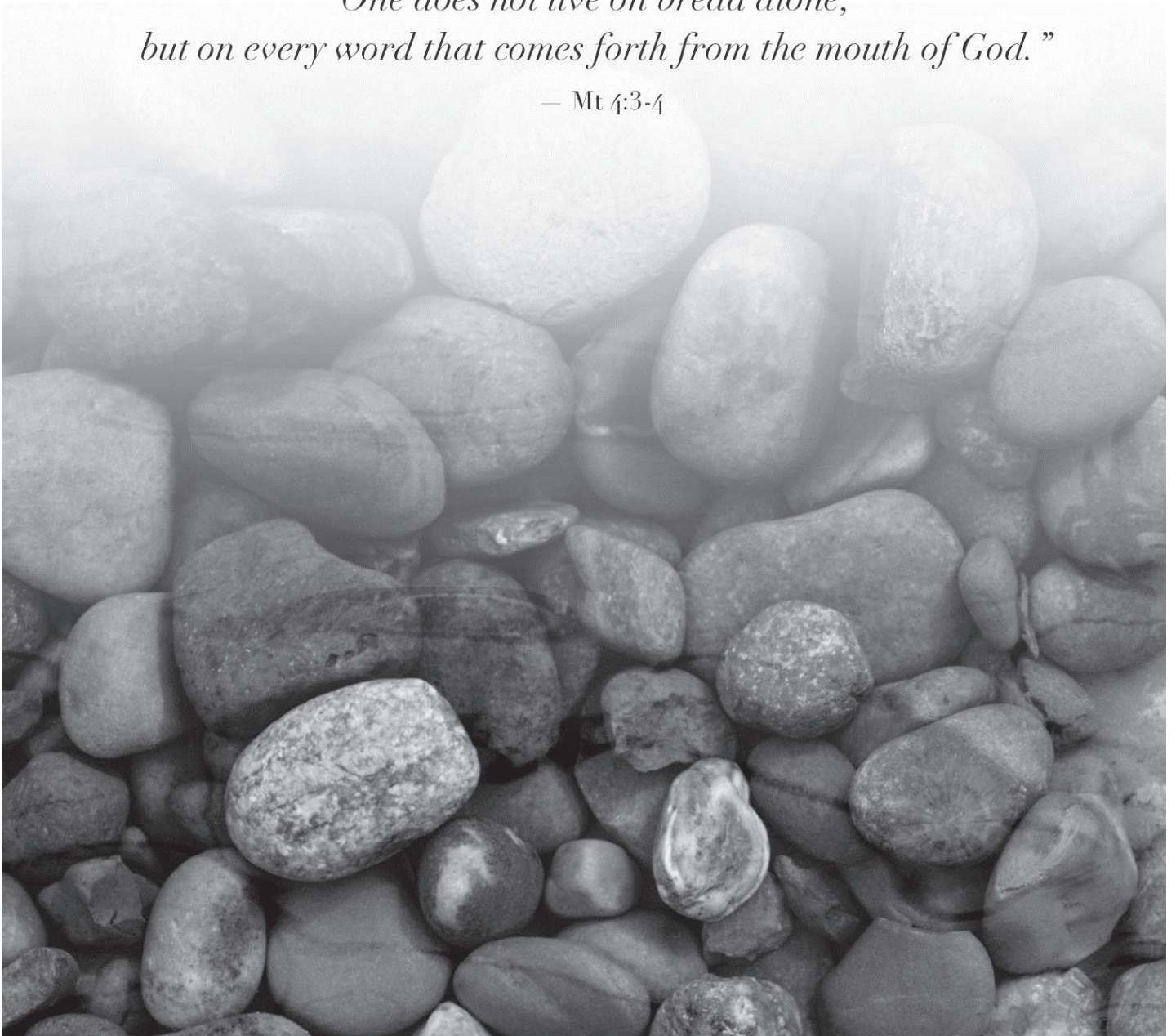


First Sunday of Lent

The tempter approached and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread.” He said in reply, “It is written:

*One does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.”*

— Mt 4:3-4





PASTORAL SHARINGS

Dear Parishioners,

We are grateful to you for your kind response to Chris Kierce's appeal on behalf of the 2014 Catholic Appeal. And we thank Chris, also, for his dedication to the Parish and his willingness to speak on behalf of the Appeal each year. It is our hope that the additional pledges made last week-end will help us to reach our donor goal, as well as the assessed goal for the Parish.

On Ash Wednesday we read a passage from the prophet Joel who sets the tone for the season of Lent "Even now" the Lord says, "return to me with your whole heart, with fasting and weeping. Rend your hearts and not your garments and return to the Lord your God". He then goes on to list some of the ways to return to God, "for gracious and merciful is he, slow to anger, rich in kindness, and relenting in punishment" all of which, can be a blueprint for our own Lenten observance.

