

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 25, 2007

This week in Lent: Reading, Reflecting and Responding to the Scriptures



Readings for the Second Sunday of Lent
Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 9:28b-36

In next week's reading from Genesis, Abram, having previously experienced the fulfillment of God's word, puts his faith and trust in God. Our faith, like Abram's, is strengthened by our past experiences with God.

When have you experienced God being faithful to you?

How can you use these experiences to continue to trust in God in times of disappointment and despair?



Please Pray for



Sunday, February 25, 2007

8:00 John Donovan
10:00 William Hull
10:00 Marceau (Family Mass)
Noon Bernard J. Dwyer
5:30 Richard D. Armstrong

Monday, February 26, 2007

12:15 Francis S. Farrell
5:30 John Rafferty

Tuesday, February 27, 2007

12:15 Francis Donald Farrell
5:30 Anne Regolino

Wednesday, February 28, 2007

12:15 Caterina Rovito
5:30 Todd Fouch

Thursday, March 1, 2007

12:15 Alys Jane Farrell
5:30 Ricardo Ramos

Friday, March 2, 2007

12:15 Joyce Welch
5:30 Don McKenett

Saturday, March 3, 2007

9:00 Henry & Eleanor Sennott
4:00 Special Intention

CHURCH PRESERVATION PROGRAM

If you didn't receive the materials on our CPP project in the mail or pick them up in the church, we would be glad to send you an informational brochure if you let

us know at the rectory (617-552-6102). We are happy to announce that the cost of the predella for the altar came in at one-third of the expected cost. The beautiful workmanship of this platform cost the parish \$32,000. The \$95,000 figure in the brochure was substantially reduced.



LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

TRAINING will be held on Sunday, March 4th at 6:45 pm. If you are interested in becoming either a Minister of the Word or a Eucharistic Minister, please contact Amy at aldoherty@verizon.net or 617-964-6272.

If you receive a request for money while attending Mass or other services, please direct the person to the rectory. We are happy to assist with a food card for the supermarket. We are grateful for your food card donations which enable us to extend help to those in need.

Lenten Opportunities



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The opportunity to pray the Stations of the Cross during Lent is being offered this year. Stations will take place in the upper church at 3 PM each Friday. Also, you are welcome to join members of the other parishes in Newton for Stations of the Cross each Friday night (excluding Good Friday) at 7 PM at Corpus Christi Church, 45 Ash Street (off Commonwealth Avenue) in Auburndale.

THE JESUS SEMINAR: JESUS OF NAZARETH/ JESUS THE CHRIST - - Six Wednesday evenings in Lent and Easter – February 28th, March 7th, 14th, 21st, April 11th, 18th - This is an opportunity to deepen your understanding of the person of Jesus of Nazareth. Readings from John Meier’s **The Marginal Jew**, Amy-Jill Levine’s **The Misunderstood Jew**, as well as Raymond Brown’s **New Testament Christology** will provide the context for the conversations. Meetings will take place at the Jesuit Residence, 130 Beacon Street from 7:15 – 8:45 pm. The seminar will be led by Fr. Bob VerEecke, S.J. and Fr. J.A. Loftus, S.J. The number of participants is limited. Please contact Fr. Bob at frvereec@bc.edu or Fr. JA at ja.loftus@jucboston.org to register. *As the number of participants is limited, we will look into offering it on Sunday also if there are more people interested.*

“JONAH AND SELF DISCOVERY” presented by Marsha Mirkin, PhD on Sunday, March 4th 11:15 am – 12:45 pm, Williams Hall, Lake Street. Through the story of Jonah, we will explore the change process and ethical dilemmas that we encounter when confronted with the challenge to make ourselves more accountable, responsible, and responsive human beings. In this process, we are required to deal with our own vulnerability and faith relationship, and to be open to self discovery. Through this effort, rebirth is possible. We will follow Jonah as he is confronted with a challenge that requires greater inner knowledge and accountability, when in that vulnerable state he tries to avoid changing himself and thus makes the problem worse, and when he experiences a more compelling relationship with God and a spiritual and emotional rebirth.



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 beginning February 26th**. The March 26th celebration will include a **Communal Reconciliation Service** providing the opportunity for private Confession.



THE NOVENA OF GRACE in honor of St. Francis Xavier will be held March 4th – 12th. The Novena service will be incorporated into the daily liturgies (12:15pm and 5:30pm) – Saturday at the 9:00 am liturgy. The Novena will not be said at the Masses on Sunday.

LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY

FIRST CORINTHIANS

St. Ignatius Bible Study meets on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 pm in the Lannon Chapel. We will be studying First Corinthians. The community of Corinth could easily be our own, struggling for unity in the midst of conflict, and discovering weaknesses and strengths. For more information, please call John Daffarra at 781-899-9540, call the rectory to register or mail in the registration form below. **The fee is \$14.00 and the program will begin on February 28th.**

LITTLE ROCK BIBLE STUDY REGISTRATION FORM

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

TELEPHONE (HOME).....(WORK).....

I ENCLOSE \$14 FEE.....

I WILL PAY LATER.....

