

**MASS INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, MARCH 17**

5:15 PM Genevieve DePerry (Rem.),  
By family  
Kate Levesque (3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.),  
By the Saulnier family

**SUNDAY, MARCH 18**

8:00 AM John & Josephine Tutalo (Rem.),  
By family  
10:00 AM Ronald Paterson (15<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
By family  
Joseph Ricci (Rem.),  
By Agnes  
11:30 AM Peter & Elena Amoriggi (Ann.),  
By family

**MONDAY, MARCH 19**

12:10 PM Vincent & Christina Piscitelli (Rem.),  
By family

**TUESDAY, MARCH 20**

12:10 PM Lisa Furia & Kate Levesque (Rem.),  
By Lucille

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21**

12:10 PM Antonio Cerbo (Ann.),  
By family  
Joseph Balassone (6<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
By wife and family

**THURSDAY, MARCH 22**

NO SCHEDULED MASS TODAY

**FRIDAY, MARCH 23**

12:10 PM Virginia DiFiore (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.),  
By family  
Patricia Kelley (Ann.),  
By mom  
2:30 PM Wedding- Carl Melise & Brianna Little  
7:00 PM Stations and Benediction

**SATURDAY, MARCH 24**

5:15 PM Angelo Ruscetta (Rem.),  
By family  
Christopher Lautieri (Rem.),  
By Betty and Gene

**SUNDAY, MARCH 25 – PALM SUNDAY**

8:00 AM Connie & Vincent Laurenza (Rem.),  
By Sal, Cee and Chris  
10:00 AM Virginia DiFiore (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.),  
By husband  
Antonio Cerbo (Ann.),  
By family  
12:00 PM Bruno Calvitto (14 Ann.),  
By family  
Gina Vespia (Birth.),  
By family

**Fifth Sunday  
of Lent**

March 18, 2018

Give me justice, O God!

**PASTOR'S COMMENTS**

Borrowed from Paul Turner

**Learning to Obey**

Obedience includes suffering. We sometimes disobey in order to avoid suffering, but that also exacts a price. You're afraid you'll show up late, so you speed and get a ticket. You're afraid you'll flunk a test, so you cheat and get caught. You know you shouldn't check out some sites on the internet, but you do—and now you're sorry. The consequences of disobedience are severe. The consequences of obedience include suffering.

When we obey, we give up something of our own preferences, goals and lusts. When we obey, we think of the good of others more than the pleasures we'd like. This brings its own pleasure, but it involves suffering.

Jesus obeyed the Father's will, and it included suffering. The Letter to the Hebrews says, "He offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death." He did not want to die. Yet, "He learned obedience from what he suffered." Jesus learned what it meant to obey. He suffered, but "he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him."

As Lent draws to its close, reflect back on Ash Wednesday. On that day you confessed your sins and promised to lead a better life. By now it should be clearer what you must do. It will not be easy. Suffering never is. But you will find peace when you obey God's will.

Fr. John

**MASS INTENTIONS**

(Call for additional Weekday Mass availability)

The following dates and times are available

MONDAY	APRIL 23	9:00 AM
SUNDAY	APRIL 29	8:00 AM
SUNDAY	MAY 6	8:00 AM



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**Office Hours: 9am to 4pm.**  
**Monday – Thursday**  
**Phone : 232-9321**  
**E-mail – srbccd@aol.com**

**Religious Education Classes**

Day	Date	Grade	Time
Sun	Mar 18	7 thru 10	6:30-7:45
Tue	Mar 20	1 thru 3	4:15-5:30
Wed	Mar 21	4 thru 6	4:15-5:30

Confirmation Candidate and Sponsor retreat April 6, from 6 to 8 here at St. Robert's, please keep all our Confirmation Candidates in your prayers.



In the Our Father we say: "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." This is an equation. If you are not capable of forgiveness, how can God forgive you? The Lord wants to forgive you, but he cannot if you keep your heart closed and mercy cannot enter. One might object: "Father, I forgive, but I cannot forget that awful thing that he did to me...." The answer is to ask the Lord to help you forget. One must forgive as God forgives, and God forgives the maximum"

*God Forgives the Maximum*

**MR. ROB MANZO**



**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, ROSARY** FOLLOWING 8:00 **AM**  
 MASS IN THE UPPER CHURCH  
**WEDNESDAY, AAGROUP MEETING** AT 7:00  
**AM** IN THE CHURCH HALL (EVERY  
 WEDNESDAY)  
**THURSDAY, NA GROUP MEETING** AT 7:00  
**PM** IN THE SACRISTY  
**FRIDAY, AA** AT 8:00 **PM** IN THE CHURCH  
 HALL (EVERY FRIDAY)  
**FRIDAY, NA GROUP MEETING** AT 10:00 **PM**  
 IN THE CHURCH HALL

