

FROM THE PASTOR ~

This week we celebrated the Feast Day of Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque. From the time she was twenty, she experienced visions of Christ, and on December 27, 1673, she began a series of revelations that were to continue over the next year and a half. In them, Christ informed her that she was His chosen instrument to spread devotion to His Sacred Heart, instructed her in a devotion that was to become known as the Nine Fridays and the Holy Hour. He also asked that the feast of the Sacred Heart be established. The current devotion of First Friday is a result of her devotion of Jesus Sacred Heart.

For each of us, we are called to imitate the Sacred Heart. Do we open our minds and hearts to the grace of God? Do we show compassion and mercy? A devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a prayer to be more like Christ, to show reverence and respect for him in the Most Holy Eucharist, and to pray for all those who do not know him, so that all of God's children will reverence and respect Jesus as their savior and Lord. For many families an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus or Jesus Divine Mercy are kept in their home as a reminder of his love for us.

In keeping with a love for the Sacred Heart and the Holy Eucharist, I ask you to consider taking an hour of Eucharist Adoration. Several hours remain open and need individuals to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

We welcome Evelyn Linquist, the director of the Visitation House, who will speak this weekend of the need to support this most important effort of the Church. Visitation House helps mothers have their children in a safe and peaceful environment, surrounded by the love of Christ and the Church. We thank Evelyn and all the volunteers who help with Visitation House.

We continue with our study of the Gospel of Saint Luke on Monday Evening at 7:00 PM. If you can, please come and bring your bible. Time spent with Holy Scripture is always time well spent.

Please continue to pray for all our children in our religious education programs, for those preparing for sacraments, and for their teachers and families.

In Christ
Fr. Stephen M. Gemme

Masses for the Week

Saturday, October 20

5:00 PM † Jean Stone by Marcia & Ron Roman
† Jane Rafferty by Jeanne & Joe Widner

Sunday, October 21

9:00 AM † Howard & Lucille Waterman by the family
11:00 AM † Bertha Scerra by Fran, Jerry & Toni
† Robert Bilanceiri by his wife and family

Monday, October 22

8:30 AM † Ruth Hickman by the Lellman Family

Tuesday, October 23

8:30 AM † Joan Murray by the Horgan family

Wednesday, October 24

8:30 AM † John Grogan by the family
† Bill Gauvin by the family

Thursday, October 25

8:30 AM Our Lady's Pro-Life Intentions

Friday, October 26

8:30 AM † Celebrant's Intention

Saturday, October 27

5:00 PM † Margurite & Joseph Daddona by the family

Sunday, October 28

9:00 AM † The Courtemache Family by the family
11:00 AM † J.A. Howell by Mary Louise Ferris
† George Pacific Sr. by the Pacific family

Let Us Pray For :

- Natalie, for speedy recovery
- Rodney, for speedy recovery
- Steve, for guidance and comfort

Masses, Feasts & Gospels

Sunday	Lk 18:1-8	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	Lk 12:13-21	Weekday
Tuesday	Lk 12:35-38	Weekday/John Capistrano, priest
Wednesday	Lk 12:39-48	Weekday/Anthony Mary Claret, bp
Thursday	Lk 12:49-53	Weekday
Friday	Lk 12:54-59	Weekday
Saturday	Lk 13:1-9	Weekday

**The Catechism of the Catholic Church
"A Portion A Day"**

Oct 21	Catch Up	Oct 25	2578 - 2584
Oct 22	2558 - 2565	Oct 26	2585 - 2589
Oct 23	2566 - 2569	Oct 26	2590 - 2597
Oct 24	2570 - 2577		

ST. BERNADETTE MASS ON T.V.

