

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 25</b>	
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Gerard Schulze	Memorial
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 26</b>	
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Mary G. Romano	14 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
	Parishioners of Our Lady's Parish	
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Justina Nolan	Memorial
<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 27</b>	
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	John & Elizabeth McCoolle	Memorial
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 29</b>	
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	Earl Corey	Memorial
<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 2</b>	
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Vincent Salvato	Memorial
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 3</b>	
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Shirley Newfell	2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 4</b>	
<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Thomas Ferrick and Deceased Members of the Ferrick Family	
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Edmund and Pearl Mattes	Memorial
	Parishioners of Our Lady's Parish	

Mark your calendars that next Friday, March 3, Mass will be at 9am for our first Friday Mass.

Please remember in your prayers the souls of Joseph Cunningham, James McHale, Philip Collura, and Bernard Cotoni whose funerals were held at Our Lady's this past week.

### **NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS**

Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Resp. Psalm: Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

Second Reading: Rom 8:31b-34

Gospel: Mk 9:2-10

### **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

Collection for February 18/19: \$5,347

### **UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**

February 25/26 – Regular

March 3/4 - Regular

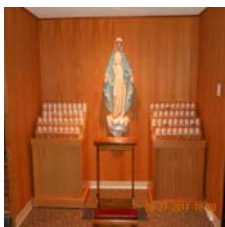
March 10/11 – Regular and Monthly

March 17/18 –Regular

March 24/25 – Regular

### **MEMORIAL CANDLE STANDS**

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.



### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Stations of the Cross** will be prayed every Wednesday during Lent beginning this Wednesday, February 29 at 6:30pm in the church. All are welcome.

### **CONFESSIONS DURING LENT**

**Confessions** will be heard every Wednesday during Lent (2/29, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28) beginning this Wednesday, February 29 from 6:30-7:30pm.

### **LENTEN GUIDELINES**

Good Friday (April 6) and all of the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

**FASTING** is observed by all 18 years of age or older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

**ABSTINENCE** is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health of ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and the renewal of baptism at Easter.

### **OUR LADY'S ADULT CHOIR**

Please consider joining our adult choir and cantors for Lent and Easter Season. We are now preparing for Easter and beyond. If interested, please see Kevin Galiè after any of the Masses.

Kevin Galiè is performing on the celesta (keyboard instrument with bells) with the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra this afternoon at Saunders Theatre, Memorial Hall, Harvard University at 3:00pm the Lutoslawski Cello Concerto.

### **ROSARY**

Please remember that the Rosary is prayed on the first Saturday of each month beginning at 3:15. All are welcome.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**MEMBERSHIP:** Our membership is open to all men over the age of 18 years. As men of faith, Knights strive to make a difference by being part of the difference. So far over seventy men have joined our council. If you are interested in making a difference by joining our council, please contact any Knight after Masses in the main lobby of the church or call 781-209-0842.

**DIFFICULTY HEARING:** Bring any small FM portable radio with earphones to Mass, set your radio to 87.7 FM and you will hear everything! If you have any problem using this system, please ask any Knight to help you.

**MASS CANCELLATIONS DUE TO WEATHER**

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.

**MERCY SUNDAY – APRIL 15**

Mercy Sunday is April 15. Now is a great time to learn of the magnificent graces awaiting you on this day! There are pamphlets on the tables at the entrances of the church. Please take them home and share them with your family and friends.

**NORTH WALTHAM SENIORS**

SEATS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR our first day trip on Wednesday, March 14, for a luncheon and show at the Venus De Milo in Swansea, MA, to see “**Forever Irish,**” a celebration of Irish music and songs starring Andy Cooney and two additional acts, Liam O’Connor, renowned button accordionist, and The Irish Sopranos. Price is \$69 per person which includes deluxe motor coach transportation, luncheon, and show. If interested please contact Donna Reid at 781-899-3727. Our second trip is Wednesday, April 11 to Mohegan Sun Casino from 10am-4pm. Price is \$25 per person, includes deluxe motor coach leaving at 8am, food coupon, and a free bet coupon. If interested, please contact Janet Johnson at 781-899-2392.

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS QUILTING GUILD**

Circle of Friends Quilting Guild that meets in Our Lady's cafeteria on the 2nd Monday of the month has open registration for new members. We offer in-house demos and workshops along with quilting weekends (MARCH 16-18 in Grotonwood, MA next to Chelmsford). We also make donations to the Religious Ed program, parish fundraisers and the food pantry. We are friendly, fun, and supportive. If interested contact Sharon in the parish office or Carole Melone at TravelnQuilt@gmail.com or 781-472-9867.

