

Moses recounts great events of salvation history which find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ. We confess him to be Lord, for God raised him from the dead. He is ever faithful, resisting temptation to forsake his Father's mission, trusting in God's love.

Announced Masses

Saturday	February 24th	4:00 PM	Francis T. McCauley
Sunday	February 25th	8:00 AM	Albertina & Mariano D'Amore
		10:00 AM	Edward Ferguson
		12:00 Noon	Peg, Joe, & Neal O'Brien
		5:00 PM	Special Intention
Monday	February 26th	8:00 AM	Anna T. Flaherty
Tuesday	February 27th	8:00 AM	Elizebeth O'Brien
Wednesday	February 28th	8:00 AM	Esther Murphy
Thursday	March 1st	8:00 AM	Jacqueline Smith - Darling
Friday	March 2nd	8:00 AM	Lawrence Sullivan
Saturday	March 3rd	8:00 AM	Special Intention
		4:00PM	Francis Largenton
		8:00 AM	Salvatore Bertucelli
		10:00 AM	Josephine Auterio
Sunday	March 4th	12:00 Noon	Donal O'Sullivan
		5:00 PM	William Bie

From the Pastor ~

- This past Wednesday, we began the **Season of Lent**. You will notice some changes in the church. All the flowers, plants and holy water are removed and we wait in simplicity and darkness until the Easter Vigil. We enter this very solemn season with little distraction so that we can focus on our journey through the desert, just like Jesus did for forty days and forty nights. Jesus invites us into the same kind of desert experience. We go out into the desert of our hearts to rediscover God and to rediscover ourselves. God pledged to place a new heart and a new spirit within us. We can learn to love better, deeper and more fully. If we are going to embrace the new and everlasting life that Jesus offers us, we are going to need a new heart to contain it. We have to surrender our old hearts. One may be surprised how many of us are carrying old scars, pain, and the nursing of old injuries and defenses.

I encourage you to make the most of this season. We have different experiences planned for you to help along the journey, including the Parish Mission. Let us pray for ourselves and for one another. Let us also remember in a special way those preparing to celebrate the Easter Sacraments.

Let our journey begin!

Father Kevin

- **A Notation to Remember!** There will be additional daily Masses during Lent on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 PM.
- On Fridays during Lent :
7:00PM, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:30PM The Stations of the Cross



- **Easter flowers:** You may make an offering in memory of a loved one by placing the provided envelopes in the collection basket or mailing to the Parish Office. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church.
- **Saint Peter Parish Lenten Mission:** We are privileged to have Fr. John Burchill and Sr. Barbara Metz SND to lead our Parish Mission on **March 5th, 6th, and 7th**. Please join us!

Offertory collection for February 17/18th was \$5,173.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Liturgical Ministry Schedules for the month of March have been sent out via email and the postal service. Copies are also in the Sacristy. Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers should update their contact information by calling the parish office, if they have not already done so. Please come forward to serve if there are not enough Ministers at any Mass you attend.

*The Young Vincentians Community Service Club are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner for everyone to celebrate a **Belated Mardi Gras**. The dinner will take place on Tuesday, February 27th at 5:45 PM in the school cafeteria. Please join us.*

88 Key Program is in progress, please do not forget to purchase a key. For more info please call Parish Office or click on the parish website.

*Mark your calendar! **Saturday, March 10th**, the **Saint Patrick Day Famine Mass** will be celebrated at 4:00 PM with the traditional Blessing of Potatoes.*

Saint Peter Parish "Baby Shower"

Helping Others During Lent

Lent is a time of reflection and prayer followed by hope and new life with the Resurrection of the Lord. What a perfect time to offer hope and renewal to those less fortunate than ourselves.

*Catholic Charities of Cambridge and Somerville is in need of our assistance. A parish wide "**Baby Shower**" is planned for the weekend of March 17th & 18th. Donations of diapers, formula and new baby articles will be appreciated. Catholic Charities would also welcome volunteers at their Somerville location to assist in sorting and organizing various donations.*

More information will follow in the coming weeks. Contact Kathy Smith at 617-547-4235 x31 or kthy381@verizon.net.

***Marriage Encounter:** An experience for building communication, intimacy, self esteem and enriching the values of marriage, family and faith. This program is for couples who believe that they have a good marriage but desire a deeper understanding. For more info call: 1-800-367-0342 or www.meme.org.*

~St. Patrick Dinner & Show~

*On Saturday, March 10th, 2007 the Parish will hold a **Special Evening** as follows:*

6:00 PM Cocktail Reception

7:00 PM Traditional Irish Dinner

8:00 PM Entertainment- "The Irish Tenors" featuring Anthony Kearns, Finbar Wright and Karl Scully.

The evening will be held in the Parish Center. Seating is limited. The cost is \$100.00 per ticket. Tickets will be sold on first come, first serve basis.

Tickets will go on sale on Monday, February 26 at 3:30 through the parish office in person or over the phone. MasterCard and Visa accepted. Note: (we will not accept email orders).

Religious Education News

Attention: First Communion Parents: First Reconciliation is Saturday, March 3 at 11:30am. All First Communion Candidates, accompanied by a parent should arrive at the church at 11am.



Reconciliation Service

Today, Feb 25, in the cafeteria there will be information available for the First Communion Retreat. There will be descriptive of each workshop of the Retreat along with a sign up sheet. Please see Kathy Smith. Many hands make for an enjoyable spiritual experience for parents and children alike.

Volunteers are needed to help serve coffee and donuts after the Family Mass. There will be a sign up sheet in the Cafeteria.

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*Ill habits gather by unseen degrees—
As brooks make rivers, rivers run to seas.*

—Ovid

