

Mass Intentions for the Week



Sat	Aug 1	5:00 pm	Leo Clifford
Sun	Aug 2	8:00 am	Martha Doyle
		10:30 am	Margaret McAvenia
Mon	Aug 3	7:00 am	Frances Crocker
Tues	Aug 4	No Mass	
Wed	Aug 5	7:00 am	David Crowther
Thur	Aug 6	9:00 am	Rita Delsener
Sat	Aug 8	5:00 pm	Nicholas Signoratti
Sun	Aug 9	8:00 am	Carol Robichaud
		10:30 am	Ray McCarthy

Prayer Requests

Please Pray for.....

Herbert, Jim and Larry, Paul, Jason, Bob, Christina Duffy, Jeanne, Charlie, Jacki, Brad R., Stacey McW., Bob and Kay, Alda Tully, Charlotte, Catherine, Ted, Marian Height, Michael, Michael M., Patty, Elissa, Bob, Kay, Carmen, Sally, Francesca, Frank, Ellen, Julia, Christopher J., Louise Poulin, Gerard, Maureen, Fr. Jim Field, Cindy Spillers, Lori, Mary, Eduardo, Clare, Marjorie, Joe, Fr. Bilicky, Connie, MJ, Sara, Hank, Baby A., Jim, Marguerite C., Jack, Judy, Leslie Erica, Nancy F., Kris, Paul, Barbara, Margaret Ann Lyons, Debbie, Gerard, Jason, R.H., Yolanda Z., Hope, Maria, Anne Sanderson, Sonja Nunes, Mary D., Jean Kelly, Philip, Uncle Gene, Lorraine Kane, Joe, Ginny, Matt Davis, Kim, Gina, Luis C., Bill, Natalie, Gerry, Hope, Pearl, Jill V., Denise, Kathy, Lynn, Jim W., Sheila, Fergus, Christian G., Ciara M., Andrew, Michele C., Jacqueline R., Petro Acevecro, Matt Berry, Billy, Eddie H., Bobby J., Joanne, 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 Please remember that some people would prefer their names not be published in this fashion.

Summer Weekend Mass Schedule

During the summer, Mass is celebrated on the weekends as follows:

Saturdays at 5:00pm

Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 am

This schedule will be in effect through Labor Day Weekend.

Inquiry Program - RCIA

Are you interested in learning about the Catholic faith? Come and see... satisfy your curiosity, enrich your knowledge about Catholicism: its beliefs, practices, traditions, worship history and more. The Inquiry Program is especially geared towards those who have never been baptized, those baptized in another faith, or baptized Catholics who have never been instructed in or who have not practiced the Catholic Faith. The group warmly invites non-Catholics to attend. Later sessions of this program are presented for those who are interested in continuing their faith journey in the Catholic tradition. This process is called the **RCIA** (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). It provides an opportunity to come and share your questions about the Church. Sessions will begin in September. For further information, please contact Sr. Rose Marie Lipke at 978-369-7442, or RoseL55Church@aol.com.



Coffee and Doughnuts!

Come join us for coffee, juice, and doughnuts, available through Sunday August 30th, following the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses. Refreshments will be served outside near the parking lot, weather permitting, or inside in the

Gathering Space in case of rain. Please join us for fellowship and fun after Mass!

Faith Formation

Please remember to register your family for Religious Education *as soon as possible* so we can plan for teachers and materials for next year. Children in grades 1 through 10 attend classes, and the whole family is invited to attend three Faith Festivals during the year. For more information or for registration material, call the Parish Office.

Safety Committee Reminder

Members of the Safety Committee would like to remind families that young children should be accompanied by either a parent or an older sibling should they have to use the restroom before of during Mass. Thank you!

Bereavement Group

Summer is upon us, and it brings back many memories of the past. At this time of year some of us are left only with these memories and no one else who remembers them or who can share them with us. Holy Family's Bereavement Group offers support to all who find themselves in need of assistance in coping with their loss. The next meeting for the group is Wednesday, August 12th at 7:00 pm and is held at the Parish Center in West Concord. New members are always warmly welcomed. For more information, please call Sr. Rose Marie at 978-369-7442.

