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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Sunday: Vigil (Saturday Evening) 4:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., (Folk Group)
11:30 a.m. (Choir) 5:30 p.m. (Teen
Choir)
Daily: 9:00 a.m. Monday - Saturday
7:00 a.m. in convent Monday
Saturday
Holy Day: Vigil 5:30 p.m., Day 9:00 a.m. &
7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Sean M Connor, Pastor
Rev. Arthur M. Calter, Senior Priest, In Residence
Rev. John J. Connolly, In Residence
Rev. Michael C. Harrington, In Residence
Rev. Hung Pham. In Residence

Mrs. Jean F. Hayward, Business Manager
Mr. Jack O'Connor, P.P.C. Vice President

Mr. Bob Collins, Rel Ed Director/Youth Minister
Mrs. Paula Skalinski, Rel Ed, Coordinator
Mrs. Terry Owens, Folk Group Director

SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.
(lower church) & 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
(upper church)
Baptism: Third Sunday of the month at 2:00
p.m. Instructions on preceding
Sunday at 12:30 p.m.
Call the rectory to register.
Marriages: Arrange with one of the priests at
least six months in advance
**Anointing
of the Sick:** Call the rectory for Sacraments
and visits to the sick and
homebound

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturdays 9:30am-3:30pm
Rosary: 8:30am Monday-Saturday lower church
Our Lady of Fatima: First Saturdays 8:00am
lower church
Divine Mercy Chaplet: M-F 2:30-3:30pm convent chapel
Sat. - 2:30-3:30pm lower church
Mass 3rd Friday at 6:00PM

PROGRAMS

Religious Education Classes: Sunday 10:30 am
Grades 1-6 and 6:30pm Grades 7- Confirmation
CYO Basketball, Mr. Michael Doyle
Color Guard, Ms. Eileen Cunningham 617-775-6644
St. Vincent DePaul Main Office 781-344-3100
St. Vincent DePaul Local Parish 617-825-6180

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Parish Community of Saint Ann's in Neponset is in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. We believe that this tradition is a sacred gift given to us in Baptism and the inheritance bequeathed to us by those who have gone before us through the ages. With our Archbishop and Pastor we are united with our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, in our commitment to- and we are indeed shaped as a people by- the Eucharistic Assembly especially on the Lord's Day. We are strongly committed to maintaining our parish school and religious education programs. We are equally committed to the spiritual needs of those who are grieving or who are ill or because of advanced age are unable to celebrate the Sunday Eucharist. Through the Liturgy we hope to inspire and motivate our parish family to respond to the physical needs of the less fortunate of Christ's brothers and sisters. We are a parish that is deeply committed to the family.

We are a parish with a long and rich history and take great pride in celebrating our Catholic traditions.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	5/9	4:00	Jozef Knop, 28th Anniv
SUN	5/10	8:00	Connie McCarthy, 3rd Anniv
		9:30	Deceased Mothers and Grandmothers
		11:30	Anne Pishkin, Month's Mind
		5:30	James & Mary Meade, Anniv
MON	5/11	9:00	Martin Duffy, Mem
TUES	5/12	9:00	Special Intention
WED	5/13	9:00	Special Intention
THUR	5/14	9:00	Joseph Prendergast Month's Mind
FRI	5/15	9:00	Eileen Sullivan, Mem
SAT	5/16	9:00	Paul, Barbara and Mikey Galvin, Anniv
		4:00	Cecilia Alexopoulos, 1st Anniv
SUN	5/17	8:00	Anna Tross, Mem
		9:30	William J. Connor, Anniv Catherine A. Connor, Anniv Catherine Lehane, Anniv
		11:30	Bartley & Brid McDonagh, Mem
		5:30	Clayton S. Kerwin, 1st Anniv

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT
OFFERTORY**Collected, May 3rd.....**\$3,453.00****RETIRE THE DEBT**Collected, May 3rd.....**\$2,164.00****LECTORS/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

