

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 4:00 PM	September 4th John & Mary Keane and Jack Keane	Anniversary
Monday 9:00 AM	September 6th Mass	
Tuesday 9:00 AM	September 7th Mass	
Wednesday 9:00 AM	September 8th John Harris	Memorial
Thursday 9:00 AM	September 9th Mass	
Friday 9:00 AM	September 10th Mass	
Saturday 9:00 AM	September 11th John Dwyer	Anniversary
4:00 PM	Bernard Cunnane	Anniversary

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: David Reilly.

Wedding Banns

I John McGrath III and Susan Black

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!

Weekly Events Calendar

Sunday 8:30 AM	September 5th Blood Pressure Clinic	Community Room
10 AM	Mass with Baptism	Church
12 to 1:30 PM	Liturgical Dancers Rehearsal	Church
Monday September 6th	<i>LABOR DAY— PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	
Tuesday 7:30 to 9 PM	September 7th Catechist Info Meeting	Community Room
Wednesday 9:30 AM	September 8th Morning Prayer Group	Community Room
4 to 8 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Chapel
7 to 9 PM	Divorced / Separated II	Community Room
7 to 8:30 PM	Golf Tournament Planning	Porch Room
Thursday 6 to 7 PM	September 9th Handbell Choir Rehearsal	Church
7 to 8:30 PM	Festival Choir Rehearsal	Church
Friday 6 to 8 PM	September 10th Liturgical Dancers Rehearsal	Auditorium

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

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp in the church burns this week in memory of Edward Benedetti.

Second Collection

Next week's second collection will be the monthly Balance the Budget collection, typically held on the first Sunday of each month, and is used to do just that: balance our operating budget. The weekly collection has not kept up with skyrocketing expenses, especially insurance, salaries, and utilities, and so the monthly Balance the Budget collection helps to offset the deficit. Many thanks for your generosity!

***JUST A REMINDER—OUTDOOR MASS IS
NEXT WEEK END, SEPTEMBER 12, AT 11
AM. THERE WILL BE NO 9 AM OR 5:30 PM
MASS THAT DAY.***

SUMMER HOURS FOR PARISH HOUSE

From Monday, June 14th until Saturday, September 11th, the Parish House will be closed for business during the summer on Mondays and Fridays. The Parish House will be open Tuesday—Thursday only, from 9:30 AM—5 PM. Please plan to conduct your parish business during those hours so that our office volunteers can enjoy the summer. In an emergency, call the Parish House at 508-668-4700.



TRAINING TO TEACH CCD

This is a special training in classroom management, the skills it takes to work with kids in a classroom. It is intended for people who teach or assist in the religious education program or would like to. There are two different times. The same topic will be covered both on Monday, September 13 and Tuesday, September 14 from 7:30 to 9 PM in the school auditorium. If you would like additional information email bdittrich@blessedsacrament.org or call 508-668-4700, for Bill Dittrich.

A Message from the Co-Pastors

As I write this reflection I making my annual retreat at Eastern Point. Needless to say I come to this holy ground along the ocean with the current situation, the allegations against Fr. Mike and the impact on the parish, much on my mind and in my heart. I find myself being drawn to images of the Shepherd, to words like trust and rootedness. I find God reaffirming that he is with us and that it will be okay. As a parish God is calling us to draw strength from his presence and to join together in prayer for truth and justice.

Two months ago I told of this study in a homily. Yet I feel that the study is worth revisiting. The following is taken directly from that homily; "At a prayer meeting the other night Deacon Rey told of this study that was performed dealing with the fact that "nature abhors a vacuum and human nature particularly abhors a vacuum" theme, the story is that there is a famous study whereby pigeons were subdivided into three groups. The first pecked at a target and were rewarded with a pellet of food. The second received a pellet and an electric shock at the same time. The third group randomly received food, sometimes the shock. It was unpredictable. The first two groups did perfectly fine, but the third stopped pressing the target and died from lack of food. Organisms despise uncertainty. We can't thrive in it. So, it is human nature to fill the vacuum with our judgment, our opinion, our conclusion, our certainty. We take comfort in taking a side and sticking with it, sometimes stubbornly and without prejudice to emerging facts. This situation with Fr. Mike is about uncertainty. But faith is about beholding the uncertainty and staring into a sea full of it and surrendering to God."

I have to say I am not privy to all the rumors going around about the situation but I can honestly say the ones that I have heard are totally untrue. Some of the stories even involve me and I think I would be the first to know if they were true. Think about the time that is wasted in repeating rumors; what if the time was used for something constructive, like prayer.

