

FOR THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGIES

Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30): #467 in *Worship*
 Order of the Mass: Front Page or #202 in *Worship*
 Liturgy of the Word: #1031 in *Worship*
 Responsorial Psalm: #98 in *Gather*
 Gospel Acclamation (4,8,10:30): #138A in *Gather*
 Preparation Hymn (4,8,10:30): #880 in *Worship*
 Communion Litany (4,8,10:30): #610 in *Gather*



Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. - Mk 9:2-3

MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES

Sat., 2/24 4:00 pm Peter O'Rourke, 3rd Anniv., by family
 (Remembrance) Jim & Courtney Butcher, by family
 Sun., 2/25 8:00 am Parishioners' Intentions
 10:30 am Richard Watrous, 32nd Anniv., by family
 (Remembrance) Everett Hennessey, 13th Anniv.,
 by his sisters
 6:00 pm Parishioners' Intentions
 Mon., 2/26 9:00 am Dick Santaniello, by Pauline Sullivan
 Tue., 2/27 9:00 am Parishioners' Intentions
 Wed., 2/28 9:00 am Parishioners' Intentions
 Thu., 3/1 9:00 am Parishioners' Intentions
 Fri., 3/2 9:00 am Parishioners' Intentions
 Sat., 3/3 4:00 pm Nicholas & Kayla Blanchard, 21st Anniv.,
 Fran & Jean Dumas, Mary & John
 Blanchard, by family
 (Remembrance) Sally Boulay, by her husband, David
 Sun., 3/4 8:00 am Parishioners' Intentions
 10:30 am Thomas (1st Anniv.) & Richard
 (1st Anniv.) Murdock, by family
 (Remembrance) Victims of the Station Nightclub Fire,
 15th Anniv.
 6:00 pm Parishioners' Intentions

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the souls of *Elizabeth Pastore, Thomas Mandella, Patricia Gonyea* and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

LITURGICAL MEMORIALS

The bread and wine being used at all Masses this week has been donated in memory of *Richard Watrous* by his family.
 The tabernacle candles being used for the month of March have been donated in memory of *Catherine (Gearin) Phelan, R.N.* by her friend, Peter Maybay.

LENTEN PRAYER & REQUIREMENTS

Daily Mass: Monday through Saturday at 9:00 am
Way of the Cross: Fridays at 4:00 pm
Abstinence: All Catholics 14 years of age and older are expected to observe this practice on Ash Wednesday and the 7 Fridays of Lent. It involves not eating meat or poultry as a sacrifice in honor of Jesus' death on Good Friday.

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:

-- **Weekly Adult Offerings:** \$3,751.00
 (\$526.00 in loose offerings and \$3,225.00 in 143 envelopes)
 -- **Children's Envelopes (1)**
 for Religious Education: \$ 15.00
 -- **Liturgical Memorial:** \$ 50.00
 -- **Fuel:** \$1,598.00
 -- **Funeral Offerings:** \$ 300.00
 -- **Catholic Free Press:** \$ 30.00
 -- **January 1st Holy Day:** \$ 10.00
 -- **Maintenance Fund:** \$ 183.00
 -- **Family Center Donations:** \$ 148.00
 -- **Family Center Memorial Gifts:** \$ 20.00
 -- **Latin America Collection:** \$1,018.00
 -- **Home Missions:** \$ 12.00

We also received the following online donations:

-- **Adult Ordinary:** \$ 582.00
 -- **Children's Offering:** \$ 3.00
 -- **Unrestricted Gift:** \$ 50.00
 -- **Maintenance Fund:** \$ 125.00
 -- **Family Center Campaign:** \$ 167.00
 -- **Fuel Donation:** \$ 50.00
 -- **Catholic Free Press:** \$ 30.00
 -- **St. Vincent de Paul:** \$ 15.00

Thank you to all who contributed. The Saturday night snow storm seriously affected Sunday morning Mass attendance. We urge those who could not join us to do their best to make up their contribution to help us stay ahead of our bills. A great way to be a regular supporter of the parish is to consider joining the hundreds of parishioners now using online giving. Go to our website found at www.ourladyofangels.org and click on the **GIVE NOW** icon at the bottom of the homepage. You will be directed to the secure site set up for us by Vanco Services and it will give you step by step instructions to become an online contributor.

CHECK CONTRIBUTORS – PLEASE NOTE

On a weekly basis we have several incomplete checks that are placed in the collection basket. If you use a check to contribute, please try to be mindful about filling in the numerical amount and corresponding written amount, the date and be sure you have signed the check. Also, the bank is constantly asking us to remind people not to write checks with green or red ink because the scanning machine has difficulty reading the light colors. They ask that you use black or dark blue ink pens.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19
 Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6/Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21
 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 1
 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

ANNUAL FUEL COLLECTION

The 2nd collection this weekend is for your offerings to help defray the cost of heating the church, rectory and hall. Thank you to those who already donated.

