

Sunday, February 24, 2008 – The 3rd Sunday of Lent

THE READINGS FOR MARCH 2ND – THE 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT ARE:

1Sm. 16: 1b, 6-7

Eph. 5: 8-14

Jn. 9: 1-41

Please Pray for

Sunday, February 24, 2008

10:00 Ellen Clemons
Noon Maria Laurenzi
5:30 Dr. Andrew Beke

Monday, February 25, 2008

12:15 Anne Regolino
5:30 Everett & Cecilia Noonan

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

12:15 Josephine Capobianco

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

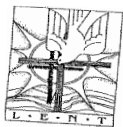
12:15 Dr. James Powers

Saturday, March 1, 2008

9:00 Mary McGowan

CATHOLIC APPEAL WEEKEND – Cardinal Seán thanks all the families from our parish who contributed \$71,356.03 to the 2007 Catholic Appeal. This year, our participation target is to have 533 households participating. Our financial goal is to raise \$85,500. If we exceed our financial goal, we will receive 25% of all funds raised above goal for use here at our parish. Please know that your participation counts and that all gifts matter. We encourage you to take home an information packet from Mass this weekend so that you can prayerfully consider how you will participate. Those who gave to the Appeal last year should also receive a letter this week from Cardinal Seán. Please bring your completed pledge card and pledge envelopes next week to place in the collection basket. Thank you.

FRIDAY EVENINGS DURING LENT: The upper church will be available for anyone who would like to pray the Stations of the Cross privately. Following the 5:30 Mass, members of the Hispanic community will be praying the Stations, so the upper church will be open from 6:15 to 7:00 or so (except February 29th, when the upper church will be in use). Copies of various versions of the Stations will be on the table as you enter the upper church from the lower level (no other upper church doors will be unlocked).



LENTEN EVENING PRAYER- Join the parish community in song, prayer and reflection with presiding and preaching by members of the parish on **Monday evenings at 7:15 pm in the Lannon Chapel.**

LENTEN PROGRAM WITH MARSHA MIRKIN,

PH.D. – MARCH 8TH – 10:30 – NOON IN THE FRIARY

ROOM - Faith, longing, distress, hope, gratitude – the psalms give us a glimpse of the power of our relationship with God. Join us as we explore the psychological meaning of some of our beautiful psalm, how the verses can be a strength and a challenge to us during difficult times and how they they can offer us the potential for life renewed.



BOOK DISCUSSION – On Sunday, March 9th, there will be a discussion of the book Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's Search for Everything Across Italy, India and Indonesia by Elizabeth Gilbert. The discussion will take place in the Rectory living room after the 10:00 am Liturgy. All are welcome.

Dear Parishioners

I know that many of you have heard of our recent visit to St Anne's, our sister parish, in Kingston, Jamaica. You have heard about it in my homilies, and you may have heard of the effect it has had on those who went this year in their reflections for Monday Evening Prayer. One of the most powerful aspects of our sharing in the Eucharist, in the economically poor but spiritually rich parish, is the simple reminder that we belong to a Church community that is so much larger and diverse than we ordinarily encounter in our parish life. Since our return, there have been a number of experiences that have reminded me again of what it means to belong to our Church.

This past Sunday, I celebrated Eucharist for the Latino Community at St Mary of the Angels in Roxbury, another parish whose pastoral care has been entrusted to the Jesuits. It was a celebration of faith, hope and love that is memorable for me because of the dynamic spirit of the community. I returned to St Ignatius to join in the wonderful celebration of renewal of wedding vows within our own Latino Community as they celebrated "the day of love and friendship" (St Valentine's Day). The week before, we had sent ten of our catechumens and candidates to the Cathedral to be with Cardinal Seán and over 500 others preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter. The overwhelming sense that our people had was how wonderfully diverse the Catholic Community in Boston is. The experience was one of being united with all these others preparing to belong to the Catholic Christian Community as the Body of Christ in the world.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we are invited to see how we belong to each other as sisters and brothers in Christ, whether we gather in Chestnut Hill, Jamaica or Roxbury. Our vision of Church always needs to be greater than our own parish community. One of the ways in which we are asked to be responsible for the greater Catholic community is in support of the pastoral work of the Archdiocese of Boston. We all know that our Archdiocese has been through very painful experiences in the past years. I know that Cardinal Seán and his staff are doing everything they can to heal the wounds of the Body of Christ in our Archdiocese. I have been moved and impressed by much of the pastoral outreach that has come from our Archdiocesan leaders.

