

Mass Intentions

- 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
- Monday, March 8**
 12:10 PM P. Clare Riley—Special Intention
- Tuesday, March 9**
 12:10 PM Jeanette Donadio
- Wednesday, March 10**
 12:10 PM Barbara Keaney
- Thursday, March 11**
 12:10 PM Anne Schuler 1st Anniversary
- Friday, March 12**
 12:10 PM Sanctuary Fund
- Saturday, March 13**
 4:00 PM Thanksgiving for Tony Abou Hamad and Family
- Sunday, March 14**
 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

Thanks to all those who participated in the Baby Bottle Campaign! It's time to collect the bottles and send them to A Woman's Concern. All this change will go to support the ministry of A Woman's Concern. Services that they provide at no cost, because of generosity of many.

Parish Support

February 27-28 Offertory \$3034.00




CATHOLIC APPEAL

This 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

**A TIME OF PRAYER
FOR THE LENTEN SEASON**

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

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 “ <u>Time Line</u> ” sharing
	3:00 pm	Opportunity for private prayer
	4:00 pm	Celebration of Mass

ROOM FOR A FEW MORE RECIPES

Have your submitted your recipe yet?. 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.



“TAKE THIS ALL OF YOU AND DRINK FROM IT....THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD”

In late fall of last year, Cardinal Sean asked that parishes discontinue the practice of offering the Precious Blood to the assembly during Mass. He did so on the recommendation of Massachusetts public health advisors in the face of an unusual threat of influenza. A few weeks ago, the Cardinal directed that parishes return “by Palm Sunday” to the practice of distributing the Blood of the Lord at Communion time. Again, he did so after consulting public health authorities. In normal times, the typical wisdom is that distribution of the chalice to the assembled faithful does not constitute any particular danger to health. With that in mind, on the weekend of Sunday, March 21st we will resume Holy Communion under both kinds here at St. Joseph's.

You will recall that Vatican Council II restored the long-lost practice of Communion under both kinds. The Council did so with Jesus' command at the Last Supper in mind: “Take this all of you and eat it....Take this all of you and drink from it....” As the Instruction preceding the Roman Missal teaches: “Holy Communion has a more complete form as a sign when it is received under both species”. Liturgy is a world where we take sacred signs seriously. The sacramental signs are signs of Christ and his saving actions. Thank God for the return of this fuller expression of the mystery of the Holy Eucharist.

**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

A definition of peace is "A state of calm and quiet". If we go a step further we find, "My soul is longing for your peace near to you my God." The fulfillment of peace comes from our desire to be close to God.

The horror of war is surely the last place to find peace. Yet in World War I many young American soldiers found peace on the field of battle.

Somehow young soldiers in their love for parents and wives found a young Carmelite nun who brought them a peace which the horror and strife of war could not destroy.

Sister Theresa of the Child of Jesus was only in her very early twenties. Young French soldiers heard of her, sought her prayers and shared her with Americans.

Theresa was canonized a saint about fifteen years after the war ended. Another Sister moved her own little world to Mothers of her Second Grade Children. Sister St. Ruth organized their mothers to learn of Theresa and pray that she be numbered among the saints.

Our world always needs the peace of Christ. He offers this blessing in His way not ours. Only He know the power of prayer to bring peace.

A cynic once asked a little boy why he bothered going to Mass. The response was both simple and wise. "Cux Jesus loves me and I want to be His friend."

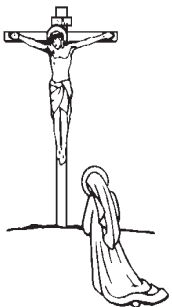
**MARCH MADNESS
CELTIC TICKETS DRAWING**

Have you submitted your entry yet? Tickets are going fast don't miss the chance to see the Boston Celtics play at TD Bank Garden. 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. 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH MARY



Plan to join us on Saturday morning 10:00am, **March 20** for stations of the Cross as seen through the eyes of our Blessed Mother. The pray will be 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.



ST. JOSEPH

OUR FAITH FORMATION CONTINUES

This week's insert in the bulletin *'THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER'* 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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