

ST. MARY OF THE SACRED HEART

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 13th

4:00PM Lydia and Arthur McGrath

Sunday, February 14th

7:30AM Cecilia Driscoll

9:30AM For the parishioners of St Mary's

11:30AM Karen McCaffrey, Ed Calderara, Laura MacLean, Christopher Graff and Roberta McCann

Friday, February 19th

7:30AM Enid Mueller

Saturday, February 20th

4:00PM Lorraine Coleman

Sunday, February 21st

7:30AM Norman Johnson

9:30AM For the parishioners of St. Mary's and for Jane McCormick, Ruth Moran, Richard Hurlburt and James Hoke

Please pray for our parish sick and deceased especially for Vito Umbro whose funeral was celebrated during the week.

OFFERTORY

Many thanks for the \$12,707.91 received in our offertory for the week of February 7, 2010 and for the \$2,827.00 received in our 2nd Collection last weekend for The Holy Father, Peters' Pence.

GRAND ANNUAL

We have received \$99,935.00 from 325 families for our Grand Annual. We hope that parishioners will prayerfully consider supporting our Grand Annual. All monies received from this special collection will stay here at St. Mary's.

SPECIAL COLLECTION-----ASH WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday, February 17th, Ash Wednesday, there will be a special collection for Fuel Assistance. Parishioners have received an envelope for this collection in their February envelope packet. Your support with this collection would be appreciated.

SNOWSTORMS

When there is a snowstorm and school is cancelled in Hanover, there will be no 7:30AM daily Mass. It simply is not safe for parishioners to be on the roads. If there is an intention, it will be moved to the next available weekday Mass. Thanks for your understanding. Please remember that the front doors of our church are locked so we remind you to use the entrance at the hospitality area.

NEW TO OUR PARISH???

If you are new to our parish, or have never registered, please call Margie Gallagher, 826-4303, at the parish office to register so you will be on our parish list and will receive all of our mailings.

HANOVER

*There is only one happiness in life:
"to love and be loved."*

LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE---Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday, February 17th and on all Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used at all.

Fast----Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday, February 17th and Good Friday, April 2nd -----are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including mild and fruit juices allowed.

Regarding other weekdays of Lent, participation in daily Mass and the voluntary observance of fasting is recommended.

Commendable, particularly during Lent, is generosity to local, national and world programs of sharing our abundance, the traditional Lenten Devotions and all the self denial summed up in the Christian concept of "mortification."

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This year Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 12:00 Noon each Friday during Lent, except Good Friday. We are trying to reach out to those who don't drive in the evening and those who work in the area who may be able to come during their lunch hour. Volunteers are needed to help lead the Stations of the Cross (2 Lectors, a Cross Bearer and 2 Acoyltes (candle bearers) each week and to provide a simple meal immediately following the Stations each week. Volunteers are also needed to set up and clean up. Please call Ellen McDonough.

LEARNING FORGIVENESS:A LENTEN STUDY

The Hanover Clergy Association will present a 6 week Series focused on forgiveness and spiritual preparation for the great celebration of Easter, from 7:15-8:30 PM, beginning Wednesday, February 24 at St. Andrew's Church. All are welcome.

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

On all the Wednesday's of Lent from 6:30-8:00pm, St. Mary's and all the parishes and chapels of the Archdiocese of Boston will be open for individual confessions. Inviting Catholics to experience Christ's healing love through the Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the major initiatives of Cardinal Seán and the Archdiocese this year. The Archdiocese has set up a website, www.TheLightIsOnForYou.org, to help you prepare.

LIFETEEN/ EDGE NEWS

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Week of February 14th, 2010

What are you going to give up for Lent?

Wednesdays during Lent, 'A Light is on For You,'

Matt Kimble will be singing.

PIZZA AND PRAYER

Monday, February 15th, 2010: 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 9th - 12th
GRADERS ARE WELCOME!

No Homework Days this week, enjoy time with family and friends during Vacation

ASH Wednesday

All teens are encouraged to come and help out at Masses on Wednesday February 17. We will need help at the 9:00 a.m. Mass as well as the 4:45 p.m. Mass. Please join us.

Life Teen Ski Trip

Lifeteen's annual Ski Trip to Sunday River will be leaving this Thursday February 18, 2009 and returning on Saturday February 20.

The cost of the trip is \$265.00 with rentals, and \$225.00 without rentals. If you have any questions, or for more details, check out our website lifeteenhanover.com.

9th Grade R.O.C. meets this Sunday February 21 from 4:30 to 5:55. Right before Lifeteen Mass.

There is a Life Night next Sunday February 21 after Lifeteen Mass. Don't miss out!

Upcoming Events:

Middle School Movie Night

The LifeHouse Cinema will be open to all Middle School students next Friday Feb 26 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

We will once again assemble the Lifeteen Dream Team for a pick-up basketball game at Cardinal Cushing. We will meet at St. Mary's at 10:00 a.m. this Saturday February 27, for a 10:30 a.m. tip off. The game should be over by 12:00, at which time we will have a post-game press conference in the LifeHouse.

Check out our website for more information, www.lifeteenhanover.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS K-5

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Important Dates-

Edge- February 14th @ 4:30

Ash Wednesday- February 17th 7:30, 9, 4:45, 7:15

Roc 9th Grade- February 21st @ 4:30

Please don't take a vacation from Lent

Ash Wednesday falls during Vacation week. There are 4 different services here at St. Mary's to receive ashes (see above) or check out the Catholic Church wherever you may be Wednesday. Let your children be proud to wear their ashes as followers of Jesus. Ash Wednesday is the beginning of our six week Journey to Jesus, and we will be teaching the kids about the importance of Prayer, Almsgiving and Fasting throughout these six weeks. Help them decide what they will do during their journey. Share with them what you will do.

Prayer: Talking with God

Almsgiving: Helping someone who needs it.

Fasting: Give up something you like, whether it is something you eat, or a bad habit.



My Lenten Prayer

Dear Jesus, here I am on my Lenten Journey.

Please keep me strong and faithful.

I want to try really hard to pray, sacrifice and serve others.

When you were in the desert for forty days,
you got tired and hungry.

The devil tried hard to make you take the easy way out.
The devil wanted you to choose darkness instead of light.

You didn't give in.

You kept your mind on your goal.

You followed your own plan.

You showed me that even when something is hard,
it can be done.

I can be faithful because you were, and you are always with me

So walk with me throughout these forty days.

Help me do what you did.

You stayed faithful. You stayed strong.

You never forgot your goal.

I ask this in your name, for I know that you will always help me when I ask. Amen

This Week's Gospel

We will miss seeing your children this week, and discussing how the Beatitudes are at the heart of Jesus' preaching. Here is a simplified way you can present the Beatitudes:

You will be happy if you are generous.

You will be happy if you are gentle.

You will be happy if you do what is right.

You will be happy if you are a peacemaker.

You will be happy if you are kind to others.

If you do all these things, you will see God and you will be called a child of God.