

The law liberates and leads us to freedom. It is to be trusted for it is a source of wisdom. Jesus speaks of the ultimate freedom to be won for us by being raised up. He is the sign of the power and wisdom of God.

Announced Masses

Saturday	March 18th	4:00 PM	Buckley, Largenton & Sammett Families
Sunday		8:00 AM	Parish Community of Saint Peter
	March 19th	10:00 AM	Knights of Columbus Council #74
		12:00 Noon	Sara York Tracy
		5:00 PM	Nathalie Graham
Monday	March 20th	8:00 AM	Mr. & Mrs. John Doyle
Tuesday	March 21st	8:00 AM	Harriet Gajewski
Wednesday	March 22nd	8:00 AM	David R. O'Brien
Thursday	March 23rd	8:00 AM	Anna & Charles Flaherty
Friday	March 24th	8:00 AM	Noreen Hurley
Saturday	March 25th	8:00 AM	Paul Mahoney
		4:00PM	Francis J. Murphy & Mary E. Lalikos
Sunday	March 26th	8:00 AM	Pasquale Bellamacina
		10:00 AM	Francis R. Long
		12:00 Noon	Louis DePasquale, Sr.
		5:00 PM	Parish Community of Saint Peter

Your prayers are requested for Nelson Erickson & Rose DiBenedito who were buried from the parish this week.

From the Pastor ~

- I wish to thank all who attended last weekend **Famine Mass and St. Patrick's Day Celebration** in the Parish Center. It was wonderful to celebrate the Irish heritage that is alive in our parish. Special thanks to Karen Trainor, Tim Harney and the volunteers who assisted in anyway. The following parishioners were honored with the Irish Famine Awards: Mildred Casey, Agnes McCann, Mary T. Collins, Dominic Carfagno and Catherine Lamantea.
- Please keep Archbishop O'Malley and me in your prayers, I will be attending the Consistory in Rome for Cardinal elect O'Malley. I leave on Tuesday and will return next Monday, March 27th.
- **Morning of Reflection** with Chris Collins, SJ on Saturday, March 25th from 8:00-12:00. The topic will be the Exercises of St. Ignatius. Mass at 8AM; Breakfast and conference in Parish Center. Cost is \$10.00. Sign up in the Parish Office.
- **Easter flowers:** You may make an offering in memory of a loved one by placing the provided envelopes in the collection basket or mailing it to the Parish Office. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. The names will be listed in the bulletin on the weekend of April 22/23.
- **Olivia Woodford will perform the Heart of the Cross on Friday evening, March 31st at 7:30 PM.** The performance brings the spirit of Easter to life as women who loved Jesus witness the Passion of Christ. Through the eyes of the gospel's women, the story of Jesus' life and death is told with depth and relevancy. The play is universal in its appeal and communicates the heart of Jesus' life and teachings.
- Volunteers are needed to help serve dinner at **Pine Street Inn** on March 30th. Contact Parish Office if interested.
- **Parish Reconciliation Service** at 7:00 PM on Wednesday evening, March 29th.
- The next lecture in the "**Women for Rwanda**" **Lecture Series** will be on March 26th at 1:30 PM in the Parish Center. Chantal Kayitesi, founder and former president of the Rwandan Association for Widows of the Genocide, will present *Women survivors: Resilience and the continued struggle to survive.*

Lenten Mass Schedule

8:00 am Mass ~ Monday-Saturday
 5:30 pm Mass ~ Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
 Stations of the Cross ~ Fridays 7:00 pm

Third Sunday in Lent

March 18/19, 2006

Offertory collection for March 11/12 was \$5,393.13. Thank you for your generosity.

A donation in memory of Gregory McCann has been received for the **Bishop Riley Fund**.

Catholic Relief Services Collection will take place on the weekend of March 25/26.

The **Catholic Daughters of the Americas** in conjunction with **Habitat for Humanities** will be building a house during the week of April 3rd in Brockton. If you are available to volunteer that week, please contact the Parish Office.

2006 Boston Catholic Directories have arrived. The cost is \$25.00. If you would like a copy, please contact the Parish Office.

Adults wishing to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** please register with the parish office. It will be held on April 19, 2006.

Help the Homeless! Bread & Jam is a local homeless advocacy/drop in shelter. They are in dire need of **new adult men and women socks and underwear**. There will be a box at the back of the church, for these items.

Ladies Sodality-Next meeting will be Monday, March 27th, with Rosary at 7:10 PM and Mass at 7:30 PM in memory of Sue Martin. Reception to follow in Parish Center.

Mother-Child Group meets every Friday morning at 8:30 AM, right after the Mass in the Parish Center. Come meet other mothers with young children for praying and playing together. For more information, contact Rita at 617-547-6343 or email at schneeweiss@post.harvard.edu

Pastoral Care to the Sick & Homebound Workshop at Youville Hospital & Rehab Center starting April 18th from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM for six weeks Tuesdays. Cost is \$40.00. For more information, please contact 617-789-2457.

Resurrection Cantata/Music Drama by Bryan Jeffrey Leech performed by St. Pat's Family Players on Sunday, April 9th at 7 PM at St. Patrick Church, Watertown.

~St. Peter School News~

The **Dare to Dream Gala and Auction** will take place on Saturday, April 29, 2006, in the Parish Center. Mark your calendars for an evening to remember!

The **Ninth Annual Memorial Douglas Pollander Basketball Tournament** in conjunction with the **Cambridge Police** will take place on March 25 at 12:00 noon in the school's gym. Please join us!

Catholic Charities is sponsoring a sweepstakes and reception at the new NESN studios in Watertown on March 30th. All proceeds to benefit utility and fuel assistance programs. Win tickets for the Red Sox vs. Yankees game on May 1st, front row seats behind the on-deck circle to Red Sox games, and other great Red Sox tickets! Chances are \$100 each or 3 for \$250. Please call 617-451-7958 for more information.

Marriage Preparation-30 couples completed the Cambridge Program sponsored by St. Anthony and St. Peter Parishes. A special thanks to all who facilitated, prepared food and collated materials. The next program will take place at the end of September.

Safety Sunday Classes for those children who have signed up for the "Talking about Touching" Program will be held this weekend from 11 AM-12:15 PM in the usual meeting place.

Help us clean the church on April 8 from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Sign up in the Parish Office.

Don't forget the **Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes** at the entrances of the church.

Religious Education News

March 19th-No Regular Classes.
Safety Sunday for those who have signed up.
March 26th-Regular Classes.

We have been informed by Bishop Boles that he will be traveling to Rome for the Consistory to the College of the Cardinals of Archbishop O'Malley and therefore must change the **Celebration of Confirmation to Saturday, June 10th at 11:00 AM**. We regret any inconvenience this might cause.