

FOURTH SUNDAY OF

LENT





PASTORAL SHARINGS

Dear Parishioners,

We come once again to the mid-point of Lent as we celebrate Laetare Sunday. There are two words in Latin which mean "rejoice", gaudete and laetare. On both the Third Sunday of Advent (rejoice in the Lord always, again I say rejoice) and the Fourth Sunday of Lent, (rejoice Jerusalem and all who love her) the opening words introduce a break from the spirit of the season. In Advent it introduces a spirit of joyful anticipation for the approaching birth of the Christ child, while in Lent it introduces an interruption from the somber note of penance and preparation for the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord.

The notion of introducing a spirit of rejoicing mid-way between the anticipation of the two great feasts of Christmas and Easter comes from the 6th chapter and 20th verse of the prophet Isaiah when he writes: "Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad with her, all you who are mourning over her."

The arrival of Spring last week heralded the start of a busy sacramental season for all parishes. On Friday evening Bishop John Dooher conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation on sixty two tenth grade candidates. Some may recall receiving the sacrament at a much younger age. For many years the eighth grade, and for some parishes, an even earlier grade, was the designated year for receiving the sacrament. For some years now, the rule of the Archdiocese is that Confirmation can be received no earlier than the spring of the tenth grade, with a two year period of preparation for the sacrament. Mrs. Adrienne McCarthy, our Religious Education Director has been aided by a wonderful group of catechists working with her to prepare our ninth and tenth grade students to receive the gifts and the fruits of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament.

Meanwhile, on Sunday we are celebrating what we call a teaching Mass for our second grade First Communion candidates and their parents. While the parish is worshipping with Father Liam in the church, I will be celebrating this Mass in the Parish Center in which I will explain the vestments, the sacred vessels, the parts of the Mass and the history of the Mass which has brought us to this day.

We have prepared for this day by slowly introducing the children to the Mass through their own Sunday missals. You may have noticed these booklets on the backs of the benches as you enter the Church. They explain the Mass in the words of the children, and we hope that as the children become used to them they will follow along with their parents when they have returned from their own liturgy of the Word.

Sincerely,
Fr John R. Mulvehill



**Reconciliation
The Light Is On For You**

The sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on the Wednesdays of Lent from 6:30—8:00 PM in every Church and Chapel in the Archdiocese, including St. Anthony Church. This program gives Catholics in the Archdiocese of Boston an opportunity to receive the Lord's grace and forgiveness through the sacrament of Reconciliation.



Week ending March 12th

Offertory Collection	\$7,907.00
Automatic Bank Offering	\$365.00
Total	\$8,272.00

Thank you for your continued generosity



Saturday, March 25

- 8:00 AM James D. O'Malley—Memorial
- 5:00 PM Kathleen Reichardt—Birthday Memorial
- Judith Grossman—Birthday Memorial

Sunday, March 26

- 8:00 AM Kathleen Dwyer—1st Anniversary
- 9:30 AM Paul Carroll—8th Anniversary
- 11:30 AM William J. Peculis—Memorial
- 5:00 PM Ruth & Joseph O'Rourke—Anniversary

Sunday, April 2

- 9:30 AM Mary Green—4th Anniversary



**Lenten Stations of the Cross
Followed by Soup**

We will be offering a traditional "Reflective Way of the Cross" on all of the Friday evenings of Lent at 6:15 P.M. On the Friday evenings of Lent, Stations of the Cross will be celebrated in the Church at 6:15 PM followed by a "Lenten Meal" in the Parish Center of soup, bread, cookies and beverage. "Soup and Stations" will be offered on the following Friday evenings: March, 31 and April 7.



ST. MARY OF THE NATIVITY PARISH IN SCITUATE will be hosting a Lenten mission March 27-30 (Mon.-Thurs.). There will be a shorter presentation in the morning at 8:30 in the Parish Center. The evening presentation begins in the Main Church at 7:00. Fr. Simeon Gallagher, OFM Cap is the homilist. The theme is "A Spirituality for Relationships". Talks will be on Faith, Prayer, Conversion & Community. There will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday evening. All adults are welcome.

**Open House—Holy Family School, Rockland
Sunday, April 2nd from 10:30 to 12:00**

You are most welcome to attend the 9:00 Mass. We are currently enrolling for the 2017-2018 school year.



The Cohasset Food Pantry is currently accepting grocery store gift cards to distribute to our many clients. We are also accepting baked goods (brownies, bars and cookies) on Sunday April 9th from 10-1PM and Monday April 10th from 8:30—11:00 AM..

There will be no 5:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday



CONSIDER SHARING YOUR FAITH
Please contact us to volunteer @ 781-383-0630
Jane Reardon for Gr. 1-6 or Adrienne MacCarthy for Gr. 7-10 ~ Ext. 019

RELIGIOUS Ed NEWS:

GRADE 10

Congratulation! to our 62 young men and women who completed their two year Confirmation program; culminating this past Friday evening with the Sacrament of Confirmation bestowed upon them by Bishop Dooher.

