

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

Sophia Shaw, Eutawna Clark, Rita Pooler, Thomas Queen, Carol LaMontagne, Carolyn Dutton, Marie Magill, David Sceggell, Lisa Carey, Isabella Buccaflusca, Beth Rebello, Paul Haggerty, Glen Brotchie, Donna Wilson, Linda Wilson, James Wilson, Terry Plourde and all who are ill, in nursing homes, and for those who are hospitalized.

MASS INTENTIONS

Holy Saturday, April 11
7:00 pm
**Robert and Francine
Pomilla**

Easter Sunday, April 12
8:00 am
Ervin Fraser

10:15 am
Paul Murray

Monday, April 13
9:00 am
Jean Larkin

Tuesday, April 14
9:00 am
Ann Whittier

Wednesday, April 15
9:00 am
Edward McGuinness

Thursday, April 16
9:00 am
Richard Vitale

Friday, April 17
9:00 am
Silvester Stocksleth

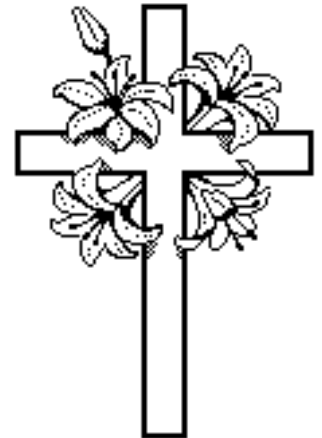
Saturday, April 18
4:30 am
Ken Monaco

Sunday, April 19
8:00 am
Alice Lombardi
10:15 am
Matilda Svetlak
6:30 pm
David King

Hi Everyone:

I know I speak for the parish staff and myself when I wish you a very holy and happy Easter Sunday. It is a very special day for all of us. It is a time when the family unit is emphasized and the center of that family is the risen Jesus. May the Lord Jesus continue to bless you with much love and devotion towards each other so that you may continue to grow as a family unit. So to all of you “Alleliua”.

**I love you all
Fr. B**



Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Collections

The upcoming Easter collection supports the retirement, medical care, and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. We ask that you give generously on behalf of the priests that have devoted their lives to faithfully serve God and the good work of the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity.



**EASTER SUNDAY
FOLLOWING 10:15 MASS
SEE YOU THERE!**

Beverly Hospital is in need of additional Eucharistic Ministers to bring Communion for and to pray with the sick. Volunteers are needed, especially on THURSDAYS, to assist with this worthwhile ministry. Training is available and even one hour a month would be appreciated and helpful. Those who feel called to this ministry are encouraged to call John J. Kwiatek, Beverly Hospital’s Pastoral Care Coordinator, at (508) 932-7311. Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Food for the Poor Starfish Project

Thank you for your participation in this worthwhile project. Your donations can be dropped off at the designated baskets located at the church entrances. Please make checks payable to: Food for the Poor and please reference Source Code 66400 in the memo.

The Little White Book

The Little White Book contains six-minute reflections on the resurrection Narratives according to Mark from Monday of the First Week of Easter to Pentecost Sunday. These books will be available after all the Masses this weekend.

First Communion Dates

Sunday, April 26th @ 10:15 Mass
2A (Callahan & Romano) / 2C (Appel & Carroll)

Saturday, May 2nd @ 4:30 Mass
2B (Buckley & McMahan) / 2C (Appel & Carroll)

Sunday, May 10th @ 10:15 Mass
2T (Tuesday class)

Sunday, May 17th @ 10:15 Mass
May Procession

All First Communicants are to attend
Music Rehearsals on:
Tuesday, April 14 at 3:30
Sunday, April 19 at 9:15

First Communion Rehearsal for April 26
Communicants will take place on April 24 at 4:00
pm in the Church

Acts of the Apostles Bible Study

The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of the beginnings of the church. It's considered the most readable book in the bible and is a great starting point for getting to know the bible. There will be a 6 week bible study on Acts, starting Tuesday night, April 14th at 7 pm in the rectory. Call the rectory at 468-2337 or send an email to stpaulsparish@comcast.net to sign up for the study group or to get more information.

