

Saturday	January 5	
4:00 p.m.		Michael and Joyce DiGregory
Sunday	January 6	
9:00 a.m.		Alice and Pete Connolly Memorial Parishioners of Our Lady's Parish
11:00 a.m.		In Thanksgiving for the continued good health of Jeanne Burley
Monday	January 7	
8:00 a.m.		Dolores MacDonnell-Birthday Memorial
Wednesday	January 9	
8:00 a.m.		Peace throughout our World
Friday	January 11	
8:00 a.m.		Those who are sick and those who care for the sick.
Saturday	January 12	
4:00 p.m.		Julia Hoban 14 th Anniversary
Sunday	January 13	
9:00 a.m.		Gertrude Arsenault Memorial
11:00 a.m.		Paolo and Francesca Terrasi Memorial Parishioners of Our Lady's Parish

The *Blessed Mother Statue* is lit this week in loving memory of Carmella Galeno at the request of her daughter, Marie Galeno.

MEMORIAL GUILD

Jean A. Dee has been enrolled in Our Lady's Memorial Guild.

NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS

Baptism of the Lord

First Reading: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11

Resp. Psalm: Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or

Ps 104:1b-2,

3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38 or

Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Gospel: Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

COLLECTION INFORMATION

December 22/23: \$7,484

December 25: \$10,845

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Jan. 5/6: Regular and Special Monthly

January 12/13: Regular

Jan. 19/20: Regular and Special Collection Sunday

Jan. 26/27: Regular and Church in Latin America

GRAND ANNUAL

Our Grand Annual collection continues. Thank you to those who have already responded. To date we have collected \$105,463.50. There are extra letters and envelopes on the tables around the church. The Grand Annual continues until February, 2013. If you would like to make your Grand Annual donation via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), those forms are with the letters. Thank you in advance for your kindness and continued support of our parish.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

We are fortunate to have 4 candidates in our RCIA Program this year. Anna Leger, Danielle Wagoner, and Kim Hughes are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. Julie Toole is preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Communion, as well as Confirmation. Please remember them in your prayers assisting them along their faith journey. Thanks and prayers to our RCIA team of Iona Pasqual, Joe Deneen, Jackie Zuppe, Brother Leonard Haley, and Page Vandewater.

MASS CANCELLATIONS IN INCLEMENT WEATHER SITUATIONS

Please remember that 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 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.



UPCOMING SEMINARS – YEAR OF FAITH

Seminars will be conducted by Fr. DiPerri on *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*. These presentations of 45 minutes each will incorporate short discussion on specific topics addressed by the Catechism. This effort is part of the Year of Faith, as proclaimed by Pope Benedict XVI, in highlighting the anniversary of the current universal catechism. The seminars conducted will begin at the conclusion of the 8am Mass in the church's side conference room on the following dates:

- January 7 (The Creed-The Church and The Communion of Saints)
- February 11 (Sacraments-Baptism, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick)
- March 15 (The Mass, Eucharist and Penance)
- April 22 (Matrimony and Holy Orders)

Coffee will be served. You may bring your Catechism with you or you may purchase one for \$10 at the seminar. All are invited.

**MEMORIAL CANDLE STANDS**

Remember your loved ones or intentions this Christmas Season with an annual memorial candle. The cost is \$250 per year. We have a few left. If

interested, contact Sharon in the parish office.

SAVE THE DATES – PLANNING AHEAD

Please mark your calendars for the following two very exciting and important events.

Sunday, April 14, 2013 at 2pm Mass with Fr. Hawker as he celebrates the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination with reception to follow in the parish hall.

Sunday, June 2, 2013 at 2pm with Fr. DiPerri as he celebrates the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination with reception to follow in the parish hall.

NORTH WALTHAM SENIORS

Our **Holiday Luncheon** is Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at the Elks Lodge. The doors open at 12 noon. Cocktail hour from 12 noon until 1:00pm then a sit down turkey lunch will be served. Price is \$15.00. Reservations and payment must be made by the end of December. **NO TICKETS** will be sold at the door. If interested, please contact Isabel at 781-893-5568.

Florida Trip: Final payment by the first week in January. We wish everyone a Blessed and Happy Christmas Season.

THIS NEW YEAR...

Mend a quarrel.

Seek out a forgotten friend.

Write a letter or call a friend.

Be grateful for the MANY blessings you have.

Share some treasures.

Give a soft answer.

Encourage youth.

Forgive an enemy.

Listen.

Apologize if you are wrong.

Think first of someone else.

Be kind and gentle.

Laugh a little.

Laugh a little more.

Express your gratitude.

Gladden the heart of a child.

Speak your love.

Speak it again.

Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth.

A NEW BEGINNING

How often we wish for another chance to make a fresh beginning.

A chance to blot out our mistakes and change failure to winning.

It does not take a special time to make a brand new start.

It only takes a deep desire to try with all our heart. To try and live a little better and always be forgiving.

To add a little sunshine to the world in which we're living.

So never give up in despair and think that you are through.

For there is always a tomorrow and a chance to start anew.

YEAR OF FAITH

Need a New Year's Resolution for the Year of Faith? Plan on participating in *Catholic Faith Essentials: Course for Adults during the Year of Faith*. This opportunity is a series of reflections offered by clergy and lay leaders from the Archdiocese of Boston. You can attend live in person, live virtually or attend later virtually! For more information visit www.yearoffaithboston.org/catholicfaithessential. The first session: *Is Faith the Transforming Power in Our Lives?* – begins on January 7, 2013.

YEAR OF FAITH MEDIA CHALLENGE

Blessed John Paul II called for “a new evangelization: new in its ardor, methods and expression.” The Year of Faith offers all of us the opportunity **to share our testimony of faith in Jesus Christ** through a new media. Using technology ordinary people can use to reach the world in word, song, picture and video. It is our hope that you will choose **to share the fruits of your reflection during the Year of Faith** by entering our Media Challenge. For more information, visit our website:

www.yearoffaithboston.org/mediachallenge.

DAY 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 Love**” to be held in the **West Region** on Saturday, February 2, 2013 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.

**CONFERENCES AND CONFESSIONS FOR THE WINTER/SPRING WITH SCHOOL AND RELIGIOUS ED STUDENTS****Conference**

1/13/13 – Grades 1-7 Religious Education

Confessions

2/10 – Grades 3/4 Religious Ed

3/3 – Grades 7/8 Religious Ed

3/10 – Grades 9/10 Religious Ed

4/28 – Grades 5/6 Religious Ed

OUR LADY'S MEMORIALS

- *Stained Glass Window Lighting*
- *Bread and Wine*
- *Sanctuary Candle*
- *Blessed Mother Statue*

This Christmas Season, remember a deceased or living loved one or a special intention by donating any of the above items. The donation for each memorial is \$50 for a week. If you are interested, contact Sharon in the parish office.

OUR LADY'S 1000 CLUB

The next drawing is NEXT *Sunday, January 13 at 12:30* in the school cafeteria...All are welcome! The cost is only \$55 for the year and these make **GREAT GIFTS** for those hard to buy for people. If you would like to join, please call Sharon in the parish office at 781-894-3481 x2 or fill out the information below and return to parish office:

1000 Club Application for Membership

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

A permanent ticket number will be assigned and mailed to anyone 18 or over. Good luck!