Pre-recorded Masses from St. Bernadette Parish will be shown on the Northborough local access channel 11 on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday at 10 a.m. Please let those you know who are homebound and are unable to

WEEK AT A GLANCE

- 10/21 Coffee Hour, 10:00-11:00 a.m., P.C. Hall
- 10/21 Reconciliation Class, 10:15 a.m.-Noon
In the School Building
- 10/21 Refresher class for current Altar Servers
after 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m., Mass
- 10/21 Jr. High/High School Religious Education
6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 10/22 Gospel of Luke course, 7:00 p.m.
Pastoral Center Hall
- 10/23 Our Father's Table
- 10/25 Prayer Group 8:00 p.m.
- 10/27 Craft Fair Workshop, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- 10/28 Coffee Hour, 10:00-11:00 a.m., P.C. Hall
- 10/28 PK, K, & grade 1 Religious Education Class
10:15-11:15 a.m., Early Childhood Center
- 10/28 Reconciliation Class, 10:15 a.m.-Noon
In the School Building
- 10/28 Grades 3-6 Religious Education Class
10:15-11:45 a.m. in the School Building
- 10/28 Jr. High/High School Religious Education

GATHER US IN 2007 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Gather Us in 2007 will take place on November 3 at the DCU Center, in Worcester. All diocesan women and young adults are invited to participate in this day-long event featuring presentations and workshops on women's maturing spirituality. This year Joyce Rupp and Antoinette Bosco will join us as key-noters. Great speakers, plenty of time for discussion. Come and be inspired. The \$45 registration fee includes lunch. The day will close with Mass celebrated by Bishop McManus. For more information or registration forms go to: the diocesan website, www.worcesterdiocese.org or <http://www.worcestercommissionforwomen.org> or contact Cheryl at the Parish office. Gather Us In is sponsored by the Commission for Women, a diocesan organization.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP Wednesday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer permeates our lives and is a living connection to God's graceful wave length in the world. Join with me and others who desire to strengthen our participation in God's creative activity thru song, recollection, reflective meditation and intercessionary prayers as we explore our parish's own unique response to the Bishop's challenge at last years Men's Conference. Bring your rosaries, open minds and positive attitudes and I am sure God will do the rest. Hope to see you there. High School seniors are invited. For more information contact Chet Leonard at 508-393-6478. Join us in the Pastoral Center.

OUR FATHER'S TABLE

The Outreach ministry will be preparing the next meal for the Our Father's Table on Tuesday, October 23rd. Many items are needed to help assist in preparing this wonderful meal for those who are less fortunate. A list is provided in the back of the church for items needed and to assist in serving the meal. We ask that all items be brought to the Parish Center by **Monday, October 22nd by 3:00 p.m.** We would like to thank all who have so generously helped us in the past with these meals.

GOSPEL OF ST. LUKE

Father Gemme will continue his course on the gospel of Saint Luke on Monday evenings at 7:00 PM. This wonderful gospel has many great aspects, including the Annunciation and Nativity of Jesus, his facing temptation in the desert, his baptism, and his teaching. Our Blessed Mother's Magnificat and the Canticle of Zechariah will also be examined. The parable of the prodigal Son, the healing of the Centurion's slave and many other parables, miracles and teachings of Jesus will also be covered. Saint Jerome, the great scripture scholar, a Doctor and Father of the early Church once said that ignorance of scripture is ignorance of Christ. Please come and learn more about the Gospel of St Luke. The class dates are: October 22, 29 & November 5. Come for just one class or to all classes. All are welcome to attend.



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Jesus is present in the consecrated bread and wine - in the Eucharistic species.

In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist "the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really and substantially contained" (No.1374)



Bernadette Parish welcomes you to join us in our Chapel for Eucharistic Adoration of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Our Adoration Chapel at St. Bernadette Parish is opened 24 hours a day Monday through Friday. Please join us. To sign up or for more information call Sr. Muriel or Cheryl in the parish office at 508-393-2838.

Hourly volunteers are needed at the following hours:
Tuesday 2 a.m. - 3 a.m. Tuesday 3 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Wednesday 11 am-12pm Thursday 2 a.m.- 3 a.m.
Friday 1 p.m.-2 p.m. Friday 8 p.m.-9 p.m. (To Share)
Substitutes are needed for Tuesday October 23rd & 30th from 11 a.m.-12 noon and October 30th from 9-10 p.m.

