

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 14-15, 2012

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions for the Week

Second Collection

Saturday	January 14th	
4:00 PM	Michael DeFazio	Anniversary
Monday	January 16th	
9:00 AM	Mass	
Tuesday	January 17th	
9:00 AM	Mass	
Wednesday	January 18th	
9:00 AM	Mass	
Thursday	January 19th	
9:00 AM	Mass	
Friday	January 20th	
9:00 AM	Ryan Cavanaugh	Anniversary
Saturday	January 21st	
9:00 AM	Mass	
4:00 PM	Joseph A. Simonelli	Memorial

Next week's **special** collection benefits Catholic Charities' services. Like the Apostles in this Sunday's Gospel reading, Catholic Charities shares a sense of urgency to spread Christ's love to others by helping those in our communities who are hurting and struggling. Last year alone, Catholic Charities served over 200,000 of your neighbors across the Archdiocese. At Catholic Charities, we strive to help people become self-sufficient by providing for basic needs, supporting children and their families, and welcoming and educating newcomers. Your generosity is essential to Catholic Charities' ability to fulfill its mission to care for our neediest neighbors, whether or not they are Catholic. Please consider making a donation to the January 22 special collection or visit www.ccab.org to donate online. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Weekly Events Calendar

Sunday	January 15th	
4:30 PM	Contemporary Music Rehearsal	Church
7 to 8 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Church
Monday	January 16th	
	<i>Martin Luther King Day</i>	
	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
Tuesday	January 17th	
9:45 to 11 AM	Bible Sharing	Community Room
Wednesday	January 18th	
9:30 AM	Morning Prayer Group	Community Room
4 to 8 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Chapel
Thursday	January 19th	
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 9 PM	Beloved Community	Fireplace Room

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.

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!

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp in the church burns this week in memory of Anthony Davino (1/8-14).

THANK YOU FROM FR. EMMANUEL

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On December 10th and 11th the parish had an official reception for me. I very sincerely thank you for such a big welcome and reception. I am deeply grateful to Fr. Tim for all he has done and his kind attention.

Blessed Sacrament Parish has created new memories in my life, especially during Advent when I received Christmas cards from parishioners.

As I pray for you, I need your continuing prayers, too. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May the good Lord bless you in every way.

Thank you,
Fr. Emmanuel

DAY OF PRAYER FOR PASTORAL VISITORS

The Pastoral Visitor Project and the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life invite all pastoral visitors and Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and homebound to attend a Day of Prayer "Ministry in Christ's Name: to be held in the West Region: Saturday, February 3, 2012 from 10 AM to 12 Noon at St. Mary's Dedham. There is no fee for the Day. For more information or to register, call the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life at 617-779-3648.



A Message from Our Co Pastors

“And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.” I have been stuck on this statement all week. Another gospel or translation uses the word ponder. Mary pondered these things.

Just in the gospel stories of the last couple of weeks there have been stories of statements made to her early in the child's life. Certainly we can start with the Annunciation and the angel Gabriel asking her to be the mother of God. Her sudden trip to visit Elizabeth and Elizabeth's knowledge of the event as well as the fact she is having a child in her old age. Mary was probably there for the birth, the naming of John the Baptist and the return of Zechariah's ability to speak. She also lived through Joseph's change of heart and the fact he did so because of what he saw and heard in a dream with an angel. Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem to find there is no place to stay other than a barn of some nature. After the child is born the shepherds come and tell what they have heard.

The gospel, during the week, talked about Joseph and Mary bringing the child to the Temple, forty days after his birth. In the temple at that time are both Simeon and Anna and both recognized him as the Messiah. Simeon tells them, “That this child is destined for the fall and the rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed.

Somewhere in the mix of all this we have the appearance of the Magi and the flight into Egypt.

So I was thinking of the word ponder and what it must have been like for her. To ponder is to meditate, to consider carefully, to deliberate, to weigh carefully. Yet I guess in my mind there is a fine line between pondering and fretting or worrying. I think the results of the pondering are seen in the wedding feast of Cana when she encourages Jesus to step forward and perform his first miracle, knowing that his and her life would never be the same. I suspect that what kept the Blessed Mother from fretting or worrying was that she was able to bring all of this to the Father. I suspect that in her life she developed a relationship with God that enabled her to trust, not necessarily knowing the outcome but trusting it will be alright.

Where does that leave us? Probably best summed up in the words of Jesus himself. In one of the gospels he is quoted as saying; fear is useless what is needed is trust. With trust the end result is peace. Peace the gift of God to all of us.