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, February 25 th	Respect for Life Meeting – Lower Rectory	11:00 am
" " "	Book Discussion – Rectory 2 nd Fl. Living Room	11:00 am
" " "	Lenten Book Group – Rectory Library	11:00 am
" " "	Contemporary Music Ensemble – Upper Church	4:30 pm
" " "	Just Faith – Rectory	6:30 pm
Monday, " 26 th	Lenten Evening Prayer – Lannon Chapel	7:15 pm
Wed. " 28 th	Children's Carol Choir – Choir Room	4:30 pm
" " "	Parish Choir – Friary Room	7:15 pm
" " "	Little Rock Bible Group – Lannon Chapel	7:15 pm
" " "	YAG Discussion Group – Rectory 2 nd fl.	7:30 pm
Friday, March 2 nd	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Lannon Chapel	12:45 pm
" " "	Stations of the Cross – Upper Church	3:00 pm

EASTER PARISH RETREAT AT EASTERN POINT, GLOUCESTER – This annual retreat is an opportunity to enter more deeply into the mystery of God's love for us. With directors from the Spiritual Development Commission, you will have an opportunity for spiritual conversation, silent prayer and gatherings of prayer and worship with members of the parish community, as well as members of the Jesuit Urban Center. The retreat will be held Friday, April 27th to Sunday, April 29th. 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.



THE LENTEN BOOKLETS are available on the tables at the entrances to the church. These booklets describe all the spiritual opportunities here at St. Ignatius during the Lenten and Easter seasons.

It is being planned especially for those seeking to renew our church and to strengthen our understanding of its roots and faith tradition. Go to www.travelilume.com/trc/crf/ or call Steve Krueger at 781-577-0320. for more information on this unique journey.

LENTEN REGULATIONS 2007 -

Copies of the Lenten Regulations from the Archdiocese of Boston regarding Fast and Abstinence during Lent are posted on the bulletin boards in both the Upper and Lower Church.



BOSTON CATHOLIC MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CONFERENCES

– Please join men and women from St. Ignatius who are attending the 3rd Annual Men's Conference on Saturday, March 17th and the 2nd Annual Women's Conference on Sunday, March 18th. Both conferences will be held at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center in South Boston. For more information, please contact Luis Machado at 617-244-0685 or email: ismachado@aol.com or visit the website www.bostoncatholicmen.org.

HOUSING NEEDED FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 23RD AND SATURDAY, MARCH 24TH

– Boston University will be housing the Sierra Student Coalition's Northeast Regional Energy Summit. This conference on environmental issues draws students from universities and colleges throughout the Northeast. We are looking for residents in the Brighton/Newton area who are able to host a few of these students for these two nights. Food will be provided by the Sierra Student Coalition, so all that is needed is housing. If you are able to help, please contact Jon Sege, segej@mail.bc.edu. Thank you for your help.

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. If you are interested in coming together for support, education and faith-sharing, please contact Fr. Bob at the rectory or robert.vereecke@bc.edu

EXPLORING THE ROOTS OF OUR FAITH

– Fr. Walter Cuenin, Catholic Chaplain at Brandeis University and formerly the Pilgrimage Director for the Archdiocese, and Steve Krueger of St. Ignatius, invite you to join a pilgrimage to Rome called, Exploring the Roots of Our Faith, from June 3, 2007 to June 10, 2007.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



LENT IS HERE! Operation Rice Bowl materials are on the table in the gathering space and on the table in the lower church hallway. You'll find Rice Bowls, Calendars and other resources for prayer and information. And check out www.crs.org/orb for other resources. In addition, we'll be having a **Hunger Banquet on Sunday, March 18th**, at 6:30 PM in the Friary Room. Space will be limited for this activity which will give participants the opportunity to actively express solidarity with the poor around the world. If you'd like to be part of the experience, you may RSVP (leaving your name and phone number) by calling Sr. Diane at 617-552-6107 or emailing her at vallerio@bc.edu.

SOCK DRIVE: In March, we'll join Boston Health Care for the Homeless in a drive to collect **new white cotton socks** and **new rubber "flip-flops" (shower shoes)** to distribute to vulnerable women and men living in shelters and on the streets. Look for special boxes in the upper church gathering space, beginning March 3rd.



WE'RE OFFICIALLY REGISTERED as TEAM IGNATIUS for the May 6th Project Bread Walk for Hunger! It's not too early to register as a TEAM member (or individually) at www.projectbread.org. *Every step, every volunteer minute and every dollar can make a difference in the effort to end hunger.*

MOTHER CAROLINE ACADEMY, a private multicultural middle school dedicated to educating girls in an academically challenging and nurturing learning environment, serves girls from economically disadvantaged families who would not otherwise have access to a private school education. Their **Wish List:** cereal bars, granola bars, peanut butter, jelly, packets of cheese and crackers, pretzels, juice boxes, small (snack-sized) boxes of cereal.



Music Ministry

EVER WONDER WHAT THE MUSIC WILL BE FOR MASS THIS SUNDAY? Now you can check out the Liturgical Music programs for the month of February on our Webpage: <http://BC.EDU/ST-IGNATIUS> under upcoming events

Upcoming Concerts at St. Ignatius

There is a wealth of concert music coming to our church over the next few months. Come to hear beautiful music in our beautiful church.

Monday, March 12 th	8:00 pm	Venetian String Quartet - Sponsored by the Italian Consulate
Saturday, March 17 th	8:00 pm	Boston Camerata – A Night's Tale – French medieval – Call for Tickets 1-866-427-2092
Saturday, May 5 th	8:00 pm	The Seraphim Singers – Sacred Choral Music - \$15, \$10 seniors and Students
Saturday, May 12 th	8:00 pm	Brookline Chorus w/Orchestra – Haydn's Creation Mass \$20/\$15 seniors and students.

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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

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 p.m.

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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