A little book by Father Louis Evely titled: Lenten Reflections for Catholics, Finding God Again" offers a series of carefully selected readings which offer renewal and reflection for the reader. Father Evely points out that we are not Christians because we practice all the mortifications of Lent, go to Mass every Sunday, nor because we are virtuous, honest and pure. Not even because we love God. Every religion helps one do that. But we are Christians because we have that strange, unusual, unheard of persuasion that God loves us, that God loves you, that he takes delight in the love of your heart, that he is pleased with your attention and hurt by your refusal.

The Church world wide, taking the lead from Pope Benedict, is experiencing the new evangelization, a period in which the church is reaching out to those who were baptized in the faith but may not be practicing it today. One thing that comes immediately to light is that evangelization is the duty, and the challenge of each baptized person. Each one of you has the grace of the Spirit to reach out to someone you know who is not worshipping with us each Sunday. Our evangelization committee is inviting you to three special events during Lent. the first will take place on this Tuesday evening when Father Bill Russell, SJ, will return to speak on reconciliation. He will return on the 25th of March to speak on the Eucharist, and on Palm Sunday, April 13 we are invited to attend the Tenebrae Service, the service light, at St. Mary of the Assumption in Hull. These events would be a wonderful time to put your evangelizing efforts to work and invite someone to come with you to these sessions. In Father Evely's words: "Lord, I want to get started right away. Help me this Lent to share something valuable with someone who needs it, and help me to let you see me smile the whole time." May that something valuable be your faith, and may you share it widely this Lent.

Rev. John R. Mulvehill

Parish Support

	Last Week	Calendar Year to Date
Offertory Collection	\$9,332.00	
Automatic Bank Offering	\$1,773.00	
Total	\$11,105.00	\$90,436.00
Budgeted Offertory	\$10,000.00	\$90,000.00
Excess (Shortfall)	\$1,105.00	\$436.00

2nd collection this weekend Church in Africa, Central & Eastern Europe



Saturday, March 8

5:00 PM Allen G. McCarter—Memorial

Sunday, March 9

8:00 AM All Parishioners Prayer Requests

9:30 AM William J. Morgan—4th Anniversary

Monday, March 10

7:00 AM Judy Berry—Complete Recovery

Tuesday, March 11

7:00 AM Edward G. Malone—Memorial

Wednesday, March 12

7:00 AM Florence Rockwell—Memorial

Saturday, March 15

5:00 PM Frank Evans—1st Anniversary

Sunday, March 16

8:00 AM Marie Maulucci—Memorial



The Light Is On For You
On all the Wednesdays of Lent
from 6:30-8:00 PM

St. Anthony and all the parishes and chapels of the Archdiocese of Boston will be open for individual confessions. Please make plans to come on Lenten Wednesdays and spread the word of this special outreach of mercy to those you know.



TICKETS ARE GOING FAST!!!

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday March 22 at 6:00 PM

St. Anthony Parish Center

Tickets—\$20.00 per person

\$15.00—seniors

6:00 PM—Cocktail Hour

7:00 PM—Dinner

Toe tapping, hand clapping fun with "The Silver Spears" corned beef and cabbage dinner, wine & beer cash bar. Tickets will be sold after the weekend Masses or may be purchased at the Parish Center Office (781)383-0219.

Lenten Regulations

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

Fast – Catholics from 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday (Good Friday April 18, 2014) 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 and fruit juices are allowed.

Regarding other weekdays of Lent, participation in daily Mass and the voluntary observance of fasting is recommended.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Religious Education/Confirmation
Mrs. Virginia MacLeod, Director 781-383-0630

Grades 1-8 and 10 will meet as usual this week

Grade 3 Mass March 9:

The Grade 3 students enrolled in our Religious Education Program will be special guests **today** (Sunday) at the 9:30 A.M. Mass. Children should report to the Church at 9:00 AM for practice. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall following the Mass.

Grade 10 Confirmation Candidates:

Bishop Arthur Kennedy will confer the sacrament of Confirmation upon the second year Confirmation candidates who have completed the necessary requirements for Confirmation on Saturday, March 29, at 2:00 P.M. Sponsors and candidates should report to the church at 7:00 PM for a practice on Friday, March 28.

CRS Operation Rice Bowl:

As part of your Lenten journey this year, we are asking parish families to participate in CRS Operation Rice Bowl. This Lenten program is sponsored by Catholic Relief Service, the official international agency of the U.S. Catholic community. CRS invites people to donate money saved because of their Lenten fasting. The U. S. Catholic community assists more than 100 million of the world's poorest through CRS. Instead of the usual cardboard rice bowls that were used in the past, we are asking families to place their sacrificial offering in special manila envelopes, which may be found at the exits of the Church.



