

## **ST. MARY OF THE SACRED HEART**

### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

*Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>*

4:00PM Patrick Cloherty

*Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>*

7:30AM Thomas and Margaret McNulty

9:30AM For the parishioners of St. Mary's and for  
Charles McLean, Donald Campbell and  
Nanda Moretti

11:30AM Bridget McNamara

*Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>*

7:30AM Dolores E. Mattson

*Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>*

7:30AM Jack Kelley

*Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>*

7:30AM Marie and Timothy Lee

*Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>*

7:30AM Theresa Buffum

*Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>*

4:00PM Roy Port and Charles Forget

*Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>*

7:30AM Jack McCormick and Isabelle Colmar

9:30AM For the parishioners of St. Mary's and for  
Evelyn Doyon, Marie Campbell and Marion Scopa

11:30AM Annie Harrington

*6:00PM Sandy Matthew and John and Betty Driscoll*

Please pray for our parish sick and deceased

### **OFFERTORY**

Many thanks for the **\$15,941.09** received in our offertory for December 4, 2011 *Your generosity is truly appreciated.* Last week's Second Collection for our Air Conditioner and Heating System was posted as \$4,440.50, the correct amount was \$3,440.50.

### **NEXT WEEK'S OFFERTORY**

As you know, this year Christmas falls on a regular weekend and because the Christmas Collection goes directly to the Priest Retirement Fund that means that the parish will lose an entire week's collection. In your Christmas generosity, we are asking if possible, that in next week's offertory you might be able to double your regular weekly gift--any increase at all would be greatly appreciated.

### **SECOND COLLECTION**

There will be a Second Collection next weekend for our Air Conditioner and Heating System. Your support would be appreciated.

### **ST. MARY'S GRAND ANNUAL**

As of November 28th, we have received **\$47,910.00, from 197 families** for our Grand Annual. Our Goal is **\$100,000.00**. Please consider making your donation for our Grand Annual.

## **HANOVER, MA**

### **JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON**

### **ST. MARY'S ONLINE GIVING**

We ask that you please consider making your weekly donations online. St. Mary's relies on, and appreciates, your continued support throughout the entire year. Contributions can be made easily using your credit card or bank account. Online giving costs you nothing and proves many advantages to both you and St. Mary's. For your convenience, Offertory slips are at the entrance of the church for parishioners who are making their weekly offertory by online giving. [www.stmaryshanover.com](http://www.stmaryshanover.com)

### **CARDINAL O'MALLEY AND PRIESTS BEGIN CONSULTATION PROCESS ON PASTORAL PLANNING**

On December 5<sup>th</sup>, Cardinal Sean O'Malley and the Archdiocesan Pastoral Planning Commission met with priests of the Archdiocese of Boston and with those serving in archdiocesan parishes to begin the consultation process regarding the next phase of Pastoral Planning in the archdiocese. As part of their scope, the APPC has developed some principles and preliminary recommendations for strengthening the archdiocese's parish based ministries, evangelization efforts and parish staffing. Further rounds of consultations with archdiocesan and parish leadership will be conducted over the next several months. After receiving input from the consultations, the APPC will then prepare a final recommendation to Cardinal Sean for his decision. We ask your prayers for this important process and invite you to review the planning material at [www.2012Planning.org](http://www.2012Planning.org).

### **WHY CATHOLIC?**

Have you ever been in a situation where you have been asked about your faith and been at a loss to explain why you believe what you believe? Catholics often face opportunities to share their faith with others, but lack the basic knowledge and confidence to do so. Beginning in Lent 2012 our parish will participate in

### **WHY CATHOLIC?**

*WHY CATHOLIC?* offers a concrete approach to help adults deepen their Catholic faith and connect its teachings to their everyday lives. Using the Catechism of the Catholic Church, scriptural references, and reflection questions,

*WHY CATHOLIC?* covers four pillars of Catholic faith; belief, sacraments, morality, and prayer.

*WHY CATHOLIC?* participants will meet in small community on a day of the week and at a time that works for their own schedule. For example; Lifeteen parents may meet while the teens are at Pizza & Prayer. Parents of school age children might opt to meet mornings while the kids are in school. We can accommodate your schedule. Additional leaders are needed as well. For more information, please contact Ellen McDonough at (781) 826-4303 or [emcdonough@stmaryshanover.com](mailto:emcdonough@stmaryshanover.com).

## **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

### **RCIA**

Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith? Are you baptized Catholic but never educated in the faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation is the process of learning more and preparing for reception. For more information, please call Ellen McDonough at 781-826-4303.

