

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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November 19-20, 2011

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 4:00 PM	November 19th Robert Buckley	Anniversary
Monday 9:00 AM	November 21st Mass	
Tuesday 9:00 AM	November 22nd Joan Marino	Anniversary
Wednesday 9:00 AM	November 23rd Alan Deveau	Anniversary
Thursday 9:00 AM	November 24th Maria Garcia	Anniversary
Friday 9:00 AM	November 25th Edwin J. Ryan, Sr.	Anniversary
Saturday 9:00 AM	November 26th Maureen Iannoni	Anniversary
4:00 PM	Harold Golden	Memorial

Praying of the Rosary: Monday—Saturday at 8:30 AM in the Church.

Second Collection

A Moment of Thanks for a Lifetime of Service

Today's second collection is used to assist religious communities to provide for the retirement and health care needs of Sisters who have served in the Archdiocese of Boston. Please take this opportunity to say thank you to Sisters who have served the Church of Boston so generously for so many years. Your contribution does make a difference.



Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp in the church burns this week in memory of Rusty Farren.

Weekly Events Calendar

Sunday 8:30 AM	November 20th Little Church	Community Room
12:30 PM	Baptism	Church
2 to 3 PM	Fall Music Ministry Concert	Church
4:30 PM	Contemporary Music Rehearsal	Church
4:30 PM	Confirmation Session	Auditorium
7 to 8 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Church
Tuesday 9:45 to 11 AM	November 22nd Bible Sharing	Community Room
Wednesday 9:30 AM	November 23rd Morning Prayer Group	Community Room
11 AM	School Mass	Church
4 to 8 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Chapel
Thursday	November 24th <i>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</i> <i>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	
Friday	November 25th <i>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	

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



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 James Smith.

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!

FOLLOWING THE ORDER OF MASS

We invite you to follow the order of the Mass by turning to page 3 in the pew hymnal, where you will find the text for the spoken responses of the assembly. If you are searching for the musical settings, we are learning a new mass setting which is in the red booklets in the pews. Our cantors are teaching the music before mass. This week, we will sing the new Holy, Holy and Memorial Acclamation. By the first Sunday of Advent, we will use the red booklet to help us with all the new responses.



A Message from Our Co Pastors

The Gospel at first glance can seem a little harsh. Each person took the talents they were given and treated them respectfully. Most invested them and received a return but one did nothing with the gift but protect it, so it could be given back to the master when he returned. This particular person was judged and severely punished. I often wonder when there are reading things like this one if the punishment is not self imposed. We are called to do things and we are given talents to enhance our lives as well as those around us. Failure to use them, develop them, or invest them, can cause us to live a life that is not to its full potential. So could the punishment be a result of our failure, for whatever reason, to use the God given opportunities and talents that we have?

In the scriptures we read; "fear is useless what is needed is trust." I am sure that we have all met people, or maybe I am one, who lives in fear. These lives are governed by the "what ifs." I can remember being on retreat and one of the directors gave a reflection in which she told her story of how she was trying to discern what to do in a given situation. After much internal debate of going back and forth she became aware that the only reason, she was not doing what she thought she might be called to, was out of fear.

It was one reflection that made an impression on me and obviously to this day I remember the point. I grew up with a father that was very much governed by the "what if's." Having grown up in the depression he lived much of his life out of that experience. When he died a friend of mine asked me what I believed his prayer for me is now that he was dead. I thought of it for a moment and began to answer it. She said to me "don't answer it, ask him." I can remember reacting inside that he was dead. I had no clue if she had any idea of what she was talking about but I figured I had nothing to lose so I asked. It took awhile before I either heard or understood the answer but when I heard it there was no doubt in my mind where it came from. It was full of life and full of love. As the years passed it dawned on me that it was not an answer he could have given me in life. The answer came when I was celebrating a funeral of a family friend and it was during the singing of the final song, "Let there be Peace on Earth." The words which spoke loud and clear to me were "to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally." He could never have said that to me when he was alive because of where he came from.

Probably the most profound instance of this for me was during the Church Crisis and I was given the opportunity to sign the letter asking for the Cardinal to step down. In praying about it I believe it was the right thing to do and the hesitancy to sign it was rooted in fear, fear of repercussion. In realizing that and in owning that I signed the letter. With that action there was a definite freedom and peace.

So the question before all of us: looking at our lives what role does fear play in it? Is fear keeping us from living life as God offers it. Have we buried what God has given us and wants us to do? Are we condemning ourselves to a lesser life than what is rightfully ours?

~ Fr. Tim

RESPECT LIFE CHRISTMAS CARD SALE 2011



The annual Respect Life Christmas Card Sale, hosted by the Respect Life Committee, will take place before and after all Masses on the weekends of November 19-20th and December 4th. The cards will also be available at the Blessed Sacrament Christmas Bazaar on December 3rd. The cost of each package of ten cards is \$7.00. All proceeds support parish and community initiatives that defend the sanctity of human life. What a beautiful way to both celebrate Christ's birth and affirm the value of life!

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PETITION DRIVE FOR ASSISTED SUICIDE

Between now and December 7, supporters of a bill to legalize physician-assisted suicide will be trying to gather 68,911 signatures from Massachusetts voters. This is the first step in putting physician-assisted suicide on the ballot in November, 2012. The position of the church is that all suicide is a tragedy. In a recent homily, Cardinal Seán said, "A vote for assisted suicide is a vote for suicide." Please consider Church teaching if you are asked to sign. Also, the petition may be falsely presented to you as one that promotes "compassion," "autonomy" and "human dignity." Please be aware that it supports the legalization of physician-assisted suicide in Massachusetts.