CRAFT FAIR INFORMATION

November 17, 2007



WORKSHOPS - Please come and join us in making an assortment of items from ornaments, rag angels, wreaths, swags, lighted pinecone baskets, and much more. There are many tasks to do during the workshops, such as painting, cutting, ironing, decorating and finishing ongoing projects. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

October 27 10 am-2 pm Pastoral Center Hall
Come and work with us, laugh with us and enjoy some great fellowship as we create many outstanding items to make our craft fair a success again this year.

We are still in need of quality crafted items for the parish table and there is still time to donate an item or two. Items can be left at the Pastoral Center, Monday thru Friday, 9am-4pm, in the gathering space of the church or contact Jeanette Farreh @ 508-485-4010 (mailbox # 1) or Cathy Porter @ 508-485-6764. Please make sure that all donations are clearly marked Holiday Magic Craft Fair, include your name and address.

ITEMS NEEDED

Medium and large baskets with handles
Knitted Items - Hats, scarves, & mittens
Ornaments
Quilted Items
Crocheted Items - Baby items
Wooden Items
Table Decorations
Painted Items
Felted Handbags
Pins . . . And more

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Abby House first opened its doors in 1976. More than 10,000 women and children have been sheltered and supported since they first opened. Each year, about 300 women and children are welcomed into these emergency shelter.

Abby House is a non-profit organization. They have a Thrift Shop where they give vouchers to the people to purchase items at a very low cost. I am asking you to look into your closets and see if you have any warm clean like-new clothes you can donate.

Women- Coats, jackets, gloves, hat, dresses, sweaters

Infants-blankets, sweates, warm cloths, diapers...etc

Toddlers-Jackets, sweaters, ski pants, hats, gloves, etc.

Household items-Towels, sheets

To the children of our parish: Halloween dress up fun time. You will be getting lots of candy. Would you like to share your candy with the children in the shelter? Thank you for helping.

Religious Education 2007-2008

PK, K and Grade 1 - The next class for PK, K and grade 1 is on October 28th from 10:15am - 11:15am. Classes meet in the pre-school building.

Grades 3 thru 6 - The next class for grade 3 thru 6 is on Sunday, October 28th from 10:15am - 11:45am. Classes will meet in the school building. We ask that all students in these grade levels will enter and exit the school building through the lower glass doors. All children will be dismissed from their classrooms. Please come in to pick them up. Thank you! If you have any questions please contact the religious education office at 508-393-7445.

Junior High & High School - There will be no classes on Sunday, October 28th for Jr. High and High School. The classes will be attending the Worcester Diocese Youth Day on Saturday, October 27.

The next regular class for Junior High and High School will be on Sunday, November 4th from 6pm until 8pm.

A reminder for all Junior High School and High School students that will be attending the Worcester Diocese Youth Day. Please arrive at the Parish parking lot by 8:30 a.m. (bus will be leaving at 8:45 a.m. sharp). Call the religious education office with any questions at 508-393-7445.

First Reconciliation - Our next class for Reconciliation will be on October 21st from 10:15am until 12noon in the school building.

Prayer Sponsors - We ask for your prayers for our reconciliation candidates, please consider being a prayer sponsor for a child. You may pick up an envelope in the gathering space.

Reconciliation Retreats - Retreats for parents and students will be held on November 3rd from 9:30 a.m.-12noon and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. and on November 17th from 9:30 a.m.-12noon.

WARM COAT DRIVE

There are many needy families in our area that will be in need of a warm coats in the upcoming weeks. Before the weather gets colder, Junior Girl Scout Troop #484 is asking you to clean out your closets and donate any clean and gently worn coats you will not be using this year. There will be a collection box in the gathering space of the church this weekend and next weekend. They will also be a collecting coats in the St. Bernadette parking lot by the rectory on Saturday, October 27th from 10:00a.m.-1:00 p.m. Thank you in advance for taking the time to help us make a difference in our community.

