

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, CAPE ANN, MASSACHUSETTS



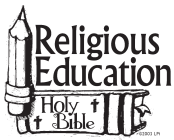
Jesus said to the paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." He rose, picked up his mat at once, and went away in the sight of everyone. They were all astounded and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this." -

Mk 2:11-12

Readings for the Week of February 19, 2012

Sunday: Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/2 Cor 1:18-22/Mk 2:1-12
Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

Stewardship Forgiveness is a gift from God. Freed from the paralysis of sin, the man in today's Gospel was able to stand and give witness to the power of God. How do I let sin cripple me? Am I a good steward of the gift of God's forgiveness?



Faith Formation Program

WPF is this weekend!! All registered families are asked to attend the 10:30 Mass and gathering in our parish hall following Mass. The focused theme with Fr. John and the children is LENT!

No Faith Formation classes next week in Rockport or Gloucester on Sunday, February 26, as we observe winter break. Classes return on the weekend of March 3 & 4.

Sunday, March 4:

Confirmation Saints Essay is due (Patron Saint's name, which you are choosing for Confirmation).

Also for all parents whose child is receiving First Holy Communion, there is a meeting with Fr. John on this sacrament in the parish school gym at 9:30am.

Looking ahead: Saturday, March 31, is the First Holy Communion Retreat Day 9:30am to noon.

Vacation Bible School

We would like to begin planning a week of fun and activities for Vacation Bible Camp, to be held Monday, July 30 to Friday, August 3. If you would like to be a Student/Parent Leader for the week, please contact Dawn Alves. The first planning meeting will be held on Thursday, March 22, at 6:30pm in the Parish Office.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 20, in observance of Presidents Day.

Lent Begins



Lent begins this Wednesday. On

Ash Wednesday, February 22, ashes will be blessed and distributed during the 9:00am Mass at St. Joachim and during the 7:00pm Mass at St. Ann. There will also be Prayer Services at 12:00 noon at St. Ann and 5:00pm at St. Joachim with distribution of ashes.

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from Meat: Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence to be observed on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be consumed at all.

Fast: Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of the 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless 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 & fruit juices are allowed. Regarding other weekdays of Lent, participation in daily Mass and the voluntary observance of fasting is recommended.

Lenten Parish Mission

The Parish will offer a Lenten Parish Mission on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday evenings, February 27, 28 & 29, beginning at 7:00pm at St. Ann Church. Fr. John Capuci, pastor of St. Malachy Parish in Burlington, will be the preacher. Fr. Capuci is a dynamic and outstanding speaker. Plan now to be present and invite family and friends.

Course in the Catholic Faith

During Lent Fr. John, our pastor, will offer a 7-week course in the Catholic faith. This can also serve to prepare anyone age 18 or over who has not been confirmed for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Details on this will follow.

Thank You

Cape Ann Interfaith thanks the Holy Family community for the Souper Bowl collection of \$1,153. It means a great deal to our guests at our Tuesday and Friday meals programs. God Bless!

Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held on Monday, February 20, at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.



We are happy to announce the following Baptisms which recently took place in our parish:

Aliyah Anntanina Capone
Keara Ann DeBrigard
Owen Thomas Fauci
Hayward Sullivan Herlihy
Ethan Anthony MacKillop

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FEBRUARY 18 ~ 26, 2012



Memorials & Donations

We gratefully acknowledge donations received in memory of:

Saturday, February 18

4pm St. AnnGioacchino & Grazia Ventimiglia
From Son & Family

Sunday, February 19

8:00am St. Ann..... Paul Frontiero 3rd
From Mom, Dad & Brothers

8:30am St. Joachim.....Shirley Gerstner
From Family

10:30am St. Ann.....Vincie M. Doucette
From Francesca Piraino

11:00am St. Joachim.....Pro Populo

6:30pm St. Ann Mass in Portuguese

Monday February 20

9am St. Joachim.....John Grier

Tuesday, February 21

9am St. Joachim.....Living Intention

Wednesday February 22 Ash Wednesday

9am St. Joachim (Mass)
12:00 St. Ann (Prayer Service)
5pm St. Joachim (Prayer Service)
7pm St. Ann (Mass)

Thursday, February 23

9am St. Joachim.....Ann Bedros
From Marianne Watts

Friday, February 24

9am St. Joachim.....Aimee Christo
From Family

Saturday, February 25

4pm St. AnnLarry & Jennie Lee Scola
From Family

Sunday, February 26

8:00am St. Ann..... Pro Populo

8:30am St. Joachim

10:30am St. Ann.....Mario Peritore
From Family

11:00am St. Joachim.....Frank T. Paradis
From Cynthia

6:30pm St. Ann Mass in Portuguese

Nursing Home Masses

Tuesday, February 21, 3:30pm Den Mar
Monday, February 27, 3:00pm Golden Living Center

