

We Remember

The death of Mrs. Catherine “Nana” Murphy, the mother of our Pastoral Associate, Liz Reilly, leaves a pang in the hearts of all of us who knew her. During her one hundred and two years of life, Nana Murphy lived a life of faith and trust in God not only in what she said, but in what she did, and we are better people because of her. We the parish family of Saint Paul and the parish staff reach out to you, Liz, and to your family, in your deep hour of bereavement and assure you of our prayers and support.

Father B

**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.**

**The following Golden Jubilee
committee members may be
contacted for further information.**

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**Eucharistic
Adoration**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for your adoration in the chapel on Saturdays from 9 am - 3 pm

The Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the tabernacle for your adoration at all other times. The sanctuary lamp is always a sign of the presence of the Lord and is an invitation to all who wish to come and spend some quiet time with the Lord.

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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 28
4:30 pm

Lottie Gahm

Sunday, March 30
8:00 am

Sal Salipante

10:15 am

Mary Maione

6:30 pm

Kenneth Monaco

Monday, March 30
9:00 am

Rev. Edward McMahon

Tuesday, March 31
9:00 am

John Richards

Wednesday, April 1
9:00 am

Ruth Dolan

Thursday, April 2
9:00 am

Ann McDuffee

Friday, April 3
9:00 am

**June and Anthony
Passaretti**

Saturday, April 4
4:30 pm

Anthony Donahue

Sunday, April 5
8:00 am

Richard Vitale

10:15 am

Ronald Johnson

6:30 pm

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We Welcome New Members to The Church of Saint Paul

If you are new to our parish, we wish to welcome you and hope that you find St. Paul's to be a warm and caring community. To register as a member of our parish, please call the rectory office at 978-468-2337. Registration can be completed in a few minutes over the phone or a form can be mailed to you.

Please Pray For

Joanne Potter, Mary Catherine Pond, Eutawna Clark, Rita Pooler, Thomas Queen, Carol LaMontagne, Carolyn Dutton, Cindy Hogan, Marie Magill, David Sceggell, Lisa Carey, Isabella Buccafalusca, Beth Rebello, Paul Haggerty, Ted Strojny, Glen Brotchie, Donna Wilson, Linda Wilson, James Wilson, Terry Plourde, Thelma Foster, and all who are ill, in nursing homes, and for those who are hospitalized.

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

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Daily Mass at 9:00 am Monday - Friday
Eucharistic Adoration - Saturdays 9 am - 3 pm

Confessions

Thursday, April 2 (7 - 8 pm)
Saturdays (3:45 - 4:15 pm)

Friday, April 3

Mary's Way of the Cross
6:30 - 7:15 pm - Tom Bold and choir

To assist you with your daily Lenten devotions,
these are the Masses in local parishes.

St. Mary Star of the Sea Church, Beverly
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday at 7:00 am
Thursday at 7:00 pm

St. John the Evangelist Church, North Beverly
9:00 am daily

Our Lady of Hope, Ipswich
9:00 am daily

St. Margaret Church, Beverly Farms
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Rosary at 8:30 am
Mass at 8:45 am in the rectory

Sacred Heart Church, Manchester-by-the-Sea
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, First Friday
8:00 am in the chapel

Eucharistic Service, Thursday and Friday
8:00 am in the chapel

St. Paul Religious Education Program Jeanne Abbott, Coordinator, Grades 1 - 6

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

Grade 6 Bake Sale, Saturday, April 4

St. Paul's Youth Ministry
Jackie Martin, Coordinator, Grades 7 - 10

The students in the Youth Ministry Program will be participating in the "Hope Bags for the Homeless" program by supplying items for the Hope Bags.

A **Hope Bag** is a plastic bag that is carried in a car and handed to a person on the street corner or handed to another person in need. The bag contains \$2 - \$3 worth of items that satisfy the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the recipient. Parishioners are also invited to participate in this program by supplying a single serve nonperishable meal of easy open cans, canned fruit juice or bottled water and plastic utensils and a napkin. If interested in participating, please contact Jackie Martin at 978-468-3617 or jackiemartin101@verizon.net.

Preschool Prep
Sundays, April 5 and 19

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Confessions

Thursday, April 2 (7 - 8 pm)
Saturdays (3:34 - 4:15 pm)

Friday, April 3

Mary's Way of the Cross
6:30 - 7:15 pm
Tom Bold and choir

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 8

Tenebrae and Reconciliation
7:00 pm

Holy Thursday, April 9

Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Supper
7:00 pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30 - 11:00 pm

Good Friday, April 10

Stations of the Cross
3:15 pm
Solemn Liturgy of the
Lord's Passion and Death
7:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 11

Solemn Liturgy of Easter Vigil
7:00 pm
(Remember to bring bells to the Easter Vigil)

Easter Sunday, April 12

Mass
8:00 am and 10:15 am

Reconciliation

Holy Thursday, April 8 (4:00 - 5:00 pm)
Good Friday, April 9 (4:00 - 5:00 pm)
Holy Saturday, April 10 (3:00 - 5:00 pm)

5th Sunday of Lent

At a wedding recently, we were seated next to a retired couple we had not previously met. After introductions, the gentleman proceeded to share with us every detail of his life, beginning with his income and where he spent it, and then relished in telling us all of the famous people he had known and places he had traveled. It was clear that his ego and his desire for worldly possessions dominated his every thought. Like a panhandler, he begged for acceptance and praise, rattling the few coins of his existence in a tin cup that was his life. Never once did he mention his wife sitting next to him or the beautiful wedding we had all just attended. I realized that everything he valued would mean nothing after he was gone.

In today's Gospel reading from John, there is a quote from Jesus that is very much worth discussing. He says, "Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life." In this sense, Jesus is asking us to recognize that all of the things in this worldly life that we seem to value so greatly have no value whatsoever. This is how we "lose our life" and enjoy a new life in the loving arms of Jesus and can begin to bear the fruit of new life just as he describes with a grain of wheat, unable to bloom until it dies.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that our baptism is birth into a new life in Christ (CCC 1277). So, too, are we given an opportunity every day to renew this new life. In daily prayer, we are giving thanks for God's many blessings. We must also ask for assistance in "dying unto ourselves," giving up those things which have gathered around us and prevented us from living fully in the light of Christ.

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