

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY

5:00 PM Joe Dion by his wife & family

SUNDAY

8:00 AM Doris Lortie by Jeff & Betty Hudson

9:45 AM Rita Walsh by the family

11:30 AM John Carey (2nd Anniv.) by family

Baptisms: Sofia Annabelle Martinez, Sage Victoria Orni, Rachel Lauren Paz, Carter Francis Moge, and Gavin John Achilla

MONDAY

8:00 AM Anna Antionette Amadio by Louise Hebert

TUESDAY

8:00 AM Josephine Visconti by Lou & Rich Parent

WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM Mary Pederson (6th Anniv.) by her Mom & Dad

THURSDAY

8:00 AM Communion Service

FRIDAY

8:00 AM Communion Service

SATURDAY

5:00 PM Tom & Debbie Wood by their family –
Celebration of their 25th Anniversary

SUNDAY

8:00 AM Robert Lane by John & Cheryl Maclure

9:45 AM Joe Cloutier by the Sciacca's

Baptism -- Blake Anthony Gendron

11:30 AM James Burnell by M/M Scott Burnell & Family

COFFEE SHOP will be open after the 8:00 and 9:45 AM Liturgies. 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 Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The Office will be closed on Monday.

BABYSITTING DURING THE 9:45 AM MASS is provided downstairs for the little ones. There are toys and adult supervision.

THE ROSARY is prayed at 7:30 AM each morning before Mass.

PARISH SUPPORT

284 Sunday Envelopes@	\$6847.00
11 Paid Ahead Envelopes@	126.00
51 Make Up Envelopes@	888.00
Loose cash @	1183.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$10245.00
SURPLUS:	852.00
DEFICIT YEAR-TO-DATE	(12467.00)
Building Fund:	\$355.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



“The one who has faith in me will do the works I do, and far greater than these,” Jesus tells his disciples. That’s quite an assignment for us as Christian stewards!

PARISH TITHE: Thanks to your generosity, \$600.00 will be sent to Special Needs Boy Scout Troop 823 that is dedicated to the service of young men with various needs, handicaps and disabilities.

Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us.

The burning candle in front of our Blessed Mother’s statue is invoking her intercession for peace throughout the world and for protection of our loved ones serving in the military.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

Pledge Sunday for the *Annual Partners in Charity Appeal* – in our parish – will take place next Sunday. At all parish Masses, we will have an opportunity to provide for the charitable, educational and ministerial mission of the Catholic Church throughout the diocese by making a pledged gift in the in-pew solicitation. In doing so, we will unite our diocesan family and become partners in charity and partners with Christ. Though the diocese has a goal, and our parish has chosen one as well, the most important goal is that every family join in providing for the charitable works of the Church. Please pray to Blessed John XXIII, our patron, for our well-being and success.



Because of the large volume of Mass Intention requests, we will begin scheduling two Mass

intentions, when necessary, beginning in May.

We would ask that if there are two family’s intentions scheduled that only one person from each family come forward to bring up the gifts for Communion. Thank you for your understanding.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The monthly prayer shawl gathering will take place this Thursday at 1PM in the Parish Center. Please join us as we knit/crochet shawls to be given to parish family members in need of comfort and prayer. If you want to learn how to knit or crochet, we will teach you! We also welcome shawls made at home. Questions call Ellen Aubuchon at (978) 342-0239.



The Working Hands Ministry needs two people to clean the Church Hall kitchen, one on Monday’s and one on Thursday’s. This would greatly

help all of our many ministries that make use of the kitchen facilities. If you can help, please call the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS ED YEAR-END DATES! The last High School II Class is Sunday, April 27 from 6-9 PM.

2008-2009 RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION forms will be mailed by May 1st. If you have a child or know of a neighbor entering first grade next fall, please contact the Religious Ed office so we can mail a registration or you can pick up an extra form on the table at the entrance of the Parish Family Center. We ask that children enrolled in Catholic Schools also register at this time. PLEASE HELP US TO ENJOY A SUMMER BREAK BY RETURNING YOUR REGISTRATION FORM RIGHT AWAY SO THAT WE CAN PREPARE AND PLAN FOR YOUR CHILD NOW.

