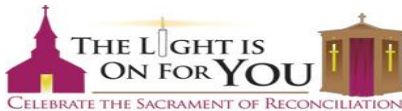


- Grade 1:** Thursday – 4:00-5:00pm
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Grade 7: Tuesday – 6:30-7:30pm
Grade 8: Thursday – 6:30-7:30pm
Grade 9: Monday, March 8th - 7:00-8:30pm



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 including March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm Always pray for courage and I love the words of our Lord to Simon, “Do not be afraid!”



Lenten
SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday

9:00am and 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross – Friday @7:00pm



Today is the last day for donations for Easter packages for our troops in Afghanistan. Boxes are 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.



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.

ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS FAIR

The 2009 St. Mary's Christmas Fair was a huge success and we are anxious to start planning our 2010 Christmas Fair. We will be holding an organizational meeting on Monday, March 1, 2010 at the South Foxboro Community Center from 7-9 pm. Please join us for this important meeting to find out how to become involved in the planning. Refreshments will be served.

GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY

This coming Sunday, March 7 commences Girl Scout week. Girl Scout week celebrates the founding of Girl Scouts by Juliette Low. We would like to invite all Girl Scouts to attend the 9:00 AM mass wearing their Girls Scout uniform next Sunday. See you then !!

CATHOLIC APPEAL WEEKEND

Next weekend, March 7-8 is Catholic Appeal Weekend here at St. Mary's. The Appeal is to the Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish. Due to the economic downturn, support of the Catholic Appeal is more urgent this year. Cardinal Sean asks every Catholic household to participate. Visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen. - Lk 9:35-36

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

4:00 Joseph McKay	Memorial
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

7:00 Henry A. Murphy	34 th Ann
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9:00 Brendan Bubencik	Memorial
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11:00 Robert Stafford	25 th Ann
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SATURDAY, MARCH 6

9:00 Pasquale Mignone	Memorial
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4:00 Philip R. Loring	9 th Ann
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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 Mary Ann & Eugene Cote.

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.

PARISH SUPPORT

Offertory Collection:	\$7,288.00
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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.

NORWOOD HOSPITAL

The Spiritual Care Services Department at Norwood Hospital is seeking Commissioned Eucharistic Ministers to volunteer at the hospital. A commitment of two to four hours each month is needed. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring Communion to those who are hospitalized. For more information, please call

Spiritual Care Department @ 781-278-6046

Last week in the bulletin I wrote about the season of Lent and its tripod of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. Each of these "Legs" is significant for our successful celebration and experience of Lent. I would like to focus this week on the third of these disciplines, Almsgiving or Acts of Charity. I want to challenge and encourage everyone to get involved this week. The first Sunday of every month is Sharing Sunday which for years has meant that people bring groceries with them to our weekend Liturgies to donate to Pine Street Inn in Boston and our own Food Pantry here in Foxboro. I am so grateful for that effort every month. Next Sunday March 6/7 is one of those Sunday's to participate. I want next weekend to be different though, than "Business as usual". The Foxboro Food Pantry this time of year struggles to keep up with demand for assistance from town families. The shelves get depleted and emptied very quickly. As a way to assist the Pantry and as a way to complete Acts of Charity during Lent I want to ask for a large and enthusiastic contribution next weekend from everyone. We need to fill those shelves with groceries. Our weekend attendance for mass is roughly fourteen hundred people. Think of the possibility that is ours if every family made a donation of a food item next weekend. Once last year I asked for a similar effort and we did in fact fill the pantry in one weekend. Families donated cases of soup, cold cereal, and large quantities of pasta and sauce. Can you help us to do so once again? Acts of charity and concern for others is the responsibility of all of us; especially during Lent.

Can you join with the rest of our parish community and make next weekend a huge success as we stock the Foxboro Food Pantry? I thank you in advance for your generosity.

God Bless, *Fr. Steve*

LOOKING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS:

We are starting a class in the coming weeks for new altar servers. Any boy or girl who might be interested is asked to contact either Fr. Steve at the rectory at the Rectory or Maureen Johnson Maureenmojo@msn.com. This is a great way for our young people to serve the parish and also to grow in their own relationship with God. After a few training classes the new servers will be installed at the liturgy on Holy Thursday along with those who serve the parish as Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. Please consider joining us in this important ministry as an altar server.