### **ST. MARY'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GIVING TREE**

Parishioners are asked to take a tag off our St. Mary's Giving Tree that is set up in the hospitality area to help those in need for Christmas.

We are not only helping families from our own parish but also families from Blessed Mother Teresa, St. Peter's and Holy Family Parish in Dorchester.

Please return your donations as soon as possible so we can deliver them to families before Christmas. **Please do not wrap your gifts.**

If you have any questions, please call Margie Gallagher at the parish office.

### **FESTIVAL CHOIR**

Festival Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the Church. The Festival Choir will present a concert at 7PM on Christmas Eve and sing at 7:30PM Mass. New voices are welcome.

### **HEALING MASS**

We will be honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe with a Mass on Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:15PM. Fr. Augustin Anda who originally was from Mexico (where our Lady appeared) will be the celebrant. These monthly services are a source of God's healing love; giving strength, comfort and peace. All are welcome.

### **CUSHING MASS**

Monthly Cushing Mass will take place on Thursday, December 15, 2011 at 11:00AM.

### **ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE**

On Wednesday, December 21st from 6:30-8:00PM there will be an Advent Penance Service in the church. Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. "The Light is on for you!"

### **PAGEANT REHEARSAL**

Rehearsal for our annual Christmas Pageant will be Wednesday, December 14th and Wednesday, December 21st at 5:45 PM- 7:00 PM in the Church. School age children are invited to join in this simple celebration during the 5:30 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. Please contact Ellen McDonough for more information.

## **DECEMBER 11, 2011**

### **BAPTISMS**

Upcoming Baptisms will take place on:  
Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> after our 11:30AM Mass  
Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM  
Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> after our 11:30AM Mass  
Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM  
Sunday, February, 19<sup>th</sup> after our 11:30AM Mass

To schedule your child's Baptism, please call Margie Gallagher at the parish office at 781-826-4303.

### **ST MARY'S CALENDAR FOR 2012**

St. Mary's will have our own Calendar for 2012. This special calendar will list parish events, holydays of obligation and each month there will be pictures of St. Mary's parish activities.

Parishioners will be able to purchase a calendar for \$20.00 and be entered in monthly drawings. This will make a great Christmas gift!!!

These special calendars will be available for purchase on the weekend of December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> and also at the parish office. Your support would be appreciated.

### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

#### **Christmas Eve**

**4:00PM** **5:30PM with Pageant**  
**7:00PM Concert, 7:30 Mass/Festival Choir**  
**Midnight Mass---Life Teen Band**

#### **Christmas Day**

**9:30AM and 11:30AM**

### **HOLIDAY DECORATION DONATION**

*(donations can be made throughout the Christmas Season)*

**If you would like to make a donation to our Christmas Decorations in memory of a loved one, please fill out this form and either mail it, drop it off at the parish office or you can put it in the offertory. (envelopes in the hospitality area)**

**Please Print**

**In memory of**

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**From**

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## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS 1-5**

**Coordinators: Karen Gill & Maura Dowling**

**Secretary: Ellen Wencek**

**[reled@stmaryshanover.com](mailto:reled@stmaryshanover.com)**

**Phone: 781- 826 -2351 Fax: 781- 829 – 9271**

**\*\*New Office Hours:\*\***

**\*\*11am – 5:30pm Monday thru Thursday.\*\***

**The office is closed on Fridays.**

**Week of December 11, 2011**



### **Cold and Flu Season is coming**

Could you please be a substitute in your child's class?  
Let us know in the Religious Ed. office and fill out a  
CORI form.

Home school materials are ready

You can pick up Mon – Thurs 11am – 5:30pm

### **Dates to Remember:**

12-11-11- Edge

12-18-11 Second Grade Poem 9:30 and 11:30 Mass

12-19-11- 9<sup>th</sup> Grade ROC

No Religious Ed. 12/16 – 1/3, Classes resume 1/4

### **GOT JARS?**

We are still in need of clean 4 ounce baby food jars for a  
project for our Second Graders. If you or anyone you  
know has any, please bring them to the Religious Ed.  
office Monday thru Thursday from 11 - 5:30. Thanks

### **Thought for the Week:**



### **Third Sunday of Advent**

#### **Something to think about....**

As December goes on and things get crazy, help your  
children remember the real reason for the season. It is  
not about presents, gifts and shopping trips, it is a  
special time to spend together. Perhaps as you are  
sending out your cards you could say a special prayer  
for each person on your list.

Can you find a way to slow it all down for your family  
during this hectic time and truly remember the reason  
for the season and be grateful for all we are given?

