

HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH

"Living in faith, growing in faith, sharing in faith"



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday at 8:00 AM

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Monday following Daily Mass

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 PM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

On Sunday by appointment.

Please call the Rectory to obtain more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples are asked to contact

Father Sullivan at least 12 months prior to the date of their wedding.
Couples should speak with Father Sullivan to make sure that the Church
is available before scheduling the date and place for the reception.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Please notify the Rectory of any parishioner who is unable to attend
Mass due to illness, handicap or age.

Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Please see Father Sullivan after Mass
to Register with the Parish.



The Church is accessible to the Handicapped.
The **ELEVATOR** is to the left of the Main Entrance.

Mass Intentions



This Weekend

Saturday 4:00PM Alice Weaver - 8th Anniv.
Sunday 8:00AM George Lucey
 10:00AM For Living and Deceased
 Members of the Holy Redeemer Women's Club

This Week

Monday Rev. John J. Perry
Tuesday Harris Ghaus
Wednesday David Coupal - 9th Anniversary
Thursday Walter Pollack
Friday Special Intention

Next Weekend

Saturday 4:00PM Len Japowicz
Sunday 8:00AM Patricia Barry
 10:00AM Luke Kelly

Our Parish Vision

Through a culture of excellence in worship, we are a Christ centered welcoming parish dedicated to life-long faith formation, evangelization, social works of justice and community outreach that strengthen the Catholic Church on the Lower Cape. Through gifts of time, talent and treasure we embrace all people as brothers and sisters.

Our Lenten Program

- The Stations of the Cross are recited on the Friday afternoons of Lent at 4:30 PM. A different version of the Stations is prayed each week by a parish group. This week members of the Nursing Home Ministry will lead us in a version called Stations of the Cross for Seniors.
- Following the Stations parishioners are invited to share a simple Soup Supper. A program called "The Grace of Les Misérables" will follow the supper. Each week we will view a video presentation by Rev. Matt Rawle. He will reflect on the six ideals of grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love, and hope - each represented by a character in the famous Victor Hugo novel. Coincidentally, this year's Monomoy Regional High School Spring Musical is Les Misérables. Performances are March 18-21, 2020 at 7:00 PM.
- Parishioners can practice the Lenten discipline of almsgiving by filling the Lenten Folder sent to each household before Lent began. Each day of Lent donate a quarter in the folder for a total of \$10 by the end of the season. Proceeds from the folder will be sent to Cross Catholic Outreach to build a house for a homeless family in a Third World Country. The cost of a modest home is \$5,060. Additional folders are available at the back of the church.
- To encourage parishioners to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In addition to the regular 3:00-3:45 Saturday afternoon confession time, Fr. Sullivan will be available for fifteen minutes before each Mass. He'll be in the Reconciliation Room at the back of the church from 7:30-7:45 before the 8 AM Mass and from 9:30-9:45 before the 10 AM Mass. Hopefully, he won't be there by himself.

Tabernacle Lamp: At Holy Redeemer in memory of the Henry, Twomey, Hurley, Day, Weaver & Thomas Families.

Prayers: Please pray for those who are sick: Christina Boyle, James Nelson, Leila Porter, Marley Marie Smith, Fred Magnusson, Vera Russo, Sawyer Craig, Jack Gerard, Joyce Gallup, Joseph Filardi, Madeline Keogh, Oscar Sprague, William Harahan, Krissy Labbate, Clarence Silvia, Thomas Chestaw, Leonard Gratton, Pam Weiler, Heather Duarte, Donna Grant, Helen Duarte, Sidney Harvey, Agnes Chrysogelos, Jean Canavan, Martin Lieber, John & Mary Lynch, Rene Artaud, Heather Sammartano, Tom Grant, Bill Manley, Pauline DiRocco, Jessica Pollack, Conor Kent. Please pray for our beloved deceased: Dorothy Healy.

No Matter who you are
 No Matter what you do
 No Matter where you come from
 No matter where you are going
 No matter how good or how bad things may seem
 Please know that you are always welcome
 at Holy Redeemer

Living Stewardship Now

"A man turning from an evil life is bound to be rendered desperate by the knowledge of his sins, if he does not know how good God is, how kind and gentle, and how ready to forgive." —Saint Bernard of Clairvaux (1090–1153)

MARCH 15, 2020

From the Pastor

Coronavirus Concerns

As the Coronavirus continues to spread and in an abundance of caution many Catholic dioceses and churches have taken extra precautions with some liturgical practices. Beginning this weekend, we'll:

- Suspend offering the Chalice with the Precious Blood. Hopefully, we'll be able to reinstitute the cup at Easter if the virus is contained by then. Remember that the fullness of the Eucharist is present in both the host and the wine.
- If you are reluctant to shake hands at the Sign of Peace exchanging a pleasant smile and maybe a head nod is appropriate. Yes, we want to remain hospitable and welcoming to our fellow parishioners.
- If you usually receive the host on the tongue you might want to receive communion in the hand while the threat of contagion lasts.
- The Holy Water fonts at the entrance to the church will also be empty of water for the next few weeks. Hopefully, they too can be refilled at Easter since the baptismal water is such a vital sign during the Easter season.
- Remember, if you are feeling sick you need not attend Mass. You should stay home to help prevent the spread of any illness. No one incurs sin if they don't attend weekend Mass because of illness. Watching a television Mass and receiving a spiritual communion (a desire to receive the Eucharist even when it is not physically possible) is sufficient in these circumstances.
- The virus seems to be especially detrimental to those with chronic medical conditions and the elderly. If cases develop in our area it would be prudent for people in those categories not to attend Mass. People in these categories who would like to receive the Eucharist at home are invited to call the Parish Office (508)-945-0677 and we'll arrange a communion call for you.
- Public health officials remind us that the best defense against any illness is to wash our hands thoroughly with soap and water. We need to keep our hands underwater as long as it takes to sing the "Happy Birthday Song" twice.
- Remember as a prayer intention the victims of the virus. Pray for the recovery of those who are infected and for the repose of the souls of those who have died. Keep the health and wellbeing of health care workers in your intentions, too.
- Also, be sure to check in on each other to make sure no one is in need. If you have family, friends or neighbors who are elderly or vulnerable in any way try to check in with them from time to time. The immediate future might prove to be stressful for many. Take that into consideration in our interaction with each other. Most of all trust God!

More Long-Range Plans

Music Director Ryan Peteraf has organized an ecumenical choir, St. Cecelia Schola, to present Franz Liszt's Via Crucis on Good Friday, April 10, at 7:00 PM, the same time we usually recite the Stations of the Cross that day. Ryan says about the program, "Liszt masterfully sets music to all 14 stations of the cross by using complex harmonies to paint a musical image of Christ's Passion. From Gregorian chant, to Bach chorales, to organ mediation, there is something for all who enjoy classical music." The Stations are a worship service and not a concert so there is no entrance charge. It will be a very moving way to meditate and pray on the Passion and Death of our Lord on Good Friday evening. Make your plans to attend and invite your friends. All are welcome.

LENTEN LAWS OF ABSTINENCE

During this Lenten Season remember those 14 years and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and ALL the Fridays of Lent. As Catholics, we should feel a strong obligation to be faithful to the Lenten Laws of sacrifice.