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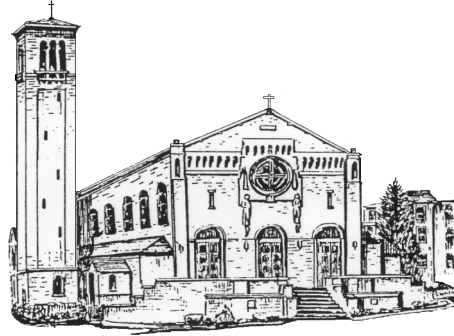
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SAINT ANN PARISH

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Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy
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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. Ronald C. Lawson, M. Ed., BCC Senior Priest
Rev. Michael C. Harrington, In Residence
Rev. Hung Pham. In Residence

Mrs. Jean F. Hayward, Business Manager
Mr. Jack O'Connor, Parish Pastoral Council Vice
President

Mr. Bob Collins, Rel Ed Director/Youth Minister
Mrs. Carol Abel, Director of Music
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
AA: Saturdays 7:00pm lower school hall
St Vincent de Paul: Mondays 6:00 - 7:00pm in School
CYO Basketball, Mr. Michael Doyle
Color Guard, Ms. Eileen Cunningham 617-775-6644

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	8/23	4:00	Mr. & Mrs. John Hour, Mem
SUN	8/24	8:00	Paul Byrne, Memorial
		9:30	John Dorsey, 2nd Anniversary
		11:30	Eva Hurley, Memorial
			Joseph Hurley, Memorial
			Frederick Jean, Memorial
MON	8/25	9:00	John Flanagan, Memorial
TUE	8/26	9:00	Special Intention
WED	8/27	9:00	Tom Hopkins, Memorial
THUR	8/22	9:00	Mary Conroy Memorial
FRI	8/23	9:00	Alfred & Catherine Cicerone Memorial
SAT	8/30	9:00	Paul Byrne, Memorial
		4:00	Mr. & Mrs. John F. Jordan Memorial
SUN	8/31	8:00	Mary White and Matthew Murry 20th Anniv
			John White, 1st Anniv
		9:30	Frank Manning, Memorial
			Carmela Nosito, Memorial
		11:30	Catherine M. Flaherty, Memorial

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT
OFFERTORY**

Collected, Aug 17th.....\$2,758.00

HOME MISSIONS

Collected, Aug 17th..... \$1,432.00

*Next week's second collection will be for
Renovations and Maintenance***BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

Bann I Jennifer Maloney Edward McCarthy

LECTORS/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS*Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time*

8/30	4:00	Ann Connell	John F. Downey
			Gerry Cardinal
8/31	8:00	Steve Clegg	Patty Sanchez
	9:30	Jim Hunt	Mary Reilly
	11:30	Dorothy Daley	Mary Lou Braudis
			Cathy McPartlin

ALTAR SERVERS*Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time*

8/30	4:00	M. Mannion	S. Mannion
8/31	8:00	M. Salas	J. Connolly
	9:30	V. Strojwas	R. Kulesza
	11:30	N. Tranford	E. Guerard

Who do people say that the Son of Man is? The question placed to Peter to each one of us is both a question of faith and identity. For the Christian, one who belongs to Christ, it is a question that rattles our very being.

Last week the Canaanite woman sought the Lord and fell at his feet giving Him homage, so much did she want His healing and love. Today Peter cries out "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." At this confession and proclamations of faith Jesus gives Peter a new name "Peter." "Peter's new name signifies that he is no longer the sum total of his failures, sorrows, sins, missed chances, heartbreaks, anger, bad moods, hopelessness, and any other inadequacy that plagues people outside of Christ. When we confess the identity of Jesus, we in turn are blessed with a new identity. We escape the stranglehold of egoism and individualism. Configured to Jesus Christ, we can never again say "I am" apart from Him."

What a gift of blessing to know the Lord, to not only feel, but to believe that He is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. To want to claim Him and be drawn close to Him. The sign, that makes the apostle capable to know Jesus as the Christ is not the miracles, the preaching and the healings. These are signs of the reality, but not where faith is found. The kingdom of God is Christ, the Father's love is revealed by the Son. Peter, moved by the Spirit, cries out with this proclamation of faith. May we also abandon ourselves to Christ so as to be ourselves to Christ, found as worthy witnesses and disciples of our loving God.

May Christ the Son of God Most High, in His abundant mercy, heal us and teach us to love him

*In His great love, Fr. Sean***READINGS TO REFLEXED UPON**

Below please find the readings for next Sunday that you may wish to read and reflex upon before Mass next weekend

Reading I	Jer 20: 7-9
Responsorial	Ps 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
Reading II	Rom 12: 1-2
Gospel	Mt 16: 21-27