GRAND GIVEAWAY— GREAT GIFTS TO GIVE



Did you know that a Grand Giveaway ticket makes a thoughtful and generous Hostess Gift for the family hosting your Thanksgiving dinner?? Think of the amount of time, talent and energy that goes into a Thanksgiving meal: the planning, the shopping, the cleaning, the table setting, the cooking and the clean-up! So, this Thanksgiving, siblings can go in on a Grand Giveaway ticket for their mom, grandma, sister or aunt who is putting on such a Grand feast for Thanksgiving this year!

In other Grand Giveaway news: we currently have 2 families in the running for the \$300 Apple Store gift card drawing. Congratulations to them for selling 10 tickets. Will they have any more competition????? Happy Selling!!

Remember – you have until December 10th to purchase your Grand Giveaway tickets. See website for more details and to print out an order form.

MUSICAL ANGELS NEEDED!

Every November we exchange our pew hymnals for new ones. Because there are more than 600 hymnals in the church and chapel, your assistance is greatly appreciated! If you are able to help, please come to the church following the 9:00A.M. Mass on Monday, Nov. 21. The work is not hard and appropriate for any age. The heavy lifting can easily be done by those who are willing and able. Thank you in advance!



THANK YOU, PEER MINISTERS



On Saturday, November 5th, the parish celebrated the Mass of Remembrance. Some of our Peer Ministers volunteered to help the Spiritual Life Committee with this Mass. They helped to set up the Church, served as greeters for the Mass, cleaned and took down the tables after our coffee in the hall. They did this very well and with a great spirit. The Spiritual Life Committee would like to especially thank: Eileen Corkery, Matt Bell, and Emily Smolinsky for all their hard work and patience.

~The Spiritual Life Committee

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



MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 26/27

	Saturday 4 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM	Sunday 5:30 PM
Presider	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Kevin	Fr. Kevin Deacon Rey (a)	Fr. Emmanuel
Cantor	Kevin & Mary Nelson	Marie Martin	Susan Glancy	Marie Martin	Susan Glancy
Musicians			Youth Choir	Adult Choir	Cont.Ensemble
Lector	Cathy Needham	Alan Doty	Ann Marie- Freitas	Catherine Latham	Mary Cullinane
Lector	Ann Dionisio	Barbara Taylor	Mark Freitas	Joey Spadoni	Bethany Welch

PARISH BELL CHOIRS NEED MORE RINGERS!



Blessed Sacrament is fortunate to have two bell choirs with about 18 ringers, but to use our full complement of handbells, we need more parishioners to join our bell choirs. You don't need to know how to read music (we'll cover that – it isn't hard!) and you don't need to have any prior experience with music. We welcome all to try out bell ringing; it really is lots of fun! The choirs rehearse on Thursdays 6-7pm and Sundays 7-8pm in the church, and we ring for Mass based on a schedule that is favorable to all members of the group. Bell ringing is a fun and relaxing way to become involved in music ministry. For more information, please contact Erica: music@blessedsacrament.org or check out the bulletin board at the front entrance of the church to spot bell ringers who are members of the congregation, and ask them!

WALPOLE THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Please join the Walpole community as it celebrates a communal Thanksgiving Service on Monday, November 21st at 7:00 PM at United Church (30 Common Street). Ministers from the churches of Walpole will lead us in prayer and reflection, and musicians from several congregations will provide accompaniment for our sung prayer. An offering will be collected for the benefit of Breaking Bread. The service is sponsored by the Walpole Ministerial Association.



MUSIC MINISTRY FALL CONCERT—THIS WEEK END!



Our parish musicians will present an hour of music on Sunday afternoon, November 20 at 2 PM. The Youth Choir, the new Children's Choir, the Adult Choir, and the Handbell Choirs will offer selections to soothe the spirit and lighten the heart. There will be a freewill offering to support Music Ministry and a reception to follow. Please come and support your local musicians!

THINKING ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL

In the Gospel for Sunday, November 27 (Mark 13:33-37), Jesus teaches his disciples to be alert and ready for the unexpected coming of God's kingdom.

<http://www.usccb.org/nab/112711.shtml>

Next week's question is: In Advent, as we anticipate Christ's coming, how will we wait?



PRAYING THE SCRIPTURES IN ADVENT



Advent is the sacred season of anticipation and expectation. How are you planning to keep your heart fixed on the Lord during this Advent season? Why not consider praying the Scriptures on Thursday mornings during Advent after the 9 AM Mass in the Community Room. We will be meeting on December 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd. To pray the Scriptures is to live in an awareness of a Presence that changes us forever.

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Instead of saying, "this is the Lamb of God," the priest will say, "Behold the Lamb of God." This is closer to the Latin, more majestic in sound, and a more direct allusion to John 1:29, where John the Baptist points out Jesus to his followers.

The word Happy is being changed to Blessed. One may be blessed even when you are experiencing sorrow. This change, together with the explicit reference to "the supper of the Lamb," makes clearer the allusion to Rev. 19:9.

The reply changes "to receive you" to "that you should enter under my roof." This makes a more direct connection with Matthew 8:8 and Luke 7:6 where the Gentile Centurion has asked Jesus to heal his servant.

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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.

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.