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. A special CHECK IN is scheduled for April 28th & 29th for those who have missed more than 3 classes.

BANDS FOR CANS CONCERT on April 25 in our Church Hall beginning at 6 PM. Live bands will provide music to support the Steubenville Youth Conference and our Food Pantry. Please feel welcome to bring a friend! Admission is \$5 or \$4 with canned goods.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS

Once again this year, through the generosity of parish tithing the Stewardship committee is pleased to announce the availability of Christian Service Scholarships for the young people in our parish who have demonstrated significant voluntary service to our parish family and their community. These one-time scholarships are intended to be used to help defray the cost of post-secondary education. Applications, with a cover sheet explaining eligibility, are available in the Parish Office or in the Sacristy. **Deadline for submission is May 4th.** Scholarships will be awarded at the 9:45 AM Baccalaureate Mass on May 18th.



THE DOMINICAN SISTERS will come to our parish on the Weekend of May 3rd and 4th to sell their breads, brownies, apple and blueberry pies. These are all baked accordingly to the Dominican community recipes. The proceeds from the sale will be used to buy medical supplies for their mission to support the lepers. Your support of this worthy cause would be greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU FROM HABITAT: We had 25 people who volunteered to work on a Habitat house for April 12th. Unfortunately the workday was cancelled due to the weather. Some will be working with another group April 19th and we will reschedule for later this summer. On behalf of Habitat for Humanity, "Thank you" from Emery.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

SATURDAY: 2nd Annual Team Taylor Bake Sale after Mass
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 MONDAY: No Religious Ed. classes
 OFFICE CLOSED – PATRIOT’S DAY
 TUESDAY: No Religious Ed classes
 7:30 PM RCIA
 WEDNESDAY: 9:30 AM LaLeche League
 7 PM 12 Steps
 7 PM Folk Group
 THURSDAY: 1 PM Prayer Shawl
 7 PM Boy Scouts
 7:30 PM Overeaters Anonymous
 7:30 PM Montachusett Singles
 FRIDAY: 6-11 PM Bands for Cans
 7:30 PM Al Anon

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FOR SENIORS

A six week bereavement support group for those (ages 60 and older) grieving the loss of a loved one. This group provides a safe environment for sharing thoughts and feelings, expressing sadness and learning ways to cope while grieving. Join us and begin your path toward hope and healing on Wednesday, April 30th. The rest of the dates are May 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and June 4th. The support group will be held from 10:00 – 11:30 AM at the Sterling Council on Aging, 1 Park Street, Sterling. Pre-registration is required, call Nancy Sorbo at (978) 466-7890.



Bake Sale

The 2nd Annual Team Taylor Bake Sale will be held at Our Lady of the Lake Church after all Masses on April 19th and April 20th.

We'll have a wonderful assortment of home made goodies.

Also, a Papa Gino's fund raiser will be on Thursday, May 1st from 4-9 PM, 35 Commercial Rd., Leom. A coupon is needed and is available at the Church entrance.

St. Joseph's 51st Annual Variety Show "DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN?"

will be presented on Saturday, May 3rd at 7 PM and Sunday, May 4th at 2 PM at the Fitchburg High School Auditorium. Tickets: Adults \$10.00/Children & Seniors \$8.00. For tickets call: Cherri @978-632-0132 or Jo @ 978-345-7853.

\$10,000 RAFFLE

On Saturday, May 31st, St. Denis Parish will sponsor their Second Annual Spring Giveaway. Grand Prize is \$10,000. With prizes of \$250 for 2nd – 11th prize. Tickets are \$100 each, and only 300 tickets will be sold! Partial tickets will be available. This is a great opportunity to win a lot of money. Tickets will sell fast so don't wait! Call Deacon Rich – 978-343-6367, Dorene Francis 978-827-4857 or Kim Nolan 978-827-5428.

St. Bernard's Elementary School Yard Sale, "Indoors" rain or shine,

Saturday, May 3rd 9AM to 2 PM Proceeds go towards the Teacher's Wish List to benefit the students of St. Bernard's Elementary. Please join us for a cup of coffee and lots of great bargains!