FROM THE DESK OF MISS CAMERON

On Monday, September 8, 2008, students of the Pope John Paul Catholic Academy from all parts of Dorchester and Mattapan will become part of an exciting new chapter in Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Boston. Building on the long and proud tradition of Catholic education and dedicated to following the examples of our school's namesake, Pope John Paul II by celebrating our Catholic faith, our school promises to be a nurturing environment committed to providing our students with a vibrant faith life, a strong, quality academic program, and a safe, joyful atmosphere in which to grow and develop. The committed faculty and staff of our five campuses will welcome students into beautifully renovated or renewed facilities, complete with an updated curriculum and quality supplies and resources. I am personally thrilled to be a part of this new school! The energy and commitment of everyone involved in the project is contagious and inspiring. I am convinced that our students will be energized and excited to accept the challenge to be the best they can be! At the Neponset campus, we are very lucky to be one of the first campuses to be renovated. After a brief tour of the building and meeting the foreman of the project at the beginning of August, I feel confident that when the doors open on September 8, 2008, we will enter a safe, comfortable, state of the art facility. An Open House for parents and all members of the community is being planned for sometime after opening day. We can't wait to show off!!! As a life long resident of Dorchester, a product of Catholic education myself, and having spent the first 19 years of my career teaching in a Catholic school in Dorchester, Catholic education, especially in this community, means the world to me! I determined to provide the students of the Neponset campus of the Pope John Paul II Catholic Academy with the strong foundation of faith and quality education that has blessed my life. Opening day, September 8, 2008, is just the beginning! We have great plans for the students of the Neponset Campus of the Pope John Paul II Catholic Academy. The future is bright and promising. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely;

Cathy Cameron, Principal

Neponset Campus

Pope John Paul II Catholic Academy

FROM THE DESK OF FR. SEAN

I'd like to offer you an up-date on the renovation project for Saint Ann School becoming Pope John Paul II Catholic Academy. I was able to meet with the construction superintendent and tour the project. It is an amazing transformation. There are only a few weeks left and the crew assures us that all is on schedule. Once the project is complete I will work with our new principal and her team to make sure the building is made available for an appropriate tour and unveiling.

Please continue to pray for the success of the project and all those kind and generous friends who are making this possible for our children and our future. Please pray for them and all who are working on the project. Please be patient as this new event comes to completion.

Should you have any questions regarding tuition, scheduling, classes, etc please contact the school at their main office number, found in the bulletin. If there is anything that I or our parish staff can do to assist you please let us know and we will work to assist you. Thank you for all you do for our parish and community.

In His love, Fr. Sean

**POPE JOHN PAUL II
CATHOLIC ACADEMY
[MAIN OFFICE]
100 SAVIN HILL AVENUE
DORCHESTER, MA 02125
617-265-0019**

The Neponset Campus school building is closed for the summer. All inquiries about the 2008-2009 school year and tuition payments should be directed to the main office.

HIGH SCHOOL FAIR

Explore your options

Archbishop Williams High School will host a High School Fair for 8th Graders and parents on **Sunday, September 21st. From 11:00AM to 1:00PM** at the school gymnasium, 80 Independence Avenue, Braintree, MA . There will be a gathering of many different schools-both Catholic and private. For more information call 781-843-3636.

EUCCHARISTIC VIGIL AT ST. ANN PARISH

A monthly all night Eucharistic vigil will be held here at St. Ann's beginning on **September 5th** at 9:00PM and ending with the Mass at 5:00AM on September 6th with Fr. Sean celebrating. These vigils are for reparation and atonement to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The intentions are for Cardinal O'Malley and the Priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. The theme will be on the Divine Mercy and the Eucharist. Material and prayer cards of Saint Faustina, the patron and secretary of Divine Mercy, will be available. Refreshments will be served throughout the night. For more information please call Barbara at (978)453-7446 or Helenterese@aol.com.

ARISE

RENEW YOUR SPIRIT THIS FALL

As you pack your bags and head out to your summer destinations, the **ARISE Together in Christ Parish Planning Team** wishes you a peaceful and relaxing season. While you are soaking up the sun and fun, we will be busy planning our parish's first season of the new spiritual renewal process that is sweeping the Archdiocese of Boston-**ARISE Together in Christ**. When you get back, look for more details on how you can get involved in this process that offers the opportunity for new friendships, stronger faith, and a deeper relationship with God through prayer and the Scriptures in a small-group setting. **Sign-up Weekend is September 13-14, 2008.** For the journey, please take an ARISE prayer bookmark from the vestibule of the church to tuck into the pages of your favorite summer reading. Contact **Michael Flynn** with any questions at 617-288-7663 on getting involved.

COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH MINISTRY

Please note that registration forms and schedules for all students who were registered last year were mailed home two weeks ago. If you did not receive one of these packets in the mail please call the rectory and we will send one out to you.

Thanks to all our great volunteer adults and peer ministers for helping us have such a successful summer in Middle School Youth Ministry.

*Our first Peer Ministry meeting for the new year will take place on **Sunday, September 20th in the school hall at 4:00PM.** Please feel free to contact Bob Collins for details.*

MAGNIFICAT PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE

*Boston Convention Center
October 11th and 12th*

Special ticket price, limited time only

Magnificat magazine editors and authors are sponsoring a Pilgrimage of Hope this Autumn in Boston. Tickets are being sold nationwide at \$159. per person or \$279. per couple. By special arrangements with the Oblates of the Virgin Mary, tickets are available through the Early Bird Special Men's Group for \$88.00 per person. Tickets must be purchased **NO LATER THAN AUGUST 29th**. For Further information please call Geoffrey FitzGerald at 617-822-1785.

THIRD FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH 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- **September 19th**- here at St.

Ann's Upper Church.

mercy@sisterfaustina.org.