FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Saturday, March 16 - 4:00pm

Jeanne Adams, birthday remembrance - requested by Tracey & Stuart Adams

Sunday, March 17 Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:00am

Br. Paul Crawford - requested by Lisa & Michael Siraco

10:30am

Harold, Alice & Lawrence Young - requested by the Donohue family

Monday, March 18 - 8:30am For souls in purgatory

Tuesday, March 19 - 8:30am *Roger Beaudin -* requested by Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Beaudin

Wednesday, March 20

- NO MASS-

Thursday, March 21 - 8:30am

Emma Rose Garon - requested by Priscilla & Bob St. Gelais

Friday, March 22-8:30am

Harper Grace, for special intentions

Saturday, March 23 - 4:00pm

Sylvio Goulet - requested by Dan & Debbie Goulet

Sunday, March 24 Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:00am

Claudette Houle - requested by her daughter Laurie

Irene Levasseur, 23rd anniversary of death - requested by George Levasseur

March 9 & 10, 2024 Weekend Offertory

Envelopes \$1,530.00 Loose \$ 845.00 Electronic Offering \$1,735.00 Mailed in Offertory: \$ 420.00



Total Offertory: \$4,530.00 Catholic Relief Services: \$490.00

General Fund Outreach Fund

Candles: \$43.00 St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$52.00 Adoration Chapel: \$24.00 Food Pantry: \$30.00

- in loving memory of J. Allard: \$50.00 - in loving memory of W. Bernier: \$25.00

Thank you for your continued support of our parish which helps us to live out the Gospel message to love and serve one another. We are also very grateful for the weekly food donations we receive both for the food pantry and our homeless ministry. We are humbled and blessed by your generosity. May God continue to bless all of you and our Blessed Sacrament family.

Some years ago, a Rabbi friend of mine told me a story about his six your old daughter Pamela. One day he happened to see Pamela in her



room looking out at nature from her window. He heard her sobbing. Thinking that something bad happened to her, he asked her why she was so sad? Wiping tears from her eye she responded: "Why does everything so beautiful have to die?" Here was this girl who even at a young age realized the limited time on earth all living creatures have. She was already feeling grief just by looking at the flowers and trees which she understood would one day have to die. Isn't it true that we don't like to think about death let alone talk about it? It seems like such a negative and fearful topic that can bring even grown people to tears. Lent is a great time of the year to think about death. We know that one day each one of us will have to say good-bye to this life. The hardest thing to do will be to say good-bye to our loved ones. Lent gives us perspective. We have no control over how long we will live. Sometimes we think we do have such control by using denial and ignoring our limited time on earth. God knew that this would be our state created by our original sin. But being the Good Father that He is, God sent us hope. Listen to three statements God has made in today's readings: "O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them..." (Ezekiel); "If the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the One who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also... (Romans); "Our friend Lazarus in not dead, he is asleep, but I (Jesus) am going to awaken him." (St. John) These are all sacred words from the Bible. They are part of the revelation that God has given to us. Jesus made this revelation real, when after He was crucified, died and was buried, He rose from the dead on Easter Sunday. This is our story as well, as Jesus has prepared a place for each of us. So, let's not be fearful and trust in God's great plan for us in eternity.

~ Fr. John

Blessed Sacrament & St. Anne-St. Augustin invite parishioners and friends to a special **Memorial Mass for Br. Paul Crawford, OFMCap**, here at Blessed Sacrament on March 23rd at 10am. Br. Paul served our two parishes and ministered to the people of Manchester for 33 years and recently passed away in NY. He had a tremendous affect on the many people he came in contact with through his ministry at the parishes and as a strong advocate for social justice. We want to offer people the chance to honor Br. Paul and offer thanksgiving for his dedication to God's work.

St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel
Open: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9am - 6pm
LIVESTREAMED 24/7 on our website
Divine Mercy Chaplet livestreamed daily
at 3am & 3pm



OPEN HOUR: Thursdays, 11am

Come, share an hour with Jesus and leave refreshed and at peace.

This Lent, try adding more prayer time to your life. What better way than reflecting on the sacrifices of Jesus than at His feet in Eucharistic adoration? If you've never been to the chapel, Lent is a wonderful time to visit. Please call Lisa in the parish office, 603-622-5445 for more information.

