

Mass Intentions

Parish Support

**Saturday, March 20**  
4:00 PM In memory of the Marron Family

**Sunday, March 21**  
9:00 AM Thomas Frederico  
11:30 AM Dedra Santana  
5:00 PM For the Parishioners

**Monday, March 22**  
12:10 PM Lozada and Santana Family

**Tuesday, March 23**  
12:10 PM In memory of the Marron Family

**Wednesday, March 24**  
12:10 PM St. Anthony for the Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday, March 25, Annunciation of the Lord**  
12:10 PM Louise E. FitzGerald

**Friday, March 26**  
12:10 PM Lucille Haley

**Saturday, March 27**  
4:00 PM In memory of the Marron Family

**Sunday, March 28**  
9:00 AM In memory of the Marron Family  
11:30 AM Thanksgiving for Giselle Damiani and Family  
5:00 PM For the Parishioners

March 13-14

Offertory

\$3,001



ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC APPEAL

We want to thank everyone from St. Joseph Parish who has participated in the 2010 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$18,655 to date from 18 households. The Appeal is to the Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish. Because of the current economic climate, support of the Catholic Appeal is even more urgent this year. Every gift matters. For more information please visit [www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org](http://www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org). Thank you!

OUR LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

“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-3:15pm** 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” and sharing
- 3:15 pm Closing prayer

MUSIC IN THE LITURGY

You... the Assembly

Our explanation of the Liturgy continues in this week’s bulletin with the green insert entitled “Music in the Liturgy: Let All God’s People Sing!” This week we look at the important liturgical role of the assembly, the congregation itself. The assemblies role is just as important as the priest, the Lector and Eucharistic Ministers. We are reminded, this week of the importance of our responses at Mass, both sung and spoken. They are never merely a half hearted reply but rather a heartfelt response heard to the heavens. Even when we speak we are meant to SING. As the psalmist says we make a “joyful noise” to the Lord.

OUR LITURGICAL PRAYER —

A RETURN TO COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS THIS WEEKEND

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, **this weekend, Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>** 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**

Many years ago a popular writer offered his newspaper article with the title "what's right with the world". A few month's ago "what's right with the world" became very evident not only in words but in reality in helping the people of Haiti.

There is a humorous, though completely imaginative story of Saint Peter's service at the gate to heaven. Jesus speaks to him in regard to some very questionable people entering the heavenly gates. "I am really very careful dear Lord. However any time I turn my back, your mother opens the door."

Praying that we may one day have the joy, peace and glory of heaven we reflect in our own limited way on Mary, the mother of Jesus. Saint Paul leaves no possible doubt; "At the appointed time God sent his son, born of a woman."

We have little information about Mary in sacred scripture. We can be certain that of all people born totally of human nature she is most intimately unified with God. Holy Mary, pray for us.

**OUR GRAND ANNUAL APPEAL**

You may have noticed in the latest monthly envelope mailing that Our Grand Annual Appeal, Monthly Installment Plan Envelope is now **BLUE** (instead of light yellow). Our total to date is \$62,669, or 89.5% of our goal. Your continued donations could even bring us beyond our goal. Thank you!!

**REQUEST FOR SPIRITUAL CARE VOLUNTEERS**

Spaulding Rehab Hospital Network is in urgent need of Spiritual Care Volunteers to visit and bring Holy Communion to Catholic patients. Any hours you can contribute will be a great gift. For further information please call Chaplain John Horgan at (617) 573-2780, or send E-mail to [jhorgan1@partners.org](mailto:jhorgan1@partners.org).

**MARRIAGE PREP —THANK YOU**

Thanks to Jim and Michelle Duane and the members of their team for all their work in the Marriage Preparation Program held here last weekend. Their witness to our faith brought many couples closer to Christ. We thank them sincerely for sharing their giftedness.

**CELTIC TICKETS WINNER**

The drawing for the April 14 game with the Celtics and the Milwaukee Bucks was drawn last weekend at the 5:00 Mass. And the winner is John O'Neil of Franklin a regular attendee of our daily 12:10 Mass. Congratulations John!

**This weekend we remember St. Joseph** patron of our parish. The Church admires his simplicity and the depth of his faith. Joseph's trust in God's presence enabled salvation history to unfold in the way it did. Thru his interception may our parish continue to be blessed by him.

*St. Joseph Pray for Us.*



ST. JOSEPH

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Holy Thursday –April 1**

**7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Good Friday- April 2**

**12:10pm Stations of the Cross**

**7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

**Holy Saturday-April 3**

**8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass**

**Easter Sunday- April 4**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**9:00am Easter Mass**

**11:30am Easter Mass**

**EASTER FLOWERS**

Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church for those who wish to donate plants or flowers for Easter in memory or honor of their loved ones — a beautiful way to symbolize their new life. Suggested donation is \$10. Please let us have the names before **March 24.**

**LENT AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH**

**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.

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