

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 15, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 14 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, September 15 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, September 15 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's
George Murdock by Babara & Stephen White**

Sunday, September 15 - 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, September 21 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, September 22 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, September 22 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's
Joyce Hanks by the family**

Sunday, September 22 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Weekly collection, September 8: \$611 **Fuel:** \$218

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Brenda Bourgeois, Anthony Strong, Maryann Robinson, Marguerite Pouliot, Richard Roberge, Diane Lupaczyk, Priscilla Stacy, 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.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the Rectory when someone is moving to a nursing home, in the hospital, or in need of prayers. Arrangements can be made for Communion or a visit. Please pray for all those who are sick.

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...

September 22 2019 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AMOS 8:4-7 • 1 TIMOTHY 2:1-8 • LUKE 16:1-13

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process will be available beginning in September. Anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and its teachings or is ready to explore joining the Catholic Church or would like to complete the sacraments of initiation, (Baptism, Confirmation or First Communion) please talk with Fr Patrick or call Steve or Chris Schroeder at 603-831-6173, or 603-831-6241.

NEW LECTORS WELCOME

Have you ever thought about becoming a Lector? If you are interested in this ministry at St. Martin's, please speak to Fr. Patrick.

EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASS AT HOLY ROSARY

The Mass we celebrate daily and each Sunday is the ordinary or normal way that Mass is celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church (the "Ordinary Form"). However, it is permitted to celebrate Mass as it was prior to the Second Vatican Council's reform of the liturgy. This Mass is celebrated in Latin. This form of the Mass has been named the "Extraordinary Form" ("extra" is the prefix that means "outside of" - so this means essentially "outside the ordinary/normal"). Holy Rosary Church in Gardner will offer this Mass at 2 pm on Sunday, Sept. 15.

MASS OF HEALING

There will be a Mass with the Anointing of the Sick on Sunday, September 22, at Holy Rosary Church in Gardner. This sacrament is more than simply a means to provide comfort to the sick. In the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick the individual is touched by the supernatural power of God and by a special grace is either granted healing of the illness, the strength and courage to endure the difficulties of their illness, or forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God in preparation for meeting the Lord in death. It is suitable for anyone with an illness of the body or of mind, or those of advanced years.

OREMUS (LET US PRAY)

A Guide to Catholic Prayer an 8 part video-assisted series on Prayer will be led by the priests and staff of Annunciation Parish in the lower hall at Holy Rosary, 135 Nichols St. Gardner on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. beginning Sept.25 and ending Nov. 20. The suggested donation is \$25 for the participant guide and other handouts, but no one will be turned away due to financial concerns.

"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents." - Lk 15:10-





HAVE YOU RSVP'D?

Please join us for one of the following time slots to learn more about our parish's participation in the Legacy of Hope Campaign:

Tuesday • September 24th at 12:00 P.M.

or

Tuesday • September 24th at 6:30 P.M.

* All receptions will be hosted in the Holy Cross Parish Hall and last approximately 45 minutes – one hour. Refreshments will be served.

You may RSVP by returning your site card via offertory basket, calling the Parish Office at (978) 939-5588 or emailing saintmartinchurch@mail.com. Your response is appreciated, as it will save dedicated volunteers time and effort.

120 CLUB

Last week's winner was #80, Kathy Rupp. There are numbers available. If you'd like to join, speak to Linda Columbus. Tickets are \$20.

THEME BASKETS

Fall is here...can the Holiday Fair be far behind? Lists of items needed to fill the theme baskets at our fair are posted in the vestibule. Please take a look, and see if you can help out with an item, or two ... or an entire basket.

HOLY CROSS FAMILY FESTIVAL TODAY - SEPTEMBER 15

The Holy Cross Family Festival and the best Chicken BBQ in the area is TODAY at the Otter River Sportsman Club, from 11 am to 3 pm. Fun for the whole family. Tom's Famous Chicken will be served from 12-2 pm - Be sure to bring your containers for take out orders.

FIDDLER CONCERT

The Prince Edward Island Musicians, Richard Wood & Gordon Belsher will be back with a concert on Fri., Oct. 18, at Kamaloht, to benefit our Holy Cross Parish. Doors will open at 7 pm with concert beginning at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$15, and will be available soon. Call Bob Oliva 978-632-2499..

OKTOBERFEST IN WESTMINSTER

An Oktoberfest Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at St. Edward the Confessor Church Hall, 10 Church Street, Westminster from 5 to 7 pm. Pot Roast with vegetables, gravy, green beans, salad, rolls and dessert. \$10 per adult, \$5 per child under 12 and children under 6 eat free. Tickets are available at the door..

ST. DENIS FALL BAZAAR

Games for kids, great food, beer & wine, and many booths for those looking for unique treasures. Bring your family and come out for the day. St. Denis Paish, 85 Main St., Ashburnham, on Saturday, September 21, from 10 am - 6 pm.

WORD OF LIFE

"By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God." *USCCB, "Open Wide Our Hearts" Bulletin Insert*



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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.