



# HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH

## 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 two times each month.



## OUR LADY OF GRACE CHAPEL

Rte. 28 & Rte. 137 (Meetinghouse Road)  
South Chatham, MA 02659

**CLOSED  
FOR  
THE  
SEASON**



## PASTOR

Father John M. Sullivan

## DEACON

Joseph F. Mador

## DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION and ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Mrs. Beth Norcross

## RECTORY

57 Highland Avenue  
Chatham, MA 02633

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
(By appointment at other times)  
(508) 945-0677 - FAX (508) 945-3186  
[www.holyredeemerchatham.org](http://www.holyredeemerchatham.org)

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Help Line: 508-237-7983



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

## NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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

**Mass Intentions**



**This Weekend**

**Saturday** 4:00PM For the People of the Parish  
**Sunday** 8:00AM Richard Dunn  
 10:00AM Barbara Gibbons - 1st Anniv.

**This Week**

**Monday** Tom Siegel  
**Tuesday** Frederick Wieting  
**Wednesday** Leonard T. Finn  
**Thursday** John "Jack" Gillis — Month Mind  
**Friday** Bob DePatie

**Next Weekend**

**Saturday** 4:00PM Len Japowicz  
 Jan Capodilupo  
**Sunday** 8:00AM For the People of the Parish  
 10:00AM Barbara Lally

**Tabernacle Lamp:** In memory of Jennie Roderick.

**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, Dr. Peter McKay, Bill Manley, Joseph Filardi, Madeline Keogh, Oscar Sprague, William Harahan, Krissy Labbate, Clarence Silvia, Thomas Chestaw, Leonard Gratton, Pam Weiler, Heather Duarte, Hazel Byrne, Donna Grant, Helen Duarte, Christopher Westdyk, Ken Elliott, Sidney Harvey, Agnes Chrysogelos, Jean Canavan. Please pray for our beloved deceased: Peggy Driscoll.

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

**Parish Summer Event Meeting Sunday**

The parish is planning a Summer Fun-raiser for Sunday, August 25, 2019. That is the Sunday closest to the anniversary of the dedication of the original Holy Redeemer Church back in 1916. Back in mid-February we held our first organizational meeting. This Sunday all interested parishioners and friends of the parish are invited to our second planning meeting at 4:00PM in the Parish Center. We will need lots of help! The Woman's Club, Knights of Columbus and several parishioners are all onboard. It will be fun to work together as a parish community to make this event a success. Come share your gifts and make this a fun event.

**Celebrating First Holy Communion**

Next Sunday, May 5, our First Communicants Hailey Dewey, Molly Giorgio, Conor Kent, Julia Mador and Brianna O'Keefe will be celebrating the Sacrament at the 10 AM Mass. Please welcome them, their families and friends on this joyous occasion.

**Easter Thank You**

On behalf of everyone in the parish thank you to Josette Goff, Stefanie Murray and the Music Ministry for their talents during Holy Week and Easter. Both Josette and Stefanie left sickbeds; Josette was hospitalized early in Holy Week and Stefanie's son was operated on the week before. We're so glad both are doing so much better. Thank you to Becket Senchur who filled in very nicely as organist on Easter Sunday at the 8AM and Noon Masses so Josette could get some needed rest. We appreciate the generosity of all those parishioners who donated towards our Easter flowers and all those who contributed towards making Holy Week and Easter memorable in any way.

**Lenten Folders-** If you have not yet returned your Lenten Folder you may do so by placing it in the collection box at the front of the Church. Parishioners received a Lenten Folder before Lent began. They were asked to put aside a quarter a day for a total of \$10 over the entire Lenten season. These donations will be combined with those of other parishioners and sent to Food for the Poor to build a modest home for a family in Haiti. The cost of a home is \$3,600. Last year parishioners donated \$4,000. A modest house was built for the Montrevil Family of Plaine Du Nord, Haiti.

**Cross Catholic Outreach Speaker**

Fr. Farrell "Mac" McLaughlin will be visiting Holy Redeemer Parish the weekend of May 4-5, 2019, to speak on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach. Fr. McLaughlin is a retired priest of the Diocese of Providence, RI. In his retirement years he has done considerable work in the areas of Alcohol and Substance Abuse and Recovery. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Please be attentive to Fr. "Mac's" message.