Since we do belong to a wider Catholic community here in the Boston Archdiocese, I would humbly ask for your support for the Annual Catholic Appeal which begins next weekend, March 1st /2nd. All of us have the responsibility of "Handing on the Light of Christ". Our parishioners are always extraordinarily generous in our parish and other appeals. I hope that during this 200th Anniversary you may respond to the sincere request for support for the important pastoral works of our Archdiocese.

With gratitude,

Rev. Robert VerEecke, S.J.
Pastor



OUTREACH MINISTRIES

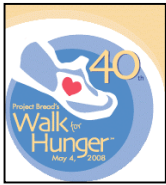
OPERATION RICE BOWL materials are on the table in the upstairs Gathering Space and the lower level entryway.




SOUP AND STATIONS are on Fridays during Lent. Soup is served at 6PM in the lower level Parish Hall at Corpus Christi Church, Ash Street (off Commonwealth Avenue) in Auburndale. Stations begin at 7PM in the upper church. St. Ignatius is providing the soup and presenting the Stations this coming Friday; our sixth through tenth grade Faith Formation students will serve and lead prayer.


GREAT LENTEN ACTIVITY: Check out labelsareforjars.org. Labels are for Jars raises money to provide free, nutritious meals in Lawrence through the Cor Unum Meal Center, which serves meals to hundreds of people every day, 365 days a year. On the homepage, click on Lent Guide to find a daily reflection guide for your prayer during Lent and a cut-off label to affix to your jar for collecting money.


LABELS ARE FOR JARS™



TIME TO START PREPARING! The Sunday, May 4th Project Bread Walk for Hunger is not really so far away! Registration materials are on the Outreach Table in the gathering space. Online registration is now open (www.projectbread.org); TEAM IGNATIUS is set up and waiting for members!

SOCK DRIVE: During the month of March, we'll be collecting new, *white cotton* socks, as well as new shower shoes (rubber flip-flops) for Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program. The collection box will be in the Gathering Space of the upper church. To learn more about BHCHP, go to www.bhchp.org. 

4th Tuesday, Shattuck Shelter Dinner Please contact the rectory (617-552-6102) if you would like to help serve dinner at the Shattuck Shelter this month. Parishioners meet at the rectory at 4:45 pm and return by 6:30 pm. Donations of desserts are always welcome and may be dropped off at the rectory by 4:00 pm on Tuesday. The 4th Tuesday dinner this month will be held on Tuesday, February 26th. There is always a need for additional desserts. We really appreciate your help! 

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES AT CORPUS CHRISTI – ST. BERNARD PARISH is on three consecutive Tuesdays beginning this Tuesday, February 26th. Speakers are: February 26th, Bishop Robert Hennessey; March 4th, Catherine Cornille, Professor at Boston College; and March 11th, Rev. Jim Keenan, S.J., Professor at Boston College. Please join us for some stimulating conversation about our journey through Lent. The series will be held in St. Bernard's Chapel, 1529 Washington Street, Newton at 7:00 pm with a light social to follow. For more information, please contact Tom Griffin, Pastoral Associate at 617-244-9110 or email: tgriffin@ccsbparish.org. 