PARISH LEADERSHIP

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES

St. Anthony Food Pantry Patrick Gilmartin

Sr. Marjorie Lupien 315-7623

Shoes For Kids/General Outreach

Lisa Siraco 622-5445

St. Anne's Closet (clothing for children) 622-5445

Parish Office Parish Elderly Ministry

> Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445

PARISH MINISTRIES	
Adoration Chapel	
Lisa Siraco	622-5445
Boy/Cub Scouts	
Ron St. Cyr	622-8182
Finance Committee	
Dee Pouliot	
Parish Prayer Line	
Gemma Houde	668-3993
Pastoral Council	
Tracey Adams	
Funeral Ministry	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445
Liturgical Ministers	
(Eucharist Lectors, Altar Servers)	
Sr. Marjorie Lupien	622-5445
Memorial Meals	
Gloria Pilotte	623-8173
Terry Sylvain	669-2582
Prayer Shawl Ministry	

Religious Education (Gr. K-8) Martha & Steve Donohue

Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445

625-8665

627-4868

Secular Franciscan Order Roselle Neely 673-9141

Youth Group

Diane Sufat

Ellen Vigneault 867-8881

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Baptism, Marriage, Sacrament of the Sick 622-5445 Fr. John Bucchino, ofm

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music Director & Organist, Adult Choir and Cantors

James Butka 540-7638



Sunday, March 24th: Palm Sunday - regular weekend Mass schedule

Monday, March 25th: Day of Reconciliation Confession available in the church from 11am-1pm and 5-7pm

Tuesday, March 26th: Chrism Mass, 6pm, St. Joseph Cathedral

Friday, March 29th: Stations of the Cross, 3pm

Paschal Triduum: March 28th, 29th & 30th, 7pm Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil This is one three-day liturgy, one continuous celebration.



Remember Let us pray for these special intentions: For all our parishioners that are homebound and in nursing homes; for all our parishioners, family and friends that are struggling with illness or recovering from surgeries. We also pray for: Acilda Dachowski, Lorraine Tur-

cotte, Sr. Anne Marineau, Jason S., Bert & Georgette Beaudette, Jeanne Sylvain, Richard & Tricia Bilodeau, Jon Lupien, Sr. Cecile Provost, David Rattigan, Rick Pank, Josephine Housty, Suellen Callahan, Esther & Charles Shea Jr., Jennifer Erheart, MaryAnn Mosman, Lucille Vigneault, Doris Cote, Joe Carnevale, Len Dickson, Robyn Tancrede, Irene & Roger Allard, Pauline Lavigne, Ron Fortin, Paul Houghton, Arnold Wright, Stephen Gilmartin, Jonathan Camire, Jr., Desire Lemay, Richard LeBlanc, Bobby Anderson, Doug Flanders, Cindy Cleary, Donna Mullen, Christine Wood, Joseph Belliveau, Doris Goodwin, Colette O'Connor, Jaime Dupuis, Casey S, Finley,

Cayden, Sara Sidner, Levi Coffey. Gary & Marjorie Johnson.



300 Club: Week 14

#3 Teddy Vigneault; #39 Lillian Oczykowski; #88 Bob & Annette Lemay; #158 Julia Byrne; and #231 Priscilla Desrochers Congratulations!

We commend the soul of Michael

Williams into the loving embrace of our God and the eternal peace that only Christ gives. Let us pray that the hope and promise of Christ's Resurrection will bring strength and comfort to his loved ones during this time of mourning and deep sorrow.



We're very grateful for the much needed food donations to our pantry and homeless ministries. We do ask that you do not leave fresh food that should be refrigerated in the back of the church as it is spoiled before we can attend to it. Thank you.



Saturday, March 16

* St Patrick's Dinner, 5:30pm, hall

Monday, March 18

- * Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus, 9am
- * Boy Scouts 6:30pm, church hall
- * Choir practice, 7pm, church

Tuesday, March 19

- * Devotion to St. Anthony, 9am
- * Adoration Chapel, Open 9am 6pm
- * Finance Committee meeting, 6:30pm, friary

Wednesday, March 20

- * St. Anne's Closet, closed today
- * Food Pantry, 1-3pm

Thursday, March 21

- * Adoration Chapel, Open 9am 6pm
- * Prayer Shawl Ministry, 9am, Mercy House
- * Cub Scouts, 6:30pm, church hall

Friday, March 22

* Stations of the Cross, 9am

Saturday, March 23

* Memorial Mass for Br. Paul, 10am

Sunday, March 24

- * Family Faith Formation, 9am
- Secular Franciscans, 11:30am



Save The Social Committee invites you to an Adult Game night, featuring Pokeno with Bucchino, on Saturday, April 20th. This is a chance for adults to get together and have a fun night out. More details will be coming.

We still have several open ad space in our bulletin. The ads support our Food Pantry & Outreach Ministries. Do you know of any businesses that might support our Outreach programs by purchasing an ad? Do you like to make sales? If so, please call Lisa in the office, we need help soliciting ads for our bulletin.

If you would like to place an ad in memory/honor of a loved one or in thanksgiving for blessings received, please call Lisa in the office for details. Ads start at \$350 and run for at least 1 year.

Hannaford Super Market on John Devine Drive will be sharing the proceeds of the sale of Bloomin 4 Good floral bouquets with our St. Anthony Food Pantry. Throughout March 2024 the Food Pantry will receive \$1 for every specially marked Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet purchased. When you shop there, be sure to pick up a bouquet to brighten your day or someone you care about, and you'll also help the Food Pantry!