Also in that same homily I retold a story that I have used many times but one that from time to time I think we need to be reminded of. The story is about the young boy who meets the missionary. The missionary asks the young boy how he is doing. The boy replies that he has this terrible battle going on inside. The missionary asks; what is the battle all about? The boy replies it is a battle between the dog of good and the dog of evil. The missionary asks; which dog wins? The boy responds whichever one I feed.

Let's face it we have no control over the outcome of this. The vacuum being filled with all our opinions, judgments, conjecture, conclusions will not bring about the outcome of our choice. Yet giving into the temptation to go down that path will end in disaster for this community. As we hear in the scriptures; a house divided against itself cannot stand. Therein lies tragedy and if you will the dog of evil. On the other hand, our certainty can be found in the presence of God among us and his desire for unity in truth. We can answer the invitation of God to come together in him and pray for truth. It is in our rootedness in God that we will be able to withstand the storm like the house built on rock as opposed to the house built on sand which collapsed during the storm. The rumor mill is only shifting sand, prayer and trust is the rock.

~Fr. Tim

THINKING ABOUT NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL

In the Gospel readings for Sunday, September 12, (Luke 15:1-32), Jesus tells three stories of things and people who were lost and most importantly the joy that comes in their being found.

<http://www.usccb.org/nab/091210.shtml>

Next week's question is:

"When have you felt the joy and relief in finding something or in being found?"



FR. LEO TO REMAIN AT BSC FOR ACADEMIC YEAR

The Archdiocese of Boston has assigned Fr. Leopold Mushobozi to the parish for the academic year 2010—2011. Fr. Leopold's appointment is a temporary appointment to assist us at this time. Fr. Leopold will also continue to help out at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in the Pastoral and Spiritual Care Department. He will be at St. Elizabeth's on Wednesday afternoons, Thursdays, and Fridays. I am very grateful for Fr. Leopold's willingness to help us out during this time.

PASS ON YOUR FAITH, TEACH CCD



Our religious education program uses storytelling, crafts, art, and activities kids enjoy. We're hoping to find people who have never done this before, adults looking for fulfilling activities as well as others who may have done this when their children were young. Add your experience to what the parish offers young families because it can make a difference. It's really not hard. It depends mostly on caring about the kids. The materials supply everything you need plus there is training and weekly support. You can check it out at an information meeting on Tuesday, September 7 from 7:30 to 8:30 PM in the Community Room. If you can't make the meeting, call Bill Dittrich, 508-668-4700, email bdittrich@blessedsacrament.org. or use the volunteer form at www.blessedsacrament.org.

"ALL ARE WELCOME" VISITATION PROGRAM

Are you aware that we have had an outreach visitation program going on this past year? We have an extensive outreach program in the parish that we would like to make stronger and more inclusive. Special thanks to Dot Boylan, Terry Viola and Nancy Bailey who have been arranging and making visits to parishioners since last fall. They have made calls to over 300 parishioners having started with the oldest in the parish and made visits to about half of them. There are no expectations, no requests, and no agenda - just an opportunity to make a personal visit to get to know each other better. It is difficult in such a large parish to make connections, so if you get a letter of introduction in the mail, expect a call from Dot Boylan to arrange a visit. We hope you will welcome and encourage a visit. If you have any questions or would like to help in this effort, please contact Marie at mmartin@blessedsacrament.org or 508-668-4700 x 11.



SEPARATION, DIVORCE AND BEYOND

Separation and divorce is painful, often shattering. Blessed Sacrament Parish in Walpole is offering an eight week program facilitated by a group of Catholics who have themselves endured separation and divorce. This program is designed to offer support and healing for those who have experienced a failed marriage and offer hope for the prospect of better tomorrows, by discussing subjects such as anger, self-image, loneliness, blame, and guilt. The program consists of eight meetings, on Sunday evenings, 7 to 8:30 PM, held in the Community Room at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Walpole, **September 12 through November 14, 2010**. If interested in learning more or to sign up for this program, please contact Jeanie Mattila at 508 384-8779 jeanie.matt@comcast.net, or John Meuleman at 781 982-6097 jmeulma@russelectric.com. Sign up is requested by September 5.

BEREAVEMENT WORKSHOP

We are offering a seven week program: **Journeying from Grief to Healing on Thursday evenings, September 23 thru November 11** in the Community Room from 7—8:30 PM. This program provides a unique opportunity to journey with others through readings, discussion, and prayer. Sharing your thoughts, feelings and experiences with others in similar situations can help you find inspiration, understanding and encouragement. Please call Marie at 508-668-4700 x11 to register. A donation of \$15 will help cover cost of the workbook and materials.



BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Our parish nurses will be available this weekend (**September 4 and 5**) in the Community Room after all the Masses to check your blood pressure.



5:30 P.M. LITURGY RESUMES SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Beginning Sunday, September 19, our 5:30 PM Sunday evening liturgy resumes until mid-May. Our 5:30 liturgy is especially youth friendly, with youth friendly music, and teens involved as lectors and Eucharistic ministers. All are welcome.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF LABOR DAY

Labor Day is celebrated the first Monday in September and is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly, national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

OUTDOOR MASS—NEXT WEEK END



Come one and all to our annual outdoor Mass and free cookout which will take place on Sunday September 12 at 11 AM. Let us all gather together to thank God for his blessings, and to pray for unity, justice, peace, and truth. This event has been a wonderful celebration of our community in years past, and this will be no exception. Bring your sunscreen, appetites, an item for the Walpole Food Pantry, and we'll do the rest. After Mass there will be food aplenty and entertainment for the kids. Mark your calendars! Parking is limited to those with handicaps, so shuttles to the Mass will be leaving from nearby parking lots. Please also note there will be no 9 AM or 5:30 PM Mass that day.

SING WITH THE FESTIVAL CHOIR FOR THE OUTDOOR MASS

Our parish festival choir needs your voice! No prior experience is required, nor do you need to understand how to read music! If you enjoy singing and would like to join your voice with fellow parishioners to participate in the annual Outdoor Mass and cook out on September 12 at 11 AM, we would love to have you. There is only one rehearsal, on Thursday, September 9 from 7— 8:30 PM in the church balcony. Please contact Erica for more details: music@blessedsacrament.org.



INSTRUMENTALISTS NEEDED FOR THE OUTDOOR MASS

Do you play a string instrument, a wind instrument, or hand drums/percussion? We need your musical skills for our Outdoor Mass! Please consider participating in this liturgy on September 12 at 11 AM. All of the music will be provided and a short rehearsal is all that would be necessary! Please contact Erica for more details: music@blessedsacrament.org



DANCERS FOR THE OUTDOOR MASS

Looking for dancers for the outdoor mass on Sunday Sept 12 at 11 AM. If you are interested, Michelle Lawlor will be working with them on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons between now and the outdoor mass. This is a beautiful liturgical ministry that enriches our celebration. Can you find the time to add you talents to our celebration as we come together in a special way this fall? Please contact Michelle at [mic.lawlor@msn.com](mailto:mich.lawlor@msn.com) or 508-668-6480.



THE WALPOLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS OUR HELP

We will be collecting items for the Walpole Food Pantry at our annual outdoor liturgy on Sunday, September 12. The Pantry is currently in need of the following non-perishable items:

Food

- Dry cereals
- Canned hash
- Canned stew (e.g., Dinty Moore or other brand)
- Tuna fish – solid white
- Canned meats (e.g., chicken breast, ham)
- Instant pudding
- Jelly/Jam
- Peanut butter
- Canned spaghetti/ravioli (e.g., Chef Boyardee)
- Hamburger Helper mix
- Jarred or canned pasta sauce

- Instant mashed potatoes
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit (pears, peaches, fruit cocktail)
- Jarred applesauce
- Pancake mix (e.g., Bisquick)
- Syrup
- Instant coffee
- Bottled juice (e.g., 100% apple, grape)

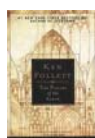
Personal Care

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Shaving cream
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes

Other Household

- Laundry detergent
- Dishwashing liquid
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper

BLESSED SACRAMENT BOOK CLUB



The next meeting is on Tuesday, September 14th at 7:30 in the Community Room. The book selected for discussion is The Pillars of the Earth by Ken Follett, which chronicles the struggles of a prior, his master builder, and their community as they endeavor to build a cathedral and protect themselves during the tumultuous 12th century. Extra copies are available in the church office. Newcomers are always welcome! For information about the book club please call Judy Bosl at 781-821-3680 or email judybosl@gmail.com.

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM
9:00 AM Family Mass
11:00 AM

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.

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 first 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 Fr. Tim.

Confirmation: Celebrated annually for students in Youth Ministry. Contact the Coordinator of Youth Ministry for more information.

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. Contact Fr. Tim or Deacon Rey for more information.

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 Summer Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 9:30 AM—5 PM. Office closed on Mondays and Fridays during the summer.

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 Saturday for the following week. Please contact Jeff Blouin if you would like to advertise at jblouin@cathedralcorporation.com