



# 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.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Development Committee

978-464-2871

Finance Council

Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

Education Committee

(978) 464-2871

Liturgical Committee

(978) 464-2871

Evangelization & Outreach Committee

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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

**Rev. H. Edward Chalmers, Pastor**

#### STAFF

Parish Secretary, Paula Greeley

Religious Education Coordinator, Sharon Bushway

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" — Lk 4:21-22



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**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 Intentions*  *for the Week*

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  
 Monday, February 4th  
 8:30 AM For the Holy Souls  
 Tuesday, February 5th  
 8:30 AM Unrequested  
 Wednesday, February 6th  
 8:30 AM For the Intentions on our Prayer Line  
 and in our Prayer Intention Book  
 Friday, February 8th  
 8:30 AM Unrequested  
 Saturday, February 9th  
 4:00-4:30 PM Confessions  
 4:30 PM Unrequested  
 Sunday, February 10th  
 8:30 AM George and Rose Volturo, requested  
 by the Schmitt Family  
 10:30 AM Adrien and Eva Leroux, requested by  
 Ray and Betty Leroux

**JR/SR HIGH PROGRAM:** The students in our Jr/Sr High Program will have class this Monday, **February 4th**, from 7:00 to 8:15 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.

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL**

There are dioceses in the United States which are unable to provide fundamental pastoral care for their faithful. This weekend, **February 2-3**, a second collection will be taken up for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

**SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

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

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 3, 2019

Dear Friends,

Today's gospel reading from Luke continues with the verses of Jesus speaking to the people of Nazareth in the synagogue there. Jesus said, "Amen I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place."

Some appeared to be amazed at the words of Jesus, but to most of them He was just the son of Joseph. For many of them, the fact that He was the Son of God never entered their minds. They were looking for signs from Jesus, but that was not going to happen there. Their lack of faith was disturbing to Jesus. Finally, the people became so angry at Jesus that they tried to throw Him off the hill on which the town was built. Jesus knew where their hearts were. Unfortunately, they were not with Him.

As we reflect upon this interaction of Jesus with the people of Nazareth, let us ask ourselves two questions: Do we accept the authority of Jesus, and have we embraced Him as our Lord and Savior? Jesus suffered, died, and rose again in a very personal way for each one of us. May our actions show people that we truly love Jesus. Let us accept the challenges that we face to allow us to be devoted disciples of our dear Lord. In prayer, worship, and acts of charity, as we share the love of God with others, may we find the inner peace that gives us the strength to bring the Eternal Father, Jesus, the Holy Spirit and Our Lady into the center of our lives.

Fr. Ed

**Lecture at Assumption College**

The Ecumenical Institute at Assumption will present a lecture on religious tensions in Jerusalem featuring nationally renowned author and journalist James Carroll, which will provide a deep analysis of the city of Jerusalem and the conflicts that have arisen in response to the tensions between Christianity, Muslims, and the Jewish people over the centuries. The lecture will take place **February 7th** at 4 pm in the Jeanne Y Curtis Performance Hall, Tsotsis Family Academic Center.

**Educational Materials on the Danger of Abuse**

The overwhelming majority of our clergy and lay leaders are hardworking individuals who are dedicated to serving the People of God in our parishes and schools. All of us together are responsible for making sure that all of our ministries are as safe as possible for our children and young people. That means each of us has a responsibility to educate ourselves about the danger of sexual abuse. For particular help, you may call the Office of Healing and Prevention at 508-929-4363.

# Good News!

February 3, 2019

*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)*  
Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13  
or 1 Cor 13:4-13; Lk 4:21-30

The consoling words from the prophet Jeremiah give comfort to all of us. God told him that he, like each of us, was known even in his mother's womb. It was this knowledge of being known and loved that gave Jeremiah the strength to stand before his people and prophesy some very strong and harsh words. He was set as a strong pillar, a wall of brass, a fortified city. He was rooted in love, because he needed to be so as not to be crushed by the anger and resentment stirred up by his prophetic words.

Jesus faces the same ire when visiting his hometown. At first the Nazarenes praise him, but soon, as if they had some entitlement, they presumptuously demand that he perform miracles to satisfy their vanity—not to change their hearts. When Jesus challenges them, their response is to want to throw him off a cliff!

As Christians, we all have a prophetic mission. We're called to preach the truths of the gospel, and at times this isn't popular. In the public square, the Church and Christians are often praised for their charitable work but asked to silence their religious voice when morality is discussed. We need the strength and conviction of prophets as well as the love that drives them.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



The collection for the weekend of January 26-27, 2019 was as follows:

Monthly	\$ 520.00
Make-up envelopes	\$ 285.00
Advanced envelopes	\$ 20.00
Maintenance	\$ 45.00
Energy/Utilities	\$ 28.00
Religious Ed Reg.	\$ 60.00
Regular collection	<u>\$1,472.00</u>
Total Collection	\$2,430.00

## YOUNG ADULT THEOLOGY ON TAP

The next Theology on Tap is Tuesday, **February 5th**, at Compass Tavern in Worcester! Doors open for food and drinks at 6:30. The speaker will be Derek Mobilio and his topic will be "Making the Act of Faith: The Interplay of the Intellect, Will, and Grace." The speaker will begin around 7 pm. Open to all young adults ages 18-39. Compass Tavern is located at 90 Harding St., Worcester.

## 19th ANNUAL DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Men (of all ages, including teens and college students) are invited to this important annual conference, scheduled for Assumption College on Saturday, **April 6th**. Come and hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders. Bishops and priests will hear confessions. Bishop McManus will offer the Conference Mass. For a brochure, further information or registration, call Sara Smillie at 508-929-4345. Adult tickets are \$45 until March 25; \$60 afterwards. Students are \$30. Visit the conference website at [www.firstmensconf.org](http://www.firstmensconf.org) for information and to purchase tickets.

## 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](http://icworc.com), *Gettysburg Tour*, or see Fr. Ed for a brochure.