

The Church of the Blessed Sacrament

*Blessed Sacrament is a Catholic community, rooted in the Eucharist,
where All are Welcome as we Build the City of God*

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April 2-3, 2011

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	April 2nd	
4:00 PM	Stanley Kelliher	Anniversary
Monday	April 4th	
9:00 AM	Mass	
Tuesday	April 5th	
9:00 AM	Mass	
Wednesday	April 6th	
9:00 AM	Mass	
Thursday	April 7th	
9:00 AM	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	
Friday	April 8th	
9:00 AM	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	
Saturday	April 9th	
9:00 AM	Kathleen Kennedy	Anniversary
4:00 PM	Maria Sabatini	Memorial

Second Collection

This week's second collection will be the monthly Balance the Budget collection, typically held on the first Sunday of each month, and is used to do just that: balance our operating budget. The weekly collection has not kept up with skyrocketing expenses, especially insurance, salaries, and utilities, and so the monthly Balance the Budget collection helps to offset the deficit. Many thanks for your generosity!

Remembering in Your Prayers

We are asked to remember in our prayers all our shut-ins, our unemployed, our sick, our grieving, and our own parish dead, especially: Barbara Goodwin, Marian McAdams, Mary Pereira, Margaret Ginley, Helen Willis, and Elaine Philbrick.

Weekly Events Calendar

Sunday	April 3rd	
8:30 AM	Blood Pressure Clinic	Community Room
10:15 to 11:15	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	School
1:30 to 3:30	Mass Translation Training	School Auditorium
2 to 3:30 PM	Knitting Ministry	Community Room
Monday	April 4th	
4 to 5 PM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	School
5:30 to 6:30	Religious Ed Grades 1 & 2	School
7 to 8 PM	Religious Ed Grades 6-8	School
Tuesday	April 5th	
9:45 to 11 AM	Bible Study	Community Room
2:45 to 4 PM	Passion Rehearsals	Church
5 to 6 PM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	School
6:15 to 7:15	Religious Ed Grades 6-8	School
7:30 to 9 PM	Special Needs Rel Ed Mtg	Community Room
Wednesday	April 6th	
9:30 AM	Morning Prayer Group	Community Room
2:45 to 4 PM	Passion Rehearsals	Church
4 to 8 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Chapel
6:30 to 8:30	School Board	Tech Lab
7 to 9 PM	Pieta	Community Room
Thursday	April 7th	
9:45 to 10:45	Praying the Scriptures	Community Room
4 to 5 PM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	School
5 to 6 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Church
6 to 7 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Church
7 to 8:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:30 to 8:30	Beloved Community	Fireplace Room
Friday	April 8th	
7 to 7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross	Church
Saturday	April 9th	
11 to 12:30	Lector Rehearsal	Church
5 PM	Blood Pressure Clinic	Community Room

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp in the church burns this week in memory of Mary and Russell Blake.

Prayer Line

If you have something or someone you would like us to pray for, call the Prayer Line at 508-668-2448 and a group of prayerful parishioners will add your intentions to their daily prayer. Prayer works!

EASTER SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Our Easter Sunday Mass schedule is as follows: 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM (church and hall), and 12:30 PM. There is no 5:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday. Please note that this schedule is different than in previous years, so please alert your visiting family and friends to the change, which hopefully will improve parking and traffic between Masses.

EASTER CANDLE

Anyone wishing to donate the Easter Candle in the Chapel, the candle in the Church has been spoken for, please speak with Fr. Tim. The Easter Candle in the Chapel burns at daily Mass during the Easter Season as well as during the month of November.

EASTER FLOWERS

Anyone wishing to donate money toward the flowers for the Easter Season in memory of a deceased loved one is asked to please put your donation in an envelope with the names of those to be remembered and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish House. Names and donations must be received by Sunday April 17th to make the Easter bulletin.

