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PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our protection
against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke Him,
we humbly pray;
and do Thou,
O Prince of the Heavenly Host by the Divine Power of God cast into hell, satan and all the evil spirits,
who roam throughout
the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.



2015 Catholic Appeal

\$13,806 has been received towards our parish goal of \$38,788

Through your support of the 2015 Catholic Appeal, we lill are able to bring the Gospel message to life. Thank ill you to those who have given so generously to support ill the parish. If you have yet to make a pledge, please ill complete a pledge form available in the pews or visit ill www.bostoncatholicappeal.org.

Easter Collection

The Easter collection is for our priests. The Clergy Health and Retirement Trust helps care for the health and well-being of our 628 priests, ensuring an appropriate level of care and quality of life for the men who have dedicated their lives in service to the Archdiocese of Boston. Our priests have been there for us. Now, it is our turn to care for them in their time of need.

Thank you for your prayers and support of this critical effort



In March

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

PPC 3rd Monday 7:30 p.m. FIA Group Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. 1st Thursday 7:00 p.m. Liturgy Finance 2nd Thursday 7:15 p.m. Stewardship 1st Sunday 12:15 p.m. Peer Ministry Last Sunday 7:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Monday -Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

PARISH SERVICES Sacrament of Baptism

Arrangements must be made at least one month prior to the intended date of Baptism so that all requirements can be completed.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 p.m.— 4:15 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick

Available anytime by request.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior to the intended date of marriage so that all requirements can be completed.

Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Every Wednesday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

Every Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

WELCOME New Parishioners!

Please introduce yourselves to the priest after Mass. We welcome and invite you to become an active member of the St. Cecilia Parish Community. Registration forms can be found in the back of the Church and on the Rectory porch.

TODAY'S MUSIC

Gathering: JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

(Easter Hymn); Hymnal #167

Glory to God: Hymnal #861

Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-

joice and be glad. (pg. 150)

SEQUENCE: CHRIST, THE LORD, IS RISEN TODAY;

Hymnal #178

Offertory: THIS DAY WAS MADE BY THE LORD;

(9:00a.m.) Hymnal #574

YE SONS AND DAUGHTERS; (11AM) Hymnal #176

Holy:Hymnal #864Save Us, Savior:Hymnal #867Amen:Hymnal #868Lamb of God:Hymnal #869

Communion: LORD OF THE DANCE; Hymnal #575

Sending Forth: ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA (Hymn to Joy);

Hymnal #173

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Monday April 6

6:30 p.m. Men's AA Group Meeting

Tuesday April 7

4:30 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday April 8

10:00 a.m. Faith in Action Group Meeting

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday April 9

7:15 p.m. Parish Finance Committee Meeting

Saturday April 11

3:30 p.m. Teen Choir Rehearsal

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 4

7:30 p.m. The People of St. Cecilia Parish

Sunday April 5

7:00 a.m. The Deceased of our Parish
9:00 a.m. The People of St. Cecilia Parish
11:00 a.m. The Families of St. Cecilia Parish

Monday April 6

9:00 a.m. Sam & John Guarino

Tuesday April 7

9:00 a.m. Marianne Notar

Wednesday April 8

9:00 a.m. John & Margaret McLeod (LIVING)

Thursday April 9
9:00 a.m. Stevie Brett
Friday April 10

9:00 a.m. Rev. Chris Schuh (LIVING)

Saturday April 11

9:00 a.m. Claude "Nesti" Giargiari

4:30 p.m. The People of St. Cecilia Parish

Sunday
7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
April 12
Robert Sarault
Kathleen Brehm
Laurie Ann Slopek

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Easter resurrected hope and changed history

What if there were no Easter? The external aspect of the world might remain just as we know it, but that airy, intangible aspect of the world would be dried up and going nowhere.

No Easter—that could mean many things.

It could mean there was no Jesus. Or there was a Jesus but He was nobody, least of all divine. Or there was a Jesus Who made a stir for a while before going into eclipse, as so many famous people do, before finally dying of old age. Or He made a stir until He was crucified one Friday, which was just an ordinary Friday because He was heard of no more. If there were no Easter, if He did not somehow overcome death, there would be no reason to call that Friday Good.

No Easter would mean Jesus left no legacy. It would presumably mean that, after the debacle of that disastrous Friday, His ragtag followers, disgraced and discouraged, were unable to pick them selves up and dust themselves off and carry on that incongruous, courageous, appealing but slightly crazy message and way of life that sounded so good when brandished by a stranger of unique charisma like Jesus but dippy and dangerous when your Man was dead on a cross and showing no signs of going anywhere.