**1000 CLUB NEWS****The next drawing is Sunday, March 11**

We want to thank you for your continued support. The renewal letters have been sent out for our March renewals. If you haven't already, would you kindly send your payment as soon as possible? February is our biggest turnover month for the 1000 Club. We have the most drops during this renewal period. Again, if you do not have a 1000 Club number, please consider purchasing one and if you already have a membership, thank you and please remember to renew.

**POT LUCK DINNER**

The Activities Club will be hosting a Parish Pot Luck Dinner on **Saturday, March 3** immediately following the 4pm Mass (so about 5pm for those not attending the 4) in the school cafeteria. All are invited and this event is free! We will have a salad/appetizer section, an entrée section, a dessert section, and a beverage section. Please feel free to bring an item to contribute to one of these areas. **HOWEVER** in this day and age where times are tough for some, do not let not being able to contribute keep you from coming. This event is open to young, old, middle aged, married, single, divorced, families, and non families...so basically **EVERYONE!**

In honor of St. Patrick's Day we will host the first Our Lady's Irish Bread contest...bring your already baked bread to the event for judging if you are interested in competing. God is watching, don't be going to the bakery and buying something to pass off as semi-homemade© Come hang out with old friends and make some new ones. Hope to see you there!



**2012 CATHOLIC APPEAL**

The parable of the Good Samaritan calls us to act out of love and to help others. Each year, the Archdiocese of Boston asks Catholics to support the 50 ministries of the Church and each of us at Our Lady's is invited to respond in generosity. This year, we will be asked to pledge our support starting next weekend, March 3-4 with a homily video from Cardinal Seán O'Malley. In the days leading up to next weekend, please prayerfully discern how you are being called to support the Church in her work beyond the boundaries of our parish. For more information about the Catholic Appeal or to make a pledge to our parish campaign, please visit the website [www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org](http://www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org).

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

March 11 – Confessions for grades 7-8  
 March 25 – Conference with grades 9-10  
 April 29 – Confessions for grades 3-4

**FR. DIPERRI'S CONFERENCES AND CONFESSIONS WITH OUR LADY'S ACADEMY STUDENTS**

February 27 – Confessions – Grade 5  
 February 29 – Confessions – Grade 7  
 March 9 – Confessions – Grade 8  
 March 14 – Confessions – Grade 3  
 March 16 – Confessions – Grade 4  
 March 30 – Confessions – Grade 6  
 April 27 – Conference – Grades 5-8  
 May 7 – Conference – Grade K-4  
 May 25 – Conferences – Grade 8  
 June 11 – Conference – Grade K-4

**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. Registration forms can be found on the tables at all the entrances of the church or can be downloaded from our website ([www.olca.org/Registration\\_Form0.aspx](http://www.olca.org/Registration_Form0.aspx)). 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.

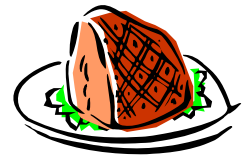
**HAM-A-RAMA**

Your support is appreciated!

Join us on **Saturday, March 31** at **5pm** in our parish hall.

**Donations are needed.** Please

return the orange tickets you got in the mail. You can drop them in the offertory basket, mail them or drop them off in person at the parish office.

**OUR LADY'S ACTIVITIES CLUB**

**Who are we?** We are parishioners of Our Lady's: women, men, married, single, divorced, widowed, with families and without.

**What do we do?** We like to have fun! So we meet and plan activities for our group and for the parish.

**Where do we meet?** We meet in the parish center; across from the parish office. Enter the building through the parish office entrance.

**When do we meet?** We meet on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm. Meetings run about one hour **BUT** you do not need to attend the meeting to be part of the group. You can give us your email address and we will send out meeting minutes. If you see something you'd like to join in on you are more than welcome.

**What have we done in the past?** Phew! Here we go to name a few: Caroling at Waltham Crossings; we saw *Sisters Late Night Catechism* at the Stoneham Theater; we went for dinner and bowling at King's; we helped with Turkey-rama; we had an indoor yard sale; collected and sent letters to active duty service members; collected socks and books for local VA hospital; hosted a few parish pot luck dinners; volunteered at a local soup kitchen; gone to LaSalette to see the Christmas lights; went into the North End for a summer festival and good eats; organized a "mystery ride" to see the Edwards Twins; hosted a picnic in the park and took a bus trip to Ogunquit.

**What do we have planned in 2012?** March 3, Pot Luck Supper; April 28, Indoor Yard Sale; May, collect socks for VA hospital; September 15, Craft Fair; October 13, Parish Autumn Dance; November, letters to active duty service members; December, Caroling at Waltham Crossings.

As a group, we plan activities as folks toss out ideas or suggestions. So again, feel free to come to a meeting or if interested but can't make the meetings, call Sharon in the parish office and give her your email information and we'll keep you updated on what's happening.