HEADS UP ~ GRADE 9---Regular schedule classes, the following Sundays: 3/26, 4/2 and 4/9; directly after the 5pm youth mass. 5:45pm-7:15pm; Attendance is required!

Grades 7 and 8---regular scheduled class at 3:50pm followed by Mass at 5PM

Last class is scheduled for Sunday, April 9th.

Grade 1---There will be an important informational session - after the 9:30 Mass in the Parish Hall on Sunday, April 9th.



Living our Faith Together

Thank you to all who have participated in Saint Anthony's 2017 Catholic Appeal Campaign. Through the generosity of Catholics like you, the Catholic Appeal strengthens the ministries that serve our archdiocese and helps us to live our faith together.

Electronic Giving

We are pleased to offer parishioners the ability to donate electronically through a special arrangement with Rockland Trust. Those who wish may donate to the parish through their checking or savings account and have the funds automatically sent to the parish weekly, biweekly or monthly.



Food Pantry Sunday---Next Weekend

The following items are always needed: coffee (reg ground), tea, hot chocolate, juice (cranberry, apple, vegetable), corned beef hash, beef stew, spaghetti sauce, mayonnaise, canned fruit (low or no sugar added) and applesauce.

From the Deacon's Bench

Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ within me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ at my right, Christ at my left.

Author---St Patrick

Liturgical Roles

Altar Servers---This Weekend, March 25/26

- 5:00 PM Sarah Cuddahy, Peter Crumley
8:00 AM Hayes McCarron, Patrick McCarron
9:30 AM Anastasia St. John, Tess St. John
11:30 AM Noah Carmody, Mia Martone
5:00 PM Olivia MacAlarney, Sophia MacAlarney

Altar Servers---Next Weekend, April 1/2

- 5:00 PM Beth Griffin, Mary Claire Griffin
8:00 AM Alexis Donovan, Maddie Donovan
9:30 AM Jillian Perrone, Kevin Perrone
11:30 AM Donovan Babka, Blake Martini
5:00 PM Ella Dunkelberger, Sean Durkin

Ministers of the Word---This Weekend, March 25/26

- 5:00 PM Greg Helbock
8:00 AM William Flaherty
9:30 AM Bill Kelley
11:30 AM David Drinan

Ministers of the Word---Next Weekend, April 1/2

- 5:00 PM Mary Rooney
8:00 AM Peter Buckley
9:30 AM Peter Benkart
11:30 AM Patrick Hurley

Eucharistic Ministers--- This Weekend, March 25/26

- 5:00 PM Ann Helbock, Ann McSweeney, Polly Pyne
8:00 AM Wendy Lanoue, Dot Lagrotteria, Kevin O'Connor
9:30 AM John Carr, Susan Carr, Peter Vitello
11:30 AM Chris Kierce, Rose Kierce, Donna O'Donnell

Eucharistic Ministers---Next Weekend, April 1/2

- 5:00 PM Anna Abbruzzese, Carol Barrett, David Drinan
8:00 AM Donna Abbadessa, Mike Paulson, Susan Reagan
9:30 AM Fran Collins, Gail Collins, Barbara Dalrymple
11:30 AM Donal Cahill, Michael Cotter, Cynthia Hurley



Rest in Peace May God bring into His Divine Presence the souls of all who have died, especially Patricia E, O'Neill whose funeral was held this past week.



The 46th GOOD FRIDAY WALK

April 14, 2017 in Hingham
Help is needed, both pledges and volunteers are welcome.
Contact George P. Kelly, 450 Country Way, Scituate, MA 02066
Phone 781-545-1444



Save the Date!

St. Anthony Golf and Tennis Tournament

Tuesday, May 30th 2017

MARCH 26, 2017



Prayer for Our Troops

Almighty God and Father, hold our servicemen and women in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior Amen

→ Did You Know? →

that the **HOMILY** is an instructive commentary on the sacred Scriptures that helps us apply the lessons of the Word of God to our moral and spiritual lives.

Help feed the homeless at Father Bill's in Quincy on Saturday, April 8th



How can you help?

- Volunteer to prepare part of the dinner and deliver to Parish Center
 - Make a contribution towards the purchase of a catered item www.bitly.com/stanthonycommunitydinner
- Lent is not just about what you give up, but what you **GIVE!**
Questions contact Kim Donohue @ 781-383-9288

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Weymouth-Braintree Collaborative Family Celebration 2017
In preparation for the celebration of our Weymouth-Braintree Divine Mercy Sunday, the Divine Mercy Novena will be prayed in song **Monday-Friday, April 17-21, at 3pm** in the Chapel of St. Francis Xavier, 236 Pleasant Street, South Weymouth (located directly opposite the school in the parking lot). All are lovingly invited. Questions, call Joan 781 337 6010.

Greetings

Are you new to St. Anthony Parish? If so, we hope that you find us a welcoming and inviting family of faith. If you would like more information about entering more fully into our parish life and ministry, we ask that you complete the form below and return it to the Parish Office, 10 Summer St., Cohasset MA 02025. Thank you.

I would like

- To become a Parishioner
- To change my address
- To receive Budget Envelopes
- To let the Parish know of someone who is ill, or home bound who would like to receive Communion

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E Mail _____