

Mass Intentions ~ Week of Jan. 25th

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 4:30pm at SM	Jan. 24 Vigil of the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Gloria Oliver, by Bud Carlson
Sunday 8:00am at SH 10:30am at SH	Jan. 25th Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Joseph & Peter Lupacchino, by Theresa Lupacchino Carmelina Serra, by M/M Joseph Spadea
Mon - Fri	No weekday Masses until Monday, Feb. 9th
Saturday 4:30pm at SM	Jan. 31 Vigil of the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Patricia Colliss (birthday, deceased), by her husband Henry & family
Sunday 8:00am at SH 10:30am at SH	Feb. 1 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ralph & Virginia Provencher, by their grandchildren Giovanni Pisano, by M/M Joseph Spadea

Please pray for our brothers & sisters who have asked for our prayers:

Albert Casavant, Myong Cote, Fr. Dave, Ginger Duhamel, Julie Nydam, Reggie Ostrout, Rita Pare, Joseph Putch, Judy Stickles, Pauline Walker

This week we remember **Allan Gulczynski**, brother-in-law of parishioner Diane Loughrey. May he rest in the peace of Christ.

We pray for all the deceased members & benefactors of our parish: all those in Military Service: those suffering from the effects of natural disaster, Ebola, and political strife.

(As the new year begins we will update our prayer list. Please send us the names of any loved ones you would like to be included on the list. Call 508 867-6469 or email rectory@sacredheartwb.com.)



The Dominican Sisters will be selling bread and delicious baked goods after all Masses on the weekend of Feb. 7 & 8

Give From the  Sunday

Our annual February collection to replenish the coffers of the St. Vincent de Paul Society & the Brookfield Ecumenical Food Pantry will take place on Valentine's weekend, Feb. 14 & 15.

Middle School Youth Rally for 6-8th Graders
Theme - "Virtuous Reality"
Sat. March 21st 12:30-5:30pm
Featuring Catholic Rapper/Speaker Oscar IIX Rivera
Cost \$13.
St. John's High School Shrewsbury
(See "events" at NEWorcester.org for more information)

Susan Guzik is looking for assistance to take her mother (with Alzheimer's) to Mass at Sacred Heart on weekends. If you can help, please call her at 774 200-7119.



Your Sacrificial Offering Last Weekend

General	\$2,800
Monthly Renovation Fund	\$135

Special Collections	
1/31 & 2/1	Catholic Home Missions
2/7 & 8	Monthly Renovation Fund
2/14 & 15	♥ "Give from the Heart" ♥ St. Vincent de Paul & Brookfield Food Pantry*

*Rescheduled/renamed for this year to avoid a conflict with Catholic Home Missions or Monthly Renovation Fund Collections

If you did not pick up a copy of the Diocesan Financial Report last weekend, there are copies available on the tables at the rear of both churches.

**ALL CHECKS MUST BE PAYABLE TO:
"OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART"**

~Stewardship~

*"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."
- Mark 1:17*

Jesus' call to "Follow me" is a call to all Christians! Jesus asks us to help Him build his church on earth by generously sharing all our gifts of prayer, talent and treasure. Remember, Jesus calls us to generously develop and share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose.

RespectLife Ministry

The next Respect Life committee meeting will be held after the 8am Mass this Sunday, January 25th in Dugan Hall. All are invited! Please bring your ideas! Thank you!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DEACON?

Find out everything you wanted to know about the Diaconate program for the Diocese of Worcester. If you are a male, college graduate (or have an equivalent to a degree), are between the ages of 31 and 60 and have an interest, now is your opportunity to get some answers. Spouses are welcome and urged to attend with you. Join us on **Saturday, Jan. 31 at 9 am at the Our Lady of Mount Carmel/St. Ann Parish Center, 28 Mulberry Street, Worcester.** For more information contact the Diaconate office: 508-929-4335 or visit worcesterdiocese.org.



Next Regular Meeting Tuesday Jan. 27th at 7 PM

The Mandatory Meeting for Parents of First Communion Class students scheduled for Feb. 4th has been canceled.



Flapjack Fundraiser

You're invited to a Pancake Breakfast to Support St. Peter Marian High School Varsity Track Team

Applebee's
632 Park Avenue, Worcester
Sunday, February 8
8am - 10am

Proceeds will go to new uniforms and equipment
Tickets \$10

Every ticket holder will also receive a free raffle ticket that day
To Purchase Tickets Contact: Meg Mulhern at mmulhern@intlceramics.com
or call 508-667-2480



January 23, 2015

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that lack the resources to provide basic pastoral ministry to their populations. Through annual grants, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal funds catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training, Hispanic ministry, and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses. As a result of the generosity of parishioners like you, this appeal impacts the lives of nearly 9 million Catholics. The dioceses funded by the appeal comprise close to 45 percent of all U.S. dioceses.

For the Diocese of Crookston, Minnesota, the call to a New Evangelization rings home. While there are approximately 35,000 Catholics living within the borders of the diocese, several thousand of these Catholics have become estranged from the practice of their faith. In order to reach out to these people, the diocese must overcome the challenge of distance, as well as a shortage of priests. The small Catholic population spans 14 counties, with only 36 active and 12 retired priests. This shortage leaves one county in the diocese with only a single Catholic church and one priest. With a grant from Catholic Home Missions, the diocese is training seven seminarians for the priesthood. These young men will return to their diocese in order to administer the sacraments within the parishes and to evangelize those who have fallen away and are waiting to be called back into the fold.

With your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal can continue to provide catechesis, lay leadership training, funding for seminarian education, and other essential pastoral outreach in home mission dioceses. I encourage you to be generous in the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, which will be collected at Masses on the weekend of February 1 to help strengthen the Church at home. Your support will truly make a difference. For more information about the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, please visit www.usccb.org and search for "home missions."

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Robert J. McManus, Bishop of Worcester

15th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference Saturday, March 21st DCU Center

All men are invited to this important annual Conference.

Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: *Dynamic Catholic Institute's* Allen Hunt, *Arise Ministries'* Dominick Albano, *Blessed2Play's* Ron Meyer, and 'Catholic Answers' host Patrick Coffin. Father Michael Gaitley will offer a special presentation on divine mercy, the role of the Blessed Mother and the importance of receiving mercy through confession. Bishops and diocesan and religious priests will hear those confessions. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information, or registration, call 508-929-4345. Visit our website - www.firstmensconf.org - for information and ticket purchases.

Spend a Day at NDA!

Notre Dame Academy is inviting all current 7th grade students and transfer students to spend an academic day at NDA. If you are interested, please contact the Office of Admissions at 508 757-6200, Ext. 229 or email admissions@nda-worc.org.

NDA is the only Catholic college preparatory school for young women in grades 9-12 in central Massachusetts. Please visit our website at www.nda-worc.org to learn more about the NDA experience.



The West Brookfield Asparagus & Flower Heritage Festival Committee is planning a new cookbook for 2015. If you have a tried and true recipe for a dish incorporating asparagus, please send it to PO Box 96, or email to melindaczub@gmail.com before the end of February. If your recipe is selected, we will print it, along with your name and town of residence. Thank you!