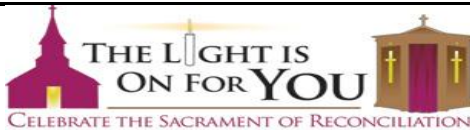




- Grade 1:** Thursday – 4:00-4:00pm
- Grade 2:** Tuesday – 4:30-5:30pm
- Grade 3:** Monday – 4:00-5:00pm
- Grade 4:** Monday – 5:30-6:30pm
- Grade 5:** Wednesday- 4:00-5:00pm
- Grade 6:** Wednesday - 5:30-6:30pm
- Grade 7:** Tuesday – 6:30-7:30pm
- Grade 8:** Thursday – 6:30-7:30pm
- Grade 9:** Monday, February 22nd - 7:00-8:30pm

Lenten
SCHEDULE
Monday – Friday
9:00am and 6:00pm
Stations of the Cross – Friday @7:00pm



As we begin this privileged season of Lent please consider going on one of the Wednesdays during Lent. There are six Wednesdays during Lent that this program will be available, February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31. Always pray for courage and I love the words of our Lord to Simon, “Do not be afraid!”

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS:

Are you interested in developing your leadership skills and making friends with teens from all over southeastern Massachusetts? The Rotary Club of Foxboro is taking applications for the Rotary Youth Leadership Award. Recipients attend an all-expense paid leadership conference on the Cape! To learn more visit www.youth7950.org, click on RYLA and go to RYLA forms for an application. Application deadline is March 6th.

COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB FOR TEENS

Students in grades 8 – 12 are welcome to attend an informational meeting about the newest club in town, “*Interact*” is a student run club that provides service to others on a local and international level and is supported by Rotary International. Come to the meeting at the Foxboro YMCA on Thursday, March 4th at 7pm to learn more!

**PRAY FOR OUR
MILITARY**

Please remember in your prayers the men and women who are in the military today, especially William Albano, Captain USMC Michael Burke, Captain USMC John Burke, Commander Karl Eimers, Louise Balduf, Graham P. Johnston, Father Bill Devine, and USMC Phillip Giardino, Jr. Also, Daniel Sheehan, Shane McAulay, Daniel Wagner, Sean Davey, Corporal Eric Thomas, USMC Marc Manning, Captain Joseph A. Colantoni, Brendan Quinn, Sgt. James R. Jarvis III, Cpl. Michael P. Johns, Staff Sgts. Andrew & Arielle Grato, Sgt. Eric Seiden, Army Airborne Specialist Matthew Blanchette, Staff Sgt. Chris Butler. Also, Frank Fleming, Sgt. Neil W. McCabe, USMC Ryan Davis, Kevin Michael Ryan, William Lopatka, Elizabeth V. McCarthy, PFC Hyder Alsatlawi, USMC Sean Wilson, USAF Ryan Wilson and John W. Collins III. Also Matt Bonneau, US Coast Guard, Sgt. Thomas Landreth, Daniel W. Loring USAF. Jesse Boyd, Officer Training and Sgt. FC Thomas D. Chadronet, SPC Christopher Redd Sgt. Nicole L. Jenkins, Captain Bill Lord, Lt. FC Sarah Lord and CWO-3Thaddeus Yukna. If you have a family member, friend or loved one serving in the military please give those names to Father Steve (at the Rectory) & we will publish them in the Bulletin so we can pray for them & their families.



Collections for Easter packages will continue through Sunday, February 28th. Boxes will be at the front doors of the church. Items requested include: beef/turkey jerkey, tuna in foil packs, cans of cheese, crackers, cookies, trail mix, dried fruits/nuts, single canned fruit. Also power bars, candy, gum, water-flavoring powder (Crystal Lite) hot chocolate powder and non-sugar sweeteners. Also baby wipes, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bath gel, shampoo (no soap bars) unscented deodorant, sharing cream disposable razors, hand sanitizers, foot powder, lip balm, hand/foot warmers, batteries, tube socks, winter socks with black edging, towels, facecloths and micro-fiber throws. Thank you for your continued generosity.

