

## Please Pray for...

All who have died especially, **Helen Gemme & Bonnie Edwards** of our parish. We offer our sympathy and our prayers that they will rest in peace.

### Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Pauline Casavant, Cheryl Boucher, John Waage, Theresa Johnson, Peggy Gallant, Gloria Butler, Theresa Cassavant, Bonnie Sheldon, David Auger, Barbara Gaudette, Tom Pawlowski, Rachel Kelliher, David L'Heureux, Dolly Choquette, Baby Ryan, Jean Wheeler, Catherine Baril, Shirley Quattrucci, Tim Josti Sr., Fr. Chet Devlin, Lea Derosier, Alice Sullivan, Jeanne Provencher, Darlene Kennedy, Ruth Flynn, Mary Chojnacki, Erlene Lachapelle, John Ahearn, Noel Donabedian, Ruth Costa, Thomas Lilley, Pamela Collette, Patricia Johnson, Betty Cabana, Douglas Russell, Madelyn Sjoblom, Albert Brousseau, Laurie Gablaski, Carey Dubois, Diane Cyr, Wayne Pothier Jr., Msgr. Rocco Piccolomini, Theresa Thibault, Ernest Tremblay, Elizabeth Lemerise, Heather Lech, Frances Barrett, Baby Oliver, Theresa Suchocki, Baby Parker, Patricia Burdette, Elizabeth Monfette, Ann Gablaski, Eddie LaFlamme, Addison Lacaire, Richard Chabior, Pat Benoit, Jeanne Lacroix and Amy Richard

**PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE WEEK**  
**For all the teachers and students in our**  
**catechetical programs**

## OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS SEPT. 12 & 13

Envelopes	\$4,351.00
Loose	\$ 249.00
Total collection	\$4,600.00
Number of envelopes	185
Attendance	420

Thank you for your offerings last weekend.

**RCIA INQUIRY SESSIONS START THIS WEEK** ON Monday evening **September 21**. Sessions are held at 7:00pm in the living room of the Rectory. These sessions are for all those who are interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church, those who have never been baptized, and Catholics who were baptized but never made First Communion or Confirmation. For more information, speak to Fr. Jim or call him at 508-885-3111 ext. 104.

**Monthly Meals will be starting back up on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of October.** We are always looking for people who love to have fun, cook and help others. We are hoping to add some new items to the menus this year.... Call Sandy at 508-885-3111 ext. 102 for more information.

**FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK**  
**Hearty Soups**



The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Join the Choir...**  
You'll Be Glad  
You Did!

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The Faith Formation office will be open this week Monday Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00 – 5:00 pm. If you wish to leave Judi a message, she can be reached at **508-885-3111 Ext. 105**.

### Faith formation classes this week

**Sunday 9:00 to 10:00am Grades K - 6**  
**Tuesday 4:15 to 5:30 pm Grades 1 - 5**  
**7:00 to 8:15 pm Grades 6, 7 & 8**

**REGISTRATION Classes begin today, Sunday September 20 for grades K thru 6. There will also be an option for classes on Tuesday as in years past. Grade 6, 7 & 8 begin on Tuesday evening September 22. Grade 9 and 10 will begin on Sunday evening September 27 and Grade 11 Confirmation sessions on October 4. Registration is essential if we are to have enough teachers for the children. Please contact Judi by calling 508-885-3111 and dialing her extension 105, or by e-mail. We remind those with children who are approaching First Communion age that this is a two year program beginning with first grade. We also offer a Kindergarten program on Sunday mornings which introduces the children to God and to the church. We need your help to make young parents aware of these programs so that they can enroll their children. Help us by spreading the word.**

### TEACHERS AND HELPERS NEEDED

**Grade 9 ..... 1 teacher**  
**Grade 10 ..... 1 teacher**  
**Confirmation class..... 1 teacher**

All of these classes meet on Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00pm. If you are interested in helping with this very important part of the Faith formation of our young people, please call Judi or speak to Fr. Jim after Mass.

**STUDENTS FROM CATHOLIC SCHOOL** if you are a Junior in High School and wish to be a candidate for Confirmation this year, you need to register for the parish confirmation program. The first session will be on Sunday evening October 4.

**We need a Principal for Tuesday evening** to keep attendance records and call absentees. Class meets from 7:00 to 8:15

### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FAITH FORMATION

If anyone would like to provide a scholarship for a child to attend Faith Formation it would be welcome. Tuition is \$ 45.00 per child. If you wish to help please contact Judi or just send it in and mark it "Scholarship".

**ATTENTION FORMER FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS** Did you forget to return your teachers manual after last year's class? We need them back so that we can pass them on to your replacement. Thank you so much.

**NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH** is being celebrated on nine consecutive Monday evening from 7:15 to 8:00pm at Christ the King Church in Worcester. This powerful novena contains prayers for the sick and the dying. Each Monday evening there will be a different preacher. This is a very powerful novena, Christ the King is located in the Tatnuck section of Worcester and is less than 20 minutes away.

