donate a new sweater (unwrapped, please) those also should be dropped off at the Rectory. Thank you!

Religious Education News

Following all Masses on the weekend of November 28th & 29th in the Gathering Space, Advent wreaths, candles and nativity sets will be available for sale. We would ask all of our Religious Education families to consider beginning, or continuing, an Advent tradition, to emphasize the importance of this very holy season.

Any parishioner who may be aware of a parish family in need of assistance during the holiday season is asked to contact Chris Carlson (781-245-4669), Kathy Keegan (781-245-3414) or Fr. Coughlin.

Choir CD

All those who ordered a CD are asked to kindly send their check (\$20) made payable to Most Blessed Sacrament Parish. Please mail or drop the check off at the Rectory to Clare's attention. The CD has been recorded and we should have them very soon. If you would like to order a copy of the CD, please let Clare know. We have ordered some extras as the response has been so good to this effort. Clare and the choirs are so grateful for your support.

A blessing you can use at your Thanksgiving table...

"Oh God, you are the giver of every good gift. Through your goodness we enjoy the fruits of the earth and share the loving gifts of family and friendship. We ask your blessing on (our guests) our table and our home. We offer thanks for the love with which this meal was prepared, and for the love and joy that bring us together to partake of it. In gratitude for your continued care for us, make us mindful of the needs of others. May we show our thankfulness in the manner of our living. May our hearts be filled with love and praise. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Holly Festival and Craft Fair

Come and join us on Saturday, December 5th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for this annual fair! We will be anxiously awaiting your donations of handmade articles, baked goods, etc. Come and shop our many vendors and crafters! Stay for lunch and enjoy a lobster roll, chicken salad roll, pizza, and many other goodies. This is the place to find that unique gift for that person on your list that is so hard to buy for!

Take chances on our raffle items!

Don't forget to bring along the children ~ there will be a Children's Table where they can buy that special gift for their families...and don't forget your camera! Santa will be joining us from 11:00 a.m. til 1:00 p.m. So you can see we have something for EVERYONE!

If you are donating articles, they can be dropped off IN THE PARISH CENTER HALL either on Thursday, December 3rd from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. or Friday, December 4th from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Any questions, call Betty at 781-245-3022

As Fr. Coughlin will be on retreat the week of November 29th, the daily Mass schedule that week will be as follows:

Monday, November 30th

7:00 a.m. – Fr. Browne celebrant

Tuesday, December 1st

7:00 a.m. – Fr. Browne celebrant

Wed., December 2nd – NO 7:00 A.M. MASS

Thursday, December 3rd – NO 7:00 A.M. MASS

Friday, December 4th

7:00 a.m. – Fr. Browne celebrant

We are so grateful to Fr. Browne for assisting us while Fr. Coughlin is on his annual retreat.

Christmas Plant Memorial Program

Envelopes are at the doors of the church for parishioners to make a donation in your name or in memory of a loved one toward the Christmas plants that will adorn our altar and church during the Christmas season. Please print the names clearly and carefully on the envelope, and kindly make your checks payable to Most Blessed Sacrament Parish. You may put the envelope and check in the collection basket. The names of all those remembered in this way will be printed in the bulletin on the weekend of December 26th & 27th.

Advent Wreath Prayers & Scripture Readings

First Sunday and Week of Advent

Light the first purple candle.

Prayer: "Stir up thy power, O Lord, and come, that by thy protection we may be rescued from the dangers that beset us through our sins; and be a Redeemer to deliver us; Who lives and reigns with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen"

Parish Pastoral Council Rep. Election Results

The following people were elected by the parishioners for the Adult Representatives on the PPC. We are so grateful to all those who ran for election and for all those parishioners who participated in the voting. The adult representatives who won the election are:

Rosemary Dolan

Mary Crump

Michael Marciello

Cy Caouette

And...our newly elected Youth Representative is

Kathleen Sullivan

Congratulations to all those who were elected, and we know they will serve our parish community and help our parish so much!

Upcoming Holyday of Obligation

Tuesday, December 8th is the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Masses for the holyday will be celebrated on Monday, December 7th at 5:00 & 7:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, December 8th at 7:00 & 9:00 a.m.