

Saturday	January 21	
4:00 p.m.	Deacon Bill MacKenzie-3 rd	Anniversary
Sunday	January 22	
9:00 a.m.	Vincent and Louise Whelan	Memorial
11:00 a.m.	Francesca and Paolo Terrasi	Memorial
	Parishioners of Our Lady's	
Monday	January 23	
8:00 a.m.	Madeline Dugas	Memorial
Wednesday	January 25	
8:00 a.m.	Dick Casey	Memorial
Friday	January 27	
8:00 a.m.	John Brazil	Memorial
Saturday	January 28	
4:00 p.m.	Angela Baxter	4 th Anniversary
	Parishioners of Our Lady's	
Sunday	January 29	
9:00 a.m.	Jack Donovan	Birthday Memorial
11:00 a.m.	Helene Tirone	Memorial

The *Stained Glass Window* is illuminated this week in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. Edward J. Cronin.

NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Dt 18:15-20

Resp. Psalm: Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

Second Reading: 1 Cor 7:32-35

Gospel: Mk 1:21-28

COLLECTION INFORMATION

Collection for January 14-15: \$5,051

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Jan. 21/22 – Regular and *****Catholic Charities Special Collection**

Jan. 28/29 – Regular and Church in Latin America
*****Please note that the Special Collection this Sunday was changed from last weekend.**

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

There will be a Holy Hour for Life THIS Sunday, January 22, 2012 at 3:00pm in Our Lady's Church. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be included. Please join us for this special hour to celebrate life together.

GRAND ANNUAL

Thank you to those who have already responded generously. Our Grand Annual Collection continues until the end of January. Grand Annual envelopes are available on the tables around the church for those of you who have yet to contribute. If you would like to make your Grand Annual donation via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), those forms are on the tables as well. Please fill out the EFT form and return it to the parish office either by mail or you can simply put your Grand Annual envelope or EFT form in the collection baskets in an envelope marked to the parish office, attention Sharon. To date we have collected \$114,794.



2012 SAVE THE DATES

- January 31 – Our Lady's Academy Open House
- February 11 – Our Lady's Middle School Dance
- February 18 – Knights of Columbus Pasta Dinner
- February 23 – Knights of Columbus Blood Drive
- March 3 – Activities Club Pot Luck Dinner
- March 17 – Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Dinner
- March 25 – Our Lady's Academy Open House
- March 31 – Ham-a-Rama
- April 28 – Indoor Yard Sale

ARE YOU REGISTERED...?

Many people feel that because they live in our parish area and attend Our Lady's Church regularly, that they are a registered parishioner. That is not the case. If you have not filled out a parish census form, then you are not "registered." The forms can be found on the tables at all the entrances of the church. It is very important for these forms to be filled out as this is the only way we have to get an accurate number of our parishioners. If you can't remember if you filled one out or not, you can either call Sharon in the parish office or simply fill it out just to be sure.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

Before we know it, **HAM-A-RAMA** will be here. Saturday, March 31 at 5pm in our parish hall. Donations are needed. More details in upcoming bulletins.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**ADORATION AND PRAYER SERVICE:**

Following the 8:00am Mass for on the **LAST WEDNESDAY** of each month.

HEARING DIFFICULTIES: Do you wish you could hear the Mass better? Now you can! Bring any FM portable radio with earphones to Mass, set your radio to 87.7 FM and you will hear every word said from the altar over your radio through your earphones! This system is always on whenever the speaker system is in use. If you have any problem using this system, please ask any Knight to help you.

MEMBERSHIP: If you would like information about the Knights of Columbus or would like to join our Council, see any Knight after Mass or call 781-209-0842. Any Catholic man 18 years old or older is welcome to join. If you are a Brother Knight and do not wish to transfer into our Council, but would like to attend our meetings or help out, you are always welcome.

**MEMORIAL CANDLE STANDS**

There are still candles available on the candle stands in the alcove of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the front entrance of the church. If you would like to purchase a candle in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please fill out the brochures on the tables around the church or contact Sharon in the parish office.

NEW ADDRESS OR EMAIL ADDRESS...?

Please remember if you have moved or changed your email address, let the parish office know so that we can make the necessary changes in our computer system.

**OUR LADY'S 1000 CLUB*****The Perfect Gift for That
Hard to Buy for Person***

The next drawing is Sunday, February 12 and the cost is \$55/year or \$5 per month. Find the blue cards on the tables of the church. These make great gifts for birthdays, Easter or just a simple Thank You gift. Please consider joining and help support our parish.