**DAILY READINGS**

**Sunday** Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33  
**Monday** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a  
**Tuesday** Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30  
**Wednesday** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42  
**Thursday** Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59  
**Friday** Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42  
**Saturday** Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56



**Call: Jan Zarrella (274-6576) or Charon Souza (231-3962) or Eileen Morrison (349-3601)**

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR  
 FOOD SHELF!**

**The Food Shelf is in need of these**

**items:**

**CEREAL**

**TUNA**

**BOX PASTA**

**JARRED PASTA SAUCE**

**CLEANING PRODUCTS**

**\$10.00 STOP & SHOP OR PRICE RITE GIFT CARDS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.**

**Thank you for your generosity!**



# 40-WEEK CLUB 2018

## OUR MAJOR FUND RAISER

Week #11 Ticket # 0140

\$35 : Pat Mendes

**Captain:** Ann Toolan

Tickets are still available at the Rectory Office or call  
Ann @ 944-6792, Pat @ 647-7461 or Judy @ 232-3603

All payments must be Up-To-Date to be eligible – Thank you for your support!

### ++ CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE ++ PROGRAM POLICIES 2018-2019

In accordance with Diocesan Policies, **Tuition Assistance is only for students in grades K-8.** *The premise of the Catholic School Tuition Assistance Program is that financial assistance is based on need.* Families requesting assistance must fulfill the following requirements:

- \***Must** be registered in the parish (at least one full year.)
- \***Must** attend Mass on a weekly basis.
- \***Must** use the budget envelope system.
- \***Must** show family involvement in parish programs/ministry.

**Please fill out a separate form for each child in a household.** If you need an application sent to you, please call the Rectory at 232-5600 or pick one up on the community table at Church. **Applications must be completed and returned to the Rectory by April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### McVinney Auditorium

Volunteer as an Usher at McVinney The commitment may be small, but the impact is great! Our ushers are integral in providing a welcoming experience to everyone who comes through the doors of McVinney. What you can expect: - Arrive 90 minutes before the event - Take tickets, guide patrons to their seats, or hand out programs - Assist any patrons in the theater during the event - Enjoy the event for FREE! To learn more, email [mcvinney@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:mcvinney@dioceseofprovidence.org) or visit [www.mcvinneyauditorium.com](http://www.mcvinneyauditorium.com) for more details.

We hope to see you soon!



### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

A big thank you goes out to the ladies who made and donated the beautiful fleece, knitted and crocheted scarves and hats for the homeless. You are making a difference. Our prayer shawl ministry is in full swing. Drop off knitted/ crocheted prayer shawls at church. For knitted shawls, we use 3 skeins of Lion Brand, Homespun yarn or any soft yarn, total yardage 555 yds. Cast on 60 stitches and work until the skeins are finished. For crocheted shawls, check out the web site "The Crochet Crowd" for easy patterns. For more information contact Carolyn 231-5764 or Margie 231-5276

### **Are You Listening to "Relevant Radio"?**

Turn to 550 AM for truly Catholic radio station, reporting news about our faith from around the world. Want to grow in your faith? Listen to "Relevant Radio" daily!

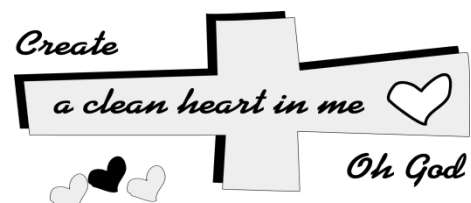
### **2018 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL**

#### *"Support the Work of the Church"*

Our parish goal is to attain 100% participation – a goal that can only be reached with your sacrificial help and support. All gifts, regardless of size, help to make a difference in the lives of so many individuals.

### Time Out Retreats

**"Dream Big, Fly High,"** a StoweGood concert led by Stowe Dailey and Karen Taylor-Good, singer-songwriters from Nashville, TN will be held at St. Patrick's Church, Wareham, MA on Sunday, April 15 from 4:00PM -5:30PM. This fundraiser concert is in support of Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at St. Patrick's Church, The Narrows Restaurant, Wareham and through Sr. Claire at 508-295-0100 or Peggy Patenaude 508-548-9149.





## **PASSION PLAY WEEKEND MARCH 24/25**

**A SPECIAL DRAMATIZED Liturgy of the Word will  
be highlighted at all weekend Masses.**

**SATURDAY AT 5:15 PM**

**SUNDAY AT 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, AND **12:00 NOON****



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### **HOLY THURSDAY – MARCH 29**

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:30 PM  
(Adoration until 10:00 PM only)

### **GOOD FRIDAY – MARCH 30**

Way of the Cross – 3:00 PM  
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Holy Communion – 7:30 PM

### **EASTER VIGIL MASS, SATURDAY, MARCH 31 AT 7:30 PM**

**\*\*\*NOTE: THERE IS NO 5:15 PM MASS TODAY\*\*\***

### **EASTER DAY MASSES, SUNDAY, APRIL 1**

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, AND 11:30 AM