MINISTRY SUNDAY

Next weekend, October 27 & 28 St. Bernadette Parish will be having Ministry Sunday. All parishioners, young and old will have an opportunity to sign up for many of the ministries our parish has to offer. Each person is given a gift from God, and its how we use our gifts to help one another in our community to be disciples of Christ.

Please take this week to pray on how you are able to help in the parish community. Many of the ministries run on a rotating basis, so you would not be involved every week. As they say, the more hands make lighter work. Join as an individual, a couple or as a family— its wonderful knowing that you are helping to do God's work in the community.

Thank you to all who are currently in a ministry, for all the work you do is greatly appreciated. You are the hands of Christ in action.

VISITATION HOUSE

This weekend we welcome Joe Williams and Eve Lindquist of the Visitation House to speak about there ministry in helping mothers who have no place to go during their pregnancy. At the Visitation House they are given a caring home while being taught life and job skills and prepared for the arrival of their child. Next weekend, October 27th & 28th a second collection will be taken to help defray the costs of running this ministry. We appreciate your generosity.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO SPONSOR ITALIAN DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring an Italian Dinner on November 10th in the Pastoral Center Hall after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. All are welcome. Bring your family and friends for a fun dinner and to support our many charities at St. Bernadette and St. Rose of Lima. Ticket will be available at the door or for presale contact Ken Foster at 508-393-7582.

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE / PLACEMENT TESTS

Notre Dame Academy, 425 Salisbury St. Worcester 508-757-6200, Website: nda-worc.org

Entrance Exam— for 8th grade girls and transfer students on Saturday, November 3, 8:30 a.m. Pre-register required. Call Mrs. Riordan at 508-757-6200, Ext. 229

Spend A Day At NDA— 8th grade girls are invited to spend an academic day at the Academy. Pre-registration required. Call Mrs. Kennedy at 508-757-6200, Ext. 230. You may also sign up to visit at our Open House.

Holy Name Central Catholic Jr/Sr High School,

144 Granite St. Worcester, 508-753-6371, Website: www.holyname.net

Placement Tests— 8:00-11:00 a.m., Grade 9— Saturday, November 17th, Grade 7— Saturday, December 1st

Hudson Catholic High School, 198 Main St. Hudson 978-562-6701 Website: www.hudsoncatholic.net

Open House - all interested 7th & 8th grade students and their families are invited to attend on Tuesday, October 30 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Meet administration and faculty during a student guided tour.

St. Peter-Marian Central Catholic Junior-Senior High School, 781 Grove Street, Worcester
508-852-5555 Website: www.saintpetermarian.com

Open House - all students and families are welcome on Sunday, October 28th from 1:30 p.m –3:30 p.m at both the Jr. High and Sr. High School buildings.

Saint John's High School, 378 Main Street, Shrewsbury, 508-842-8934, website: www.stjohnshigh.org

Open House— all interested 8th grader and their families are welcome on Sunday, October 28th at 1:00 p.m.

Entrance Exam— will be on Saturday, November 10th at 8:30 a.m.

For more information contact the admissions office at 508-842-8934 ext. 266, jmorse@stjohnshigh.org .



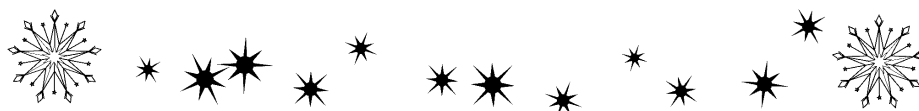
**St. Bernadette Holiday Magic Craft Fair
November 17, 2007
QUILT RAFFLE**

For the last three years, a group of women from the parish have spent about seven months each year creating an original hand-crafted quilt which was then raffled off at the HOLIDAY MAGIC CRAFT FAIR.

This year we have made a queen sized quilt (85" X 100") using a traditional block pattern called INDIAN TRAILS in Blue, White & Yellow. A picture of the completed quilt is displayed in the back of the church.

