

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 1

4:30 pm

Jean Larkin

Sunday, August 2

8:00 am

Thomas Mullen

10:15 am

Ronald Johnson

6:30 pm

For The Parish

Monday, August 3

9:00 am

Helen Koval

Tuesday, August 4

9:00 am

Mary Bartley

Wednesday, August 5

9:00 am

Rita Keiley

Thursday, August 6

9:00 am

Jean Larkin

Friday, August 7

9:00 am

June and Anthony Passaretti

Saturday, August 8

4:30 pm

John MacDonald

Sunday, August 9

8:00 am

Helena White Davies

10:15 am

Gabe Pacione

6:30 pm

Bentley Bedker

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

Second Collection – Weekend of August 8th and 9th

Next week’s second collection is for Catholic Relief Services. This collection supports emergency relief, human development, and peace initiatives in 99 countries around the world, where nearly half the population lives on less than \$2.00 a day. The collection funds the ministries of five Catholic Church organizations: Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC), Migration and Refugee Services (MRS), Social Development and World Peace (SDWP), and The Holy Father’s Relief Fund. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/hm.

Eucharistic Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for your adoration in the chapel on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. -- 3:00 p.m. 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.

Grand Annual Goal: \$90,000

We thank all who have contributed to this year’s Grand Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made your contribution, we hope that you will consider doing so. We need your help. Grand Annual envelopes are available at the entrances to the church.

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.

PREP 2009 - 2010 ENROLLMENT

If you are new to the parish or have a child entering Grade 1, please email Jeanne Abbott at jeanne.abbott@verizon.net. If you are new to the parish and have a child entering Grade 7 - 10, please contact jackiemartin101@verizon.net

PREP registrations are now due. PREP forms and calendars have been emailed to all families who are currently enrolled in Religious Education classes. Please send in forms ASAP so we can plan classes for the Fall.

Forms can be sent to Jeanne Abbott at 50 Union Street, South Hamilton, MA 01982

First Communion Pictures

First Communion portraits are ready. Please pick up your portraits outside the PREP office located in the church hall.

Men's Prayer Group

Men's Prayer Group meets Saturday morning at 7:30 a.m. in the church. Please join us.

Presentation of Gifts at Mass

If you are having a special Mass intention on the weekend, please see an Usher ten minutes before Mass if you wish to bring up the gifts during the Offertory.

Altar Servers

Don't know what Masses you are scheduled for this summer? Look for them on our website, www.churchofsaintpaul.net. From the homepage, choose the CALENDAR tab, then the SCHEDULE tab.

Music and Resource Library

Our library is full of spiritual books and CD's for all ages. These resources are available for borrowing. Please be sure to sign out the materials being borrowed and return them in a timely manner for others to use.

A Little Help Goes A Long Way

On your wedding day you promised to love each other for better or for worse. Today, think of a "for better" that your spouse has made in your life and share it with him or her. For daily marriage tips visit: www.ForYourMarriage.org

Prayer for Our Troops...*Father, hold our troops, especially Adrian O'Neill 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*

We Welcome New Members to St. Paul's

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 or you can register on-line at www.churchofsaintpaul.net. See the Register tab.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Twenty years ago, Marianne Wilson saw a need; thousands of people with critical illnesses were going hungry in her area of Southern California, and she just wasn't going to stand for it. She began cooking healthy meals and delivering them to men, women and children dying from HIV/AIDS, cancer, and other diseases at no cost to the recipients. Today, the organization is known as Project Angel Food, and every year produces over 400,000 meals and delivers them to more than 1,600 people. On its Web site, it says, "We act out of a sense of urgency because hunger and illness do not wait."

It had been barely twenty-four hours since the miracle of the loaves and fishes; thousands had found nourishment. Jesus and his disciples had crossed the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum, and still many in the crowd from the day before found him, wanting another miracle. But Jesus offered them and us a greater miracle; if we are only to believe in the Son of God, we will never hunger again. Our faith is our work; this work will be generously rewarded.

In the Lord's Prayer we pray "Give us this day our daily bread." Fully understanding today's Gospel reading from John enables us to comprehend the dual meaning of this petition: our bodies will hunger, please provide nourishment, and our souls hunger, please provide through our faith the bread of life that is faith in Jesus Christ. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that "the drama of hunger in the world calls Christians who pray sincerely to exercise responsibility toward their brethren, both in their personal behavior and in their solidarity with the human family" (CCC 2831). ©2009 Liturgical Publications Inc

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus said, "God wants you to have faith in the one he sent." The one he sent was Jesus. If you believe in Jesus Christ you will love God above all else and love your neighbor as yourself. Full of love, you can do the works of God. You feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit those in prison, visit the sick, and bury the dead.

Prayer

Holy Spirit, give me food to share with the hungry.

Something to Draw

Draw yourself giving clothing and shoes you have outgrown to the needy.

Mission for the Week

I will make a get well card for a sick person in my family.

AUGUST 2, 2009

Banns Of Marriage

III

**Stephanie Lynn Schroot
and
Gregory Joseph Sullivan**

**Reagan Jean Sullivan
and
John Robert Whippen**

Respect Lifeline

The Church...is called to proclaim the gift of life, to serve life, and to promote a culture of life. ...This is the message of hope we are called to proclaim and embody in a world where self-centeredness, greed, violence, and cynicism so often seem to choke the fragile growth of grace in people's hearts.

-- Pope Benedict XVI, homily, Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral (4/19/08)

**LIFT – Catholic Worship
for a New Generation**

Join us for LIFT – an exciting monthly worship event which includes vibrant praise and worship music, dynamic, challenging speakers and Eucharistic Adoration. LIFT is for all ages – from young adults to adults to teens to entire families. Be with us on Tuesday, August 11th as we celebrate 3 years of ministry and welcome Chris Faddis as our guest speaker. The evening runs from 7 – 9 pm at Fontbonne Academy, 930 Brook Road, Milton, MA. Directions and a downloadable flyer, along with more information about LIFT, can be found on our website at www.liftedhigher.com. Come join in worship with hundreds of Catholics from around the Boston area!

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