

# 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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January 8-9, 2011

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

## Mass Intentions for the Week

## Remembering in Your Prayers

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 8th</b>
4:00 PM	Mass
<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 10th</b>
9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 11th</b>
9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 12th</b>
9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 13th</b>
9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 14th</b>
9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 15th</b>
9:00 AM	Mass
4:00 PM	Mass

We are asked to remember in our prayers all our shut-ins, our unemployed, our sick, our grieving, and our own parish dead, especially: James Musto, Rose Bothwell, Ida Ratigan and Maria Sabatini.

## Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp in the church burns this week in memory of Anthony R. Davino.

## 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!

## Weekly Events Calendar

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 9th</b>	
10:15 to 11:15	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
12:30 PM	Baptisms	Church
3 PM	Christmas Concert/Pageant	Church
4:30 PM	Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal	Church
4:30 PM	Confirmation Session	Auditorium
<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 10th</b>	
4 to 5 PM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
5:30 to 6:30	Religious Ed Grades 1-2	Classrooms
7 to 8 PM	Religious Ed Grades 6-8	Classrooms
7 to 10 PM	Virtus Training	Auditorium
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 11th</b>	
9:45 to 11 AM	Bible Study	Community Room
5 to 6 PM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
6:15 to 7:15	Religious Ed Grades 6-8	Classrooms
7 to 10 PM	Virtus Training	Auditorium
7:30 PM	Book Club	Community Room
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 12th</b>	
9:30 AM	Morning Prayer Group	Community Room
4 to 8 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Chapel
7 to 9 PM	Step II	Community Room
7:15 to 9 PM	PPC	Fireplace Room
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 13th</b>	
4 to 5 PM	Religious Ed Grades 1-5	Classrooms
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

## RECEIVING COMMUNION



With the flu season upon us, we need to take care of ourselves and others, so get your flu shots. If you are sick, use good judgment about attending Mass and even as you recover, be responsible not to approach the cup until you are well. Our Eucharistic Ministers will continue to use hand sanitizers before they distribute Communion.

## THINKING ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL

In the Gospel for Sunday, January 16, (John 1:29-34), John the Baptist recognizes Jesus as the Son of God when he sees the Spirit come down and remain on Jesus.

<http://www.usccb.org/nab/011611.shtml>

**Next week's question is:**

**"How do you recognize God's presence in your life?"**



For the complete parish calendar anytime, go to [www.blessedsacrament.org](http://www.blessedsacrament.org)



## A Message from the Co-Pastors

Having just listened to Matthew's narrative of the Epiphany what is it that you remember about it?

"Matthew's account of the Epiphany is very attractive. It features exotic visitors, a wicked king, court intrigue, a mysterious star, precious gifts and a newborn child. But its artistry may cause us to miss the presence of opposition to Jesus and suffering for himself and those around him from the start of his life on earth. Matthew's infancy narrative, in contrast to Luke's, is full of turmoil, danger and suffering. It reminds us that the Word became flesh amid the harsh political and social realities of human history."

Another point that was made regarding the story of the Epiphany is that on the basis of the three gifts, a tradition arose that there were three magi. Eventually the Magi became representatives of different people and races. Displays of the scene in our day attract great interest, but three Magi are more than exotic visitors. Beneath the biblical narrative and the many artistic representations of it lies an important theological theme: this Jewish child named Jesus has significance for all the peoples of the world. The Magi are clearly not Jews. Whether they were Persian priests or Babylonian astronomers or Nabataean spice traders, the basic point is that non-Jews come to the land of Israel to find and pay homage to the child Jesus. In addition to that it is pointed out by way of reversal at the end of Matthew's Gospel, the risen Jesus will send forth his disciples to 'all the nations.'

Where does all that leave us?. Matthew's theme of the birth taking place among the harsh political and social realities of human history has been copied by the church. On Christmas day we have the gospel of the birth of Jesus. On the following day we celebrate the first martyr to the faith and hear of Stephen's being stoned to day. On the 27<sup>th</sup> we have Mary Magdalene at the tomb. On the 28<sup>th</sup> we have the story of the children being slaughtered by Herod.