No Easter would mean no Christianity, that earthly legacy of the Resurrected Jesus. As is typical of the world, some would say this was a good thing and some would say a bad thing. Some would point out that Christianity gave us the Crusades the Inquisition, Jansenism old and new, several varieties of intolerance, abuse of authority, accumulation of worldly power, while leaving the external world approximately as drab and sorry as before.

Ah, others world say, Easter Christianity also gave us a tangle of intangibles that helped transform that drab old world: art, music, literature, theater, dance, education, philosophy.

No Easter, furthermore, would mean we lost the vagabond Jesus' message of compassion, forgiveness, tolerance, the agape of disinterested love. They were all eccentric ideas at the time which is why Good Friday went so badly for Jesus. But those wild, risky concepts also rose from the dead at Easter. Call them virtues or ideals, call them theology or spirituality—they have changed history as we know it. They are the Easter message.

This Easter message has confronted bad guys and transformed some of them and left the unrepentant at least uneasy. It has comforted the downtrodden with the inkling that they, too, eventually can rise up and achieve and be happy. It has motivated millions of quite ordinary people to undertake missionary journeys, to live among the poor, to risk their lives for causes big and even small, to devote their lives to contemplation and service. At a more

banal level it has given billions of pilgrims like ourselves the courage to rise at least a little above ourselves and, when all else fails, the small but sure hope that encourages us just to carry on.

Those who manage to narrow that gap to God—through lives lived more than through words prayed—are the people we call saints. Local saints. Local Christian heroes, not just the distant, Vatican –designated saints.

A saintly life is a shadowy entity hard to nail down. Yet from such accumulated lives we manage to construct and image of earthly Christianity at its best. It is the sum total of what we've managed to do so far in following Good Friday through to Easter.

The entire Easter phenomenon defies rationality just as its bequest, practical, in an earthly bottom line. Jesus had no bottom line but love. No wonder He was a failure.

Yet here we are, celebrating Him again all those years later. He must have done something right. Said something.

-Editoral, The Wall Street Journal

PARISH NEWS

Stewardship: Alleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can.

Pine Street Inn Monday, April 6 is drop off day for cans of tuna and/or cut green beans and/or boxes of elbow macaroni and/or desserts. Please leave donations on the rectory porch by 3:00 p.m. Thank you!

Prayer Line Requests may be made to Anne Ferruci, T.O. Carm., at anne.ferrucci@yahoo.com or if you don't have email you may call the Rectory Monday-Thursday, 8:30a.m.-3:30 p.m. and ask for Jill.

The Second Collection
the weekend of
April 11 & 12 will benefit
St. Vincent de Paul Society
All donations benefit Ashland residents
through our own parish conference.
Thank you for your generous donations.

The Faith in Action, FIA Group meets on Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. to read and reflect on the next Sunday's Gospel and use its message to help us share our faith. This nurtures our faith and inspires us to live our faith in actions. If you are interested in joining call or email Sarah Sbcurrie22@comcast.net, 508-881-3690.



and the Parish staff
wish you
a safe and
blessed Easter.

Please join us for Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour St. Cecilia Church 2:00 p.m. April 12, 2015



Thank You for the flower donations!

It is amazing how lovely the altar decorated in Spring flowers adds so much to our Easter celebration. Please take a moment and walk up to the altar to enjoy the wonderful fragrance!

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Question of the Week based on the Gospel of John 20: 1-9 (Peter and the Disciples at the Tomb) For Adults: Why do I believe that I will live with Christ for all eternity?

For Children: Who has helped me believe that I will live with Jesus forever?

Help is needed for the Liturgy of the Word for Children at 9:00 a.m. Mass

Monika Henry, our Liturgy of the Word for Children leader will no longer be involved in this ministry. We are hoping someone will assume this leadership role. Materials are available to assist in sharing the Word of God with the children of our parish. Please call or e-mail the Religious Ed. Office if you can help.





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Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Thank you to all of the families who participate in the Good Friday Stations of the Cross.

RELIGIOUS ED WISH LIST

Please help the Religious Education Program! Combination VCRs with DVD and VHS players are Ш needed in good working condition.

Thank you!



First Communion Clothing

We would appreciate the donation of white dresses and white suits for this year's class. You may drop them off in the Family Center.

Upcoming Events:

Vacation Week-The week of April 19. Classes resume on April 26th.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Wake Up The World 2015 Year of Consecrated Life

Pope Francis has asked us to keep Consecrated Life on the minds and in the hearts of the members of our parish. For information visit VocationNetwork.org.

Religious orders are not formed for the purpose of gathering together perfect people but those who have the courage to aim at perfection.

-Saint Francis De Sales

Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Team Member Facilitator Training: Virtus/ PGC The CAP Team at St. Cecilia Parish is seeking new members. Please contact Fr. Cornell if you would like more information. There is a one-day "train the trainer" session for volunteer parishioners to become members of the CAP Team. April 11, 2015 and April 28, 2015.

