

**Mass Intentions**

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| Robert McDonald Sr      | 40th Anniversary               | 4:00 p.m. Saturday  | (11/20) |
| Carmen & Louise Serino  | Memorial Mass                  | 5:30 p.m. Saturday  | (11/20) |
| Carmella Corsino        | 1st Anniversary Mass           | 8:30 a.m. Sunday    | (11/21) |
| Robert J. McCarthy, Sr. | 3rd Anniversary Mass           | 10:00 a.m. Sunday   | (11/21) |
| Edwin & Lucian Cherubin | Memorial Mass                  | 9:00 a.m. Wednesday | (11/24) |
| Donald Villella         | Memorial Mass—Thanksgiving Day | 8:00 a.m. Thursday  | (11/25) |
| Albert & Anne DiTomaso  | Memorial Mass                  | 9:00 a.m. Friday    | (11/26) |
| Vincent & John Perillo  | Memorial Mass                  | 4:00 p.m. Saturday  | (11/27) |
| Nelson Moscone          | 10th Anniversary Mass          | 8:30 a.m. Sunday    | (11/28) |
| Bernard Sturniolo       | 1st Anniversary Mass           | 10:00 a.m. Sunday   | (11/28) |



**Thanksgiving Day is this week, Thursday, November 25:**

Plan on attending Mass that morning at 8:00 a.m. It is always so encouraging to see a large attendance at Mass on Thanksgiving Day. We give thanks to God together.

**The Hammersmith Christmas Stroll:** The Christmas Stroll will be held on Saturday, December 4th from Noon to 4:00 p.m. The Parish will be participating in this event again this year with a lunch, raffles and bake sale. We are looking for your help in creating “Raffle Baskets”! A list of possible ideas is posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule. If you are interested in volunteering to help out the day of the stroll, or would like to bake, or give a raffle item, please call Joanne Eaves at 231-0182 or Beverly Gorman at 233-8306. Thank you.

**December Brunch Buffet:** Bring family and friends to the special December Brunch Buffet on Sunday, December 19. Menu and donation details to follow.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR, INC.** On December 4 & 5 Father John F. Miles, C.R. will speak at all our Masses about **Food for the Poor**, a ministry that provides direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Father Miles will share what he has witnessed about Food for the Poor’s mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another. Father Miles was ordained for the order of the Congregation of the Resurrection in 1951. He was the Rector of the Resurrectionist Theological Seminary and a pastor of several Parishes before joining Food for the Poor 15 years ago. We welcome Father Miles to our Parish.



**The Annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service** will be held this Sunday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church, 14 Summer Street, Saugus, MA. Plan

to come and give thanks for God’s abundant blessings. A good representation from our Parish would be wonderful.

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:** We are in the process of preparing and training men and women of the Parish to serve in the capacity of extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist. People are needed to help distribute the Eucharist at Saturday and Sunday Masses, to bring the Eucharist to the homebound, to those in Nursing Homes and to the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital. The second training and preparation session will be this Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

**2005 Calendars:** Take home a calendar for the new year and bring another along for a home-bound relative, friend or neighbor. They will appreciate receiving one. The calendars are made possible through the kindness and generosity of our friends at the Bisbee-Porcella Funeral Home, 549 Lincoln Avenue, Saugus, MA.

**Good Stewards:** Today we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of my life?

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The Word Among Us: Advent begins on Sunday, November 28 and is a special time of the year, a season of preparation for the greatest gifts that humankind has or will ever receive, Jesus Christ, the incarnate Word of God. This gift is given us because “God so loved the world that he gave His only Son so that all who believe in Him might have eternal life.” For your prayerful Advent reflection and preparation for Christmas, we make available to you the Advent issue of The Word Among Us. Please take one for yourself and one for a relative, friend or neighbor. Of special importance is the helpful examination of conscience as you prepare for your pre-Christmas reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).



**Religious Education:** Classes for Grades 1 through 6 are held from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. at the Belmont Middle School.



However, there are no classes on Sunday, November 28 because of the Thanksgiving recess. Classes resume on December 5 at the regular times.

Grades 7 & 8 - next class is Friday, December 3 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.



**Confirmation Year I:** Classes are on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. There is no class this Wednesday, November 24 in preparation for Thanksgiving. Class will resume on Wednesday, December 1 at the regular time.

**Confirmation Year II:** The next class for students & sponsors will be Sunday, December 5 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

**Is God calling you?** The King is a servant-leader, who let go of His life for our sake. Who will follow the example of Jesus and renounce worldly power for the chance to serve all as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you call Father Oscar Pratt at the Vocation Office 617-746-5436.

**Bible Study for Adults:** The Monday Morning Bible Study Group invites you to join them as they begin a new study: The Infancy Narratives. Although the introductory session was last Monday, this Monday, November 22 after the 9:00 a.m. Mass is their first meeting. Come, and begin this study that will examine the four gospels and all they say about the birth of our Lord Jesus. How appropriate this is especially as we prepare for the Advent/Christmas Seasons. There is no cost and all are welcome.

**Second Collections**

November 20 & 21 Campaign for Human Development  
 December 4 & 5 Food For the Poor  
 December 11 & 12 Parish Monthly Collection

**Grand Annual Collection:** Sincere thanks to those who have given to this year's Grand Annual Collection. To date the Parish has received \$7,920.00. As we continue with needed repairs to Parish property, we rely on your generosity. Thank you.



**Offertory Collection:** Last Sunday's collection was \$2,676.00 and the Parish Monthly collection was \$2,048.00. Thank you for your generosity to the needs of your

Parish.

**Catholic High Schools Placement Test:** will be administered on December 11. For registration and information on test locations, contact one of the High Schools listed above. Nationally, 90% of Catholic High School graduates go on to college and students learn Catholic morals, values and discipline to help them succeed in life. "A Catholic Education Is An Advantage For Life."

**The Sacrament of Baptism:** is usually celebrated on the third Sunday of each month at 12 Noon. The Preparation Meeting prior to the Baptism of a child is every other month. Future Baptism Preparation meetings for parents & godparents are: December 2, 2004, February 3, April 7, June 2, August 4, October 6, 2005. These are held in the Parish Hall and begin at 7:00 p.m. Please call the Rectory (781-233-1040) to register.

**An Education for \$100!** The Sisters of Saint Joseph are sponsoring an Educational Scholarship. A limited number of \$100 tickets will be sold (3000). You have a 1 in 3000 chance to win for yourself or someone else 4 years of educational opportunity worth up to \$100,000. For tickets call 617-746-2115. Drawing is June 15, 2005.

**The Catholic University of America** offers a \$3000.00scholarship per year (four year) for graduating seniors of our Parish! Located in Washington, DC, CU is a very good school. Visit online at [www.cua.edu](http://www.cua.edu) Applications are posted on the bulletin board.

**The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** In the Letter of St. James we find the question, "Is there anyone sick among you?" The response is that the sick are to call the priests of the Church who are to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. This Sacrament is not to be looked upon as the "Last Rites" but as a powerful instrument of God's healing and strength. Therefore prior to surgery or when diagnosed with or living with a serious illness avail yourself of this gift. On the First Friday of each month, (December 3) this Sacrament is offered following the 9:00 a.m. Mass or call the Rectory for a more convenient time.

*Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, His love is everlasting.*

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**Parish Offertory Envelopes:** We encourage the use of Parish Envelopes for your weekly donation to help support our Parish. If you wish to receive envelopes, please give us the following information:

Name:

Address: