

**Please pray for . . .**

Evelyn E. Nelson, Elizabeth Dunbar, Barbara McLean, Ken Meserve, Kate Starr, Sophia Shaw, Sally Minich, Eutawna Clark, Rita Pooler, Thomas Queen, Carolyn Dutton, Marie Magill, Lisa Carey, Beth Rebello, Paul Haggerty, Glen Brotchie, Donna Wilson, Linda Wilson, Terry Plourde, Isabella Buccaflusca, and all who are ill, in nursing homes, and for those who are hospitalized.

**Prayer For Our Troops**

Father, hold our troops 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

**Tell Congress: Remove Abortion Funding & Mandates from Needed Health Care Reform**

Congress is preparing to debate health care reform legislation. The Catholic bishops of the United States strongly support genuine health care reform that protects the life and dignity of all, from the moment of conception until natural death. However, all current bills are seriously deficient on abortion and conscience rights, and do not yet provide adequate access to health care for immigrants and the poor.

In this bulletin today, you'll find a special bulletin insert from the US Bishops Conference asking you to please contact your Representative and Senators immediately and urge them to fix these bills with pro-life amendments. The bulletin insert includes a web address that allows you to send an email message to Congress with a click of a button. The bishops have asked for our swift action and the commitment of our prayers for this critical effort. Thank you for your help. We can help make sure that health care reform will be about saving lives, not destroying them.

**Remembrance Book**

During the month of November, you may list the names of your beloved deceased in the Remembrance Book which will be placed at the entrance to the church during the month. This book is brought forth at each Mass during the month of November and placed on the altar as a sign that they are remembered in death as we remember them in life.

**Memorial Mass - Saturday, November 14, 2009**

A special Memorial Mass will be celebrated at St. Paul's on Saturday, November 14th at 10:00 am for our parish family members who have died within the last year. The Church has always dedicated the month of November to the memory of those who have died, especially our own deceased loved ones. This tradition allows us as a community to come together to offer Mass for them and to share with each other the consolation of the Eucharist. We invite you to join us for this Memorial Mass. A reception will follow immediately after the Mass in the church hall.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, November 7  
4:30 pm

**William Bekel**

Sunday, November 8  
8:00 am

**Gertrude and Peter Fortunato**

10:15 am

**Robert Learson**

5:30 pm

**Lucia Clemenzi**

Monday, November 9  
9:00 am

**Dot and Tom Lambe**

Tuesday, November 10  
9:00 am

**Patrick Lake**

Wednesday, November 11  
9:00 am

**Eugene Keiley**

Thursday, November 12  
9:00 am

**Carole LaMontagne**

Friday, November 13  
9:00 am

**Helen Larkin**

Saturday, November 14  
9:00 am

**Memorial Mass for Deceased**  
4:30 pm

**Brian Mahoney**

Sunday, November 15  
8:00 pm

**Marie Dagle**

10:15 am

**The O'Brien Family**

5:30 pm

**Jean Driscoll**

**Visitation to the Sick**

Anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in the church because of illness, disability or age, and who wishes to receive the Sacraments (Confession, Communion, Anointing of the Sick), please call the rectory at 978-468-2337.

**The Men's Prayer Group**

St. Paul's Men's Prayer Group meets Saturday mornings at 7:30 am in the church. All men of the parish are invited.

**The Sign of Peace**

For the sake of good health during the flu season, the exchange of The Sign of Peace is to be offered without any physical contact and may be done by bowing to the persons nearby.

**Wednesday Music Schedule**

**7:00 - 8:30 pm**

- November 11 Youth Band Rehearsal
- November 18 Youth Band Rehearsal
- November 25 Music Lecture Series:  
**Thanksgiving Symphony**
- December 2 Choir Rehearsal
- December 9 Youth Band Rehearsal
- December 16 Choir Rehearsal
- December 23 Choir Rehearsal
- December 30 Music Lecture Series:  
**Christmas Presents**

**College Scholarships Available!**

The Thomas More College of Liberal Arts in Merrimack, NH is offering incoming Freshmen 6 scholarships ranging from \$10,000 to \$30,000 for the winners of the **2010 Faith and Reason Essay Contest**.