Why do we believe? When I am working with the youth many of them do not believe. It is not their fault. I think for most of them their world is too busy. I have said in the past that the world we live in has a way of taking us over. We lose sight of what is really important. What I try to do is not tell them they have to believe. Instead I have to be patient and help them realize the wonderfulness of believing. This is done in so many subtle ways. The challenge is that I have to look at it from the eyes of so many. Each one coming from a different life journey. It is not as difficult as it seems. Actually it is quite simple. If we believe and have conviction in that belief others witness something which at first may seem a bit strange or overwhelming. This witnessing may take a month, a year or even three years. How long it takes does not matter. The only thing that matters is that a person begins to see something in another and that seeing opens our eyes perhaps for the first time or our sight has once again been restored. Everyone loses sight once in a while and I believe we all have this belief in us. We just need someone to show us the way. To guide us. That is Jesus. We are his disciples. We simply guide each other to the one who will show us the way. Not forcing it. Not telling someone they have to believe. Just living our humble lives and remembering three simple words. "Come follow me".

From the Deacon's Bench

All through our life Christ is calling us. Whether we obey His voice or not, He graciously calls us.

Author—Bl. John Henry Newman

Liturgical Roles

Altar Servers – This Weekend, March 8/9

5:00 PM Thomas Marsden, Dan Durkin
8:00 AM Tommy Olson, Charlie Cunningham
9:30 AM Kevin Perrone, Thomas Dockray
11:30 AM Mia Martone, David Hillman
5:00 PM Liam O'Connell, David Burke

Altar Servers – Next Weekend, March 15/16

5:00 PM Annie Toomey, Annie Griffin
8:00 AM Jack Mahoney, Maddy Grudinkas
9:30 AM Anastasia St. John, Ian Dunkelberger
11:30 AM Matthew Lucitt, Scott Lucitt
5:00 PM Lily McCarthy, Tommy Olson

Ministers of the Word – This Weekend March 8/9

5:00 PM Paul Cotter
8:00 AM Wendy Lanoue
9:30 AM Religious Education
11:30 AM David Drinan

Ministers of the Word – Next Weekend March 15/16

5:00 PM Mark Kissick
8:00 AM William Flaherty
9:30 AM Robert Ciciotte
11:30 AM Chris Kierce

Eucharistic Ministers – This Weekend, March 8/9

5:00 PM Margaret Cotter, Polly Pyne, Mary Rooney
8:00 AM Margy Charles, Lynn Ferrara, George Kelly
9:30 AM Barbara Donahue, Charles Flint, Millie Kerrigan
11:30 AM John Dwyer, Lanier Grassie, Sandra Murray

Eucharistic Ministers – Next Weekend, March 15/16

5:00 PM Anna Abbruzzese, Carol Barrett, Elizabeth Kissick
8:00 AM Virginia Heffernan, George Kelly, Wendy Lanoue
9:30 AM Adrienne MacCarthy, Jane Reardon, Dolores Roy
11:30 AM David Drinan, Rose Kierce, Ron Nicynski

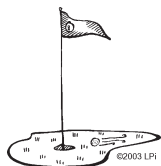
In Loving Memory

Please remember in your prayers, **Robert Ernst Sr., Julie H. Devlin and Patrick Carbone** who passed away recently. May their souls and the Souls of All the Faithful Departed Rest In Peace. AMEN



GIFTED HANDS

We will be meeting at the Parish Center on Mondays at 10:00 AM (excluding Monday holidays).



Save the Date
St. Anthony's Golf and Tennis Classic
Auction and Dinner
Monday May 12, 2014
Black Rock Country Club - Hingham



MARCH 9, 2014



Prayer for Our Troops

*Almighty God and Father, hold our servicemen and women in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior
Amen*



Girl Scout Sunday

We welcome the Girl Scouts who are celebrating Girl Scout Sunday today at the 9:30 AM Mass.

LIFT Worship Night

Join LIFT Ministries for an exciting monthly worship event which includes uplifting music, dynamic and challenging Catholic speakers and Eucharistic Adoration. Their events are FREE to attend and open to ALL AGES. Be with them on Tuesday, March 18th for a great night of worship. The evening runs from 7:00 - 9:00 PM at Fontbonne Academy, 930 Brook Road, Milton, MA. Directions and a downloadable flyer, along with more information about LIFT, can be found on their website at www.liftedhigher.com. Come join in worship with hundreds of Catholics from around the Boston area!



Lenten Stations of the Cross Followed by Soup

LENT We will be offering a traditional “*Reflective Way of the Cross*” on all of the Friday evenings of Lent at 6:15 P.M. (7:30 P.M. on Good Friday). On the Friday evenings of Lent, Stations of the Cross will be celebrated in the Church at 6:15 PM followed by a “*Lenten Meal*” in the Parish Center of soup, bread, cookies and beverage. “Soup and Stations” will be offered on the following Friday evenings: March 14, 21, April 4, and 11th.

Wedding  Banns

I Elaine O’Regan & Brian Kelly

Thank You To the Gifted Hands Ministry,

Thank you once again for the delivery of so many beautiful shawls. As we begin the holy season of Lent, may each of you be especially blessed! South Shore Hospital

St. Anthony Parish Registration

Are you new to St. Anthony Parish? If so, we hope that you find us a welcoming and inviting family of faith. If you wish to register with us, please fill out this form and return to the Parish Office, 10 Summer St., Cohasset MA 02025. We will be happy to send you a registration form.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

We wish to receive envelopes yes _____ no _____