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, Feb. 24 th	End of Life Issues Program – Friary Room	1:30 pm
" " "	Contemporary Music Ensemble – Upper Church	4:30 pm
" " "	Just Faith – Rectory 2 nd Floor	6:30 pm
Monday, " 25 th	Lenten Evening Prayer – Lannon Chapel	7:15 pm
Tuesday, " 26 th	Parish Life Commission Meeting – Rectory	7:15 pm
Wed. " 27 th	Children's Carol Choir – Choir Room	4:30 pm
" " "	Parish Choir Rehearsal – Friary Room	7:15 pm
" " "	Little Rock Bible Group – Lannon Chapel	7:15 pm
" " "	Young Adult Group – 2 nd floor Rectory	7:30 pm
Friday, " 29 th	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Lannon Chapel	12:45 pm

MINISTERIO PARA LA COMUNIDAD LATINA EN SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA (MINISTRY FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY AT ST. IGNATIUS)

La Misa en Espanol: Los Domingos en la Capilla Lannon a las 12:00. (Ultimo domingo del mes, habrá una misa bilingüe en la Iglesia de arriba) Estamos invitando a los miembros de la comunidad Latina a organizar grupos de oración, grupos de compartimientos de la Fé y estudios biblicos inmediatamente despues de la liturgia. Si alguien pudiera beneficiar del uso de un misal que tiene las lecturas en los dos idiomas, puede encontrarlos en la mesa a la entrada de la iglesia.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

CALENDAR FOR THIS SEMESTER. Please note especially the following dates:

- o March 1st Mandatory Confirmation Retreat, 9am – 6pm
- o March 2nd Personal Safety Program
- o April 30th Celebration of Confirmation
- o May 10th Celebration of First Eucharist



MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday, February 28th - Prepare Soup and Stations from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the Rectory
Friday, February 29th – Serve soup and lead stations from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm at Corpus Christi

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT FAITH FORUM

Share your thoughts on the scriptures of the day and discuss some of the critical issues of being a faithful Catholic. Each Sunday, following the 10:00 am Liturgies, there will be an opportunity to share in the contemporary Church. Why not join us for coffee and doughnuts after Mass (refreshments).



CATHOLIC GAY AND LESBIAN CONCERNS

In an effort to facilitate conversation for our Gay and Lesbian parishioners, as well as parents and family members of Gay and Lesbian Catholics, we are providing an informal context in which people feel free to talk about their questions and concerns. Please call Fr. Bob at the rectory or email frvereecc@bc.edu for more details.

FR. JOSEPH T. NOLAN OF BOSTON COLLEGE will resume his course on "A Contemporary Understanding of Catholicism" beginning Monday, March 3rd from 1:00 – 3:00 pm, or Tuesday evenings from 7:30 – 9:00 pm. This course is part of the Lifelong Learning Program held at Alumni House. New students are welcome. Call Carol Naber, Alumni House (617-552-2950 or Fr. Nolan (617-552-3894) or email: nolanj@bc.edu.

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THE CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

SUNDAY UPPER CHURCH 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 NOON, 5:30 PM

LOWER CHURCH (Sept.-June) 10:00 AM, Family Liturgy.

12:00 Misa en Espanol (cada otro domingo en la Capilla Lannon)

WEEKDAY LOWER CHURCH 12:15 PM, 5:30 PM

SATURDAY LOWER CHURCH 9:00 AM, UPPER CHURCH 4:00 PM (Vigil)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - LOWER CHURCH FRIDAYS 12:45-5:00 PM

THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Adults are baptized at the Easter Vigil as part of the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults. Infant and child baptisms are by arrangement.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Preparation occurs in Grade 2 and includes classes, retreat and home instruction.

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation program begins in the 9th grade. Students are confirmed in the Spring of the 10th grade. Young adults who have been catechized but are not yet confirmed should contact the rectory for an alternative program.

MATRIMONY

Must be registered as a parishioner six months prior to beginning Marriage arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:15 - 3:45 PM Upper Church or by arrangement

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