Weekly Schedule

Rosary before and after daily Mass

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

Summer Bible and Mystic Study Wednesday, August 5 at 7:30 pm at the Parish Center

Baptism Prep Class Thursday, August 6 at 7:30 pm at the Parish Center

Worldwide Marriage Encounter of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Scripture says about married people that "Two shall live as one." How often do you find yourselves living as two? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you get back to basics in this complicated day and age. The next events in New England are offered on: Sept 25-27, and October 23-25. For more information please call Ralph and Jane Becker at 1-800-710-WWME or visit their webpage at www.wwmeMA.org.

Adult and Handbell Choir News

Beginning this fall, the Handbell and Parish Choirs will be rehearsing at the church on **THURSDAY** evenings (and some occasional Wednesday evenings). The first rehearsal for the Parish Choir will be on Thursday, September 10th and for the Handbell Choir on Thursday, October 1st. The Handbell Choir will rehearse from 6:30 – 7:30, and the Parish Choir from 7:30- 9:00. The Handbell Choir is open to anyone in grade 6 and up (including adults). The Parish Choir is open to anyone in grades 9 and up (including adults). Join us!



Vacation Bible School

Hey, Parents! It's not too late to register your children for VBS this summer, though space is limited! Then have your children join us this summer as we learn how Jesus founded God's house on earth: the Catholic Church. Through a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, we will learn how the Catholic faith is the universal home for all people. VBS is a half-day program that runs from **Mon Aug 24th thru Thurs Aug 27th**. Registration forms can be found at the doors of the church or are available online at www.holyfamilyconcord.org. For more information, please call Lauren Sprague at 978-372-1326, or e-mail her at scott-lauren@comcast.net

Summer Bible Study Series

The series on the mystics continues on Wednesday nights, 7:30-9:00 p.m., at the Parish Center in West Concord. Over 30 people per night are enjoying the speakers, discussion, and talk about St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross and his concept of "the dark night of the soul." Free and open to all. The series ends August 12th.

MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL

100 Steps to Home is the theme for the Mission Sunday appeal next week, August 8-9, we will have the opportunity to hear about the work being done by the dedicated Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco in poor orphanages in the south of India. At Hyderabad, beggar children are being swept off the streets by police and are currently sleeping on a hard, dirty, insect-infested concrete floor. We will have the opportunity to help them build a new building through your generous donations. You can find out more about the inspired work of the Salesians on the website www.homeofhopeindia.org.

Special Events Committee News

Chair: Joanne Cormier 978-369-3085

Co-Chair: Bernadette Jaros 978-369-7687

The planning of a Parish Christmas Fair is lots of fun and work. Donations of the following items are needed: White Elephants (in good condition), jewelry, crafts, handmade items, things for men, children's toys and games (in good condition), raffle items and baked goods. **No** clothing or books. Three workshops are scheduled for October 1st, October 22nd and November 5th. They will be held at the home of Bernadette Jaros. Much, much more will be happening at the Fair, so we ask that you stay in touch with the notices in the weekly bulletin. New committee members are always welcome!

First Annual Concord Area Summer Sing!

Join choral enthusiasts from the greater Concord area for an informal choral "sing" at Holy Family Parish on Monday, August 10th at 7:30 pm. Elizabeth Norton and James Barkovic will lead the singers in two great choral works: Vivaldi's *Gloria* and Faure's *Requiem*. Grace Choi will provide the piano accompaniment. Come and sing or simply listen and enjoy. Scores will be provided. The suggested donation is \$5 at the door for singers and listeners. For more information call Jim Barkovic at 978-486-4377 or e-mail him at kapellmeisterjrb@aol.com.



Community News

A Concord woman is seeking an apartment available within the next three weeks (current residence has been sold). Quiet, non-smoker, no pets; working female with Masters in Divinity. Local references available. Please call 978-369-1092.

A faithful Holy Family parishioner, a full-time employed sales-marketing professional, single male, is seeking housing. Willing to offer good cooking skills, cleaning, lawn mowing, etc. as partial payment of rent. Need is immediate. Please call the parish office.

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