Prayer For Our Troops...*Father, hold our troops, especially Adrian O'Neill, Shane Radcliffe, Peter Pavenski and Greg Cohan, in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us. Be with them and comfort them with your loving presence while they are away from their homes. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need and grant us all peace, both as individuals and as a world community. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son, with faith that you will hear and answer all our prayers according to your will. Amen*

*"To love, honor, and respect everyone
as equals is to live"-- David King*

"You are needed...I have committed to train for and run the 2009 Boston Marathon as a member of the Children's Hospital Miles for Miracles Team. On behalf of all the children who need so much more than we could ever give, I ask you to me reach my fundraising goal, and honor my brother's light. I thank you so much for your donation of any size."

If you would like to read fellow parishioner Stefanie King's story & to make a donation, go to: <http://howtohelp.childrenshospital.org/bostonmarathon09/pfp/?ID=KS0032>

Go Stefanie!

Saint Paul Men's Group

Saturday mornings at 7:30 am in the chapel. All men are invited to participate.

Preschool PREP

Preschool classes will be held in the parish hall on Sunday, April 19. at 9:00 am.

Prayer of Saint Paul

Oh, God, our Father,
You give us the joy of the patronage
of Saint Paul for our parish.
Through him your Church
first received the faith.
Keep us true to his teaching.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

APRIL 12, 2009

**50th Anniversary Celebration
of the Ordination to the Priesthood
of
Reverend Louis Bourgeois**

**Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
Sunday, May 3, 2009 at 10:15 am
Church of St. Paul, Hamilton, MA**

**Luncheon immediately following
Danversport Yacht Club
Danvers, Massachusetts**

**Reservations may be made by calling the rectory
office at 978-468-2337.**

**BOSTON COLLEGE MEN'S AND
WOMEN'S CATHOLIC CONFERENCES**

For the fifth year in a row, the Boston area Catholic men and women are organizing a **Catholic Men's Conference** - on **Saturday April 18th at the Conte Forum at Boston College.**

For the fourth year in a row, we are also organizing a **Catholic Women's Conference-** on **Sunday, April 19th** to be held at the same location.

To Obtain Tickets

Boston Catholic Men's and Women's Conferences - Join 4,000+ men on Saturday, April 18, 2009 or 4,000+ Women on Sunday, April 19, 2009 at the Conte Forum at Boston College. For more information visit www.CatholicBoston.com, email info@Catholic.com, or phone 617-977-0916.

Catholic Charities Spring Gala

Please join fellow parishioners, colleagues and friends at the annual Catholic Charities Spring Gala, Thursday, May 14, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at the Hawthorne Hotel, Salem, MA. You'll explore four islands while sampling native flavors and beverages. Tickets available online at www.ccab.org, or by calling Sarah Bartley at 781-593-2312.

Symbols of Easter

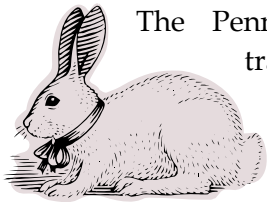
What are considered "secular" Easter traditions were once meaningful ways to celebrate the good news that Jesus rose from the dead. They simply lost their true purpose of over the years. But it's not too late to bring the symbolism back to life and perhaps start some new Easter traditions of your own!

The Easter Candle



The candle represents the light of Christ, which has overcome the darkness. You might want to start your own family tradition by using a white pillar candle as your family's Easter candle. Encourage your kids to decorate the candle with stickers markers or (carefully) push pins. Light the candle before dinner every evening during the Easter season.

The Easter Bunny



The Pennsylvania Dutch introduced the tradition of an Oscher Haws, or Easter Hare, who brought colored eggs to good children on Easter morning. Like the decorated eggs, the bunny was a symbol of celebration and new life in Christ.

Colored Eggs

Eggs were a pagan symbol of rebirth at springtime.



Christians adopted the egg as a symbol of the new life that comes with the Resurrection. Dying eggs in bright colors became popular during the Middle Ages.

An egg-coloring trick: wrap rubber bands around the eggs before dipping them in the dye. They will come out with stripes! Or use a crayon to draw a cross, a heart or other symbols of God's love.

Easter Baskets

This tradition began in Eastern Europe where people brought food that would be eaten on Easter Sunday to church in a basket for a special blessing on Holy Saturday. The tradition continues in many parishes today.

Jelly Beans



The popular candies were invented in the 1800's, but they didn't become part of Easter traditions until the 1930's. Because they are egg-shaped, they can be considered a symbol of new life and spiritual rebirth. Have a jelly-bean tasting contest!

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