

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, January 13th - 12:15-2:45pm

SHARING SUNDAY

Next Sunday, January 6th is Sharing Sunday. Your donations of non-perishable food items may be left at the doors of the church. Thank you in advance for your support of the program of caring and sharing.

BEYOND LOVING

A requirement of all couples contemplating marriage in the Archdiocese of Boston is that they attend a Marriage Preparation Program. St. Mary's

is offering "Beyond Loving" for all couples planning marriage on Saturday, January 19th from 5:00-8:30pm and Sunday, January 27th from 1:00-7:00pm. *Attendance at both sessions is required. For more information call the Rectory.

AN ANCIENT EPIPHANY CUSTOM

On the day of celebrating Epiphany there is a custom announcing the dates of the moveable feast for the coming year. While it comes from before the time of easily available calendars, it now has the effect of focusing on the celebrations.

We have been recently filled with the joyful celebration of the first coming of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, now through God's mercy, we must tell you of the happiness that will be rooted in the Resurrection of that same Lord and Savior.

ASH WEDNESDAY, THE BEGINNING OF THE Holy season of Lent begins February 6th.

EASTER, the feast of feasts, the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus is March 23rd.

PENTECOST, The coming of the spirit and the birthday of the Church is Sunday, May 11th.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT: November 30th, where in we look for the Coming of the Lord and Savior; to Him be honor and glory now and forever.



Please join us in the lower church today, January 6th for a "Farewell Reception" for Father Reilly. Father Reilly begins his new assignment as Pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption in Marshfield on January 7th. Father Reilly will celebrate the 11:00am Mass and join us in the lower church for coffee and refreshments. Please stop by and join us in wishing him well.

BEYOND THE BODY OF CHRIST

In collaboration with the Office of Parish outreach ministries, the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life is offering "A Day of Prayer for Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Homebound". This year it will be held on January 19th from 10:00-noon at St. Theresa's Church in Sherborn. If you are interested please call the Rectory to register.



Thanks to all who donated to our Giving Tree. Your donations helped the Discretionary Fund provide gifts to 140 children in Foxboro by contributing \$7000.00 worth of gifts. You also contributed over 150 gifts for the adult residents of the Wrentham Development Center.

LIFETEEN CORNER

LIFETEEN MASS: Sundays @6:00pm . All parishioners are welcome.

PIZZA & PRAYER: Mondays at 7:00pm in the Sacristy. Join us in the Sacristy for pizza and prayer.

LIFENIGHTS: Sundays following the Lifeteen Mass.

THE EDGE: The Edge will meet on Sunday, January 13th from 4:00-5:30pm followed by the Lifeteen Mass.

LITERACY CENTER NEWS

80 North Main Street, Attleboro
Winter Tutor Training will be held on Tuesdays beginning February 5th - March 11th from 9:30am-noon. Training is also offered on Wednesday evenings beginning February 6th from 6:30-9:00pm. For more information or to register please call 508-226-3603.

CELEBRATING HOPE

The Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Wareham will be hosting a retreat, "CELEBRATING HOPE", January 11-13, with Sister Claire Bouchard, SSCC. Explore Pope Benedict's latest encyclical on hope, a Spe Salveâ, as well as Scripture, & our life experiences. For more information or to register please call 508-295-0100. Reservations due before January 7th. Cost is \$140, includes meals and overnight accommodations.

JANUARY 6, 2008



My Dear Friends,

Greetings my friends. I hope that the New Year of 2008 is treating you well. In all honesty I will be glad to see the holidays over and then be able to know what day it is.

I thought I would make it out freely but last Sunday my worst nightmare came true. It could have been worse but the Lord was there I am sure. The problem - I fell with a ciboria of hosts in my hand that went all over. I thanked the Lord for carpeting but not for my lack of finesse. Only a few minutes before I was so pleased I had brought some ciboria over to the altar without incident. The final result was a bruised personality. Nothing like going out with a bang! Do you think it was because I watched the Home Town Team win its sixteenth straight game? I think not.

My sincere thanks for Saint Mary's being my home for the past 10 and a half years. It has been a wonderful place to be and I have had the chance to be with and work with great priests and people. I go to a different place but I am all the better for having been here. Thank you.

Once again may 2008 bring you great joy.

God Bless,

Father Tom





And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. - Mt 2:9-

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

4:00 Anna Santucci 1st Ann

Silvio "Slip" Santucci

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

9:00 Daniel & Mary O'Sullivan Memorial

11:00 Thomas McGowan 20th Ann

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

4:00 Delphin & Elizabeth Aucoin Memorial

John & Josephine Hanrahan

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

7:00 Angela Bagley Memorial

9:00 Frank Fatcheric 26th Ann

11:00 Katherine Dumas 4th Ann

Please remember in your prayers the above intentions, the ill and infirmed of the parish and members of our Benefactor's Society and all our beloved deceased, especially Thomas Kennedy whose Funeral Mass was celebrated here at Saint Mary's this past week..

Readings for the Week of January 6

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17