

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

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| Sat | Mar 6 | 5:00 pm | <i>Joseph Celi</i> |
| Sun | Mar 7 | 7:30 am | <i>Leon Moreau</i> |
| | | 9:30 am | <i>Antonio Aponte</i> |
| | | 11:30 am | <i>John McQuilkin</i> |
| Mon | Mar 8 | 7:00 am | <i>Ed Lefebvre</i> |
| Tues | Mar 9 | 9:00 am | <i>Mary Fiorentino</i> |
| Thur | Mar 11 | 9:00 am | <i>Jean Davidson Jenkins</i> |
| Sat | Mar 13 | 5:00 pm | <i>Joan Wallen</i> |
| Sun | Mar 14 | 7:30 am | <i>Mildred & Henry Boyle</i> |
| | | | <i>Millie Moynihan</i> |
| | | 9:30 am | <i>Connie & Herman Anderson</i> |
| | | 11:30 am | <i>Ed Lefebvre</i> |

Prayer Requests

Please Pray for...

Philip, Kay, Carmen, Sally, Francesca, Frank, Ellen, Julie Uncle Gene, Joe, Ginny, Matt Davis, Kim, Gina, Luis C., Bill, Natalie, Gerry, Hope, Pearl, Denise, Kathy, Lynn, Jim W., Sheila, Christian G., Ciara M., Andrew, Jacqueline R., Petro Acevecro, Billy, Eddie H., Bobby J., Joanne, Jim K., Peter Marks, Tom W., Timar, Christine, Sean, John, Tony, Pearl, Joan, Travis L., Joe P., Eduardo, Catherine S., Ted, M.J. Ann, Peg, Don, Gail, Mary, Paul, Ed, Bobby, Wayne Dodge, Matt Berry, Lenny, Debbie, Rachel, the Killilea family, Bill, Liz, Brad, Jeanne, Deb Christian, Diane, Sr John Francis, Tony Spagnicoto, Diane Backman, Warren, Margaret Jungers, Bob C, Deb A, Mary O, Norman, Marie P., Sr. Marjorie, and the residents, patients, and staff of area nursing homes and Emerson Hospital.

If there is someone who is sick and whose name you would like in the bulletin so that our parish may hold them in prayer, please contact the Parish Center. We will leave a name on the list until you call and tell us otherwise or until our periodic clearing of the list. Please remember that some people would prefer their names not be published in this fashion.

Bereavement Group

The Bereavement Support Group is open to all those coping with the 'loss' of a loved one. Spring is approaching, and you are feeling all the emotions of anger, stress, anxiety, and sadness. The function of the Bereavement Group is to help you once again live as a whole person. Remember you are not alone on this path. We can help and support each other. Come let us walk with you. Meetings are held every other Wednesday at 7:00 pm, at Holy Family Parish Center, 55 Church St., West Concord. For more information, please call Sr. Rose Marie at 978-369-7442. Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 10th.

Adult Confirmation

Special sessions are available for any Catholic age 18 or older who has never been confirmed and would like to be this year. Please contact Sr Rose Marie at 978-369-7442.

Music News

Listen to and Learn About the Handbell Choir

The Handbell Choir will be playing at the 11:30 am Mass this Sunday, March 7th. After the Mass, we invite any interested parishioners to come up to the handbell table and take a look at the bells and the music and give it a try if you like. The handbell ringers will be ready to show you how to ring, how to play using the music, and how much fun we have. Beginners are welcome! Come and take a look for yourself. For more info, see Jim Barkovic, Music Director.

Bach's 325th Birthday Bash Concert

A special concert in honor of Bach's birthday will be held on Saturday March 20th at 7:00 pm at church. Performers include: Jim Barkovic, Suzanne Brozek, Kathleen Carter, Peter Dabos, Joe DiMarino, Rhonda Doll, Jennifer Harney, Julie Hirschler, Merrill Liteplo, Meighan Matthews, Carol Messina, Ellen Oak, Ganesh Sundaram, and Lauren Sprague.

Summer Service Trip Raffle: Items Needed!

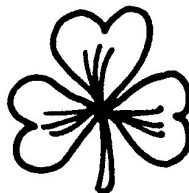
Holy Family youth who are participating in this summer's service trip at Sacred Heart Parish in Maryland are selling raffle tickets after all Masses the weekends of March 20 & 21 and March 27 & 28 to help raise money for this trip. If you have sporting event tickets (like Red Sox tickets, etc) or other items to donate for the raffle, please contact Kristin Canty at 617-216-0402 or kristincanty@aol.com, or Terri Finigan at finigant@fin-plans.com. Thank you!

Easter Lily Sale

Holy Family Parish youth will be selling Easter lilies on Sat & Sun Mar 27 & 28th after ALL Masses. Proceeds from the sale will help subsidize the cost of the upcoming Summer Service trip. Flowers will cost \$20 each. Checks can be made payable to *Holy Family Parish*. Please consider supporting this effort so that our youth can give a week of their summer serving others in need.