CHOOSE LIFE LICENSE PLATE – UPDATE

The latest report from www.machoose-life.org is that the Registry of Motor Vehicles has approved the design for the license plate. The bond requirements are being completed. Hopefully the applications will be delivered this week to the Registry. I will keep you posted when I learn more. Thanks for your patience. Joan Stafford at the Rectory.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

In his homily on Ash Wednesday, Fr. Jay made the point that every journey has a defined beginning and an anticipated end. Our Lenten Journey has indeed begun with our celebration of Ash Wednesday this week and the days and weeks of Lent afford us the opportunity to prepare for the glorious celebration of the Lord's Resurrection. The journey of Lent is often defined by a tripod of areas that we should focus on. Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving are the three legs of our journey. I would like to encourage everyone to find the time in life's very busy schedule to be with the Lord in quiet prayer. If possible, maybe attending Mass during the week on occasion could be your extra time in prayer. For centuries the Church asked believers to practice fasting or some change in our eating behaviors. For many the question often asked is "What are you giving up for Lent?" Fasting is a reminder to us of our willingness to change. We want to be better people, closer to the Lord when we celebrate his Resurrection on Easter.

The act of almsgiving or generosity is something I would really like to stress. On the First Sunday of each month the parish community collects donations of canned goods and grocery items. The donations are then split with half going to the Food Pantry here in town and the other half going to the Pine Street Inn. For many years that donation is delivered on that same Sunday along with a hot meal for the homeless of Boston.. That is all done in a quiet way by the same group who has been involved for years. I want to express my gratitude to them on behalf of the entire parish. **I am asking for the involvement of every person this Lent.** I would like to completely stock the Foxboro Food Pantry at this time. Imagine the potential to do so if every person who attends a weekend Mass on March 6/7 brings a donation of some grocery item(s). Cans of soup, vegetables, pasta, sauce cleaning supplies, tissues, health aides like soap, toothpaste, deodorant, or anything else that you think might be needed would be welcomed. Having concern for others and taking action to address a need is Lenten Almsgiving. Your help and your generosity is both welcomed and needed at this time.

As we begin our Lenten Journey I hope that on March 6/7 our Faith Community will respond with a generous heart and completely stock the shelves of the Foxboro Food Pantry. **Please Help!! Happy Lent!!**

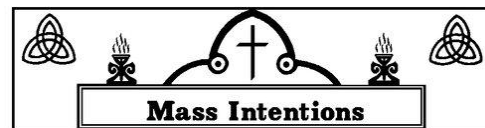
Fr. Steve

POSSIBILITY OF PARISH SERVICE

During Lent we gather the names of anyone who might be interested in serving the Parish as a Lector or a Eucharistic Minister. If that is you and you might want to be involved in Parish Life in either Ministry, please give your name to Father Steve at this time. As part of the Liturgy on Holy Thursday, the new Ministers are installed and begin their service soon after that. Please pray and consider the possibility to serve St. Mary's in this way. Speak to Fr. Steve if you have interest.



The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve." - Lk 4:6a, 7-8



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

4:00 Lance Corporal Thomas M. Casey, Jr Memorial

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:00 Nicholas Paul "Nick" Sheehan 6th Ann

9:00 Edwin VanDenBerghe 2nd Ann

11:00 Louise Finch 6th Ann

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

4:00 Joseph McKay Memorial

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

7:00 Henry A. Murphy 34th Ann

9:00 Brendan Bubencik Memorial

11:00 Robert Stafford 25th Ann

Please remember in your prayers the above intentions, the ill and infirmed of the parish, members of Benefactor Society and all our beloved deceased,



The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in loving memory of The Malloy Family.

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

This year the special Fuel collection will be taken at all the Masses next weekend, February 27-28th. Please note: the envelope for this collection is dated for **February 7th**. As always your support and generosity is much needed and greatly appreciated.

PARISH SUPPORT

Offertory Collection: \$7,077.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity each week to St. Mary's Parish.

INCOME TAX STATEMENT

To request a copy of your 2009 contributions to Saint Mary's Church please call the Rectory and leave your name and address. We will be happy to mail your statement.