For the complete parish calendar anytime, go to
www.blessedsacrament.org

A Message from our Co Pastors

We find Jesus at Jacob's Well talking with a Samaritan woman and asking her for a drink of water. To us that may seem nothing unusual but in those days it was more than unusual it was against religious tradition. Remember Jesus was a Jew and Jews and the Samaritans had nothing to do with each other, nor did they share common goods. In addition men would not engage a woman in conversation. So what is Jesus doing? Could he be challenging the traditions that are man-made that keep religions separate? He talks about the day when people will neither worship on the mountain or in Jerusalem but will worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth. Jesus is also addressing the woman's search for happiness in life. He asks her to go get her husband. She tells him she has none. He responds by saying "You are right that you have no husband. For you have had five husbands and the one you have now is not your husband."

He speaks to the woman about life giving water, the gift of the Spirit, who will satisfy any thirst. She tells him that she is desirous of this water. What is Jesus talking about? How does that impact us? You and I receive the Holy Spirit in Baptism and as a confirmed Catholic we acknowledge that gift as ours in the renewal of our Baptismal promises. At that time we receive the gifts of the Spirit, wisdom, knowledge, understanding, right judgment, awe and wonder, reverence, and courage. In one of our confirmation presentations not too long ago the presenter told the students that one of the things that she remembered about her own confirmation was that the bishop had said you may not believe what I am saying now but remember what I said. In preparing to be confirmed I certainly knew what the gifts of the Spirit were. I was confirmed and quickly forgot them. Have you ever received a gift from someone and you have no idea what to do with the gift so you stick it in a closet and forget that it is there. One day you come across it and when you see it again you have use for it.

It is in the seeking of the life giving water, the acknowledgement of the presence of God in life, the Spirit of God that puts us on the path to fulfillment. Pulling the gifts out of storage and putting them into use. This life giving water, the presence of God does not take away pain and suffering, does not take away tragedy but it does give us the means to deal with it. This life giving water, the Spirit enables us to see life in death, blessings in tragedy, hope in despair, light in darkness. I have come to look at faith as Simon. Simon was the one who was sent into Jesus' life to help him carry the cross.

What is it that we search for? We hear today what Jesus offers us. Like the woman at the well, the gift is there, it is ours for the seeking.

~Fr. Tim

THINKING ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL



In the Gospel for Sunday, April 10 (John 11:1--45), Jesus travels to Bethany to comfort his friends Mary and Martha by raising their brother Lazarus from the dead.

<http://www.usccb.org/nab/041011.shtml>

Next week's question is: "What do you still hope Jesus can do, even if it seems impossible?"

SISTER PARISHES

Please visit the web sites or contact our sister collaborative parishes for additional information on Mass schedules and services: St. Mary Parish, East Walpole, 508-668-4974 www.stmarywalpole.com and Our Lady of Sorrows, Sharon, 781-784-2265 www.olossharonma.parishesonline.com



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come join us during the season of Lent to celebrate the Stations of the Cross. They will be held on Friday evenings from 7 to 7:30 PM. Beautifully illustrated booklets are provided for you to follow along. All are welcome!

PALM SUNDAY OUTDOOR PROCESSION

Walk together with Jesus in his triumphant entrance to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday this year by joining Blessed Sacrament Parish at the 9 AM Mass on April 17. We will gather outside the school for a blessing of the palms, and then we will join our voices together with trumpets and the Parish Youth Choir as we process around the yard and into the church. All children and families from the community are warmly welcomed to join us as we begin our celebration Holy Week.

WALKING THE WAY OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY

Spend time in prayer and reflection on Good Friday with fellow Christians of Walpole as we Walk the Way of the Cross at 3 PM on April 22. Families and faithful of all ages are warmly welcomed to join us! We will begin at Epiphany Episcopal Church (just off the Common, on Front Street) and then walk several stations around the Common before ending at the United Church (by the Post Office). At each station we will hear Scripture, say a communal prayer, and sing. The walking distance traveled is not far, and the event will last under an hour, making it appropriate for all ages. Please consider gathering with the Christian parishes around Walpole and joining your voice in a prayer of the community. This event is sponsored by the Walpole Ministerial Association, who seek to develop ecumenical ties within the community of Walpole.

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT — SEE AS GOD SEES

In today's Gospel, Jesus recognizes the blind man as one who has been made in God's image and likeness. Jesus demonstrated God's goodness to all by healing the blind man. By giving to Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, we support health programs in Honduras and around the world, which continue the healing work of Jesus and demonstrate God's love for all of our human family.

BLESSED SACRAMENT BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting is next on Tuesday, April 12th at 7:30 in the Community Room. The book selected for discussion is Mother Theresa: Come Be My Light edited by Brian Kolodiejchuk, M.C. The private writings of Mother Theresa shed light on her interior life in a way that reveals the depth and intensity of her holiness. Extra copies may be available in the church office for \$12. Newcomers are always welcome! For information about the book club please call Judy Bosl at 781-821-3680 or email judybosl@gmail.com.

HAPPY SPRING FROM THE KNITTING MINISTRY

Please join us !! The Knitting Ministry will gather on Sunday, April 3rd at 2 PM in the Community Room. For further information about the ministry, please call or e-mail Jen Dyer at: jenmooredyer@aol.com or 508-528-4313. "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in their midst". (Mt. 18:20).

LENTEN HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

The Respect Life Committee invites you to a Lenten Holy Hour for Life in Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Wednesday evening, April 6th, 7 - 8 PM. It will be an hour of Eucharistic Adoration and prayer for the protection of all human life, born and unborn. Please join us to pray for the sanctity of all human life.

MASSACHUSETTS CITIZENS FOR LIFE 2011 CONVENTION

The topic: "Fighting for Life - From Beacon Hill to Capitol Hill". The convention will be held on Saturday, April 9th at Boston College Law School 8:30 AM-4 PM. Students for Life Conference will be held 2:30-7:30 PM. Convention registration is \$30.00 (\$10.00 for students). This includes coffee, lunch breaks, and materials. For more information, please call Mass Citizens for Life at 617-242-4199 or register online at www.masscitizensforlife.org.

THE UNEXPECTED HAPPENS

We all know how life can take us this way and that. The same is true for people who regularly teach religious education classes. We need a couple people who, on short notice, would be comfortable working with a class of children. There are three time slots that could use a person to substitute for the regular teacher: Tuesday at 5 PM and 6:15 PM and Thursday at 4 PM. The earlier class times are children from first through fifth grade. The Tuesday 6:15 time is middle school grades 6 to 8. This is not for every week it's just if and when someone can't make it for a day. It's between now and May 12. If this is something you could do, please call Bill Dittrich, Pastoral Associate at 508-668-4700 x26 or email bdittrich@blessedsacrament.org.

SPECIAL NEEDS POSSIBILITIES

That's what we would like to explore at a parish meeting Tuesday, April 5 at 7:30 PM in the Community Room. Whether your child is on the autism spectrum, has Down syndrome or other special needs, the idea is to bring parents together to identify how Blessed Sacrament might better serve you. Parents get to meet each other and discuss issues around worship, sacraments, religious education or whatever else is needed. Facilitated by Bill Dittrich, Pastoral Associate, bdittrich@blessedsacrament.org.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Our parish nurses will be available this weekend (**April 2 and 3**) in the Community Room after the 4 PM Saturday mass and all Sunday morning masses to check your blood pressure.

WOMEN OF THE GOSPEL PRODUCTION

Don't miss the opportunity to attend a hilarious production of "Women of the Gospel". Linda Gray Kelley stars as she changes costume and puts a comical slant on familiar Bible stories. Men and ladies alike can sit back and enjoy the show. It is being offered free-of-charge. Canned goods, packaged grocery items, or donations are encouraged and all items collected benefit the Walpole Food Pantry. Bring your friends, your family, your neighbors. The performance will take place on Sunday, April 3rd at 3:00 PM, at Epiphany Parish, on Walpole common, 62 Front St., Walpole. Light refreshments are available before the show, from 2:00 to 3:00 PM. Questions? Contact Epiphany Parish at 508-668-2353.