5/9	4:00	A. Juliano	M. Bortolotto
5/10	8:00	C. Carmody	T. Monahan
	9:30	B. Finn	M. Reilly E. Dunne
	11:30	R. Pierce	B. Follett N. Follett
	5:30	M. Geary	L. Moreno

ALTAR SERVERS

5/9	4:00	A. Mannion	E. Mannion
		M. Mannion	S. Mannion
5/10	8:00	J. Murphy	S. Murphy
	9:30	C. Garvey	M. Garvey R. Garvey
	11:30	J. Connolly	G. Quinn
	5:30	A. Carle	M. Neff

Fifth Sunday in Easter, Gospel of John 15:1-8

The parable of the true vine comes in John's gospel right after Jesus affirms His love for the Father. "I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father." Jesus commands the disciples to "rise, let us go," He offers a metaphoric teaching on the vine and the branches revealing a complete dependence of life and growth on Jesus and the Father's love. Here Jesus' command and prayer is that we abide in Him. Saint Cyril of Alexandria explain this "Just as the root of the vine administers and distributes to the branches the benefit of its own natural and inherit qualities, so too the only-begotten Word of God imparts to the saints, as it were, a likeness to his own nature and the nature of God the Father by giving them the Spirit." God's love is purely Trinitarian.

The total gift that the Father, Son and Spirit impart onto us is to impart God's nature and grace. It is easy for us to want God when we are hungry, sick or in need. It is hard sometimes to want him when we feel good, independent and strong. Here we often do not turn to God out of honor and love. This is part of Paul's conversation with the Hellenists in the first reading. They know that there is a God and they know worship but they are divided in their diversity. Saint Augustine explains that the relationship between the vine and the branches is not the same both ways. We are not in charge of God's gifts, we are its protectors and most importantly its recipients. In other words the branches are not the same as the vine in contribution and nourishment, rather the branches are completely dependent on the vine for all that they are, that they have and how they grow.

We are blessed to see these gifts of God's love, dependence and growth exemplified in our young parishioners who last week received the gifts of the Sacrament of First Holy Communion and this week received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Participating in and completing the Sacraments of Initiation for these families and our parish help us all to understand the power of Christ's love and the complete gift that come to us in a Trinity of love. We have been given great advocates to the Father's love; the Son and the Spirit act together to comfort us in the enduring presence of the Father's love. Our prayer and exultation must be like that Jesus. We love the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Simply, because they loved us first, as we read in the scriptures, but also because we desire to follow God's commands, to be true sons and

daughters in truth and in love.

Thank you for all you do for one another, for raising your families in the faith and for coming together to pray and grow in God's love. May we find new ways to seek out those most in need, to bring them His comfort, care and love.

As one family of faith, we implore the Spirit's outpouring love so that we may be more conformed as Christ's Body; strengthened so as to bear witness to Christ in faith and love. This is the gift Christ gave to the Apostles at Pentecost and the gift that continues today to make us His disciples today.

In His love, Fr. Sean

Thank you in a special way to all who help our young people and support our parish family ministries. To our teachers, catechists and coordinators for sharing their gifts and for their generous sacrifice. Please be assured of the gratitude our your parish, and our young people.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Happy Mother's Day with prayers and love to all our moms with a special remembrance to all our mothers who have gone home to the Lord, may they rest in peace.

COMMUNICATION COLLECTION

Next's week's second collection supports The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) The CCC develops media programming, projects and resources that promote Gospel values. 50% of the collection supports local communications efforts, such as televised Masses and diocesan newspapers. The other fifty percent supports the development and production of a wide range of national media programming. Please visit www.USCCB.org/ccc for more information.

THE SUNDAY 5:30PM MASS

Please note that the **5:30PM Mass ends** on Sundays May 17th for the summer months.

THE CATHOLIC DIRECTORY

The new 2009 Catholic Directory is in and may be purchased at the rectory for \$25.00 per copy.