**Holy Redeemer Parish  
 Financial Report**

Thank you for your generosity  
 to last week's collection

Last weekend's collection: \$6,662.00  
 Last weekend's second collection: \$4,257.00  
 Weekend Mass attendance: 1,057

**Living Stewardship Now**

Take time to serve someone with physical, emotional, or learning challenges. Teach an adult to read, take someone wheelchair-bound out for a ride, record books for the blind, give parents of a disabled child a "time-out."

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## **From the Pastor**

### **Rebuild My Church**

In the wake of the fire that heavily damaged Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris two weeks ago close to one billion dollars was pledged to fund its rebuilding within hours. Most of that money was pledged by several French multibillionaire industrialists. While that is a wonderful sign of generosity and of the importance to the French identity of that beautiful building, we must remember that it is a building. Our Catholic faith isn't based on buildings or imperfect leaders but on Jesus Christ Crucified and Resurrected from the Dead. The same Jesus Christ we celebrate during this Easter Season.

We are at a point where our Church needs rebuilding especially in its spiritual sense. The clergy sexual abuse scandal along with growing secularization and a focus on materialism in our society has left our Church crippled.

The need to rebuild our Church reminds me of the story of St. Francis of Assisi's life. As a young man he was praying in the derelict Church of San Damiano when he felt the figure of Christ in an icon of the crucifixion say to him, "Francis rebuild my church." St. Francis though Jesus meant the chapel itself. He went around the town of Assisi begging for stones to rebuild the physical building that was the church of San Damiano.

It was only after all this effort to rebuild a physical chapel that St. Francis realized that God was actually calling him to rebuild the spiritual Church that was suffering much like our Church today. Francis founded the Order of Friars Minor, known as the Franciscans, the Poor Clares, an order of Religious Sisters, and the Third Order Franciscans, a lay association of men and women who live in the world but are dedicated to the Franciscan way of life. St. Francis rebuilt the spiritual church too.

In a similar manner the impulse to rebuild Notre Dame Cathedral, one of the world's most beloved symbols of our Catholic faith, can also have a positive effect on efforts to rebuild the Church spiritually. Immediately after the fire, like many people, I felt as if I wanted to donate towards the reconstruction too. After hearing of the amount pledged towards reconstruction, I had second thoughts. I have decided that any money I would have contributed would be better spent towards the rebuilding of the spiritual Church.

So, I have decided to increase my donation to the upcoming Catholic Charities Appeal here in our diocese. I feel that the Church will be better served if the money I would have donated were to go towards helping the poor and disadvantaged right here in our own area. At times critics unjustly accuse Catholics of not doing enough to help our community. I feel it isn't that we don't do enough but that much of what we do goes overlooked. The Catholic Charities Appeal is one of the sources of funding for outreach by local Catholics to the needy of our community.

Registered parishioners of Holy Redeemer Parish received a letter from me sent on behalf of the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal. In the letter I asked for your generous support for the Appeal. If you did not get a letter there are extra mailings and pledge cards in the pews. Please take one and prayerfully consider your generous donation to this year's Catholic Charities Appeal.

Last year 220 Holy Redeemer parishioners donated \$51,519.75 to the Catholic Charities Appeal. Hopefully even more parishioners will take the opportunity to reach out to the needy of our diocese and help rebuild our Church in faith and hope with a generous contribution to the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal.

### **April Child Abuse Prevention Month**

April has been designated as Child Abuse Prevention Month by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. As the month draws to a close it is important that we all learn how to recognize the signs of possible child abuse. Be aware of behavioral changes in children that suggest they may have been traumatized, such as:

- Extreme mood swings;
- Withdrawal;
- Fearlessness;
- Excessive crying;
- Bed-wetting;
- Nightmares;
- Fear of going to bed; and
- Sleep disorders

### **Knights of Columbus Fraternal Insurance Night**

The Knights of Columbus will host an Insurance Open House on Tuesday, May 7th from 7-8:15PM in the Holy Trinity Parish Center on Route 28 in West Harwich. This insurance information sharing session is open to all parishioners of Holy Trinity, Our Lady of the Cape and Holy Redeemer and will focus on Life Insurance and Long Term Care Insurance including the benefits of these products with the Knights of Columbus. In addition, there will be time to ask questions during our open session or meet with one of our featured speakers after our informative presentation has ended. Light refreshments will be served. Reserve your seat by calling Mark Robinson at 508-258-0692.