~ Fr. Tim

MUSIC MINISTRY NEEDS MORE VOICES!

Did you know that our two parish choirs for adults are greatly in need of more voices? Our Adult Choir averages about 13 singers and our Funeral Choir averages about 4. Both choirs have very few male voices. We need more parishioners to consider singing with us to keep these ensembles strong. The Adult Choir sings for the 11:00 AM Mass Sundays during the school year and rehearses Thursdays at 7:00 PM. Our Funeral Choir sings for all parish funerals, which is on average about 5 per month. The funerals are in the morning and typically only require about an hour's worth of your time. No audition is necessary to join these choirs, nor an ability to read music. There is room and time for complicated schedules, and Erica is always happy to talk about options with anyone who shows an interest in singing. Please consider sharing your voice and your faith with us – you will find both choirs to be warm and welcoming! Contact Erica for more information: music@blessedsacrament.org.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH MINISTRY TRIPS THIS SUMMER

High school teens and their parents are invited to an information session being held on January 29th 12:00 Noon in the Community Room below the Church. Information will be given about two trips planned for teens this summer. The week of July 9th-July 13th we will travel to the University of Notre Dame for the ND Vision program, a conference for high school students where teens gather to learn about their faith. Living like a college student in a dorm, spending fun time with other Catholic teens from around the country, and listening to dynamic speakers are highlights of the week! The week of August 20th-August 25th, a group will travel to the Romero Center Ministries, an urban service and education center in Camden, NJ. The Urban Challenge is Romero Center Ministries' program geared toward high school students providing them with unique service opportunities at various urban locations around the Camden and downtown Philadelphia areas. More details about the trips will be discussed at the information session. Questions? Contact Margaret: youthminister@blessedsacrament.org or Courtney Sepe (for Romero Center): cesepe22@gmail.com.

MAKE LENT UNFORGETTABLE THIS YEAR



Each year when Lent rolls around, we're inclined to observe it the usual way – giving up something, doing something extra, or barely keeping up with the season in our daily fray. But in thinking about it a bit earlier than most years, how about making this year's Lenten observance one to remember?

Have you ever attended a Lenten Mission or wondered, "What is a Lenten Mission?" It's a time of guided reflection that can open us to hearing the Lord's message from a new perspective and allow a deeper understanding of our relationship with Him.

This March, the parishioners at Our Lady of Sorrows (Sharon) and Blessed Sacrament Church (Walpole) will host their third annual Lenten Mission – but this year's will be led by liturgical songwriter Dan Schutte, whose 40 years as a singer, storyteller, and author has provided us with a number of songs that we know from Mass – such as, "Here I am Lord," "City of God," "Sing A New Song," and "Table of Plenty."

Drawing on the exercises of St. Ignatius, this year's theme will be "Walking the Sacred Path," inspired by Dan's most recent book of the same name. His talks will focus on two of these exercises, "Hope in God" and "Living the Spirit," which will be presented along with reflections, storytelling, and singing – and all are encouraged to join in the singing! Past attendees of a Dan Schutte event say that his presentation made them feel like they'd been on a spiritual retreat, with its heartfelt message of God's abiding love for each of us.

Make this Lent count. Plan ahead now and mark your calendars for the evenings of March 4 at 7:30 at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Diamond Street, Walpole; and March 5 at 7:30 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Cottage Street, Sharon. The experience will be unforgettable.

SAVE THE DATE

BLESSED SACRAMENT SPONSORS A DAY OF PRAYER ON JANUARY 28, 2012

THEME: GOD AS HEALER

Need a quiet day for yourself? Join us on Saturday, January 28, 2012, at the St. Joseph Retreat House in Milton for a day of prayer. Our theme is "God as Healer." Engage in this opportunity to explore ways in which God heals us. The day begins at 10 AM and ends with Liturgy at 4 PM. The fee is \$40 and lunch is included. Registration forms are on the Blessed Sacrament website. Car pooling and driving directions are also available. Contact Fr. Tim (frtimk@blessedsacrament.org) or call him at 508-668-4700 to sign up.



BABY SHOWER

The Respect Life Committee is hosting their Annual Parish Family Baby Shower at all Masses the weekend of January 28-29. All gifts benefit Pregnancy Help, an agency of the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office which provides support to women in crisis pregnancies. Gifts should be new and unwrapped. Some needed items are diapers and wipes, onesies, baby outfits, crib sheets and blankets, pacifiers and bottles. Thank you for your most generous support.

THINKING ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL

In the Gospel for Sunday, January 22 (Mark 1:14-20), Jesus' calls four fisherman to be his first followers and in responding change their lives completely.