Special Events Committee

Chair: *Joanne Cormier* 978-369-3085
Co-Chair: *Bernadette Jaros* 978-369-7687



March 13th: St Patrick's Dinner: The St Patrick's Dinner will be held on Saturday, March 13th at Monument Hall, beginning at 6:00 pm. Kindly return the bottom portion of the flyer (which was inserted into last week's bulletin) with your check made payable to *Holy Family Parish*, and return it to the Parish Center **no later than Monday March 8th.** Please contact one of the above-listed members if you need more information. We look forward to seeing you at this fun-filled annual event!

The next scheduled Special Events Committee will be held on Thursday, March 11th at 6:30 pm at the Parish Center. New members are always welcome!

Weekly Schedule

Faith Festival & Confirmation Classes, Level II Sun Mar 7 at 4:30 pm at Monument Hall

Evening Prayer Sun Mar 7 at 7:00 pm at the church

Rosary before and after daily Mass

Women's Scripture Study Mon Mar 8 at 10:00 am at Monument Hall

ARISE! Mon Mar 8 at 11:15 am at Monument Hall

Service & Justice Commission Mon Mar 8 at 7:00 pm at the Parish Center

Parish Pastoral Council Mon Mar 8 at 7:00 pm at the Parish Center

Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament Tuesdays from 12:00-1:00 pm in the church

Faith Formation Classes, grades 1-5 Tues Mar 9 at 4:00 pm at Monument Hall

Faith Formation Classes, grades 2-8 Tues Mar 9 at 6:00 pm at Monument Hall

RCIA Tues Mar 9 at 7:00 pm at the Parish Center

Faith Formation Classes, grades 1-5 Wed Mar 10 at 4:00 pm at Monument Hall

Faith Formation Classes, grades 2-8 Wed Mar 10 at 6:00 pm at Monument Hall

Bereavement Group Wed Mar 10 at 7:00 pm at the Parish Center

Voice of the Faithful Wed Mar 10 at 7:30 pm at the Parish Center

Faith Formation Classes, grades 1-5 Thur Mar 11 at 4:00 pm at Monument Hall

Special Events Committee Thur Mar 11 at 6:30 pm at the Parish Center

Handbell Choir Rehearsal Thur Mar 11 at 6:30 pm at West Concord Union Church

Adult Choir Rehearsal Thur Mar 11 at 7:30 pm at West Concord Union Church

Stations of the Cross Fri Mar 12 at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm at the church

Faith Formation News**Review of Religious Education Program**

The Faith Formation Commission met on Thursday, March 4 and heard preliminary reports from all the subcommittees that have been meeting to review every aspect of our religious education program. Some wonderful proposals were made that will enable Holy Family Parish to give to our young people both an understanding and a love of our Catholic faith so that they will be inspired to live it. Involving parents as partners in this living out and handing on the faith to their children was also discussed. Such riches our God has shared with us! In turn to share these with conviction and enthusiasm is a joy. This review process continues. The Faith Formation Commission will meet again on March 22 and your ideas are most welcome. Please contact Tony Carbrello (CRE55church@aol.com) or David Thorp (DFF55church@aol.com).

Especially for Lent**Evening Prayer**

Evening Prayer is celebrated at 7:00 pm on Sunday evenings during Lent. This is a quiet time of sung prayer, candlelight, incense, and a brief reflection. Take the opportunity to give yourself the gift of this refreshing, peaceful time during the Lenten season.

Giving Trees

Holy Family's Service & Justice Commission is sponsoring the Easter Giving trees for the Family Life Center in Roxbury, MA. Please take a tag from the trees located at the entrances of the church. *Please return your tag with accompanying gift or food no later than March 21st.* Thank you for your support!

Easter Flower Fund

Contributions are being accepted for the purchase of flowers that will decorate our sanctuary during the Easter season. Funds can be given as a donation or in memory of a deceased loved one. Please drop off or mail contributions in to the Parish Center at 55 Church Street. A list will also be published in our parish bulletin of those being memorialized in this way.

An Experience with Jesus: The Stations of the Cross

On Friday, March 12 we will walk with Jesus by praying the Stations of the Cross at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Please come as we reflect ~ across generations ~ on how Jesus' suffering can give strength to all of us, younger and older.

For the 7 pm. time, we are looking for 14 students (elementary and up) and 14 adult volunteers to read JUST ONE paragraph for one of the Stations along the Way of the Cross. When we prayerfully read aloud, we often are drawn more deeply into the experience of God's love.

Looking ahead: On Friday, March 26th at 7 pm, women will be reading the stations which are presented from Mary's perspective. If you are interested in participating either on March 12th or March 26th, please contact Andrea Weaver at 978-400-6813 or andreaJFweaver@gmail.com.

Youth News**Palm Sunday Passion**

Holy Family Youth Ministry is looking for youth (Grades 9-12) interested in being a part of our Palm Sunday gospel reading of the suffering and death of our Lord. We are hoping to have at least a dozen youth willing to read at both the 9:30 and 11:30 AM Masses. There will be opportunities for individual speaking parts or roles as part of a group. *These parts require no acting or costumes, simply reading.* If you are interested in participating in this liturgical ministry, please contact Annette Pollack (atpollack2@aol.com or 978-369-4415) or Tom Valle (tfvalle@verizon.net or 978-369-5970).