

# THE 9TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MARCH 6, 2011

THE READINGS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT ARE:

*Gn. 2: 7-9*  
*Rom. 5: 12-19*  
*Mt. 4: 1-11*

## Please Pray for

### Sunday, March 6, 2011

10:00 Andrew & Teresa Scott  
McGowan  
Noon Frances McLaughlin  
Hull, William Hull &  
Pauline Richards  
5:30 Joseph Sloan, Jr.

### Monday, March 7, 2011

5:30 Amalia Lugo de Vivas

### Thursday, March 10, 2011

5:30 Stacie Monkiewitz

### Friday, March 11, 2011

5:30 Fred L. Moore

### Saturday, March 12, 2011

9:00 Tula Sabrevilla

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

### **"OFFERING HOPE BY SHARING GOD'S GIFTS"**

This is Catholic Appeal weekend here at St. Ignatius. The Appeal is a once-a-year pledge drive to benefit the many central ministries and services of the Archdiocese. Because of the economic down turn, support of the Catholic Appeal is even more urgent this year. The Appeal brochure explains more about who benefits and where the money goes. Please review the brochure and make a generous pledge.

## SPRING PARISH RETREAT AT EASTERN POINT IN GLOUCESTER

### **JESUS THE WAY, JESUS THE LIGHT**

This semi -annual retreat is an opportunity to enter more deeply into the mystery of God's love for us.



You will have an opportunity for spiritual conversation, silent prayer and gatherings of prayer and worship with members of the parish community. The retreat will be held Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. The cost for the weekend is \$200 (all inclusive), with a deposit of \$100 at registration. If anyone is in need of financial assistance in order to attend, please let us know. Please register through the Parish Office 617-552-6102, or [ignatius@bc.edu](mailto:ignatius@bc.edu).

## DO YOU PRAY THE IGNATIAN WAY?

*"St Ignatius is a Catholic parish of the Archdiocese of Boston staffed by Jesuit priests and animated by a Jesuit spirituality that seeks to find God in all things."*

This is how our mission statement begins. Recently, members of the Parish Pastoral Council and Commissions have been asking themselves the question "what is it that distinguishes a "Jesuit" parish. What are the unique charisms that are shared within the parish community because of its history as a parish "animated by Jesuit/Ignatian Spirituality? One of the answers to these questions has been through the ways in which Ignatian prayer is integrated into our liturgical celebrations : i.e, through preaching, music, guided meditation etc. In this spirit during the Lenten season, there will be an Examination of Consciousness following communion. The "Examen" is at the heart of Ignatian prayer and we hope that this Spiritual Exercise during Lent will enrich your prayer and reflection. There will also be "Examen" cards available for you to take home.

**LENTEN PROGRAM** - Are you looking for something to enrich your Lenten experience this year? On Sunday, March 13th from 11:30-1:30 pm, there will be a discussion of the Genesis story of the Binding of Isaac. Marsha Mirkin, a teacher of Hebrew Scripture in our parish for many years, will be with us to explore this powerful story. Marsha will focus on the story's relevance in our lives during this period of Lent. Please join us in the BC Multi-faith Chapel in the rear of 66 Commonwealth Avenue for this event.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### LENTEN / EASTER DISCUSSION GROUP

**There has been a change in the starting date. It is: Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

As has been our custom in recent years, an Adult Group discussion will be hosted by Frs. Bob and J.A. at the Jesuit residence, 130 Beacon Street. The group will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 PM until 9:00 PM starting on Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will meet every Wednesday until April 27<sup>th</sup> (the week after Easter Sunday). The one exception will be the Wednesday in Holy Week (April 20<sup>th</sup>) when we will NOT meet.

The book to guide this year's discussion is *Surprised by Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church* (Harper One, 2008). It is written by noted scripture scholar, Bishop N.T. Wright, Bishop of Durham in the United Kingdom. [The book is available hardbound, paperback, Audio CD, Kindle and iPad editions. It can be found at Amazon.com and, perhaps, in religious bookstores.]

