

**FOR THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGIES**

Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30): #985 in *Worship*  
 Order of the Mass: Front Page or #202 in *Worship*  
 Glory to God (4,8,10:340): #320 in *Worship*  
 Liturgy of the Word: #1129 in *Worship*  
 Responsorial Psalm (4,8,10:30): #88 in *Gather*  
 Gospel Acclamation (4,8,10:30): #329 in *Worship*  
 Preparation Hymn (4,8,10:30): #805 in *Worship*  
 Acclamations (4,8,10:30): #353,354,355,384 in *Worship*  
 Communion Litany (4,8,10:30): #596 in *Gather*



*"Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38*

**MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES**

Sat., 2/23 4:00 pm **Msgr. Patrick Doherty**, Month's Mind, by family  
*(Remembrance)* **Mary Needham**, Birthday, by the White's  
*(Remembrance)* **Peter O'Rourke**, by his wife, Mary & the Saunders family  
*(Remembrance)* **Bernard DeNolf**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv., by family  
 Sun., 2/24 8:00 am **Robert O'Leary**, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv., by family  
 10:30 am **Mary Leahy**, Month's Mind, by Fr. Monroe  
*(Remembrance)* **Kim Tuyen Le**, by family  
 6:00 pm **Parishioners' Intentions**  
 Mon., 2/25 9:00 am **Mary Needham**, by June Dumas  
 Tue., 2/26 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**  
 Wed., 2/27 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**  
 Thu., 2/28 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**  
 Fri., 3/1 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**  
 Sat., 3/2 4:00 pm **Msgr. Patrick Doherty**, by Nora Leary  
 Sun., 3/3 8:00 am **Rita O'Leary**, Month's Mind, by family  
 10:30 am **Deceased Members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem – Northeast Lieutenancy**  
 6:00 pm **Richard Burton**, Month's Mind, by Fr. Monroe

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13  
 1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38  
 Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29  
 Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37  
 Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175  
 Mk 9:38-40  
 Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50  
 Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/Mk 10:1-12  
 Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/Mk 10:13-16  
 Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16  
 1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

**CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:  
 -- **Weekly Adult Offerings:** \$4,076.00  
 (\$504.00 in loose offerings and \$3,572.00 in 174 envelopes)  
 -- **Children's Envelopes (3) for Religious Education:** \$ 13.00  
 -- **Outreach:** \$ 25.00  
 -- **Fuel Donations:** \$2,501.00  
 -- **Home Missions:** \$ 75.00  
 -- **Catholic Free Press:** \$ 130.00  
 -- **Maintenance Fund:** \$ 138.00  
 -- **Family Center Donations:** \$ 56.00  
 -- **Family Center Memorial Gifts:** \$ 50.00  
 We also received the following online donations:  
 -- **Adult Ordinary:** \$ 533.22  
 -- **Children's Offering:** \$ 3.00  
 -- **Maintenance Fund:** \$ 134.49  
 -- **Family Center Donations:** \$ 142.00  
 -- **Catholic Free Press:** \$ 30.00  
 -- **Home Missions:** \$ 50.00  
 -- **Fuel Donations:** \$ 75.00  
 -- **Unrestricted Donation:** \$ 50.00

Thank you to all who contributed.

**LITURGICAL MEMORIALS**

The tabernacle candle being used for the month of March has been donated in memory of *Catherine (Gearin) Phelan, R.N.* by her friend, Peter Maybay.

**REST IN PEACE**

Pray for the repose of the souls of *Christine Durkin, Raymond Cavanaugh* and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES**

**FIRST COMMUNION:**

The immediate preparation program for the celebration of First Communion on April 28<sup>th</sup> begins this Sunday with the first class for the children at 9:00 am in the school. The seven sessions are for children in public and Catholic Schools. The remaining six sessions will be held on Sundays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 7.

The second parent meeting will take place during class time on Sunday, March 10 in the school hall.

Rehearsal for First Communion will take place on Wednesday, April 24 at 4:30 pm in the church. We ask that at least one parent or guardian attend the rehearsal with each child.

The First Communion Retreat will be held in Rieger Hall on Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 am to 12 noon. Details will be discussed at the March 10 Parent Meeting.

**CONFIRMATION:**

The next class for this year's candidates (Catholic and public-school students) will be held this Sunday at 9:00 am. The remaining sessions will take place Sundays, March 3, 17, 24, 31 and April 7.

Confirmation will be celebrated with Bishop McManus at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 6 at St. Paul Cathedral. A brief rehearsal will be held in our church after the 6:00 pm Mass Sunday, May 5.

**HALO SUPPORT GROUP**

HALO stands for **Healing After Loss (from) Overdose**. On the first Monday of each month this support group meets to help family members cope with the loss of a loved one from drugs or alcohol. They meet at 7:00 pm in the Rieger Hall of our church. **The next session will take place Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**. For more information or to ask questions, contact Aileen Lovejoy at 508-755-5041 or Deb Dowd-Foley at 508-348-5622.