September 20, 2015

## Pastor's Notes:

### Catechetical Sunday

The American Church observes Catechetical Sunday today. It marks the beginning of Faith Formation (formerly known as CCD) classes in most parishes. But it is much more than this, it is a day to celebrate the gift of faith which we have received and are all called to hand on to the next generation. Those who volunteer to be part of this critical and important work of the church are truly ministers of the Gospel of Jesus and today we all thank you and pray for you as you begin a new year. The faith is passed on not just by teaching but by example and prayer so even if we are not in the classroom all of us are handing on the faith by the way we live. The catechetical work of the church extends beyond the teaching of our children to other ministries, in particular the RCIA. This ministry is the process by which an adult (confirmation age and older) who is not baptized or has not made First Communion or Confirmation are welcomed into the full life of the church. Joining with others who are on the same journey, we discuss, explore and imbibe the meaning of the gospels, the traditions of the church and the challenge of living a Christian life. We are also preparing to become involved in a new youth ministry process called "Vital 3" which is aimed at going beyond classes to inviting our young people to become disciples by knowing Jesus and living by His ways. We need your prayers for all of these ministries. Catechetical Sunday is good day to start.

### WE NEED MUSICIANS TO LEAD US IN PRAISING GOD

Both choirs are looking for voices to help us in praising God at the 10:15 Mass. We have only one male voice in the choir at the moment and are in need of men as well as women to round out a full choir. We also are looking for a backup piano player for one Sunday a month and some instruments (guitar, flute, trumpet and others) for the folk or contemporary choir. The choirs sing at 10:15 Mass and usually rehearse either before or after Mass. Anyone interested, speak to one of the choir directors after Mass or call the office at 508-885-3111 and speak to Sandy.

**THE MARTHA MARY GUILD**, who provides meals following the Funeral Masses, is in need of new members. We are in particular need of some people who are willing to coordinate the meals by calling others to cook and getting people to staff the meals and clean up after. Anyone willing to help with this important ministry, please call Harriet Gobi at 508-885-3369, Cheryl Benoit at 508-882-3072 or Sandy at the office 508-885-3111. Ext 102.

### HELP NEEDED

We have recently had an Egyptian Christian family move into our town. They were forced to flee their homeland because of their faith. Pope Francis has asked that parishes throughout the world try to help families like this. The family consists of a husband, wife, and three children. These are the needs that have been presented to us. Casserole dishes, mixing bowls, cookie sheet, cake pans, a fry pan etc.. Also needed are queen size bed sheets and queen size blankets. Baby girl clothes (age 3 to 6 months), school clothes for boys age 5 and 7 (pants size 6 and 7) Shirts and jerseys (size 5 and 8). We will place boxes at the doors of the church to receive these donations. Thank you for any help you can give.



## Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday, September 19</b> 4:30 pm Robert Lamoureux by Elaine & Family
<b>Sunday, September 20</b> 8:00 am David Drake (5 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) & Grace Drake (9 Month Anniv) by Tina Bouvier Padavano 10:30 am Shedyak Family by Al Shedyak
<b>Monday, September 21</b> 8:00 am Blanche Archambeault by the Family
<b>Tuesday, September 22</b> 8:00 am Gerald Seguin by Suzanne & Family
<b>Wednesday, September 23</b> 8:00 am For Parishioners
<b>Thursday, September 24</b> 8:00 am Dr. & Mrs. James M. Stewart by the Family
<b>Friday, September 25</b> 8:00 am No Mass Today
<b>Saturday, September 26</b> 4:30 am Rita Lamoureux by Paul & David
<b>Sunday, September 27</b> 8:00 am Alyssa Haden (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniv) by her Family 10:15 am Edward Delongchamp by his Wife & Children

## Calendar of Events

<b>Sunday, September 20</b>	<b>Coffee Shop - Open</b>
9:00 am	Faith Formation Class Grades K – 6
10:15 am	Catechetical Sunday Celebration
1:00 pm	Baptisms
<b>Monday, September 21</b>	
10:00 am	Food Pantry - <b>CLOSED</b>
7:00 pm	Inquiry / RCIA Class Rectory)
<b>Tuesday, September 22</b>	
2:00 pm	Lincoln Hill Mass
4:15 pm	Faith Formation Class Grades 1 – 6
7:00 pm	Faith Formation Class Grades 6 - 8
<b>Wednesday, September 23</b>	
<b>Thursday, September 24</b>	
10:00 am	Food Pantry – <b>CLOSED</b>
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
<b>Friday, September 25</b>	
<b>Saturday, September 26</b>	
3:30 pm	Confessions
<b>Sunday, September 27</b>	<b>Coffee Shop OPEN</b>
9:00 am	Faith Formation Class Grades K – 6
10:15 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word
1:00 pm	Baptism
6:30 pm	Faith Formation Class Grades 9 & 10

**MATT MAHER IN CONCERT** Matt Maher is one of the most popular Contemporary Catholic singer / song writers. He will be performing at Mechanics Hall on Friday October 16 from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. The concert is sponsored by NE Worcester, the diocesan youth ministry for teen and young adults. Tickets are on sale Mechanics Hall. 508-752-0888 or on line at [www.mechanicshall.org](http://www.mechanicshall.org)