For me it puts the Christmas story in context. Jesus was born into reality, not everything was perfect, in fact, far from it. Yet in his life, amidst this chaos and violence he gave us the way to peace and the means to achieve the peace. He emphasized that it was not for a select few but for people of the world. He left us with his Spirit and commissioned us to make a difference. Certainly not an easy task but it is ultimately the reason for the season.

~Fr. Tim

### 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](http://www.stmarywalpole.com) and Our Lady of Sorrows, Sharon, 781-784-2265 [www.ourladyofsorrows.net](http://www.ourladyofsorrows.net)



### VOLUNTEERING—A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?

Breaking Bread, a community meal sponsored by Walpole Families of Faith, has started serving meals to those in our community who are in need of spiritual, nutritional, or communal sustenance. Meals are served at The United Church, 30 Common Street in Walpole, every Monday evening from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. All people are welcome at the table to enjoy food and fellowship. Anyone interested in helping to prepare and/or serve this meal, please e-mail [BreakingBreadWalpole@gmail.com](mailto:BreakingBreadWalpole@gmail.com), or contact Marianne Kearney at 508-668-2763. All contributions of time, talent and treasure are welcomed.



### RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS

Please bring in the fronts of your Christmas cards so that we can turn them into the tags for the giving tree for next year. Just leave them on the tables as the entrances to the church. Thanks for recycling.



## SAVE THE DATES

January 22, 2011 Day Away of Prayer at St. Joseph's Retreat House in Milton  
January 23, 2011 African Community Mass at 11 AM  
March 12, 2011 Morning of Prayer with Sr. Nancy Sheridan, SASV  
March 28 – 30, 2011 Collaborative Lenten Retreat  
April 2, 2011 Day Away of Prayer at St. Joseph's Retreat House in Milton



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND PAGEANT—THIS WEEK END



Music Ministry at Blessed Sacrament warmly invites you to an hour of beautiful music prepared by our parish music ensembles on Sunday afternoon, January 9th, at 3 PM in the church. You will hear selections from the Youth Choir, the Adult Choir, and the Handbell Choir, followed by a Christmas Pageant presented by the children of the parish. January 9th officially closes the liturgical celebration of Christmas, and what better way to celebrate the season than listening to these talented local musicians!

## BLESSED SACRAMENT BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting on Tuesday, January 11th at 7:30 in the Community Room. The book selected for discussion is How Big is Your God? by Paul Coutinho, SJ. Written by an Indian Jesuit with a genial sense of humor and a penchant for asking deep questions, Fr. Coutinho challenges us to embrace a God whose love knows no bounds. Newcomers are always welcome! For information about the book club please call Judy Bosl at 781-821-3680 or email [judy-bosl@gmail.com](mailto:judy-bosl@gmail.com).



## SAVE THE DATE!

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2011 AT 11:00 AM EXPERIENCE AN AFRICAN AND AMERICAN MASS



As a parish community we are very blessed to have Fr. Leopold Mushobozi with us. He comes as a young priest with a variety of gifts and talents. It is easy to see that one of his great loves is celebrating liturgy. Although the Eucharistic Liturgy is the same throughout the world, it does take on the culture of the people who gather to celebrate. While Fr. Leo is with us wouldn't it be interesting to bring the African culture together with the American culture to celebrate Mass.?

A committee of people from our parish staff, school, religious education, and from the Kenyan Catholic Community and friends from the Archdiocese of Boston have started to work out the details for this celebration of the Eucharist. The liturgy will encourage all to actively participate. Joining us on that date will be a large delegation from the African Catholic Community. The liturgy will be celebrated basically in English, with the introduction of some Swahili. The intent is to have all people actively participate in the liturgy.

Immediately following the liturgy there will be a continuation of this celebration in the auditorium where we will have the opportunity to share a meal prepared by the African community, as well as some American favorites. You are encouraged to set this date aside to come experience two cultures, coming together, to worship God.