**Jesus is the Reason for the Season!**

## **LIFETEEN/ EDGE NEWS**

**[mhabeeb@stmaryshanover.com](mailto:mhabeeb@stmaryshanover.com)**

**[www.lifeteenhanover.com](http://www.lifeteenhanover.com)**

**Phone: (781) 826-4059**

**Week of December 11, 2011**

### **PIZZA AND PRAYER**

Monday, December 5, 2011: Come and join your  
friends at LTH for a night of prayer and worship. After  
praying – pizza and soda will be served. 6:30 – 8:00 PM -  
ALL 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> GRADERS ARE WELCOME!

### **Homework Days**

**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

Come by the Lifehouse to work on your homework with your friends  
or just hang out. A good time is guaranteed for all!

### **Second Annual LifeTeen Poker Tourney**

On Friday 16, from 6 to 9:30 Lifeteen will host its  
second annual LifeTeen Poker Tournament in the  
LifeHouse. Don't miss your opportunity to  
compete for fabulous prizes!

### **LIFETEEN MOVIE NIGHT**

On Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> join us in the  
LifeHouse for a classic Christmas movie  
from 6-9

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

On December 23<sup>rd</sup> LifeTeen will travel to the La  
Salette Christmas Shrine. Meet at the Church at 3,  
we will return by 10. Cost is \$10

### **R.O.C.**

9<sup>th</sup> Grade ROC will meet December 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 to  
discuss the meaning of Christmas

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL:**

**Edge will meet on December 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss  
Advent and Liturgical seasons**

### **THURSDAY MIDDLE SCHOOL HOMEWORK DAYS!**

**Every Thursday, come down to the LifeHouse  
from 3-6 to do yur homework with friends!**

There are many ways to find out what's going on at Lifeteen:  
check the bulletin, check us out on Facebook, come to Mass, or  
on our website:

**[www.lifeteenhanover.com](http://www.lifeteenhanover.com)**



## **THE CATHOLIC GREAT ADVENTURE CONTINUES!**

**The 8 part Introduction to the Bible Timeline,  
“A Quick Journey Through the Bible”  
will be repeated beginning  
Thursday, January 5, 2012  
9:30-11:00 AM and 6:30-8:00 PM  
in the Parish Center.**

Those who just participated in the  
Introduction to the Bible Timeline,  
“A Quick Journey Through the Bible”  
will continue with an in depth study of the  
Bible Time Line  
Mondays at 9:30-11:00 AM and 6:30- 8:00 PM  
Beginning January 9, 2012 in the Parish Center.

**REGISTRATION will be after Masses on the weekends of  
December 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and January 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012.  
Come join us to find out where you fit in this Good Book,  
good plot- the Living Story of Salvation History!**

**For more information,  
please call Mary Kuhn at (781) 878 0835.**

## THIRD EDITION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL

### HOW ARE WE DOING?

Last Sunday we began using the Third Edition of the Roman Missal. Some people were caught by surprise and most of us were a little tongue-tied.

Fr. Chris reminds us that we will make mistakes but that in time we will come to pray the responses as one voice.

The new responses will be used at all Masses including Sundays, Funeral Liturgies, Weddings, Confirmation, First Communion, etc. It is our desire to reach as many people as possible to help them to first understand the importance and meaning of the new words and to then fulfill our role as people who enter into “full, active, conscious participation” in the liturgy.

It may be helpful to arrive a few minutes earlier than usual for prayer and to spend time with the responses. Concentrate on just one new response each week. Familiarity with the text encourages prayerful response.

### Where can I find more information about the Third Edition of the Roman Missal?

#### For those with internet access:

[www.rcab.org](http://www.rcab.org)

The Archdiocesan website has the text and sung chant of the New Roman Missal.

Go to the website above.

When the page opens scroll down on the right hand side to New Roman Missal and click on MORE.

When the page opens you will be able to listen to the chants, download a printable guide and read information from Fr. Jonathan Gaspar, Director of Divine Worship in the Archdiocese of Boston

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website has recently been updated.

Go to the website and click on Roman Missal 3rd Edition: Same Mass, New Words.

#### Resources at a glance-

##### Online Resources

[www.usccb.org/romanmissal](http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal) - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.bostoncatholic.org/newromanmissal](http://www.bostoncatholic.org/newromanmissal) - Archdiocese of Boston Worship Office

[www.icelweb.com](http://www.icelweb.com) - International Commission on English in the Liturgy

#### PRINT RESOURCES

##### Available in the parish

**Understanding the Revised Mass Texts** (Liturgy Training Publications)

**Lifting Up Our Hearts**, *Praying with the Third Edition of the Roman Missal*

(A six session, small community focused on the changes in text)

##### Laminated pew cards

##### Bulletin Information