

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 17, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 16 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, November 17 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, November 17 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's
John Cranston by Steve and Barbara White**

Sunday, November 17 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Monday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Thursday - 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, November 23 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, November 24 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, November 24 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's
Kevin Hamilton by Barbara & Steve White**

Sunday, November 24 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Weekly collection, November 10: \$999 Fuel: \$304

The Second Collection next week: Catholic Campaign for Human Development

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Rick Tanzi, Brenda Bourgeois, Anthony Strong, Maryann Robinson, Marguerite Pouliot, Richard Roberge, Diane Lupaczyk, Joseph Seamans, Raymond Emond, Janet Clark, Marie Quader, Trey Niles, Sandy Kulvet, Alice Ostrowski, Deb Nichols, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Anne Marie Beliveau, Alicia Wieszorek, Claudette Yackowski, Emma Blais, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is held the First & Third Tuesdays of the month, from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm, in the church. All are invited to spend a quiet hour with our Lord, with the next one being on Tuesday, Nov. 19.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Get more out of Sunday Mass, by reading ahead...

November 24, 2019 - Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 SAMUEL 5:1-3 • COLOSSIANS 1:12-20 • LUKE 23:35-43

RESPECT LIFE

"He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone" (Quas primas, 33). *USCCB Office of Religious Liberty "Solemnity of Christ the King" 2019 Bulletin Insert, quoting Pope Pius XI*

PARISH FAMILIES IN NEED

We encourage families of Holy Cross & St. Martin Communities to call the Holy Cross rectory 978-632-2121 to let us know if we can be of assistance to your family this Christmas. Hardships hit one time or another and the Giving Tree Committee would love to help.

HOLY CROSS HOLIDAY FAIR NEXT SATURDAY

The Rosary Sodality Holiday Fair will be held on Sat. Nov. 23, from 9 am to 2 pm in the Holy Cross Church hall. Home-made fudge, pies and baked goods will be in Grandma's Kitchen. Basketville, Crafters Delight, Clever Hands, 'Children's Only' gift room, Large & Small Chinese Auctions, Wooden Ware by Bob LeMieur, Crafts for kids, and a Thanksgiving Basket Raffle will be featured. Lunch will be available in the Tea Room and will include "Betty's Meat Pies." Santa will visit from 11 am - 1 pm.

BABY FOOD & CLOTHING DRIVE

Remembering that Jesus came to the world as an infant, each year we collect baby food, clothing, blankets and other baby care items, and donate them to the Healthy Families program of the Gardner VNA. A bassinet is set up in the vestibule to accept donations.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - DECEMBER 1

The Otter River Council Knights of Columbus will be holding a pancake, sausage, eggs and coffee breakfast on Sun. Dec. 1st at Holy Cross Church Hall from 8 to 11 am. The cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 and under with children 6 and under are free. Proceeds are to help with Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Those of you who desire to do so may make an offering for our Christmas Altar Flowers and decorations. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the vestibule. They may be given in memory of loved ones, whose names will appear in our Bulletin and who will have a special remembrance at Masses here during the Christmas Season.

You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." —*Luke 21:16-19*



LEGACY OF HOPE

We are in the midst of our pledge drive. Our goal of \$62,989, is attainable if we all pitch in with our contributions. To date, we GRATEFULLY report the following pledged gifts, totaling \$28,340 in the following amount categories:

\$6,000 x 1	\$1,440 x 1
\$5,000 x 2	\$1,000 x 1
\$3,200 x 1	\$800 x 2
\$3,000 x 1	\$500 x 1
\$1,500 x 1	\$100 x 1

We ask you all to prayerfully determine what you can give over a period of four years, and pray for the success of this campaign, as we continue our commitment drive. Thank You!

SAVE THE DATE: HOLIDAY FAIR - DECEMBER 7 & 8

Our parish Holiday Fair is less than a month away! Thank you to all who contributed to our theme baskets. Donations for the Chinese Auction, major prize table and craft booths are also appreciated! We will be setting up the fair at the Legion Hall on Friday, December 6. Your help with the set up, as well as manning tables at the fair, is welcome and appreciated. If you can help in any way, please speak to Linda Columbus or Pat Gale.



ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAIR AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

First Congregational Church, 28 Green St., Gardner, will hold its Holiday Fair from 9 am - 2 pm on November 23. Homemade baked treats, crafts, jewelry, silent auction, children's gift shopping area, lunch, basket raffle and more.

HOLIDAY FAIR IN GARDNER

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 79 Cross St., Gardner will hold its Holiday Fair from 9 am - 2 pm on November 23. Cafe, silent and Chinese auctions, general store, crafts, baked goods, raffles, fudge and cookies by the pound.

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Templeton Council on Aging Board is in need of two members. The Board serves as an advisory board in identifying the needs of the elderly population in town, educating the community, enlisting support and participation to meet those needs, and more. If you care about Templeton and its elderly, please consider becoming a member. Members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Applications are available on the town website, www.templetonma.gov.

120 CLUB

Last week's winner was #24, Jan Lefebvre



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Rosary

30 minutes before Sunday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard from 3:30 to 4:15 pm on Saturdays at Holy Cross Church or by appt.

Sacrament of Christian Marriage

Plans may be made by contacting the Pastor at least one year prior to the intended wedding date.

Ministry to the Sick and Elderly

Please notify us when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized so that we may visit the confined person and offer the sacraments of the Church.

Parish Registration

If you are new to the area, we welcome you to join our parish family. Please introduce yourself after Mass and register in the parish. We want to know and serve you.