## DAY OF PRAYER - JANUARY 22, 2011

In the deep midwinter the light is short, the darkness long. Sometimes our spiritual lives feel like this, too, especially after the busyness of the holiday season. Give yourself the gift of quiet to get in touch with the Source of your light again. Come away for a day of prayer at St. Joseph's Retreat House in Milton on Saturday January 22, 2011. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch. The day will begin at 10:00 am and end with liturgy at 4:00 pm. Please contact Fr. Tim at [frtimk@blessedsacrament.org](mailto:frtimk@blessedsacrament.org) or call him at 508-668-4700. Registration forms are also available at the Parish House. Car pooling available.



## BUILDING THE CITY OF GOD



We are truly blessed with generous and kindhearted people who have reached out to so many people this Christmas in so many ways. Heartfelt thanks to all who brought God's light and love to so many. Thanks to those who cut out gift tags, made lists, made favors, contributed gifts and prayers thru the giving tree, sent cards to the grieving, sorted or delivered gifts to the homebound, Pine Street Inn, Walpole Prison, the homebound, families in town, and area Nursing Homes. Also remembered was the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Dove and the knitting ministry. Thanks to the Kuznezov family, Nina Staley, Andrea Preto, Beverly Norwell, Christopher, Kate Falwell and her Brownie troop, Jane and Joe Sawyer, Anne and Kristi Seibel, Renette Rieger, Rick Bates, Dan and Jean Falvey, Mary McGonagle, Lisa Lincoln, Terry Delaney, Trish, Kristen, Chloe, and Shevon Kuznezov, Charlie and Ellen Ash, Anthony Brown, Tom Heavy, Maria Pantages, Joanne Doherty, Deidre Walsh, Barbara Connolly, Maura Scully, Joan Haynes, Barbara Foley, Suzanne Jackowski, Doris Seigler, June Doyle, Ruth White, Claire Weierman, Darleen Green, Cathleen O'Brien, Pat Capone, Michelle Panciocco, Anne Grilli, Dee Carri, Lynne Grilli, Ken Gibson, Maggi Taurone, Kay Bergeron, Heather and Matthew McKay, Kristen McElaney, Lisa Marie Sterns, Denise Lynch, Donna Murphy, Helen Harris, Louise DeFazio, Danielle Mahoney, Nancy Bailey, Kristin Bartucca, Jane and TJ Connolly, Kara Metcalf, The Cahill's, Karen Knoth, Patti and Ed Black, Mary Jones, Doris Seigler, Ruth White, the school nurses, Bethany House, and some 20 others who made last minute visits as well as the Eucharistic ministers and friendly visitors who visit all year long with those who are unable to come to church.

## FROM BETHLEHEM TO JORDAN

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord is the last day of the Christmas season. At daily prayer this day, the Orthodox churches pray:

Let us assemble in spirit, O faithful,  
at the streams of the Jordan  
that we might behold a great and mighty wonder.  
We shall see the Creator of all made manifest  
as he comes to be baptized.  
Let us pass, O faithful,  
from Bethlehem to Jordan.  
For behold, the Light which came into the darkness  
there begins to overcome the night.



Find out the date of your baptism. Ask a relative, or write to the parish that baptized you. Write the date on the new calendar. Celebrate the anniversary this year by participating in the eucharist. Spend some time reflecting on your Christian mission — your part in spreading God's love.

When Jesus was baptized, he came out of the water and heard a heavenly voice say, "You are my beloved; with you I am well pleased." Listen for this voice today whenever you "come out of the water" — the shower, the snow or rain, the swimming pool, the sudsy kitchen sink. Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever! Alleluia! Amen!

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## PASTORAL STAFF

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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](http://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](mailto:bulletin@blessedsacrament.org) by noon Saturday for the following week. Please contact Jeff Blouin if you would like to advertise at [jblouin@cathedralcorporation.com](mailto:jblouin@cathedralcorporation.com)