

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY

5:00 PM Robert Cook (1st Ann.) by Sandy & Michael
Rita Crowley (1st Ann.) by her family

SUNDAY

8:00 AM Rita Fournier by Nan Hyatt
9:45 AM John Harkins by his son
David Savadyga (1st Ann.) by his daughter
For the People of the Parish

MONDAY

8:00 AM For the People of the Parish

TUESDAY

8:00 AM **Communion Service**

WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM Lee DiNapoli by the family
Louise McAllister by the family

HOLY THURSDAY

7:30 PM **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

GOOD FRIDAY

7:30 PM **LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

HOLY SATURDAY

7:30 PM **SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL**

EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

MASS AT: 8:00 AM 9:45 AM AND 11:30 AM

COFFEE SHOP will be open after the 8 AM and 9:45 AM Masses. Join us for coffee, donuts and friendship.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN will be celebrated during the 9:45 AM Mass this Sunday. These liturgies are for children five years of age and older.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS for the week will be Monday through Thursday from 9 AM to 3 PM, and Friday from 9 to 11 AM.

BABYSITTING DURING THE 9:45 AM MASS is provided in the Church Hall for infant or pre-school children. We have both teenage and adult helpers to supervise. No registration necessary.

THE ROSARY is prayed each morning at 7:30 AM before Mass. The Litany of the BVM is prayed after Mass on Tuesdays, the Rosary for Priests is prayed after Mass on Wednesdays, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed after Communion Service on Thursdays.



Good stewards strive to conform their lives to that of Christ – emptying themselves of all pride and putting themselves at the service of others.

PARISH TITHE: Thanks to your generosity, \$864.00 will be given to the Our Lady of the Lake Christian Service Scholarship Fund.



PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH

- The 9:45 AM Mass will begin in the Parish Center with a procession into the Church
- Brick Banks for the Lenten Charity may be returned

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH

- Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 PM
- Washing of the Feet & procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Parish Center
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Parish Center) until 10 PM

The Holy Thursday Mass concludes by carrying the Holy Eucharist from the altar in the Church to the Parish Family Center where it will be reposed until 10 PM that evening. Everyone is invited to walk in the procession. After the Eucharist is placed in a tabernacle in the PFC, everyone is invited to spend some time in silent prayer before the Eucharist.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH

- Silent Cross Walk (2 ½ miles) at 11:40 AM
- Living Stations of the Cross at 3:00 PM
- Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 7:30 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH

- Solemn Easter Vigil at 7:30 PM

The Easter Vigil will begin OUTSIDE in front of the Parish Family Center. When you arrive at Church, we ask that you congregate outside. After the new fire and the Easter Candle have been blessed, everyone will be invited to join the procession into the Church.

- This is the most **IMPORTANT** Liturgy of the Church Year
- There are no confessions on Holy Saturday
- The second collection is for the Parish

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH

- Masses at 8:00 AM, 9:45 AM and 11:30 AM
- 9:45 AM Mass includes the Children's Liturgy of the Word
- The second collection is for the Parish
- White decorated grocery bags will be distributed for the collection of food for our Food Pantry

PARISH SUPPORT

272 Sunday Envelopes @	\$3,651.00
20 Paid Ahead Envelopes @	614.00
82 Make Up Envelopes @	2,993.00
Loose Cash@	1,382.50
SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$8,640.50
WEEKLY PARISH OVERHEAD (9673.00)	
DEFICIT	(1,032.50)
DEFICIT YEAR-TO-DATE	(4,774.38)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Religious Education

CHRISTIAN SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS: Through the generosity of parish tithing, the Stewardship Committee is pleased to announce the availability of Christian Service Scholarships for young people in our parish who have demonstrated significant voluntary service to our parish family and their community. Applications for these one-time scholarships are available in the Parish Office or in the Sacristy. Deadline for submission is May 3rd. Scholarships will be awarded at the 9:45 AM Baccalaureate Mass on May 31st.

STEUBENVILLE EAST YOUTH CONFERENCE: Friday, July 31st – Sunday, August 2nd at the University of RI, Kingston. All High School Youth are invited to join over 1000 teens who gather for awesome music and song, inspiring talks, and great activities. Application forms are available at the Religious Ed. Office. A deposit of \$50 reserves your space.

