



He summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13



Lilvia Miller, Nicholas Perretti, Richard Hegarty, Anthony J. Firicano & Paula DiGangi Norton who died this past week.

Altar Flower Memorial

We remember Coletta Sconsoni this weekend, July 12, 2009, for whom the altar flowers have been donated

MASS INTENTIONS
WEEK OF JULY 12, 2009

MONDAY – July 13, 2009

11:30 Patricia R. McSweeneyBirthday Remembrance Mass
5:30 Paulo Leao DutraSpecial Intention

TUESDAY – July 14, 2009

11:30 Orazio CarboneMemorial Mass
5:30 Mary & Jim FitzpatrickAnniversary Mass

WEDNESDAY – July 15, 2009

11:30 Joseph ButeraAnniversary Mass
5:30 James Gregory38th Anniversary Mass

THURSDAY – July 16, 2009

11:30 Jim Eicher5th Anniversary Mass
5:30 Joseph Mattie3rd Anniversary Mass

FRIDAY – July 17, 2009

11:30 Josephine, Dominic & Evelyn Pizzi.....Memorial Mass
5:30 John & Frances FerolaMemorial Mass

SATURDAY – July 18, 2009

11:30 Carmella DiMattia.....15th Anniversary Mass
4:00 Christopher Turbitt & Noel MelansonMemorial Mass
5:30 Ellen Bean.....1st Anniversary Mass
Leo BottariAnniversary Mass

SUNDAY – July 19, 2009

7:30 People of St. Patrick
9:00 Joanne DiPaola.....3rd Anniversary Mass
10:30 Rocco Cerasuolo, Jr.Anniversary Mass
12:00 Delfina Messina2nd Anniversary Mass
6:00 Thomas P. Hughes
& John E. BuckleyAnniversary Mass

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The Black & Native American Mission Collection will be taken up this weekend. This collection helps the needs of those who bring the light of Christ's witness to the impoverished, isolated and the despairing among the Black & Native American people in many parts of the United States. Again your generosity is greatly appreciated.

SAINT PATRICK'S YOUTH MINISTRY

There is still space available for the High School Boston Harbor Cruise July 27th ~ 7:00pm-12:00am 2009



Get your dancing shoes on! To reduce the expenses we will meet at Oak Grove Station and take the Orange Line from Oak Grove in Melrose. We will travel in groups with adult leaders. The Harbor Cruise is from 8pm – 11pm. Time is needed for travel so plan on arriving at Oak Grove no later than 7pm. If you are under 18yrs old and do not have a permission form you will not be able participate. Please deliver payment of \$30.00 to the Youth Ministers office no later than July 13th. To obtain a permission form you can email bridge.builders@comcast.net or pick one up at the rectory office.

SAINT PATRICK OVER 55
NEWPORT PLAYHOUSE & CABARET RESTAURANT
(Wednesday) August 5, 2009`
\$72.00 a person

Featuring "Goodbye Charlie" Show
9:00 AM departure from Saint Patrick's.

After experiencing Newport's beautiful Ocean Drive, we will be off to The Newport Playhouse and Cabaret Restaurant. Here we will enjoy a great buffet, a wonderful play and a fun filled Cabaret performance. Their extensive hearty buffet does not skimp on quality or size. After lunch, you'll be whisked off to their intimate theatre where you can sit back, relax and take in the Newport Playhouse's special performance of "Goodbye, Charlie!" Charlie is/was a big lady's man. He gets shot trying to leave through a porthole window ~ and it looks like the good Lord has a sense of humor when sending Charlie back to earth. Just keep laughing! After the show it's back to our original table where the dining room is transformed into a captivating Cabaret. We will arrive back at St. Patrick at 6:00 pm. For reservations/information please contact Mary Lou at the rectory (781-438-0960).



Welcome into our faith community those newly baptized at Saint Patrick Parish
Sidney Victoria Bennett,
Jonathan Andrew Dupont,
Anna Lund Parsons,
Leah Ailise Ryan

Wedding Banns

II Neil Ewing & Christine Zito

5:30 PM SATURDAY WEDDINGS

PLEASE NOTE: A WEDDING will be celebrated July 25th at 5:30 p.m. The **5:30 p.m. Mass** will be celebrated in the **lower church** on that date.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

781-438-1093

Please check the website www.stpat.catholicweb.com for updates and schedules.

Confirmation students '09, please stop by our office and pick up your Confirmation Certificate if you have not already done so.

Vacation Bible School



As we prepare for a fun adventure in the early Church during our Vacation Bible School—*Rome, Paul and the Underground Church*,— we are asking for donations of items to help us put together the look and feel of Ancient Rome. Some items can be borrowed and returned after VBS. The deadline for donations is this Tuesday, July 14.

- 3 Cabana / sun shades to create outdoor Roman marketplace (will be returned)
- 5 lb. bag of flour (need 12 more bags) Please note: we will use the bags intact for building “ancient walls.” After VBS, we will donate flour to a local food bank.
- 5 gal. bucket (need 3)
- large bowls
- bed sheets (full/queen size, gently used)
- blankets ((full/queen size, gently used)
- duct tape
- laundry baskets
- large black garbage bags
- plastic sandwich baggies

Protecting God's Children Program

All employees and volunteers who work with children or youth in the Archdiocese of Boston are required to participate in the Protecting God's Children program. If you work with the youth in our parish or plan to volunteer at Saint Patrick School or with Religious Education in the fall and you have not yet completed this program, please join us for one of the following Protecting God's Children sessions:

Thursday, August 6 from 7:00 - 10:00 PM. in the Parish Council Room

Monday, August 31 from 7:00 – 10:00 PM in the Parish Council Room

Please RSVP to our office to let us know if you plan to attend so that we may prepare materials.