MIL MILAGROS BENEFIT SALE

Beautiful Guatemalan jewelry, bags and scarves for sale on Sunday, April 10, at Epiphany Church, 62 Front Street, Walpole, 11 AM - 3 PM. Looking for a gift for one of those spring occasions: Easter, Mother's Day, graduations, birthdays, bar/bat mitzvahs, First Communion? Come browse Artesania, one-of-a-kind handmade goods from Guatemala. Find the perfect gift — or treat yourself — with unique necklaces, bracelets, earrings and pins in every color of the rainbow. In addition to jewelry, there are scarves, shawls, handbags and small, zipped purses, perfect for cell phones. Kids will love the headbands and whimsical animal key chains that make great backpack decorations. All proceeds from the sale benefit Mil Milagros (www.milmilagros.org), a child health and nutrition program in the Guatemalan highlands that feeds 500 impoverished children a hot, daily meal. For those interested in learning more about Mil Milagros, founder Margaret Blood will give a brief presentation at 12:30 PM. For more information, contact Mary Cahill at walpole-cahills@hotmail.com or Michelle Bowery at mbowery@comcast.net.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jesus wants you to see more clearly the blessings of your sacrament of matrimony. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend helps you to see God's plan for your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are April 8-10, April 29 - May 1, and May 13-15. For more information call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwme.org.

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM
9:00 AM Family Mass
11:00 AM
5:30 PM

Daily Mass: 9:00 AM in Chapel

Holy Days: Vigil: 5:30 PM
Day: 9 AM and 7 PM

The Chapel of Reservation of the Most Blessed Sacrament: open daily for prayer
7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Pray the Rosary: Monday through Friday at
8:30 AM in the Church.

THE SACRAMENTS

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): For those who wish to become Catholic, receive sacraments as adults, or learn more about our faith. Contact Fr. Tim for more information.

Baptisms: Baptisms are celebrated at any of the weekend Masses and on one Sunday a month at 12:30 PM, except during Lent. The schedule for Baptisms can be found on the online calendar or by contacting Fr. Tim. Baptism Preparation class is held the first Tuesday of each month, except July and September, at 7 PM in the Church. To register for a Baptism, register for the class, or for more information, please contact Fr. Tim.

Confirmation: Celebrated annually for students in Youth Ministry. Contact the Coordinator of Youth Ministry for more information.

First Communion: Celebrated annually for students in Grade 2. Contact Bill Dittrich for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance): Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM or anytime upon request.

Parish Visitation/Anointing of the Sick: Contact Marie Martin so that we may minister to the sick and home-bound.

Marriage: Couples preparing to marry here should contact the Parish House at least one year in advance of the proposed wedding date. Parish marriage preparation programs are held in the Spring and Fall of each year and should be attended at least six months prior to the wedding. Contact Fr. Tim or Deacon Rey for more information.

Vocations: if you think that God may be calling you to a life of service in the Church, talk to any member of our pastoral staff, or contact the Archdiocese of Boston at www.vocationsboston.org or by phone at 617-746-5949.

PARISH INFORMATION

New Parishioners: We want to meet you! Please call or visit the Parish House to be registered in the parish or to find out how to get involved.

Parish House Hours: Monday—Friday, 9:30 AM—5 PM.

Accommodations for the Handicapped: Ramp access is available at the East Street entrance of the church.

Blessed Sacrament School: Classes are held for students in grades Pre-K through 8. Contact Jim Spillman, Principal, for information.

St. Francis Cemetery: Lots are available to parishioners in time of need. Contact Michael Lamperti.

Bulletin: All items to be submitted for the bulletin should be sent to bulletin@blessedsacrament.org by noon Saturday for the following week. Please contact Jeff Blouin if you would like to advertise at jblouin@cathedralcorporation.com