“FILLTHE ARK” – Arks have been given out to all students in Grades 1-5 to fill with your pennies and prayers in support of the Heifer Project International. Please remember to return your arks by April 14th.

THE “KINGDOM ASSIGNMENT” HAS BORN FRUIT.... Check out the Kingdom Assignment Scrapbook on the table in the PFC and read about the awesome projects that our grade 6 students initiated to serve those in need and build God's Kingdom. Please continue to pray for these special young people that they will always have the willingness to love and serve God's people. A very special Thank You to the 7th & 8th graders who raised the \$10 given to each sixth grader to finance their project through pie sales last November.

RELIGIOUS ED YEAR-END DATES! Our Religious Ed. Calendar is coming to a close, with last classes in Grades 1-8 planned for the week of April 12th. The last High School II Class is this Sunday, and the last High School I Class is Sunday, April 26th from 6-9 P.M.

YEAR END CHECK IN: If your child has missed classes, please **HOLD ON TO YOUR TEXTBOOKS** so that you can complete the lessons in the book for Gr. 1-5, or the packets which have been sent home for Gr. 6-7-8. Work should be made up before the end of the year. **FOR THOSE WHO HAVE MISSED MORE THAN 3 CLASSES:** A special CHECK IN is scheduled for April 27th & 28th during your regular class time. Your make up work should be brought with you to this check in.



A Post-Confirmation Outdoor Retreat will be held at Grotonwood beginning at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 20th and concluding at the 9:45 AM mass on Sunday, June 21st. Space is

limited to 16 young adults who have been confirmed and have not yet graduated from college. Join us on a 24-hour outdoor experience to encourage you to use your gifts to build Christ's Kingdom, to strengthen the bond with others and help you become more comfortable sharing your faith. Mentors are also needed. Pick up a registration form in the Religious Ed. Office, or contact Ron Hadorn at (978) 345-8018 or rhadorn@bgcworchester.org.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY:	8:30 AM Beginnings 9:40 AM Kindergarten Class 6 PM HS II Class
MONDAY:	4:15 – 5:15 PM Rel. Education Gr. 1-5 6:45 – 8 PM Rel. Education Gr. 6-8
TUESDAY:	4:15 – 5:15 PM Rel. Education Gr. 1-5 6:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 12 7 PM Folk Group 7:30 PM RCIA 7:30 PM Rehearsal Easter Vigil
WEDNESDAY:	9:30 AM La Leche League 4:15 – 5:45 PM Echoes of Faith 6:30 PM Leominster Cub Scouts 7 PM 12 Steps 7:30 Mothers of Multiples
HOLY THURSDAY:	7:30 PM MASS 1 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 7 PM Choir Rehearsal 7 PM Overeaters Anonymous 7 PM Montachusett Singles
GOOD FRIDAY:	7:30 PM LITURGY Silent Cross Walk 11:40 AM Living Stations of the Cross 3 PM
HOLY SATURDAY:	7:30 PM SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL



CHOWDER FEST THANKS

Thanks to all cooks, bakers, ticket sellers, waiters, waitresses, our Folk Group, servers, dish washers and dryers, table setters, shoppers, setup and take down people, diners, etc. Together we made the Chowder Fest a great success!

Calling All Volunteer & Friends of MIHN: Annual Volunteer Recognition Night, Saturday, April 25th from 5:30 PM to 8 PM. You are cordially invited to an evening of food and fun to honor our dedicated volunteers who serve homeless families. Please join us, and all your friends at the Leominster United Methodist Church, 77 Hall Street (off Merriam Avenue), in Leominster.



Church Roof Update: As you have noticed, our church ceiling was badly damaged by the ice storm this winter. In addition to the damage on the tabernacle side of the church, there are other reoccurring problems; including the areas around the cupola and the bell tower. After consulting with the Diocesan building inspector and several roofing companies, our Finance Committee has determined that the Church roof is in need of replacement in the near future. With the proceeds from the bazaar in September, along with some compensation from insurance, we should be in a position to replace the roof in the early fall. We are grateful to Emery Gaudet for his work in replacing and painting the damaged ceiling tiles.



Piano Update: We are close to reaching our goal of \$9000. We are still accepting donations or pledges at the Parish Office if you are interested.