In Our Thoughts ~ and In Our Prayers

Please pray for those in need of God's healing power

- Sr. Neonilla Barrett, Mae McNulty, Teresa Arena, Helen Konopacka Jennings, David Pothier, David Geer, Mary Murphy, John McDonald, Rita Lazzaro, Patricia Fitzpatrick, Marion Breagy, Marcia Muir, Victor Dell Isola, Timothy O'Brien, Helen Rich, Rev. James Field, Rev. Thomas Nestor, Michaela Barry, Rhonda Meninno, Thomas Joseph Kehoe, Jr., Thomas Joseph Kehoe, Sr*

PRAYER TREE

Whatever your needs are – give them to our prayer line:
Call: Marie Eicher...438-4424
or Sue Zizza...438-6555

“BRIDGING THE GAP”

We are grateful to all of the parishioners who responded so generously to our extraordinary appeal to “Bridge the Gap” at the end of the fiscal year.

\$13,500 has been received thus far and we are hopeful that other parishioners might still respond to this appeal over the next two weeks before we need to close the books on fiscal 2008-2009. It looks like we will enter into the new fiscal year carrying a deficit from this year, but the generous response to this appeal, during a time of financial challenge for many, has helped to diminish the size of that deficit. Envelopes for the ‘Bridging the Gap’ Appeal are available in the pews. The special collection envelopes can be placed in the offertory collection during Mass. Contributions may also be sent directly to the parish office at the rectory.

RELIGIOUS ED WORKSHOPS

Open to all parishioners, especially those interested in teaching Religious Ed. All workshops count towards archdiocesan catechist certification. All sessions will be held in the Parish Council Room. Please RSVP to our office if you plan to attend a workshop.

Date	Topic	Time
Tue., July 28	Introduction to the Scriptures	7:00– 9:00 PM
Thu., July 30	Introduction to the Learner	10:00–12:00 Noon
Tue., August 11	Getting Started as a Catechist	10:00–12:00 Noon
Wed., August 12	Methods for Grades 1 & 2	10:00–12:00 Noon
Mon., August 17	Liturgy & Sacraments	7:00 –9:00 PM
Tue., August 18	Methods for Grades 3 & 4	10:00 – 12:00 Noon
Wed., August 19	Methods for Grades 7 & 8	7:00– 9:00 PM
Tue., August 25	Methods for Grades 5 & 6	10:00–12:00 Noon
Thu., August 17	Catholic Morality	7:00– 9:00 PM

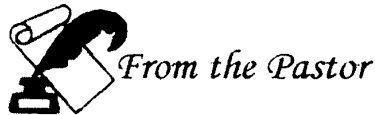


EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 12:00 Noon to 9:00 p.m.
Friday 12:00 Noon to 5:15 p.m

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Donation boxes for St. Vincent de Paul Society are located on either side of the center aisle doors exiting the church. They are also located in the lower church at the doors. Your donations are greatly appreciated



NEW MASS SCHEDULE

It is a situation that has been looming for many years and we knew the day would come eventually, but Saint Patrick Parish has to deal with the reality that there are now only two priests assigned here. Father Mario Orrigo has been an incredible blessing to our parish and his energy seems unbounded, but there are limits to what two priests can do, especially since the pastor is limping into his sixtieth year with bad knees! After consultation with the Parish Pastoral Council and the Pastoral Staff, it seems that the most realistic course for the parish at this time is to adopt a new Sunday Mass schedule, effective August 7, 2009.

There will be a single Vigil Mass on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Sunday morning schedule will combine the 7:30 & 9 o'clock Masses into an 8 o'clock Mass. The 'Family Mass' will be celebrated at 10 o'clock and the Masses at 12:00 Noon and 6 o'clock in the evening will stay the same.

One of the principle reasons for the enlargement of the church was the recognition that the day would be coming when we would need to accommodate larger congregations for Sunday Liturgy at a smaller number of Masses since we knew that there would be fewer priests available to celebrate the Masses. The enlarged church provides comfortable seating space for 800 people at Mass. During May and June we took a head count at each of the Sunday Masses for three successive weekends and the average attendance at each Mass. The numbers in parenthesis represent the average head count for the same Masses that was taken on three weekends during October of 2008.

Saturday 4:00 – 383 (426)

Saturday 5:30 – 209 (196)

Sunday 7:30 – 201 (163)

Sunday 9:00 – 259 (261)

Sunday 10:30 – 351 (312)

Sunday 12:00 Noon – 290 (368)

Sunday 6:00 in the evening – 348 (313)

You can see that the only Mass that approaches 50% of the seating capacity of the church is the 4 o'clock Vigil Mass on Saturday. We are presently celebrating seven Masses which would comfortably accommodate 5,600 people, but our weekend Mass count is closer to 2,000 people. Hopefully we will someday have the number of priests and the number of people going to Mass that will necessitate expanding the Mass schedule again! Our new schedule of five Masses will accommodate twice the number of people who are attending Mass at the current time.

We are also considering at this time the schedule for daily Masses at Saint Patrick Parish and we may have to make some changes. There are four days each week when there is only one priest in the parish and we average three funerals a week. Two daily Masses with a funeral places a heavy burden on a priest who also has attend to wakes, burials, hospital and nursing home coverage, along with parish meetings and meetings with engaged couples preparing for their weddings. When one of the priests is on vacation or retreat, the burden on one priest is considerable.

Everyone will be asked to make some sacrifices as we make a transition to two priests staffing this large and vibrant parish. We know that people have their favorite Masses and change is never easy. Please be patient with us as we do our best to serve you to the best of our abilities.

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