



PRINCE of PEACE

CATHOLIC PARISH

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MEETINGS

Baptism

Instruction is required for all parents seeking baptism of their child. Please contact the Rectory.

Care of the Sick

Please advise us of parishioners who are sick that we may keep them in prayer. We would also like to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church.

Confidential Prayer Line

To add intentions call Ellen Calamari at 978-660-3818 or the Rectory at 978-464-2871.

Marriage

Interviews, instruction and Pre-Cana are required. Please contact the Rectory at least one year in advance.

Programs

- Adult Bible Study

Please contact the Rectory for class schedule.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

- Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday -4:00-4:30 pm at the church or by appointment.

Rev. H. Edward Chalmers, Pastor

STAFF

Parish Secretary, Paula Greeley

Religious Education Coordinator, Sharon Bushway

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

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SCHEDULE/MASSES

Mon—Wed, Friday, 8:30 am

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 am

Holy Days/Feast Day 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor...
and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."*

- Lk 4:18a, 19

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Your talents are welcome. We encourage you to call a ministry chairperson to find out more about our on-going programs.

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Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

Saturday, January 26th

4:00-4:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Celebrating Margaret Gargulinski's
90th Birthday, requested by her
Family

Sunday, January 27th

8:30 AM Unrequested

10:30 AM Nora Finnegan and Thomas O'Leary,
requested by Dorothy Prow

Monday, January 28th

8:30 AM Unrequested

Tuesday, January 29th

8:30 AM For the Intentions on our Prayer Line
and in our Prayer Intention Book

Wednesday, January 30th

8:30 AM For the Holy Souls

Friday, February 1st

8:30 AM Unrequested

Saturday, February 2nd

4:00-4:30 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Unrequested

Sunday, February 3rd

8:30 AM For the Parish and its Parishioners

10:30 AM Unrequested

JR/SR HIGH PROGRAM: Classes for the
students in our Jr/Sr High Program will resume this
Monday, **January 28th**, from 7:00 to **8:30 PM**.

FIRST EUCHARIST: The students in our First
Eucharist class will be enrolled in the program at the
8:30 am Mass on Sunday, **February 24th**, with a
parent meeting following Mass.

HOME STUDY: The students in our Home Study
Program will meet next Saturday, **February 2nd**,
from 10 am to 12 pm.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

There are dioceses in the United States which are
unable to provide fundamental pastoral care for their
faithful. Next weekend, **February 2-3**, a second
collection will be taken up for the Catholic Home
Missions Appeal. A letter from Bishop McManus
concerning this important appeal is located on the
table at the back of Church. Please be generous.

END OF YEAR TAX LETTERS should be
available this week for contributions made during
2018. Please notify the rectory if you would like a
statement sent to you or emailed to you.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 27, 2019

Dear Friends,

Today's gospel reading from Luke relates an
incident where Jesus returned to Nazareth and in the
synagogue there read a passage from the prophet Isaiah.
It stated, "The Spirit of God is upon me, because he has
anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has
sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of
sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to
proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord." Jesus
continued, "Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in
your hearing."

Jesus declared to the people of Nazareth that He
was God the Father's "holy one," the Messiah, the Son
of God.

As we contemplate and reflect upon this
particular reading from the Gospel of Luke, may we
always make a personal choice for Jesus. God has given
us the gift of free will. God will never force Himself
upon us. However, when we say yes to Jesus and His
message of love, we can develop a profound relationship
with God while leading others to Jesus.

Each day may we challenge ourselves to embrace
the person of Jesus. As we accept the Lord's love and
mercy within our hearts, may we be sensitive and
compassionate toward those folks that come into our
lives. Again, we must share God's love in a
compassionate and tender manner.

Fr. Ed

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

St. Peter Central Catholic Elementary School,
Worcester, will host an **Open House** on Sunday,
January 27th, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Info at 508-791-
6496 or www.stpetercentralcatholic.com.

Venerini Academy, Worcester, will hold an **Open
House** on Sunday, **January 27th** from 11 am to 2 pm.
For more info call 508-753-3210 or visit
veneriniacademy.com.

Saint Peter Marian Jr/Sr High School welcomes
prospective students and families on Thursday, **January
31st**, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Families can pre-register by
calling 508-852-5555 x 114, or at spmguardians.org.

St. Bernard Central Catholic High School, Fitchburg,
will hold an Open House on Tuesday, **February 5th**
from 9 am to 1 pm.

Good News!

January 27, 2019
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
1 Cor 12:12-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Have you ever lost something and then, after some time passes, finally found it? Perhaps your keys, a cell phone, or worse still, a credit card. When we find utilitarian items that we've lost or misplaced, we're so relieved and happy because we need these things for daily living. But what if we lose our whole purpose for living? Then we're really in trouble.

The people to whom Nehemiah was speaking lost more than something material; they lost the key to who they were as a people. They lost the law of God that had been given to them through Moses hundreds of years before. They were now listening to it for the first time. Upon hearing all its wisdom and prescriptions, they were cut to the heart and wept. There was so much they had forgotten and were no longer practicing. As exiles in Babylon they had lost so much.

Yet the response toward this rediscovery could have been joy, because now they knew once again what made for happiness and living in the Lord. They had discovered the love that called them into existence.

We have been given the Holy Spirit who leads us into all truth and reminds us of everything Jesus taught us in Scriptures and Tradition. Knowing God's truth is the deepest source of joy. Finding him is like finding what was lost. Like the found key, God unlocks our happiness. Like a cell phone, he gives us a constant connection with him. And like a credit card—but infinitely better—God is the love that fulfills our desires. And we never have to pay him back.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



The collection for the weekend of January 19-20, 2019 was as follows:

Monthly	\$ 640.00
Make-up envelopes	\$ 265.00
Advanced envelopes	\$ 105.00
Regular collection	\$ 955.00
Total Collection	\$1,965.00

AN EVENING OF ONE ACT COMEDIES

St. Bernard CCHS Drama Club presents "An Evening of One Act Comedies"—Just Desserts and the Scheme of the Driftless Shifters. Performances will be in the Glenn Downer Auditorium, 45 Harvard St., Fitchburg, on Saturday, Feb. 2nd at 7:30 pm. General admission is \$5; students \$3.

TRIP TO GETTYSBURG, EMMITSBURG, & HARPERS FERRY

Fr. Riley of Immaculate Conception Church in Worcester is leading a trip to historic Gettysburg, PA, Emmitsburg, MD, and Harper's Ferry, WV, from May 13-17. Consider joining a wonderful trip combining our nation's history with our Catholic faith (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Shrine) in a visit to this most scenic part of our country. For detailed info, price, and signup sheet, visit icworc.com, *Gettysburg Tour*, or see Fr. Ed for a brochure.

THANK YOU: The Parish recently received the following thank you note from Veterans Inc.:

On behalf of our Board of Directors, our staff, and most importantly, the veterans we serve, please accept our sincere appreciation for your donation of men's clothing, women's clothing, toiletries, food, and other items.

Your support will help our agency provide comprehensive services that enable our veterans to regain control of their lives.

Just as our soldiers are ever-vigilant on the battlefield, never resting on their laurels, we will not rest either. A national leader in the field, Veterans Inc. is dedicated to being there for our veterans, no matter the challenge. Support such as yours is the key to turning commitment and innovative ideas into positive change for our veterans.

Sincerely,

*Lisa Quintiliani Bousbouras
Marketing and Communications Manager*