SAINT ANN PARISH Congratulations to our 2009 Confirmation Candidates

***Received The Sacrament of Confirmation on
Saturday, May 9, 2009 at 11:00AM***

Taylor Michelle Ball

Cameron Robert Charbonnier

Joseph James Connor

Allison Ann Driscoll

An Maximilian Duona

Taylor Blaise Durfee

Steven Patrick Flaherty

Claire Norah Folan

Brittany Christina Harty

Anthony Christopher Hennessy

Ishmael Henriquez

Hayley Elizabeth Johnson

Kellie Joseph Keenan

Teresa Elizabeth Lyons

Scott, Anthony Malloy

Timothy Brian McLaughlin

Fiona Ellen Morgan

Shane Joseph O'Brien

Matthew Robert Skinner

Shane Patrick Small

Victoria Catherine Strojwas

Kelly Ann Sullivan

Brittany Mary Vo

Brigitte Catherine Walsh

Meaghan Marie Williams

THIRD FRIDAY, MAY 15

DIVINE MERCY

The Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy warmly invite you to celebrate the Eucharist in honor of Divine Mercy on the Third Friday of the month May 15th – here at St. Ann's Upper Church.

Program: Eucharistic Adoration at 6PM; Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:30PM; and Mass at 7PM with a homily on Divine Mercy. All are welcome! For more information, please call the Sisters at **617-288-1202** or email **mercy@sisterfaustina.org**

OUR 26th EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

MAY 16, 2009

BOSTON & SOUTH SHORE

MEN'S PRAYER GATHERING

Meets every third Saturday

7:00AM-8:30AM

Prayer, Coffee and refreshments

*Pentecost and the Sacrament of Confirmation**David Thorpe**Spiritual Life Center, Medway*

St Mary of the Hills Lower Church

29 St. Mary's Road {off Brook Road}

617-822-1785 for more information

BENEFIT DANCE**FOR****SMA FATHERS**

The Society of African Missions is running their Spring Annual Fundraiser on May 15, 2009 at the Irish Social Club in West Roxbury. The proceeds will go for building schools, clinics and churches in Africa where they do most of their missionary work. Music by Andy Healy Band, admission is \$10.00 per person. Please call 781-329-0530, 617-323-2800 or 781-329-0584 for more information.

W.I.N.G.S.***Women In God's Spirit***

The women of St. Agatha Parish of Milton-Quincy would like to invite women of all ages and all parishes to join them for their Spring season of WINGS! The meetings are on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00PM
May 13th "Reading the Signs...Spiritual Direction Guides Our Way"

There is no need to register, come to one gathering or come to as many as you can. There is a \$5.00 voluntary donation each week to cover the cost of supplies and Speakers. For more information please call 617-698-2439.

SAINT ANN MIDDLE SCHOOL

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENT

UP COMING EVENTS

MINI-GOLF AND GO KARTING

May 16th Cost \$20 Permission Slip is needed

This is one of our most popular events so don't forget to get your permission slips and payments into the rectory this week for this fun trip to mini golf and karting.

SUMMER CAMPS

The school season will soon be coming to a close and the Summer vacation will be starting. Why not register your son or daughter into the wonderful world of Summer Camp. We at St. Ann Parish are offering two wonderful camps this year:

The CYO Basketball Camp will enhance your child's basketball skills while also develop their spiritual, emotional, and social physical potential.

The Vacation Bible Camp would be a wonderful opportunity for your child to learn about the Bible in a fun and joyous way.

So don't wait; for more information you may go to our website www.saintannneponset.com or feel free to email saintannreled@gmail.com.

SAINT JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER

339 Jerusalem Road

Cohasset, MA

781-383-6024/6029

Days of Prayer:

Thursday, May 21, "Living in Ester Hope", 9AM-4:30PM

Weekend Retreat

Friday, May 29th-Sunday, May 31st "Finding the Center From Which To Live".

PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS CORNER

Please note all requests must be in by 4:00PM Monday, Thank You. Please pray for:

Mary Tierney***Russell Brandi******Helen Maloney******Ann Maloney******Rita Gillespie******David O'Neill******Mary O'Sullivan******Connie O'Sullivan******Ethel & John McPherson******Kitty O'Donnell******Jean & Joseph Reardon******Mrs. Tighe***