

## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 3, 2019

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 2 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, November 3 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, November 3 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's  
Raymond Bushey by Doris Geyster**

Sunday, November 3 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Monday - 8 am at Holy Cross

Tuesday - 8 am at Holy Cross

Wednesday - 8 am at Holy Cross

Thursday - (No Mass at St. Vincent de Paul)

Saturday, November 9 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, November 10 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, November 10 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's  
Deceased members of our parish**

Sunday, November 11 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Weekly collection, October 27: \$1,252

The Second Collection this week is for Repair & Maintenance.

The Second Collection next week is for Fuel

### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Brenda Bourgeois, Anthony Strong, Maryann Robinson, Marguerite Pouliot, Richard Roberge, Diane Lupaczyk, Joseph Seamans, Raymond Emond, Janet Clark, Marie Quader, Trey Niles, Sandy Kulvete, 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.*

### PRAY THE ROSARY

Come early, and join in praying the Rosary 30 minutes before Mass each Sunday. Don't have a rosary? No problem! Extra rosaries are available in the vestibule.



## NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

November 10, 2019 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 MICAH 7:1-2, 9-14 • 2 THESSALONIANS 2:16-3:5 • LUKE 20:27-38

### RESPECT LIFE

"God never stops offering each of us his mercy, 'a concrete reality with which he reveals his love' (MV 6)." *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Reflection: Moved by Mercy*

### PAST YEAR'S DECEASED PARISHIONERS

The candles in the sanctuary are in memory of all parishioners and former ones who died between October 15, 2018 and October 15, 2019. These candles will be lit for Masses throughout the month of November.

### 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.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." Invite Jesus into your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Dec 13-15, 2019 in Duxbury, MA and Jan 17-19, 2020 in South Kings-town, RI. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwwmema.org/>.

### WINTER COAT DRIVE

Our annual Winter Coat Drive honoring our patron saint, Martin of Tours, is under way and will run through November 10.

New or gently-used winter coats, hats, and gloves for children and adults may be brought to church any Sunday and placed in the collection box in the vestibule. The coats will be delivered to the Gardner CAC around November 11, St. Martin's feast day.



### 2020 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

Calendars for the new year are available in the vestibule. Thank you to Boucher Funeral Home for again providing the calendars. Please take one home.

"Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." *Lk 19:8-10*





### 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 \$18,340 in the following amount categories:

\$5,000 x 2	\$1,000 x 1
\$3,000 x 1	\$800 x 1
\$1,500 x 1	\$500 x 1
\$1,440 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!

*God our Father, you are the source of all goodness and of every blessing. We give you thanks and praise for the gift of our Catholic faith that is deeply rooted in your abundant love for us.*

*We ask your blessing upon our efforts to help secure the future of the Church in the Diocese of Worcester. May your people respond with faith and generosity to our Legacy of Hope Capital Campaign and may the sacrifices we make together today bear fruit in lives of faith, hope and love for generations to come. We ask all this through Christ our Lord. Amen!*

#### SAVE THE DATE: HOLIDAY FAIR - DECEMBER 7 & 8

Our parish Holiday Fair is just a month away! Thank you to all who have 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 out, please speak to Linda Columbus or Pat Gale.

#### SONG FESTIVAL IN LUNENBURG

St. Boniface Church in Lunenburg welcomes all to its annual Song Festival, "Praise Him All Ways" at 2 pm on Sunday, Nov. 17. Traditional ethnic, clergy and children's groups all come together to offer their songs of praise and thanks. Admission is one school supply for a pre-school or elementary age child. Food and fellowship to follow in the hall. For info, call Claire at 617-823-4237.

#### 120 CLUB

Last week's winner was #81, Carol Clark

#### CHRISTMAS IN ACADIA FAIR

St. Cecilia's "Christmas In Acadia" Fair will take place on Friday Nov. 8 from 5-9 pm and Saturday Nov. 9 from 11 am-7:30 pm, in the Parish Hall, 188 Mechanic St. Leominster. Traditional French-Canadian foods featuring Poutines, Rapee, Fricot and meat pies and more. Chinese Auction, \$5,000 Major Raffle, Theme Baskets, handmade Craft items and a large Flea Market available. Have your picture taken with Santa on Friday between 6 & 7:30 pm and on Saturday between 11:30 am & 1 pm. Live entertainment on Saturday after-noon, International Veteran's Choir at 12pm & Children's Songbirds.



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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.