



Palm Sunday - April 5, 2009

Weekend Masses

Sat. 4:00 p.m. – Sunday 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
 BLESSED PALMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT ALL MASSES

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, April 7, 2009 – 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Morning Liturgy

Monday – Tuesday – Wednesday
 7:30 a.m.



HOLY THURSDAY – April 9

Morning Prayer – 7:30 a.m.
 Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:30 p.m.
 Adoration until 10:00 p.m.



GOOD FRIDAY – April 10

Morning Prayer – 7:30 a.m.
 Stations of the Cross – 3:00 p.m.
 Commemoration of the Lord's Passion - 7:30 p.m.



HOLY SATURDAY – April 11

Morning Prayer – 7:30 a.m.
 Easter Vigil – 7:30 p.m.
 (Followed by Alleluia Party in Parish Hall)



EASTER SUNDAY – April 12

Easter Liturgies
 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 Also 9:00 a.m. at St. Louis School Center

*Due to an expected large turnout on Easter Sunday, in addition to the regularly scheduled 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Marguerite's, we have added a family focused liturgy at 9:00 a.m. at St. Louis School Center followed by an Easter Egg Hunt.



EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

The envelope for Easter Flowers that is in your packet may be placed in the offertory collection at any time. There is no special collection for this envelope.

If you do not receive envelopes, Easter Flower donation envelopes may be found at the rear of the church.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S CATHOLIC CONFERENCES

The Annual Men's Conference will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 18, 2009 at the Boston College Conte Forum.

The Annual Women's Conference will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 19, 2009 also at Conte Forum. For more information please visit our website www.CatholicBoston.com, or phone 617-977-0916.



FAST + PRAY + SHARE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. every Friday during Lent.

CATHOLIC APPEAL

Cardinal Seán sends his thanks to everyone who responded to his request for participation in the 2009 Catholic Appeal during Catholic Appeal Weekend. If you have not yet made your gift, please consider making a pledge this weekend. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms in the back of the Church. For more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Thank you!



AMOUNT NEEDED WEEKLY \$7,702.00

Income received from 3/17/09 to 3/23/09

Offertory Collection	\$4,936.00
Other Income	\$428.00

TOTAL PARISH INCOME \$5,364.00

WEEKLY GAIN or (DEFICIT) (\$2,338.00)

Easter Flowers (to date): \$1,683.00

HOLY WEEK COLLECTIONS

The collection on **GOOD FRIDAY** is for the maintenance of the Shrines in the Holy Land.

The **EASTER COLLECTION** is for the needs of the sick and retired priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. Please be generous. All of this collection is sent to the Archdiocese. If you wish to make an Easter donation for the support of your parish, it should be made separately or placed in the following week's collection.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Ste. Marguerite D'Youville Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes 3-16-09

Fr. Bob opened the meeting with a prayer.

Thank you given to Joanne Laurent and Paul Duquette for their work to increase the volunteering base for Eucharistic Ministers and Sacristans. The need for more Altar Servers will be addressed in the future. New Schedules for the Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans and Lectors will be mailed out for the next scheduling period with a set schedule for each month. This is currently being developed.

The Parish Center Roof A final estimate has been received for the roof work that needs to be completed in the Parish Center due to excessive leaking over this past winter. The estimate is \$25-28,000. Rondeau is the company that will be completing the new roof and work will begin as soon as the weather allows. The damage done inside the building should be covered by the insurance policy.

Painting the interior of the church: Two bids were initially received \$28000 and \$31000 and one company came back with a lower bid of \$5000 less than the original bringing the bid down to \$26000. It was unanimously agreed to go ahead with the much needed painting as well as replacing the rug in the sanctuary and some new lighting in the choir loft and at the rear of the church to brighten the entrance and light the bulletin boards. An estimate of about \$31000 in total for these needed updates. Fr. Bob will speak with the company regarding scheduling hopefully this summer. This money will be coming out of the sale of the St. Mary's property to honor the gift received from the merger.

Holy Week and Easter: Attendance was encouraged to the many meaningful services. There will be one 10 year-old boy baptized and a baby. An Easter Sunday Mass at St. Louis School Center will be utilized to accommodate the anticipated crowds. It will be a **family focused** liturgy with an Easter egg hunt to follow.

Town Meeting? The possibility of another Town Meeting gathering was discussed for this spring. There was discussion on what action groups could possibly be developed since the format of the last meeting was successful because the action groups had been established prior to the meeting. There were no ideas forthcoming.

