



# PRINCE of PEACE

## CATHOLIC PARISH

5 Worcester Road (P.O. Box 305) Princeton, MA 01541 | Office hours Mon.-Wed. 9:00 am-2:00 pm | (978) 464-2871

### 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



### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Development Committee  
978-464-2871

Finance Council  
Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

Education Committee  
(978) 464-2871

Liturgical Committee  
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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

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

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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  for the  
Intentions Week

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  
Monday, February 11th  
8:30 AM Unrequested  
Tuesday, February 12th  
8:30 AM For the Intentions on our Prayer Line  
and in our Prayer Intention Book  
Wednesday, February 13th  
8:30 AM Unrequested  
Friday, February 15th  
8:30 AM For the Holy Souls  
Saturday, February 16th  
4:00-4:30 PM Confessions  
4:30 PM Alice and Ray Bousquet, requested  
by the Greeley Family  
Sunday, February 17th  
8:30 AM Unrequested  
10:30 AM For the Parish and its Parishioners

**JR/SR HIGH PROGRAM:** The students in our Jr/Sr High Program will have class this Monday, **February 11th**, 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**

Thanks to your generosity last weekend, our parish raised \$563.00 for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

**19th ANNUAL DIOCESAN CATHOLIC  
MEN'S CONFERENCE**

Men of all ages (teens and up) are invited to this important annual conference, at 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 info or registration, call 508-929-4345. Adult tickets \$45 until March 25; \$60 after. Students \$30. Visit [www.firstmensconf.org](http://www.firstmensconf.org) for information and to purchase tickets.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, 2019

Dear Friends,

*For one, it was seeing the Lord on a throne and then being purged from sin by an angel using a burning ember to touch his mouth. For another, it was a blinding light and the words, "Why are you persecuting?" For yet another, it was the words, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."*

*Isaiah, St. Paul, and St. Peter were called to live a life serving God and His creation: Man. Although their yes to God's request may have been filled with many trials and difficulties, their willingness to take up this challenge has inspired many believers "to follow in their footsteps."*

*Since the time of the early Church, being faithful to Jesus Christ has been an important goal to many Christians. For most, this process has not been easy. Some have been harassed, persecuted, beaten and even killed because of their belief. Others have made serious sacrifices to spread and promote the message of Jesus. The institution of the Church has survived many calamities, scandals, and hardships. However, through the protection and guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Church has celebrated the sacraments, and brought the message of Jesus to many throughout the world.*

*For all of us living today, like those Christians before us, we are called by God to live a holy life in a very hostile world. Being a faithful Christian is never easy. May we always be dedicated to the love and mercy of God. We must move beyond our weaknesses and be inspired to say yes to God as Isaiah, St. Paul, and St. Peter did.*

*Let us be open to God's grace and seek out the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through prayer, worship, sacrifices, and acts of love. May we be merciful to everyone. In this way, we can spiritually prepare ourselves for Jesus when He calls us home to Himself.*

*Fr. Ed*

**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.

**DIVORCED/SEPARATED CATHOLIC  
SUPPORT GROUP**

A Divorced/Separated Catholic Support Group meets the **2nd and 4th Mondays** of the month from 7-9 pm at St. Joseph Church, Charlton. For more information please contact Karen Lennox at 508-373-2067 or Sue Gustafson at 508-934-6153.



# Good News!

February 10, 2019  
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11  
or 1 Cor 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11

Dina Bellotti was an artist active for many years in her studio just off the Via della Conciliazione, in front of the Vatican. Her 1972 painting *Miraculous Haul of Fishes* is simple, yet evocative. With a few brush strokes, she brings a scene to life and places us there.

Peter is tired, overworked, and frustrated with the lack of results. A stranger on the shore, Jesus of Nazareth, asks him to cast the net again. Although the logic of fishing dictates otherwise, Peter follows his hunch and trusts this voice for one more cast.

We've all been there. We work hard to do the right thing. We try to extend God's kingdom, and sometimes it seems our results aren't up to par. If we listen to Jesus, we never come up empty. Sometimes we fish where we're not called, led by our own passions and stubbornness. There we reap what we sow. Other times, we simply go along without heart. We can feel caged by fate or a hopeless situation. But then we wake up to the fact that even there we can love. Even then we can hear his voice, feel his love, and focus on responding to his call. Then miracles can happen!

Jesus loves everyone, not because they are saints, but because he wants them to be. So rather than look at why we shouldn't be blessed by him, turn to him, then receive his gratuitous love. Then without fear, share that experience with others as fishers of men. —Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



The collection for the weekend of February 2-3, 2019 was as follows:

Make-up envelopes	\$ 355.00
Advanced envelopes	\$ 60.00
Maintenance	\$ 35.00
Energy/Utilities	\$ 100.00
Catholic Free Press	\$ 78.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 563.00
Regular collection	<u>\$1,829.00</u>
Total Collection	\$3,020.00

## INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

Prince of Peace and the First Congregational Church have helped to support IHN for 20 years. Every six months we have helped to provide meals, entertainment for the kids, and overnight supervision. Initially these homeless families were housed in the Congregational Church for the week. Through massive fundraising IHN has been able to purchase a house in Worcester that can shelter six families, and can enable education and job training so they can move to self-sufficiency. Twenty-five other churches aid them the rest of the year. Princeton will be providing help the week of **February 24-March 2**. If you can help by spending a night or entertaining the kids, please call Bob Sauer at 978-464-2777. Grocery gift cards, cash or check donations for food are also needed. Donations can be left in the IHN basket on the altar. Checks should be payable to either First Congregational Church of Princeton or IHN of Greater Worcester. IHN appreciates any help we can give!

## **OPEN YOUR HEART**

### **Diocesan Middle School Youth Rally**

Students in grades 6-8 are invited to attend the Diocesan Middle School Youth Rally on Sunday, April 7th from 1-5 pm at St. Peter-Marian, Worcester. There will be activities, snacks, games, speakers, and Mass. Check-in at 12:30 pm. Cost is \$15/person. For more information go to [neworchester.org/diocesan-middle-school-youth-rally](http://neworchester.org/diocesan-middle-school-youth-rally).

## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish will hold a six session bereavement support group beginning Monday, **March 4**, from 1:00-2:30 pm in the parish hall. The faith based program offers insights about grieving in a healthy way to work toward healing. For more information or to register (required) call Renate Isbell at 508-835-3286.