<http://www.usccb.org/nab/012212.shtml>

Next week's question is: What can we make holy by offering it as a gift to God?

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 21/22

	Saturday 4 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM	Sunday 5:30 PM
Presider	Fr. Tim Deacon Rey	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Emmanuel	Fr. Emmanuel
Cantor	Susan Glancy	Susan Glancy	Eithne Stover	Susan Glancy	Eithne Stover
Musicians			Youth Choir	Adult Choir	Contemporary Ensemble
Lector	Jean Falvey	Joe Hope	Michaela Clow	Denise Tetreault	Amber Walsh
Lector	Ann Dionisio	Ken Fettig	Terry Nolan	Carissa Kane	Mary Cullinane

BLESSED SACRAMENT/OUR LADY OF SORROWS—ADULT SERVICE SURVEY



During a joint meeting of the Parish Pastoral Councils from Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of Sorrows, an interest emerged in looking at opportunities for adult service projects. As we explore the direction such a program might take, we are seeking parishioner input.

Both of our parishes have many ongoing service projects, such as supporting soup kitchens, collecting used clothing, and blood drives, and there are many service opportunities for teens through our Youth Ministry programs. For the purposes of this survey, we are hoping to learn about interest in projects that would bring groups of adults or families together to perform service on a one-time or ongoing basis. We have developed a short (10 question) on-line survey that we are asking parishioners to complete. Your input will be very helpful as we consider whether and/or how to move forward with this idea. The results will be shared in the bulletin and e-newsletters.

You can access the survey at <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22DYV38GWJT>, by either clicking on the link or copying and pasting the address into your browser.

The survey should take less than 5 minutes and the questions are straightforward. Members of both PPCs helped us by participating in a pilot survey. If you have any questions, please contact any one of the following people: Blessed Sacrament: Karen Bell at bellvoce@gmail.com, Gail Mahoney at gem810@comcast.net or Marie Martin at mmartin@blessedsacrament.org. Our Lady of Sorrows: Mary Alice Dowdell at maryad-owdell@comcast.net, Brian Darcy at samquentindarcy@comcast.net, or Claire Ramsbottom at kramdecker5@msn.com

Happy New Year!

Blessed Sacrament/Our Lady of Sorrows Collaborative Coordinating Committee

BAPTISMS

We welcome Vincent Robert Giovanello who was recently baptized. He is a gift from God to his parents and to us as a community. May he grow in grace and age.

SCHOOL NEWS

Blessed Sacrament School will hold their annual Open House on Sunday, January 29, at 10:15 AM. Families are invited to attend a special 9:00 Mass kicking off Catholic Schools Week at Blessed Sacrament Church before coming to the Open House. The event will provide prospective families with an opportunity to meet with administrators, teachers, parents, and students, and to participate in a guided student tour of school facilities. BSS, which serves students in Pre-K through Grade 8, is well known as one of the finest Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Boston. The Pre-Kindergarten program is currently full for 2012, but openings are anticipated at all other grade levels for the 2012 academic year. We invite you to consider the long-term value of a Catholic education for your children, and hope that you will visit our Open House to see what the BSS community has to offer your family. For more information, please visit our website at school.blessedsacrament.org or contact our principal, Mr. James Spillman, at jspillman@blessedsacrament.org or 508-668-2336.



JANUARY GRAND GIVE AWAY WINNERS

- \$1,000 – Harry Brousaides, Walpole
- \$250 – The Bowery Family, Walpole
- 50 - Mary Luongo, Walpole
- 50 – Peter Brady, Montgomery, MA
- 50 – Colleen Cassler, Franklin
- 50 – Donna Feola & Julie MacKinnon, Franklin
- 50 – Jesus Ledesma
- 50 – Tom Hagen, Walpole
- 50 - Gift to BSS
- 50 – Mary Conneely, West Roxbury
- 50 – Robert & Priscilla White, Revere
- 50 – The Karamas Family, Walpole
- 50 – The Panciocco Family, Walpole
- 50 – Robert Doherty, Walpole
- 50 – Rick Luongo, Walpole
- 50 – Bill Galanis, Westwood
- 50 – Neil Cleveland, Walpole
- 50 – Jean Ayer, Largo, FL

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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

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

Pray the Rosary: Monday through Saturday
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 second 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 Marie Martin at extension 11.

Confirmation: Celebrated annually for students in Youth Ministry. Contact Margaret Bouffard at extension 17.

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.

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 Friday for the following week. Please contact Lou Ernenwein if you would like to advertise at 1-800-698-0299 ext. 238.