

MASS SCHEDULE**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH**

5:00 P.M. Anthony Oliver, Anniversary Mass (requested by the family).

SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST

8:00 A.M. John Driscoll, memorial Mass (requested by Cotoia family).

10:00 A.M. Agnes Eldridge, Anniversary Mass (requested by her sister Helen).

11:30 A.M. Richard Hagan, memorial Mass (requested by neighbors).

MONDAY, MARCH 2ND

9:00 A.M. Jan Dawley, memorial Mass (requested by friends).

TUESDAY, MARCH 3RD

9:00 A.M. Richard Cashin, memorial Mass (requested by the Rescigno family).

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH

9:00 A.M. No Morning Mass.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH

9:00 A.M. Doris Rollfs, memorial Mass (requested by friends).

FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH

9:00 A.M. Walter Coyle, memorial Mass (requested by his wife's CCD students).

SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH

5:00 P.M. Lilia and Jose Lorbes, memorial Mass (requested by their daughter).

SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH

8:00 A.M. Ruth Moran, Anniversary Mass (requested by her family).

10:00 A.M. Jean O'Keefe, Anniversary Mass (requested by her family).

11:30 A.M. James Bowes Jr. memorial Mass (requested by his family).

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2009

Adoration, Rosary & Prayers
6:30--9:30 PM.

SAINT ROSE PARISH FINANCES

Collection 02/22/09 \$5,104.00

Thank you to all who support our Parish!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE**FOR SUNDAY 3/1/09-----SUNDAY 3/8/09**

3/01	GRADE	1	NO CLASSES
	GRADE	2	9:45----10:45 PM
	GRADES	4, 6 & 9	NO CLASSES
	GRADE	10	NO CLASSES
3/02	GRADES	3---6	3:30-----4:30 PM
	GRADE	5	7:00-----8:00 PM
	GRADE	7	7:00-----8:00 PM
3/03	GRADES	3---6	3:30-----4:30 PM
3/04	GRADES	3---6	NO CLASSES
3/05	GRADES	3---6	3:30-----4:30 PM
3/08	GRADE	1	8:30-----9:30 PM
	GRADE	2	9:45---10:45 AM
	GRADES	4, 6 & 9	5:00-----6:15 PM
	GRADE	10	6:30-----7:45 PM

HOLY HOUR WINTER SCHEDULE

<i>MARCH 6</i>	<i>7:30PM----8:30PM</i>
<i>MARCH 13</i>	<i>7:30PM----8:30PM</i>
<i>MARCH 20</i>	<i>7:30PM----8:30PM</i>
<i>MARCH 27</i>	<i>7:30PM----8:30PM</i>
<i>APRIL 3</i>	<i>7:30PM----8:30PM</i>
<i>APRIL 10</i>	<i>GOOD FRIDAY</i>

Attention Students in Grades 6--8

We would like to develop a junior ministry group at St. Rose. The purpose of this ministry will be to provide a safe, friendly place for 6—8 grade students to have fun, grow in their faith, and serve God. We are also seeking the support of parents/adults interested in assisting with this ministry. Please call Joan Chiffer at (978) 887-2882 if you would be interested in participating in the ministry.

LENT 2009

ABSTINENCE: Catholics over 14 years are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is observed on Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence meat may not be used at all.

FAST: Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their sixtieth year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting. On these days only one full meal is allowed. Regarding other weekdays we strongly recommend participation in daily Mass and voluntary observance of fasting.

Lenten Devotion: The Church remains open throughout the day for prayer and meditation. Copies of "The Way of the Cross", a guide for praying the Stations of the Cross that adorn our Church's walls, are available in the back of the Church. Why not stop by-----and bring a friend!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Christians throughout Eastern Massachusetts are invited to join the largest organized effort in history to end abortion. You will have the opportunity to be a part of history. The 40 Days for Life national campaign will be carrying a simultaneous effort in 125 cities in 43 states. The campaign runs from Ash Wednesday, February 25 to April 5, Palm Sunday. The 40 Days for Life campaign consists of 40 days of prayer, fasting, and community outreach for an end to abortion in America. The prayer vigils will be held Monday---Friday from 7am until 9pm, and Sat. & Sun. 8—2pm. We will meet at the corner of Rt. 113 and Branch St. in Methuen (Exit 46 off Rt.93) If you would like to save the life of an unborn child and are interested in volunteering for one or more hours, please contact John Fleury 978-685-8754 prolifemethuen@aol.com. All are welcome!

Parish Pastoral Council: Meetings take place the 1st Thursday of each month. Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 5th, at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

FAMILY MASS – GRADES 7 AND 8

The Family Mass for our CCD students in the 7th and 8th grades will be held on March 7th at 5:00 p.m. This Mass is part of their religious education program. Following the Mass the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be hosting its second annual "thank you" party (from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.) for all students in grades 3 – 8, in appreciation of their fund raising efforts on the Society's behalf throughout the school year. There will be pizza, drinks, make-your-own sundaes, a DJ, and footballs for those wanting to work off some energy. We look forward to seeing you on March 7th!

Rest in Peace: We remember, in prayer, Francis Xavier McArdle, the father of James McArdle. Mr. McArdle's funeral was celebrated this past week at Holy Redeemer Parish, Kitty Hawk, NC. May he rest in Peace and his family know the consolation of Christ.

2009 CATHOLIC APPEAL

Next weekend, March 7-8, will be Catholic Appeal Weekend here at St. Rose Parish. As a Catholic community, we are called during this season of Lent to respond to God's grace in our lives. We do so by continuing to participate as fully as we are able in the building up of His kingdom. This month, Cardinal Sean is asking every Catholic household to participate in the 2009 Catholic Appeal, which funds the many central ministries and services of the Archdiocese of Boston. The Appeal is to our Archdiocese what the weekly offertory is to our parish – so your participation and support are critical. Because of the economic downturn, support of the catholic Appeal is more urgent this year. On Catholic Appeal Weekend, we will be showing a video message from Cardinal Sean and asking every Catholic household to make a pledge.

Cardinal Sean thanks all the families from our Parish that contributed \$43,880 to the 2008 Catholic Appeal exceeding our goal! This year, we hope to have even more households participate. Our financial goal is set at \$37,000. If we exceed our financial goal, we will receive 25 percent of all funds raised above goal for use in the parish. Please know that your participation is important and that all gifts matter.