BOOK SALE

Monsignor Richard E. Collette, a priest of our diocese for 65 years, has written "*Shepherds for the People*" which will be on sale at all Masses next weekend. The 45 stories in the book recall memorable moments in Monsignor Collette's ministry as a parish priest. The \$15 for the cost of the book will be donated to the Priests' Retirement Fund. Thank you for your support.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun., February 25 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

8:00 am Lord's Day Mass
9:00 am Religious Education Classes K-1, 3-9
 1st Communion Preparation #1
 1st Communion Parents' Meeting
10:00 am Joyful Noise Youth Choir Rehearsal
10:30 am Lord's Day Mass
11:30 am Confirmation Preparation Session #3
6:00 pm Lord's Day Mass

Mon., February 26

9:00 am Daily Mass

Tue., February 27

9:00 am Daily Mass

Wed., February 28

9:00 am Daily Mass

Thu., March 1

9:00 am Daily Mass

Fri., March 2

9:00 am Daily Mass

4:00 pm Way of the Cross

6:00 pm RCIA Session

Sat., March 3

9:00 am Daily Mass

3:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Vigil Mass

120 CLUB

The winner of last week's drawing is *Bertha Nadow - #92*.

PARTNER WITH IGNATIAN VOLUNTEERS

Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) New England has begun seeking non-profit partners for the 2018-2019 (September to June) year. IVC volunteers, men and women 50 years of age and better, work one or two full days/week with programs addressing poverty and marginalization in the Boston, Worcester, Providence and surrounding community areas. There is a small partnership fee. Contact IVC New England Regional Director Dave Hinchen (dhinchen@ivcusa.org) for more information. Check out our website at www.ivcusa.org.

18th ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

Assumption College on Saturday, March 17 is the time and place. Bishops and diocesan and religious priests will hear those confessions. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. Call 508-929-4345 or visit www.firstmensconf.org. Some brochures can be found in trays at the church entrances.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

Once again, throughout the Diocese of Worcester, parishes are beginning their annual effort to raise money to fund the ministries of charity, education and pastoral services offered to people throughout Worcester County by our Church.

Those who contributed \$250 or more last year have received a letter from Bishop McManus with the contribution material for this year. We urge them to complete their pledge/one-time gift form and mail it to the Diocesan Office or drop it in the collection basket at Lord's Day Mass. You can also contribute online at the Partners in Charity site: www.partners-charity.net/donate.

Those who contributed less than \$250 will receive a letter from Fr. Monroe with this year's contribution form. If you would like to donate before receiving the letter, envelopes can be found in racks at the church doors or you can do so online as indicated above.

You can also go to our parish website: www.ourladyofangels.org and click on the *GIVE NOW* link at the bottom of the homepage and make your contribution by finding Partners in Charity in the funds list when you log on.

Here are the ministries and services funded by this appeal:

MINISTRIES OF CHARITY

Clergy Retirement, Retired Priests Health Ministry, Catholic Charities, Haitian Apostolate, McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys, Pernet Family Health Services, Seminarian Health Insurance, St. John's Diocesan Cemetery System, Diocesan Development & Stewardship

MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION

Catholic Campus Ministry, Catholic Schools Department, The Office of Religious Education, Ongoing Priestly Formation. New Evangelization Worcester for Youth & Young Adults, Catholic School Grants-in-Aid, Seminarian Education, Central Catholic Schools Subsidy, Advanced Studies for Clergy and Laity Communications/TV Ministry & Chancellors Office

OTHER MINISTRIES

African Ministry, Hispanic Ministry, Office of Marriage and Family, Minister to Priests, Office of the Diaconate, Respect Life Office, Saint Paul's Cathedral, Vocations Office, Office for Divine Worship

Please consider pledging an amount to be paid over a ten-month period rather than a single one-time gift. Join Fr. Monroe and other parishioners who have already contributed as soon as possible.

We encourage you to watch the information short video about this year's appeal at the bottom, right column of the homepage at www.partnersincharity.net.

MASS FOR LIFE & PRO-LIFE AWARDS

All are invited to join Bishop Robert J. McManus and students from our Catholic Schools at the annual Mass for Life on **Monday, April 9 at 10:00 a.m.**, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, at St. Paul's Cathedral, 19 Chatham St., Worcester. The diocesan pro-life awards, honoring individuals who have shown extraordinary witness to the sacredness of human life, will also be presented at the Mass. All are welcome!

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

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