

Mass Intentions

- Saturday, February 27**
4:00 PM J. Harold FitzGerald
- Sunday, February 28**
9:00 AM Mary Anglely
11:30 AM Mildred, Robert, William, Dennis, & Lois Pugliese, Cathy Roberts, Catera Carnazzo, & Charles E. Lynch
5:00PM For the Parishioners
- Monday, March 1**
12:10 PM P. Clare Riley—Special Intention
- Tuesday, March 2**
12:10 PM Jeanette Donadio
- Wednesday, March 3**
12:10 PM Barbara Keaney
- Thursday, March 4**
12:10 PM Anne Schuler 1st Anniversary
- Friday, March 5**
12:10 PM Sanctuary Fund
- Saturday, March 6**
4:00 PM Thanksgiving for Tony Abou Hamad and Family
- Sunday, March 7**
9:00 AM Thanksgiving for Henry Abou Hamad and Family
11:30 AM In memory of the Marron Family
5:00 PM For the Parishioners

BABY BOTTLES

Thank you to all who have returned their filled Baby Bottle.

The filled bottles may be left in the basket in the front of the church this weekend and next. Thank you for your support for a great cause.



Parish Support

February 20-21 Offertory \$2,489



CATHOLIC APPEAL

Next weekend March 6-7 will be Catholic Appeal Weekend here at St. Joseph's. The Appeal is to the Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish, so your support is critical. Because of the current economic climate, the need for the ministries supported by the Catholic Appeal has increased, making support for the Appeal more urgent than ever. Every gift matters. For more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org

“HIS STORY, OUR STORY”
OUR FAITH “TIME LINE”

A TIME OF PRAYER FOR THE LENTEN SEASON

Where has God been in your life? During what key moments has he revealed Himself to you? We all have a faith story just like Mary, the Apostles and Saints! By way of the “Time Line” we can see the hand of God call, mold and shape our lives and heart in his image.

Please join us for an afternoon of **Prayer and Reflection** on **March 21, 12:30pm-3:00pm** as we celebrate and get ready for the joy of Easter's new life. Why not plan on saving this time to thank God for the gift of His mercy in our lives.



- 12:30 pm Lunch
- 1:30 pm Conference
- 2:15 pm The “Time Line” sharing
- 3:00 pm Opportunity for private prayer
- 4:00 pm Celebration of Mass

2nd Sunday of Lent



Ten days into Lent, and we can't wait for Easter. Maybe it's that we haven't gotten used to the fasting yet. Or maybe it's that we haven't been as good at the extra prayer we promised ourselves that we would do. Even the church recognizes that we need a little boost to move us along. That's why we hear the Gospel of the Transfiguration on this Second Sunday of Lent. It is just a little foretaste, an appetizer, of what Easter is to be. For those of us who are already baptized, and for those who are preparing for baptism, the image of the glorified Christ stands as a beacon of what we are to become when we share in the fullness of the Resurrection.

Paul writes to the Philippians that Christ "will change our lowly body to conform to his glorified body." That is the hope that is held out to us as we progress through Lent. In this season we unite ourselves to Christ so that we may become more like him.

But we abandon this world, looking for some far-off promise of glory. Our almsgiving, our care for the poor, is a reflection of Christ's love for everyone. When we reach out a little more this Lent (often made possible because we've decided to give something up, and so have extra available to give away) we act like Jesus, who gave up his life for us. His suffering and death on the cross found fulfillment in his resurrection from the dead.

When we care for others through our own sacrifice, we are helping to transfigure their lives, letting a little bit of God's glory be seen through our transforming love. The Transfiguration reminds us what awaits us after our own suffering if we are faithful to the commands of Christ.

**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

Ignatius Loyola's injury, caused by a bullet, had much to do with changing his whole life and bringing great blessings to the Catholic Church in the sixteenth century.

It began with odds and ends. Ignatius injured in a battle had little to do but read while recuperating. The few books available were entertaining but quickly forgotten. Ignatius found himself absorbed in spiritual books at hand. He soon found himself caught up in Jesus Christ.

Ignatius had little formal education. As soon as he could he went to Paris to study. He was welcomed by Peter Faber but at first repulsed by Francis Xavier. The personality of Ignatius was such that he was soon welcomed by both.

The personality and religious devotion of Ignatius won over Diego Lainez, Alfonso Salmeron, Nicholas Bokadilla and Simon Rodriguez along with the other two.

Ignatius had longed to go to the Holy Land but he only spent a short time there because the strong influence and power of Islam prevented a longer stay.

Ignatius appealed to Pope Paul III to join the new institute. He was approved and accepted. Ignatius was then chosen to be general of the new society against his will.

MARCH MADNESS CELTIC TICKETS DRAWING

ENTER TO WIN!!!. Yes we have three tickets for the Boston Celtics vs the Milwaukee Bucks on April 14, 2010 at 8:00pm at our own TD Bank Garden. Limit of 100 entries at \$20.00 each will go on sale at all the Masses this weekend. Set the evening aside for you could be the big winner. Drawing will be at one of the Masses after all the tickets are sold.



The entry envelopes can be found on the tables at the back of the church. Pick one up - fill in the information on the front of the envelope, enclose \$20.00 and place in the collection basket, mail slot at the rectory or hand to Father Dan after Mass.

RECIPES WANTED!!!!

Many have submitted their recipes for our cookbook. We want to make sure your family's name is in our book. Please submit copies of recipes to mbnelson19@gmail.com or judy.fahey@gmail.com or by leaving copies of them in the designated recipe basket in the back of the church. Please indicate the type of recipe (i.e., appetizer, main dish, dessert, etc.) and your name (if you wish to have it listed with your recipe in the book).



TIME FOR CATECHESIS

This week's insert in the bulletin '*HEARING THE WORD OF GOD*' will help us come to a deeper appreciation of our liturgy is. When it comes to Mass why do we do what we do and how do we come more fully incorporated into the Body of Christ? In reviewing these facts we will be better able to prayerfully enhance the beauty of our liturgies.

LENT AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH

LENTEN REGULATIONS

On Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent, abstinence is required for all those over the age of 14. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used. Fasting is required on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for those between the ages of 18 and 60.

LENTEN NOVENA—Wednesdays, during the 12:10 Mass. The Novena has had a long history in our Catholic tradition and is an important prayer of thanksgiving and supplication.

“THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU” Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation every **Wednesday** during Lent. **6:30pm—8:00pm.** St. Joseph Parish and all the parishes and chapels of the Archdiocese of Boston will be open for individual confessions. Inviting Catholics to experience Christ's healing love through the Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the major initiatives of Cardinal Sean and the Archdiocese this year. Please make plans to come on Lenten Wednesdays and spread the word of this special outreach of mercy to those you know.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays after 12:10 pm Mass

The Stations of the Cross are a powerful way to contemplate and enter into the mystery of Jesus' gift of himself to us. It involves our senses, experiences and emotions. To the extent we come to experience the love of Jesus for us, to that extent our gratitude will be deep, and deep gratitude leads to real generosity and desire to love as we have been loved.

MARCH 20—Stations of the Cross with Mary
Saturday morning 10:00am

Followed by a social in parish hall with coffee/tea and **“Zeppolles”** to celebrate her husband our patron- St. Joseph whose Feast Day is March 19th.

MARCH 21—Lenten Day of Prayer

His Story, Our Story 12:30pm - 3:00pm

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