The book is as much a challenge to conventional beliefs about life after death as it is a rather

revolutionary commentary on the experience of the resurrection in the New Testament. Wright is convinced that "most people, including most practicing Christians, are muddled and misguided on this topic and that this muddle produced quite serious mistakes in our thinking, our praying, our liturgies, and perhaps particularly our mission to the world."

For example, "For years Christians have been asking, 'if you died tonight do you know where you would go'? It turns out that many believers have been giving the wrong answer. It is not heaven." At least not according to the New Testament!

It should be a challenging and eye-opening conversation. All are, of course, welcome. But space is limited. Please indicate your interest ASAP to Betty in the main office (617-552-6102 or [ignatius@bc.edu](mailto:ignatius@bc.edu)). Any questions: contact Fr. Bob or Fr. J.A.

### LENTEN BOOK FAIR AT ST. IGNATIUS

**On Sunday, March 13th**, we will have a book fair in the Friary Room after the 8am, 10am, 12 noon (English and Spanish), and 5:30 pm Masses, focusing on spiritual renewal as we enter the Lenten season of grace. The Daughters of St. Paul, from Pauline Books & Media, will have a selection of books, music, movies and other resources for purchase. This event is being sponsored by the Spiritual Life Commission of the parish, and is part of the ministry of communicating Christ through media of the sisters. Some titles include: Lenten Grace, Minute Meditations for Lent, A Scriptural Rosary, Beginning Contemplative Prayer, Changed Heart Changed World, Mary's Way of the Cross, the Lent-Easter Book: Living and Celebrating Our Catholic Customs and Traditions (stories, prayers, projects & activities for the whole family), and so much more. Come be inspired! Find something to help nourish you and your loved ones on your Lenten journey.

### LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY

We will be studying "James, Peter and Jude: The Catholic Letters" this semester. This is a new study we will be doing for the first time. Profound differences, as well as intriguing similarities, are discovered in these four letters,, each written to strengthen Christian communities scattered across a wide area of the Roman Empire. The study began Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:15 pm in the Lannon Chapel. The cost is \$20.00, which includes a commentary, study guide and DVD presentation of the study. New members are always welcome. To register, you may call the rectory, 617-552-6102 or fill out the registration form below. If you have any questions, please call John Daffarra 781-899-9540.

### REGISTRATION FORM: LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY

**NAME:**.....

**ADDRESS:**.....

**TELEPHONE (HOME)**.....**(CELL)**.....

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, March 6 <sup>th</sup>	Contemporary Music Ensemble – Upper Church	4:30 pm
Monday, March 7 <sup>th</sup>	RCIA – Friary Room	7:15 pm
Tuesday, March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting – Friary Room	7:15 pm
Wednesday, March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Transitions Group – Friary Room	12:45 pm
	Children's Carol Choir – Choir/Media Room	4:30 pm
	Parish Choir Rehearsal – Choir/Media Room	7:15 pm
	Little Rock Bible Group – Lannon Chapel	7:15 pm
Thursday, March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Latino Choir – Choir/Media Room	7:15 pm
Friday, March 11 <sup>th</sup>	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Lannon Chapel	12:45 pm

## JESUS OUR WAY, JESUS OUR LIGHT OUR JOURNEY THROUGH LENT AND EASTER

What a long and hard winter it has been! I am sure that all of us are longing for springtime, looking eagerly for the first crocuses to rise from the cold, winter ground. We hope and pray that the coming of Spring will bring peace to our world and an increase of faith, hope and love in our Church. As you well know, Lent is the church's springtime. The word Lent comes from the "lengthening of days" in the spring solstice. Lent prepares us for the full flowering of Jesus Christ in Easter, the day of resurrection. Here at St. Ignatius there will be many opportunities to enter into the rich spiritual soil of this Lenten/Easter season. We hope that you will find the time to pray, reflect and put into action the faith that is the ground of our lives. The theme of our Lenten/Easter season is **Jesus our Way, Jesus our Light**. We hope and pray that this graced time will deepen your experience of the person of Jesus who accompanies us on our life journey.

### **ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGIES: March 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:15, 5:30, 7:30 pm (bilingual)**

#### **MONDAY EVENING PRAYER**

(Monday evenings in Lent beginning March 14<sup>th</sup> 7:15)

Each Monday evening the community gathers for evening prayer with presiding and preaching by women and men from our parish community.