Vito Ferrara
Gina Ciaramitaro

Aimee Christo
Gina Ciaramitaro
Pat Jenkins

Maria Ceccaroffi
Mr. & Mrs. Vito Ciaramitaro

Anthony Aiello
Janine Brooks
Mr. & Mrs. Alfonso Millefogie

Pauline Parady
Felicia Aiello
Bayview Brotherhood Club
James Musia & Chris-anna Thompson
Cathy & Donny Nicastro
J.M. Walsh Oil Company

Daniel Ross
Philip & Jane Demetri

Catherine McCarthy
Gina Ciaramitaro

Ash Wednesday Schedule—2012

Liturgy of the Word & Distribution of Ashes

Nursing Homes
Den Mar—10:30am
Seacoast—2:00pm
Golden Living Center—3:00pm

Senior Housing Complexes
McPherson Park—10:45am
Sheedy Park—10:45am
Curtis Clark Park—10:45am
Central Grammar—1:15pm

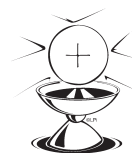
Elder Service of the North Shore—11:00am
Day-by-Day—10:45am

Addison Gilbert Hospital—10:30am-12:00noon



We commend into God's care those who were buried from our Parish recently:

Pauline A. Parady
Daniel J. Ross
Priscilla L. Metzner



Host & Wine
The Host & Wine for February were donated in memory of Paul Frontiero 3rd from Grandparents

Women's Guild

The Guild will hold a Sunday afternoon low tea at 2pm on February 26 in the parish hall. Tickets are \$10, and refreshments will be served. Ladies, come enjoy a wonderful, relaxing afternoon. The theme, since it is the month we celebrate Presidents' Day, is "First Ladies of the U.S." Spend a delightful afternoon as ladies did in the past, enjoy a cup of tea and tea sandwiches, then learn about a woman who was a powerhouse in her time. Hats and white gloves are a "must". Tickets can be purchased through Guild members, at the office, or at church after Mass. As always—guests are welcome!

St. Ann School News

St. Ann School is now accepting applications for the 2012-2013 school year. We offer a quality, affordable Catholic education for students in PK-Grade 8. Please contact the office at 978-283-3455 for an admissions appointment.



Food Pantry Needs

The following items are needed for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry: beef stew, canned chicken, canned meat, instant potatoes, tuna helper, juice, canned fruit, jelly. Your donations can be left in the boxes at the entrance to the churches.

St. Vincent de Paul

The Society is currently in need of **kitchen sets** and **bureaus**. If you have any that you might like to donate, please contact Harry Miller at 978-281-2701 to arrange for pick up. As always, thank you for your continued generosity and support for Cape Ann families in need.

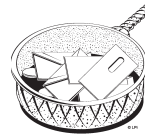
Snow Camps

7th & 8th Graders: Are you looking for something exciting to do this winter? Snow Camps is a retreat/fun-filled experience to be held either March 2-4 or March 9-11 at Brookwoods Conference Center in Alton Bay, NH. Run by Fr. George Morin and Maureen Mulcahy, Snow Camps consists of fun activities, games, talks, music, prayer, discussions and much, much more. You will deepen your faith in Jesus Christ while meeting new, lasting friends from all over the north and south shores. For more info and an application, call Al Mitchell at 978-879-3655 or visit www.campsministry.com.

Blood Drive



The American Red Cross will have a community blood drive on March 3 from 9am-2pm in the Parish Hall. Please call 800-733-2767 to set up an appointment or visit www.redcrossblood.org. This event is sponsored by the Gloucester Knights of Columbus. If you wish to volunteer to help staff the event please contact us at www.kofc215.com or grandknight@kofc215.com.



February 11/12, 2012 Collections

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4pm	170	\$1,475.00
8am	115	808.50
8:30am	117	925.95
10:30am	230	1,292.40
11am	101	908.00
6:30pm	50	176.00
	<u>783</u>	
Weekly Offertory:		\$5,585.85
Office Offertory:		175.00
Feb. EFT donations (4 weeks)		1,007.92
Total Offertory:		<u>\$6,768.77</u>
February 2011 Average Collection:		\$7,416.00

The **Ash Wednesday Collection** supports the Church in Africa and Central & Eastern Europe. Your assistance will train Church leaders, help needy families, rebuild churches and support the sisters and brothers who have suffered for the faith.

Next Week's Second Collection will support our **Parish Cevicos Mission**.

Grand Annual Campaign

We thank all those who have contributed thus far to the Grand Annual Campaign. As of Wednesday, February 8, our total raised was \$60,865, which is 81% of our goal of \$75,000. This is wonderful progress! The money gathered through this campaign allows us to continue our many ministries and programs, which define what the parish is and will be in the years ahead. We hope that all will consider a contribution and give what they can. Your generosity and support are most appreciated.

Holy Family Parish Registration



If you wish to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, please print the following information and deposit in the offertory.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Comments: _____

Please send me offertory envelopes _____

We look forward to hearing from you!