1000 CLUB NEWS

We have completed our third year of Our Lady's 1000 Club; we want to thank you for your continued support. The renewal letters have been sent out for our February renewals. If you would kindly send them back with your payment as soon as possible as this is our biggest renewal month and I want to make sure everyone is all set and ready to go when we have our February drawing. Over the past three years, our 1000 Club has raised between \$8,800 and \$11,000 annually for our parish, depending on the amount of numbers purchased and/or renewed. So please, if you do not have a 1000 Club number, consider purchasing one this year and if you already have a membership, thank you and please remember to renew.

MASS CANCELLATIONS DUE TO WEATHER

It's that time again. For several years the parish has had the policy of not having weekday 8am Mass when Waltham Public Schools close due to extreme weather conditions and public safety issues such as improperly cleared roads and sidewalks. To keep matters simple, when the Waltham Public Schools are announced as closed **OR** delayed, it is presumed the 8am weekday Mass has been canceled, due to the uncertainty of the conditions of the parish property. While great effort is made to clear parish property, the timing of the storm and its intensity makes it prudent to take these precautions for the safety of those considering attending Mass. During school vacation week, if a Mass is canceled due to weather, it will be put on our answering machine and on WBZ-TV.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES

Girl Scouts will be selling cookies after all the Masses this weekend, January 21/22 to celebrate their 100th Anniversary. Thank you in advance for all your support.

ADULT CONFIRMATION - RCIA

We currently have one candidate for adult confirmation, Kathleen O'Shea is currently preparing for adult confirmation in April. We ask your prayers and support for Kathleen. We thank Iona Pasqual and Page Vandewater for assisting Kathleen on her faith journey.

DAYS OF PRAYER FOR PASTORAL VISITORS

The Pastoral Visitor Project and the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life invite all pastoral visitors and Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and homebound to attend a Day of Prayer "**Ministry in Christ's Name**" to be held in the **West Region**: Saturday, February 4, 2012 from 10:00am to 12 Noon at St. Mary's in Dedham. There is no fee for the day. For more information or to register, call the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life at 617-779-3648.

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL COLLECTION

This week's special collection: **Catholic Charities of Boston**. Our encounter with the Lord through today's Gospel reading inspires us as Christians to reach out and minister to our neighbors, to become fishers of men. This week's special collection will help Catholic Charities continue to live out this Gospel imperative by caring and providing for the underserved in our communities throughout the Archdiocese. The collection supports families as they struggle to put food on the table, secure child care for their children and seek out better opportunities through education. Last year alone, Catholic Charities served over 200,000 of your neighbors across the Archdiocese. At Catholic Charities, we strive to help people become self-sufficient. We could not help those in need without your generosity. Any gift, large or small will be accepted with heartfelt gratitude. For more information or to make your donation online, please visit www.ccab.org. Thank you for your generous support.

OUR LADY'S ACADEMY NEWS

I want to share with you some of the concepts that Our Lady's Academy middle school students have been learning.

The middle school is busy learning about cells, human anatomy, and chemical reactions. In 6th grade the students have been studying about animal and plant cells. They saw their own cheek cells under the microscope after swabbing the inside of their mouth with a cotton swab. They noticed what was different from a plant cell – no cell wall! Next we will be learning how cells multiply by dividing. They have also learned how a cell gets water through osmosis and other nutrients through diffusion. In 7th grade we have been studying the human skeleton, muscles, and skin, all very complicated systems. The students examined a chicken skeleton in class and saw how joints work, how ligaments hold bones together, and how cartilage makes for smooth joint movement, and how bones protect internal organs. Next, we will be learning about the many functions of the largest human organ, skin. The 8th grade has been busy learning about chemical reactions. They have learned how to balance chemical equations; they have also seen how chemical reactions can be thrilling. We made "monster toothpaste" in class by combining H₂O₂, KI, and liquid soap. Students also learned that fat contains a lot of energy by burning a "candle" made with bacon fat. Next, they will be learning about mixtures, solutions, and solubility.

FYI**2012 HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**

- May 17 – Ascension Thursday
- August 15 – Solemnity of the Assumption
- November 1 – Solemnity of All Saints
- December 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- December 25 – Solemnity of the Lord (Christmas)

FR. DIPERRI'S CONFERENCES AND CONFESSIONS WITH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS

- February 5 – Confessions for grades 5-6
- February 5 – Conference with grades 9-10
- February 12 – Conference with grades 1-8
- March 11 – Confessions for grades 7-8
- March 25 – Conference with grades 9-10
- April 29 – Confessions for grades 3-4