Danced Evening Prayer April 11<sup>th</sup>

with members of the Boston Liturgical Dance Ensemble

#### **THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**

Wednesday evenings in Lent 6:30-8PM ( Sanctuary of the upper church)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession

Communal Celebrations of Reconciliation

Monday April 4<sup>th</sup> (concluding Evening prayer)

#### **SURPRISED BY HOPE - LENTEN/ EASTER BOOK DISCUSSION.**

Read and reflect together on the Christian understanding of the Resurrection

with Fr Bob VerEecke and Fr JA Loftus

6 Wednesdays beginning March 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### **STORIES OF FAITH: ABRAHAM AND ISAAC**

With Marsha Mirkin, Ph.D Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup> - 11:30-1:30

#### **JESUS OUR WAY, JESUS OUR LIGHT**

The parish retreat at Eastern Point

Join with other parishioners for a weekend of silence and prayer

in a stunningly beautiful setting - March 18-20

This is only a sample of the many opportunities for deepening your experience of Jesus Christ the Way and the Light in the Lenten/Easter season. Please check the bulletin and website for other programs and services.

## OUTREACH MINISTRIES


**IT'S TIME TO SOCK IT TO 'EM AGAIN!** This month, we're collecting new, white socks and new shower flip-flops for patients of Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program. Look for a collection box, near the Outreach table and in the hallway in the church basement.



**FAST** **PRAY** **LENT 2011 IS ALMOST HERE!** And we're joining in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl Lenten program. You'll find rice bowls/home calendar guides on the Outreach Table, in time for you to begin the program on Ash Wednesday. Other materials can be found there as well. The website, [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org), is a great way to learn about CRS' mission.

**LEARN**

**GIVE**

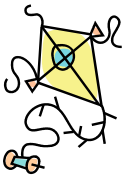


**WALK FOR HUNGER REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN!** Go to [www.projectbread.org](http://www.projectbread.org) to learn more about the Walk and the registration procedure. TEAM IGNATIUS is set up, so if you'd like to be part of the TEAM, follow the directions for registering with a team. The 20 mile Walk (you can do the whole route or part of it) is Sunday, May 1st - not really so far away and certainly not too soon to start seeking Sponsors (who are a very important part of TEAM IGNATIUS). Walk day volunteers are also needed; see the website for that information, too.



**LENT OPPORTUNITY FOR SHARING AND PRAYER:** The long-standing tradition of Newton parishes sharing soup and praying Stations of the Cross together on Fridays in Lent is continuing and St. Ignatius has committed to "cooking and praying" twice during Lent. Our young people are doing a late March evening; the second evening, on April 1st, is an opportunity for members of the parish at large to prepare soup for 70 (several families/individuals making soup), help with the set-up/clean-up and lead Stations (we have several different versions of the Stations from which to choose). This all happens at Corpus Christi Church, Ash Street, Auburndale. If you are interested in helping out in any part of the evening, call Sr. Diane - 617-552-6107. This a wonderful way for us to connect with other members of the greater Newton Catholic community during our shared Lenten journey. Supper is at 6PM in the church hall, Stations at 7PM in the upper church. Plan to join us!

**IT'S COMING... EARLY!** We'll be doing an *early* Springtime Meal, on Saturday, April 9th, for the Guests at hopeFound's Shattuck Shelter. Sign-up materials will be ready beginning March 19th.



**BOOK DISCUSSIONS** On March 27<sup>th</sup>, there will be a discussion of the book Let the Great World Spin by Colum McCann. On April 17 we will be discussing Mornings in Jenin by Susan Abulhawa. Please consider attending one or both of these discussions which will take place at 11:15 am on the 2nd floor of the Rectory / Parish Office adjacent to the church.

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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 8:00 AM FAMILY LITURGY, 10:00 AM, FAMILY LITURGY  
12:00 MISA EN ESPANOL EN LA CAPILLA LANNON

**WEEKDAY** 12:15 PM 5:30 PM – LOWER CHURCH

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

## 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 begins 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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