Applicants are invited to reflect upon the Introduction to Pope Benedict XVI's social encyclical Caritas in Veritate, and to submit an essay of 2 to 3 pages in answer to the question: **How does the exercise of charity in our day call for the courageous witness to truth?**

To request more information, go online at [www.thomasmorecollege.edu](http://www.thomasmorecollege.edu) or contact the Director of Admissions, Mark Schwerdt at (800) 880-8308 or at [admissions@thomasmorecollege.edu](mailto:admissions@thomasmorecollege.edu)



We welcome our newly-baptized and congratulate their parents and godparents.

- Katelyn Britton**
- Joshua Britton**
- Erika Mastrocola**
- Michael Joseph Mastrocola**

**St. Paul Youth Ministry (SPYM)  
Jackie Martin & Val Shippen, Coordinators**

**It's time for a laser quest  
EDGE NIGHT !!!!**

- WHEN:** Friday, November 20th
- TIME:** Meet at 7:15 pm at St. Paul's (first game at 7:40 pm)  
Return to St. Paul's at 9:45 pm
- COST:** \$20 per person  
Includes 2 games and a pizza party
- WHO:** Bring your friends!  
They don't have to be members of St. Paul's!
- HOW:** The first 60 kids to bring money and permission go!
- WE NEED:** Chaperones and drivers!!

**Please email or call Jackie Martin if you can help.**  
[jackiemartin101@verizon.net](mailto:jackiemartin101@verizon.net) or 468-9553

**ALPHA**

Alpha is the right place for those asking life's hard questions. A right place for those who know something about Jesus but want to know more. And a right place for those who question what they believe and why

**ALPHA Introductory COFFEE**

Monday, November 8, 2009 from 9:30 - 11:00 am

**At the home of Carol Stuart  
1 Stockwell Lane, Wenham**

RSVP: Jeanne Abbott - [jeanne.abbott@verizon.net](mailto:jeanne.abbott@verizon.net) or  
Rebecca Gyra - [rgyra@me.com](mailto:rgyra@me.com)

## **The Year For Priests June 19, 2009 to June 19, 2010**

### **Peoples' Prayer for Priests**

Dear Lord,  
we pray that the Blessed Mother  
wrap her mantle around your priests  
and through her intercession  
strengthen them for their ministry.  
We pray that Mary will guide your priests to  
follow her own words,  
"Do whatever He tells you." (Jn 2:5)

May your priests have the heart  
of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse.  
May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart  
inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of  
the cross. May your priests be holy, filled with the  
fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater  
glory and the salvation of souls.  
Amen

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### **Eucharistic Adoration**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for your adoration in the chapel on Saturdays from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the tabernacle for your adoration at all other times. The lit 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.

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### **Saint Paul's Knitting Ministry**

Raffle tickets are now on sale for a beautiful Irish blanket hand-knit by the ladies of our knitting ministry.

**Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5**

Tickets will be available at the doors of the church. Proceeds will be used to purchase knitting supplies to knit blankets for homebound parishioners and newborn babies.

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### **WBZ**

**News Radio 1030 STORMCENTER**

Listen to WBZ 1030 AM at :05 & :35 past the hour  
for up-to-the-minute school (PREP) closings  
and storm related cancellations.

## Light the Christmas Tree



On Sunday, December 6th, the tree in front of the rectory will again glow with beautiful lights throughout Advent and the Christmas season.

### **You can play a part in lighting the tree this year.**

Beginning Saturday, November 7th until we light the tree on December 6th, you will find a replica of the tree in the vestibule of the church. Actually, there are two trees representing the big tree outside.

We invite you to **light the tree** by placing either a Christmas light or a Christmas bow on one of the small replicas. When the outside tree is lit on December 6th, you'll be able to look at the tree, point to a light or a bow, and say, "**that's the light (or the bow) I placed on the tree.**"

### **How can I light the tree or place a bow on the tree?**

Simply make a donation of \$2.00 for each light or \$5.00 for each bow, place a light or a bow anywhere you wish on one of the trees, and you have begun to **light the tree**. Perhaps you'll want to place a light on the tree each week until the big tree is lit on December 6th.

The replica trees have pre-punched holes for the lights and spaces without holes for the bows. Place your light or bow on the tree and watch it come to life on December 6th. Your kids are particularly encouraged to become involved in **lighting the tree**.

Proceeds collected will be used to pay for the lights and bows to be professionally placed on the outside tree as well as helping to provide special music on Christmas Eve.

Please visit the **Light the Tree** project in the vestibule of the church today and in the weeks to come as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.

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