Training will be held 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Braintree.

Men's Cursillo April 23-26 **Campion Center, Weston**

For information and registration call 617-779-3640 or www.bostoncursill.org or email spiritual_developement@rcab.org

Attention Women 18-40

St. Scholastica Priory, a monastery of Benedictine nuns located in Petersham, is holding Monastic Experience Weekends so that young women can see life "from the inside" and gain useful knowledge of how to discern a vocation. The weekends offered are: June 19-21 and October 9-11. If interested please call 978-724-3213.

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit) provides

an opportunity for women to deepen their relationship with God by gathering to study God's Word, pray and share with one another.

Join us Wednesday, April 15 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at St. Mary in Holliston Parish Hall to listen to speaker Kim Lisbon, Religious Education Secretary at St. Mary. Her talk is entitled "Forever Grateful"

For information call Linda Calabrese 508-893-7919 or visit www.Catholicwings.com

Retrouvaille of New England marriage renewal weekends

will be held:

April 10-12 and Sept. 11-13

To register call 800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com. The 2nd Annual Catholic Night at Fenway Park July 29th, 7:10 p.m. **Red Sox vs. Chicago White Sox** Grandstand seats (\$55 per person) Bleacher seats (\$30 per person)

Please let Fr. Cornell know if you are interested in attending this memorable outing.

World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, PA

to include a visit from Pope Francis September 22-27, 2015

Information regarding registration and itinerary may be found here: http://www.bostoncatholic.org/wmf/. In order to prepare well for this major event, please consider reading "Love Is Our Mission: The Family Full Alive", the preparatory catechesis for the World Meeting of Families . Copies may be ordered through Our Sunday Visitor.

Save the Date!

The 7th Annual Justice Convocation will be held a the Archdiocese Pastoral Center, Braintree on Saturday, October 24, 8:30a.m.-1:30p.m.



The Annual 25th and 50th **Wedding Anniversary** Mass

The annual 25th and 50th Wedding Anniversary mass will take place at

the Cathedral of the Holy Cross on June 14, 11:30 a.m. To register call Craig Dyke 617-746-5801 or email Craig Dyke@rcab.org. For more information visit www.bostoncatholic.org.

Espousal Retreat House Programs:

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What Am I On Earth For? What drives my life? April 15

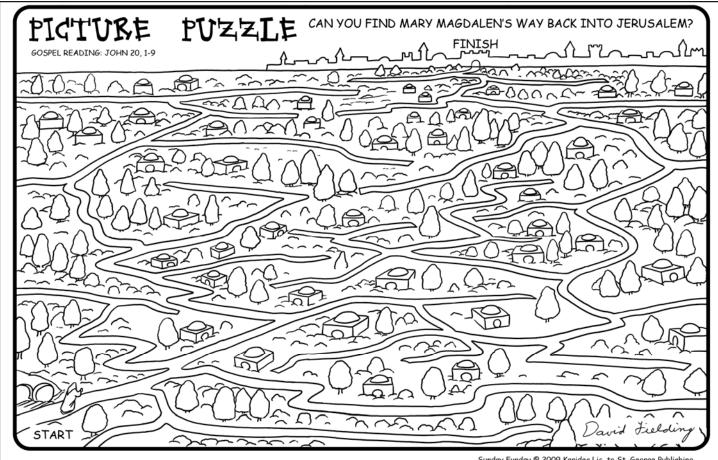
Marriage Preparation:

April 11-12

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Adoration Chapel Tues. 10am-6pm, Wed. 10 -5pm & Thurs. 10-5pm. Rosary every Tues. at 7pm, Praise and Worship 7:30pm Teachings, Mass at 8:30pm.

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Like so many priests in our Archdiocese, Fr. Joe has been a source of strength and support, helping others find Christ's presence in times of joy and sorrow. When Gary and Susan's daughter Marcy passed away unexpectedly during surgery, Fr. Joe was the first person they called. Marcy had been a close friend of Fr. Joe's, and her faith life had blossomed with his help through challenging times in her life. Fr. Joe was there for the Pickerings as they said goodbye to their beloved Marcy then, and he remains by their side today. Together, they continue to grow in faith and friendship, confident that they will be reunited with Marcy again, and grateful for the hope they receive through each other in Christ Jesus.

Our priests are there for us and our families without question or hesitation. Please consider showing your gratitude by supporting your parish collection this Easter.

Thank you for helping to ensure a continuum of care and quality of life for all our active and senior priests.



"Support your priests with your love and prayers, that they may always be shepherds after Christ's heart."

- Pope Francis

To submit your special intentions to be remembered by our senior priests during the celebration of Holy Mass at Regina Cleri each week, visit www.clergyfunds.org/intentions.

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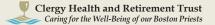
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