

*Apostolic Visitation of**Pope Benedict XVI to the United States***Week of February 10th**

- Grade 1:** Thursday – 4:00-5:00pm -
Grade 2: Tuesday - 4:30-5:30pm
Grade 3: Wednesday – 4:00-5:00pm
Grade 4: Monday – 4:00-5:00pm
Grade 5: Monday – 5:30-6:30pm
Grade 6: Wednesday – 5:30-6:30pm
Grade 7: Tuesday -7:00-8:00pm
Grade 8: Thursday - 7:00-8:00pm
Grade 9: Sunday, February 10th – 12:15-2:45pm

Special thanks to all who donated to last Sunday's Sharing Sunday. Your donations along with a hot meal were taken to Pine Street Inn by parish volunteers.

Pope Benedict XVI will make his first visit as the spiritual leader of the Catholic Church to the United States from April 15-20, 2008. The theme for this Apostolic Journey is "Christ Our Hope," which reflects the Holy Father's recent encyclical, *Spe Salvi* (On Christian Hope). The six-day trip will begin in Washington, D.C., and continue to New York City. The trip is historic, especially since the Holy Father will address the United Nations General Assembly, meet with President George Bush and visit Ground Zero. There will be several public events during the visit, including Mass at Nationals Park in Washington and Yankee Stadium in New York. While on this visit to the United States Pope Benedict XVI will observe his 81st birthday (April 16) and the third anniversary of the beginning of his Pontificate (April 19). For more information and a complete itinerary, please visit www.USPapalVisit.org.

LENTEN EVENTS

The Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham will be hosting two Lenten retreats:

Lenten Retreat for Men – February 15-17th

Lenten Retreat for Women – February 22-24th

For more information or to register please call 508-295-0100. cost: \$140/person includes meal & overnight accommodations.

**POPE BENEDICT XVI MASS
APRIL 20TH @ Yankee Stadium**

Cardinal Edward Egan, Archbishop of New York, has reserved 3000 tickets for Catholics of the Archdiocese of Boston to attend the Mass celebrated by Pope Benedict XVI at Yankee Stadium on Sunday, April 20th. Tickets must be requested by February 11 and can be requested by visiting www.Boston200.org. or calling 617-779-3700.

The next Baptism Catechesis class will be held March 5th @ 7:30pm in the church. All first time parents are **expected** to attend prior to their child's baptism. Godparents are also encouraged to attend. Please call the Rectory with the date you would like to attend. If you have any questions contact Father Jason or Deacon Richie.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



WEEKDAY MASSES DURING LENT

Monday – Friday @9:00am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday – 7:00pm

PENANCE SERVICE

Monday, February 25th @7:00pm

Our guest speaker will be Father Robert Poitras from Saint Agatha’s Parish in Milton.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON
LENTEN REGULATIONS 2008

ABSTINENCE: Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligations of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used at all.

FAST: Catholics 18 & not over sixty years are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

Readings for the Week of February 10

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

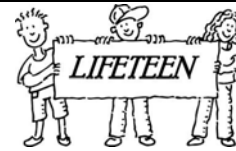
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9



LIFETEEN MASS: Sundays @6:00pm All are invited.

LIFENIGHTS: Sundays immediately following the Lifeteen Mass and ending @8:45pm. This week’s Lifenight “Playing in the Gutter” and next week – “TRI”. All high school teens welcome.

PIZZA & PRAYER: Mondays @7pm in the Sacristy.

UPCOMING EDGE EVENT: February 23rd – DDR Night 4:00-11:00pm at the K of C Hall

SPRING RETREAT: March 28-30th at the Mello’s Retreat Center, Jacksonville, VT. All high school teens welcome. Please-mail Katy campbellbegy3@aol.com for more info. A great weekend get-away.


PARISH SUPPORT

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

\$6143.00

Thank you for your continued support each week to Saint Mary’s parish.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: The Peter Pence special collection will be taken at all the Masses this weekend. As always your support is much needed and greatly appreciated.

Wedding  Banns

I Natalie Ford and Frank Lukasik

III Megan Mierzwinski and Shawn Oakley



A note from Father Jason

“Habemus Pastorem”

No doubt you have heard the great blessing St. Mary's has received in the form of a new pastor, Father Madden. Father Steve served here as Parochial Vicar from 1993 to 2000. We certainly anticipate his coming! Please keep the people of St. Patrick's in Watertown in your prayers as they await a new pastor.

We are now several days into the Lenten season. Our journey takes us into the aridity of the desert where we meet the crucified Lord. Our reception of the privileged season of Lent should be embraced with joy. The intense passion of our Lord should truly guide our prayer through these forty days. The dryness of the desert gives way to the extreme joy of Easter. The following prayer is beautiful and I hope it can aid you through the days of Lent.

*Let nothing disturb you;
Let nothing frighten you.
All things are passing.
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things.
Nothing is wanting to him
who possesses God
God alone suffices.*

St. Theresa of Avilla

*God bless,
Father Jason*



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Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.'"

- Mt 4:8-10



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

4:00 Robert Quintiliani 1st Ann

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:00 Edward Bagley Memorial

9:00 Stephen F. Cheney Memorial

11:00 Phyllis Westwater Birthday Remembrance

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

9:00 Patricia Keefe Memorial

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:00 Joseph Morowitz 22nd Ann

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

4:00 Barbara Hyland Memorial

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

9:00 Robert Stafford 23rd Ann

11:00 Lance Cpl. Thomas M. Casey, Jr 39th Ann

Please remember in your prayer the above intentions, the ill and infirmed of the parish, members of Benefactor Society and all our beloved deceased. Also please remember Rev. William J. Kenealy on the 34th anniversary of his death. Fr. Kenealy was pastor here at St. Mary's.



This week the Sanctuary Candle is lit in loving memory of Mary E. Bearce. If you wish to remember a beloved loved one by lighting the candle in their memory please call the Rectory. An offering of \$25 is appreciated.