Volunteer Appreciation. It was suggested that we have an appreciation meal for all the volunteers of the parish in the Spring. Fr. Chris suggested that potentially the committee working on the media presentation may be interested in developing a DVD to highlight the many activities that are going on in the parish.

Outdoor Concert set for June 12, 2009 (Rain Date 6-13-09) Last year it was rained out and it is hopeful this year will bring better weather. This date will be double checked by Joanne to assure that it is not conflicting with Dracut High School graduation. There will be a free concert with one band with the potential for another band to play during an intermission/setup time. There will be no charge. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks for sale.

Mass Attendance/Finances: So far, fiscally, we are in a deficit of \$4000+. The Grand Annual Collection has been used for operating expenses.

Rescheduling Masses. Due to a decline in the number of participants, should one mass be eliminated? The number of people at each mass will be reviewed to see if this is a viable option to accommodate the number of church goers. Also presented was the potential for a summer schedule due to the decline in the summer months. It was determined that further study should be done in this area before any decisions are made.

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Children's Liturgy of the Word was reviewed with the potential of a reevaluation at this time. This takes place on the first and third Sundays and is geared toward Pre K to the Fourth Grade and seems to be well received with the Religious Ed students however it has not been a draw to other families in the parish not involved in the Rel. Ed. program.

PPC nominations and elections will be forthcoming this spring. Anyone interested in a position or nominating a person is encouraged to contact the Parish Office.

Closing prayer by Fr. Bob.

EASTER VIGIL PARTY NEEDS

As you know, we celebrate the Easter Vigil Service followed by an ALLELUIA Party. We need to have people offer to bake some finger desserts or bring some cheese and crackers. Please sign up at the back of the church if you are able to help us out.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

We will begin accepting nominations to the Parish Pastoral Council shortly after Easter. It is very important to have a council that represents all the people of the parish in these critical times. Think of who you would like to nominate and watch the bulletin nomination dates.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Fr. Bob is looking to expand our Parish Finance Council by at least 5 persons. If you have a background in finance or know someone who does and might be interested in volunteering to help with our parish finances please call Fr. Bob or Joanne. Our Finance council meets once every other month, on occasion they meet monthly.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

2009 CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

March 18th to March 24th

3/18	\$25	Roger Fisette
3/19	\$25	Martha Boisclair
3/20	\$25	Ray Dalphon
3/21	\$50	Dana Lafave
3/22	\$50	Jane Labrie
3/23	\$25	Theresa Fauvel
3/24	\$25	Parish Club



600 CLUB DRAWING

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville 600 Club Drawing for April will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Please join us in Ste. Marguerite Church Hall for a pancake breakfast from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Door prize for this drawing is \$100.00. You must be present to win door prize.



You can play BINGO in a SMOKE-FREE environment every Tuesday in the Parish Hall beginning at 6:45 p.m. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. and delicious homemade food is available between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

MARCH 29, 2009



GIFT OF BREAD AND WINE

This week, at all Masses, the gift of Bread and Wine is given in memory of **Ernest Patenaude**. Please remember him in your prayers.

We invite parishioners to donate the bread and wine for consecration at all Masses for a given week. The person remembered will be listed in the bulletin on the weekend and will cover all Masses for that week. Suggested offering for this gift is \$50.00. Please call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322 to schedule this special memorial.



We will begin accepting Mass intentions for July through December 2009 at 10:00 a.m. on **Thursday, April 23, 2009**. If you would like to schedule a Mass for a loved one, please drop by or call the Parish Office beginning April 23rd.

Next Weekend – March 28 & 29

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Hervey & Ella Ste. Marie (46th Ann.)

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Harold & Jean Neville
9:00 a.m. Arthur & Therese Gagnon
11:00 a.m. Arthur Langlois (1st Ann.)

Weekday Masses

Monday	7:30 a.m.	Alice C. Dupont
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Janet Xiggores
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Pearl O'Meara
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Parish Intention
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Parish Intention
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	M/M Alphonse L. Thibeault M/M Leo J. Cloutier

Next Weekend – April 4 & 5

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Alphonse & Lina Landry

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Robert J. Gagne (18th Ann.)
9:00 a.m. Richard Belanger (2nd Ann.)
Raymond Belanger
11:00 a.m. Francis Mullin (Ann.)

PRAYER LINE

We are seeking new members to pray with us. Young or old, your prayers will be joined to help all those seeking prayers every day. We have had many prayers of thanksgiving and for that we are grateful. However, we cannot do this without your help. If you can donate a few minutes a day praying for those in need. Please call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322. If you are unable to join us, please keep the Prayer Line in your daily prayers so that we may be able to continue this ministry. All calls received are confidential.