**120 CLUB**

The winner of last week's drawing is *Ann Marie Cyr - #202*.

**WOMEN OF FAITH: MORNING PRAYER**

Join us for "Moving out of Slumbering Winter into the 'Greening Power' of God's Love with St. Hildegard of Bingen" presented by Laura Fonte on **Saturday, March 9 from 9:30 am – 1 pm**. It will be held at St. Anne Convent, 720 Boston Post Road East, Marlborough. St. Hildegard of Bingen, a visionary Doctor of the Church, believed everything and everyone hold a spark of God's love within. Laura has been a Religious Education teacher for over 40 years in the Archdiocese of Boston. We will begin with "coffee and" followed by a brief presentation, prayer, personal reflection, and discussion. A registration fee of \$10 is paid at the door. Pre-registration is required by March 1 - at WomenOfFaithSSA.org, or e-mail info@womenoffaithssa.org, or phone Ann Williams at 508-481-8176 or Sr. Yvette Bellerose, SSA at 774-239-3372.

**CATHOLIC FREE PRESS MONTH**

February is renewal time for subscribers for home delivery of our diocesan newspaper. The cost for 52 weeks of home delivery is \$30 – jus 58 cents per week. The Catholic Free Press was established to inform Catholics of local, national and international events of the Catholic Church and provide educational and spiritual renewal articles to help us grow in understanding and practicing our Christianity.

Those who receive contribution packets in the mail have an envelope in the current packet for this purpose. There are also white envelopes in trays at the church doors for renewal or new subscriptions. You can place your donation envelope in the collection basket any weekend through March.

Our parish is assessed \$4,859 for Communication Ministries of the diocese that include the Free Press. Every subscription or donation we receive goes toward that assessment. Please consider subscribing or making a donation to help pay this assessment.

**19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL 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 6**. Visit the conference website at [www.firstmensconf.org](http://www.firstmensconf.org) for information and to purchase tickets online and elsewhere.

Come and hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: Kevin Dunn, Francesco Cesareo, Trent Horn, Father Warren Savage, Mike Aquilina and Eric Mahl. Bishops and priests will hear confessions. Bishop McManus will offer the Conference Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information or registration, call Sara Smillie at 508-929-4345. Adult tickets are \$45 until March 25, afterwards \$60. Student tickets are always \$30.

**WELCOME EOHSJ MEMBERS**

Fr. Monroe is a member of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, a worldwide Catholic charitable organization, whose purpose and commitment is to financially and prayerfully support the Christians and holy shrines in the Holy Lands. The Order is descended from the medieval Knights of the Holy Sepulchre who sought to protect the Christian shrines. Members make annual financial contributions that, worldwide, provide 80% of the budget of the Latin Patriarchate (Roman Catholic Diocese) of Jerusalem, providing funds for parishes, hospitals, schools and orphanages. The order is divided into regional and national groups called lieutenancies. Members from the Archdiocese of Boston and Dioceses of Burlington, Fall River, Manchester, Portland, Providence and Worcester compose the Northeastern Lieutenancy of the United States. Each year, the diocesan groups have various events to pray for the work of the Order and socialize. Next Sunday, at Fr. Monroe's invitation, some of them will join us at our 10:30 am Mass for their annual remembrance of deceased members. Bishop McManus, who is also a member, will be with us to preside and preach at the Mass. Members will gather in the Rieger Hall after the Mass for a brunch.

**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Sun., February 24 – 7<sup>th</sup> Ordinal Sunday

**8:00 am Lord's Day Mass**  
**9:00 am Grades K-1, 3-9 Religious Education Classes**  
**First Communion Class (1)**  
**Confirmation Class (2)**  
**10:30 am Lord's Day Mass**  
**6:00 pm Lord's Day Mass**

Mon., February 25

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Tue., February 26

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Wed., February 27

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

**7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting**

Thu., February 28

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Fri., March 1

**9:00 am Daily Mass**

Sat., March 2

**3:00 pm Confessions**

**4:00 pm Vigil Mass**

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday, March 2	4:00 pm	Fr. Monroe
Sunday, March 3	8:00 am	Fr. Dougherty
	10:30 am	Fr. Monroe
	6:00 pm	Fr. Monroe

**FATAL FLAWS FILM & DISCUSSION**

Are laws allowing assisted suicide leading society down a dangerous path? The Massachusetts legislature is currently trying to legalize it here. See the film by Kevin Dunn followed by discussion with Kris Correia of Witness for Life. Co-sponsored by Emmanuel Radio. St. Andrew the Apostle Church, 5 Spaulding St., Worcester on Sunday, March 3 from 3 to 4:30 pm. **The event is free and open to the public.**