

PENTECOST SUNDAY - MAY 31, 2009

THE READINGS FOR THE MOST HOLY TRINITY ARE:

Dt. 4: 32-34

Rom. 8: 14-17

Mt. 28: 16-20

Please Pray for

Sunday, May 31, 2009

8:00 Russell Eidell
10:00 William Fenton
Noon Michael Eagan
5:30 Margaret & Joseph
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Monday, June 1, 2009

12:15 William H. Halpin
5:30 John T. Griffin

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

12:15 Baby Nicholas Owen
(Recovery)
5:30 Nancy Regolino

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

12:15 Cathy Connor
5:30 Patricia Nolan

Thursday, June 4, 2009

12:15 Ellen Corless
5:30 Leo Z. Bohigian

Friday, June 5, 2009

5:30 Fatima Santos

Saturday, June 6, 2009

9:00 Patricia Nolan
4:00 Barton Meech



Dear Parishioners,

Our Easter Season is coming to an end just as the summer season is beginning. Through this springtime, we have experienced such beauty in the flowering trees and shrubs, and now we wait expectantly for the summer to bring forth its fruits and flowers of all kinds. (I can hardly wait for the corn and tomatoes that are the gifts of the summer!)

As we celebrate Pentecost Sunday, I pray that the beauty and grace of the Easter Season with its gift of new life will remain with us as we complete our Easter journey. I pray especially for the newly baptized, confirmed and for those who received Eucharist for the first time in this Easter season. I pray that the gifts of the Spirit that we have received will bring forth the "flowers and fruits" of our life together as a community of believers. My prayer is that the gifts of the spirit, wisdom, understanding, knowledge, reverence, right judgment, courage and wonder in God's presence, may permeate our mind and hearts in the Ordinary Time that follows the 50 days of Easter.

We are blessed with so many gifts in our parish. I am sometimes "blown away" by the Spirit of God when I think of the diversity of people who gather here as community and by the commitment each of you has to live your faith as fully as possible. Thank you again and again for your continued presence in our parish community and for all the ways you inspire all of us on the parish staff.

In the Spirit of Christ's Love and Peace,

Fr. Bob

ROAD RACE ALERT! Next Sunday, June 7th, a 5K road race benefiting four area organizations that serve the blind and visually impaired will commence at the main gate of Boston College. The race will begin promptly at 10:10 am and will proceed down Commonwealth Ave. toward the church turning right at the front of the church and proceeding to Beacon Street. This event may make it difficult for those arriving for the 10:00 am Mass at that time. Over a thousand people are expected to run the race. So, you may want to plan to arrive for the Mass before the start time of the race.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, May 31 st	Contemporary Music Ensemble – Upper Church	4:30 pm
Wed., June 3 rd	Ordination Choir Rehearsal – Friary Room	7:15 pm
	YAG Meeting – Rectory 2 nd Floor	7:30 pm
Friday, June 5 th	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Lannon Chapel	12:45 pm

TRANSITIONS -RE-EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT: RESUME REVIEW AND ASSISTANCE

The Parish Transitions group offers networking, support and job search assistance to all those seeking new employment opportunities. The group is open to all parishioners and meets after the 12:15 Mass on Wednesdays in the Friary Room. Lunch provided. Drop in!



BOOK DISCUSSION- There will be a discussion of the book Embracing Mind: The Common Ground of Science and Spirituality by B. Alan Wallace and Brian Hodel on June 14th. Please join us at 11:15 am in the rectory living room for a lively discussion of this interesting book.

PARISH FINANCIAL RESULTS

The 2009 annual parish support program, The Pledge for the Greater Glory, is now under way. The goal of the annual support program is to have every parishioner pledge his/her contribution to the parish for the 2009 calendar year. Contributions via this program are used to cover the operating expenses of the parish, including staff salaries and benefits, utilities, and the cost of our liturgies, including musicians.

Our financial performance for March and April and since the beginning of our fiscal year in July 2008 is summarized below. As you will notice, we are in need of greater participation in the funding of our beautiful parish to cover ever-increasing costs. We ask that you continue to support the parish, and increase your support if possible, to help us cover what we expect will be much higher operating costs over the remainder of 2009.

JULY 2008 THRU APRIL 2009

March/ April 2009

Operating Income	\$966,866
\$187,178	

Operating Expense	\$1,010,401
\$244,867	

Operating Deficit	(\$43,535)
(\$57,689)	

Please note that Gifts and Bequests to the parish have totaled \$229,000 year-to-date, offsetting the shortfall in operating income. Please consider including St. Ignatius in your will and estate planning. Bequests to the parish are a wonderful way of supporting St. Ignatius.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



There's still time to donate to **PROJECT BREAD'S WALK FOR HUNGER 2009**. Find **TEAM IGNATIUS** at www.projectbread.org. Click on Walk for Hunger, look up **TEAM IGNATIUS** and the donation directions will guide you through the process.

NEXT WEEKEND is our at-the-door collection to provide funds to assist the parents of Mother Caroline Academy students with uniform expenses. Each new student receives two skirts, four shirts, a v-neck fleece and a sweater for dress occasions. Each family is asked to contribute, if possible, \$100 toward the cost of the uniform pieces. Typically, about 80% of families are able to meet this expense.



Approximate uniform costs:

Skirt.....	\$35 each
Long-sleeved shirts.....	\$22 each
Short-sleeved shirts.....	\$20 each
V-neck fleece.....	\$30 each
Dress sweater.....	\$30 each

Total per student...\$215



NEWTON HABITAT UPDATE: Habitat's 76 Webster Park, West Newton, should be completed soon. Plans are to dedicate the homes in mid-June; look for word of that in the bulletin. Monetary donations are being sought to purchase still-needed materials. For information, go to www.habitatboston.org. St. Ignatius has played a big part in bringing this project to fruition/completion and for that the two soon-to-be-homeowner families are most grateful!

BOSTON CATHOLIC DIRECTORY – Copies of the Catholic Directory for 2009 are available here in the Rectory. The cost is \$25.00.

THANK YOU! The parish Respect Life Committee and the Greater Newton Chapter of the Massachusetts Citizens for Life wishes to thank all who contributed to the Roses for Life Drive on Mother's Day weekend.

Signs and Symbols of the Season

Pentecost--from the Greek pentekoste, the fiftieth day—is Easter’s double, bringing the Easter season to a second climax. We close the season with flame and fire, swirling the white draperies, symbolizing the Resurrection, with red, the color of passion, marking the flames of the Holy Spirit that descended upon the disciples as they gathered together.

Using red roses, which symbolize courage; orange roses, which represent enthusiasm; and calla lilies, which represent magnificent beauty, we remember that these qualities rest in each of us, put there by the Holy Spirit to sustain us in our mission, to express God’s love to one another.

Pentecost also marks the beginning of the work and activity of the Holy Spirit. Before his departure, Jesus promised that he would not leave us orphans, promising to send the Paraclete, the Comforter, who would teach us all things, remind us of all things. With candles, we celebrate the Gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, right judgement, courage, reverence and wonder and awe in God’s presence.



This week, the altar flowers are donated
in loving memory of Michael Murphy,
by his daughter, Jena Murphy.

REMINDER: Please respect the need of parishioners who use the handicapped parking spaces we have available by the access ramp. The spaces, which should not be used for quick drop-offs and pick-ups of students or Mass attendees or by late-arriving Mass attendees, should be available at any time when Masses and/or programs are taking place. Thank you.

We strongly urge our parishioners and visitors not to leave their belongings in the pew when they leave to receive Communion. Please take them with you.

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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 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 - FRIDAY, 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 1 and includes classes, retreats 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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