Raffle tickets for the quilt can be purchased for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. We encourage you to purchase tickets by filling out the coupon below and returning it in an envelope labeled "Quilt" along with cash or your check. You may place the envelope in the collection basket at Mass, bring it to the Pastoral Center Office Mon-Fri 9am to 4pm or send it by mail.

We thank you for your support of this fund raiser and we look forward to seeing you at the Holiday Magic Craft Fair on November 17, 2007.



**QUILT RAFFLE
HOLIDAY MAGIC CRAFT FAIR
November 17, 2007**



Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

of Tickets: _____ Amount enclosed: \$ _____

(Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 - Make checks payable to *St. Bernadette Parish*)

Liturgical Roles - October 27 & 28

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>EMC</u>	<u>Servers</u>
5:00 p.m.	Sr. Muriel P. Reuter	Deacon George P. Boivin M. Pierson S. Sardam J. Risotti L. Griffin G. Boland	C.Reuter D. Reuter T. Reuter
9:00 a.m.	T. Varney J. Ryan	Deacon George L. Rohmer J. Falconi J. Volpi W. Wojcik R. Agnay R. Rahn	B. Rohmer M. Itkowski E. Itkowski
11:00 a.m.	M. Maguire S. Shields	Deacon George C. Charest M. Fausek N. Martel D. Henries B. Henries E. Beaulac	B. Bissett J. Bissett M. Driscoll

Altar Society - October 27

R. Zydlewski, W. Zydlewski, D. Anderson, M. Anderson

OFFERINGS - WEEK OF OCTOBER 14, 2007

Offertory Commitment	\$ 3,478.50
Loose Money	\$ 548.00
Monthly Maintenance	\$ 425.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

For your information:

Please make out separate checks when submitting for the Offertory collection and for the Campaign for St. Bernadette's. ***Please indicate in the memo section which fund the check should go into.***



Welcome to Our Parish

Thank you for joining us in the celebration of the Mass! It is our sincere wish to welcome you to our parish.

If you are new to our parish or to the Catholic faith, we are honored to have you with us.

Registration packets are available in the Gathering Space of the Church and at the Pastoral Center Office or by calling 508-393-2838. Please feel free to ask any questions about our Church.

All items (including flyers) to be placed into the bulletin must be in the office by Friday of the prior week. If possible, please email information to stbernadetteparish@charter.net. Thank You.

Please remember St. Bernadette Parish and St. Bernadette School in your estate planning and will preparation. Thank you for your consideration and kindness! Please contact the parish office for more information at 508-393-2838.

PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

<u>Altar Servers</u> Chuck Dinovo 366-5288	<u>Knights of Columbus</u> St. Augustine Council #5724 Michael Ryan, (Grand Knight) 393-5203	<u>Outreach</u>
<u>Altar Society</u> Walter & Rose Zydlewski 485-7683	<u>Parish Finance</u> Amy Halloran 393-3206	<u>Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration</u> Sr. Muriel Audette 393-2838 Cheryl Charest 393-2838
<u>Art & Environment</u> Anne Wall 393-3042	<u>Lectors</u> Horace Turner 393-5340	<u>Prayer Group</u> Marianne Kearney 351-6099
<u>Baptism Preparation</u> Sr. Muriel Audette 393-2838 Deacon George O'Connor 393-2838	<u>Marriage Ministry</u> Deacon George & Joyce O'Connor 393-2838	<u>Respect for Life</u>
<u>Bereavement</u> Mary Jane Pierson 393-2766 Sr. Muriel Audette 393-2838	<u>Mom's Group</u> Terri Foster 393-2527	<u>R.C.I.A.</u> Sr. Muriel Audette 393-2838
<u>Caring Connection/Hospitality</u> Sr. Muriel Audette 393-2838	<u>Music Ministry</u> Contemporary Choir Tom Lowe 393-8113	<u>Women's Faith Sharing</u> Peg Lien 393-7180 Sr. Muriel Audette 393-2838 Judi Winning 393-3303
<u>Coffee Hour</u> Eileen Dawson 393-5070	<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u> Horace Turner 393-5340	<u>Youth Ministry</u> Susan Pegg 393-2838