

MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY**  
**5:00 PM** Mike Lockhart (9<sup>th</sup> Ann.) by the family  
 Joseph Cloutier by his wife

**SUNDAY**  
**8:00 AM** Debbie Malenfant by William Malenfant  
 Lawrence Whelan by his wife and children  
**9:45 AM** Pauline McNiff (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.) by the family  
**11:30 AM** Nicholas Cucchiara by his family  
 Florence Tierney by the family

**MONDAY**  
**8:00 AM** Tom White by Roger & Gloria Provencher

**TUESDAY**  
**8:00 AM** For the People of the Parish

**WEDNESDAY**  
**8:00 AM** Paul Szwarc (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.) by Regina Szwarc  
 Santini Torcoletti by the family

**THU. & FRI.**  
**8:00 AM** **Communion Service**

**SATURDAY**  
**5:00 PM** *BirthDay Intention* of Rosemary Walsh  
 Frank Marhefka by friends of the family

**SUNDAY**  
**8:00 AM** Edna Maillet by her family  
 Joseph & Malvina Cloutier by the family  
**9:45 AM** Deceased members of the Acerbi family  
 Diane & David Lizotte by the family  
**11:30 AM** Elizabeth Fitzgerald by the family

**COFFEE SHOP** will be closed this weekend. Our last coffee shop will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

**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 AM to 3 PM. Our office will be closed on Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> in recognition of Memorial Day.

**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.



*Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." - Mk 16:15-16*



Jesus is the perfect steward – watching carefully over all who had been entrusted to Him by

the Father and then sending them all out into the world in service. May I similarly protect and wisely use the gifts entrusted to me!

**PARISH TITHE:** Thanks to your generosity \$600.00 will be used to purchase "Raising Faith Filled Kids" books. These books are given as a gift to the parents of children who are baptized at our parish.

**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**

Please continue to make your pledged gifts to the *Annual Partners in Charity Appeal*. We are only \$11,363.00 away from our goal of \$52,500.00. Please prayerfully consider making a pledged gift to this year's appeal. A gift in any amount will be received with gratitude. For your convenience, pledge envelopes are available at the doors of the church and have also been mailed to all registered parishioners. Please return them in the collection basket or to the parish office. Thank you for your generosity and support.



**Flu Precautions:** We are all very much aware of the outbreak of this flu pandemic. We remind parishioners that when they are ill, the obligation to attend the weekend liturgy is suspended. **We ask**

*that if you are not feeling well, to refrain from receiving from the cup, shaking hands at the sign of peace, and holding hands at the Lord's Prayer. We request that Ministers of the Communion use the water-free hand sanitizer on the credence table or the table on the other side of the sanctuary to wash their hands before and after distributing the Eucharist.*



**Thank you** to all who have contributed to our Food Pantry during the month of April. Your overwhelming support of our "Give New Life" campaign (the white decorated grocery bags) enabled us to fill our shelves and distribute 77 bags of groceries during the month. Thanks to all who so generously give to this ministry. Your support makes it possible to help so many. God Bless You!



**Members of Saints Francis and Therese Catholic Workers** will be here on the weekend of May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> with their homemade baked goods. The sale of wholesome bread and muffins, made with organic ingredients, is the main source

of income that supports their ministries. They shelter homeless men and women, and work for justice and peace. There is no set price for the baked goods as they prefer to depend on your generosity to carry on the works of mercy.



**2009-2010 RELIGIOUS ED. REGISTRATION forms have been mailed.** 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 form to them or you can pick up an extra form on the table at the entrance to 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.**



**THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY** of our Religious Ed. children and their families who filled the arks during Lent, \$669.00 has been donated to **HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL.** Thank you!



**VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS WANTED!** All High School students are invited to sign up to play on our parish volleyball team. Games are on Tuesday nights during the summer and practices are held right here on our home court! If you have an interest, please call the Religious Ed. Office.

**BACCALAUREATE MASS:** Our Parish Family is looking forward to this year's High School graduation with much excitement and pride. We are celebrating a Baccalaureate Mass for our graduating seniors on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at the 9:45 AM Mass. Christian Service Scholarships will be awarded at this time. We invite all members of this year's senior class to gather to thank God for his blessings in their lives and ask for his help and guidance for their future.



**Coffee Shop** will be closed Memorial Day Weekend, May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Our last Coffee Shop will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. We are still in need of just one more adult to help serve coffee one Sunday a month from September through May. If you are interested in helping in the fall, please call the Religious Ed. Office.

**PARISH PRAYER LINE.** This beautiful ministry raises up those who pray and those who ask for prayer. If you are in need of prayer support for yourself or someone you know, or if you are interested in being added to the list of those who pray, you only need to call **Beth Souza at 534-6704.**

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK

**TUESDAY:** 7 PM Folk Group  
**WEDNESDAY:** 9:30 AM La Leche League  
 6:30 PM Leominster Cub Scouts  
 7 PM Craft Group  
 7 PM Compassionate Companions  
 7 PM 12 Steps  
**THURSDAY:** 1 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 7 PM Boy Scouts  
 7 PM Choir Rehearsal  
 7 PM Overeaters Anonymous  
 7 PM Montachusett Singles  
**FRIDAY:** 7:30 PM Al Anon  
**SATURDAY:** Catholic Workers Bake Sale after Mass  
**SUNDAY:** Catholic Workers Bake Sale after Masses



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**PLEASE NOTE:** We are **NOT** accepting items for the bazaar as of yet. We will notify you over the summer when it is time to **drop off your donations!** Thank you for your patience.

**Your Help Is Needed:** We have several Booth Captain positions open for this year's bazaar. If you are interested, please call Bob or Jackie Sanguinet at (978) 537-0459 or Dick Polley at (978) 534-8812.

**The Guild End-of-the-Year Luncheon** will be held Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30 PM, at Donnelly's Tavern, 43 Summer St., Lunenburg. Choice of Baked Stuffed Chicken or Baked Haddock is offered at \$16.00. Please call Connie Ayles at (978) 537-7114 or Chris Lattanzi at (978) 582-7736 for reservations by Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. Please join us and bring a friend.

**Comedy Mystery Dinner Show, "Last Night at the Museum"** will be held at St. Bernard's Elementary School, Friday, June 5, 2009. Full buffet dinner served at 7 PM. Doors open at 6:30 PM. This event will help to fund the 6<sup>th</sup> grade's Nature's Classroom trip in October. 50/50 raffle. This is a 21 + event. Seats are limited. Please call (978) 602-6030 for tickets.

**The Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** are holding a day of prayer for women at Presentation Convent, 99 Church St., Leominster, on Saturday, June 13, 2009, from 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM. Sr. Christina Dougherty, PBVM will be presenting "Living as the Body of Christ." Lunch and refreshments will be included. Free will offerings will be accepted. Space is limited, please register by June 5<sup>th</sup> by calling Sr. Brian Elizabeth Barnicle at (978) 537-1108 or Sr. Maureen Hickey at (978) 790-0056.