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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Sunday: Vigil (Saturday Evening) 4:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Daily: 9:00 a.m. Monday - Saturday
(lower church)
7:00 a.m. Convent Mass

Holy Day: Vigil 5:30 p.m., Day 9:00 a.m. &
7:00 p.m. or as otherwise noted

SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.
(lower church) & 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
(lower church)

Baptism: Third Sunday of the month at 2:00
p.m. Instructions on the preceding
Sunday at 12:30 p.m.
Kindly Call the rectory to register.

Marriages: Arrange with the Pastor at
least six months in advance

**Anointing
of the Sick:** Please call the rectory for Sacrament
and visits to the sick & homebound

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Sean M. Connor, Pastor
Rev. John J. Connolly, In Residence
Rev. Michael C. Harrington, 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

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturdays 9:30am-3:30pm
Rosary: 8:30am Monday-Saturday lower church
Our Lady of Fatima: First Saturdays 8:00am
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
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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	9/5	4:00	Louis Toscano, 5th Anniv
SUN	9/6	8:00	St. Ann Parish
		9:30	David O'Neill, Mem
		11:30	Neil & Michael Doherty, Anni
MON	9/7	9:00	Rev. James M. Lerner, Mem
TUES	9/8	9:00	Josephine & Mercurio Mazzone, Mem
WED	9/9	9:00	Rev. James M. Lerner, Mem
THUR	9/10	9:00	Ann O'Donnell, Mem
FRI	9/11	9:00	The Deceased of 9/11
SAT	9/12	9:00	Joseph F. McDonald, Mem
		4:00	William Hawe, 5th Anniv
SUN	9/13	8:00	St. Ann Parish
		9:30	Special Intention
		11:30	William Fitzgerald, 10th Anniv Marie Fichea, 11th Anniv

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT
OFFERTORY**

Collected, Aug 30th Offerings in Cash	<i>\$1,117.00</i>
Offerings in Checks	<i>\$1,472.00</i>
Total	<i>\$2,589.00</i>

Number of envelopes used 121

RENOVATION AND MAINTENANCE

Collected, Aug 30th Offerings in Cash	<i>\$ 877.00</i>
Offerings in Checks	<i>\$ 845.00</i>
Offerings in Coin	<i>\$ 10.00</i>
Total	<i>\$1,732.00</i>

Number of envelopes used 113

LECTORS/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

9/5	4:00	R. Pishkin	J. Downey G. Cardinal
9/6	8:00	S. Clegg	M. Fitzpatrick
	9:30	B. Finn	K. Gannon D. McGrath
	11:30	T. Lewis	L. Lewis E. Maneikis

ALTAR SERVERS

9/5	4:00	B. Mannion	M. Mannion
		S. Mannion	T. Mannion
9/6	8:00	E. Guerard	
	9:30	J. Connolly	D. Murphy S. Murphy
	11:30	A. Carle	S. Murphy

We have a great history in Boston in sharing the goodness and prosperity that the Lord has given us. I am including an excerpt from our diocesan literature today as we welcome our guest preacher assigned by the Propagation. Saint Ann Parish is honored to have with us today, Father Xavier Arulraj, from the diocese of Tuticorin, India.

The diocese is located on the shores of the Bay of Bengal, that forms the northeastern part of the Indian Ocean. The large bay is triangular and includes parts of India, Sri Lanka, at the west, and Bangladesh and the Indian State of West Bengal to the north, and Myanmar and Andaman and the Nicobar islands at the east. The economy of the area is based on shipping, fishing, salt pan, and agriculture. The area of the diocese is 6400 square kilometers (2471 square miles). There are 2,550,000 residents in the area, of which 375,000 are Catholic, approximately 15 percent. The diocese has 105 parishes, 339 sub-parishes, 222 diocesan priests, 12 religious priests, 38 religious brothers, and 551 religious sisters.

The diocese of Tuticorin sponsors rehabilitation programs, nursing schools, homes for the abandoned, the elderly, the disables, and lepers, among many others. They operate primary and secondary school, colleges, nursing schools and hospitals. The Archdiocese of Boston, Office of the Propagation of the Faith, a Pontifical Mission, has invited Fr. Xavier. He comes this weekend representing his bishop, The Most Reverend Dr. Yvon Amboise and the church in Tuticorin. We welcome Father Xavier and offer our prayers and support to our brothers and sisters of the local church in Tuticorin. Thank you in advance for your generosity to our annual collection for the missions.

The Pontifical Mission Societies consist of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the Holy Childhood Association, the Society of St. Peter Apostle and the Missionary Union of Priests and Religious. The Pontifical Mission Societies have, as their primary purpose, the promotion of a universal missionary spirit — a spirit of prayer and sacrifice — among all baptized Catholics. The first three Societies, in carrying out that goal, invite baptized Catholics to express their missionary commitment by offering their prayers, personal sacrifices and financial support for the work of the Church in the Missions. The Missionary Union of Priests and Religious works to deepen mission awareness among religious, catechists, and educators so that they are fully prepared to take on the mission formation of the faithful. The four Societies each received the title "Pontifical" in 1922

to indicate their status as official instruments of the Holy Father and of the Universal Roman Catholic Church. According to the teaching of Vatican Council II, the Pontifical Mission Societies are institutions of the Universal Church and of each local church. Therefore, unlike any other mission organization they are both Pontifical and Episcopal in nature; as such, the Pontifical Mission Societies are recognized as the principal instrument for educating the faithful to an awareness of the Church's universal mission and for encouraging their support in prayer and sacrifice; and for the evangelizing mission of the Church among two-thirds of the human family. Each year the celebration of World Mission Sunday provides an opportunity, within the context of the Eucharist, for Catholics to express their prayerful and financial support of the Church's worldwide missionary work and the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in particular.

*Thanking the Lord for all His gifts, In Christ's love,
Fr. Sean*

**As a reminder next weekend, on Saturday, September 12th, Saint Ann parish is hosting a Senior parishioner retreat day focusing on the gifts of Faith, Hope and Love from noon through the 4:00PM Mass, which will include the Sacrament of Anointing. Kindly RSVP at the doors of the church today or call the rectory so that we may accommodate you for lunch and reserve accommodations and assure staffing support.

The regular Saturday 9:00AM Mass will occur, the event begins with a light lunch being served in the School Auditorium/Gym.

12-12:45PM Lunch
12:45PM Talk in Hall
1:30-2:15PM Rosary and Adoration
2:30PM Talk in Hall
2:45-3:45PM Confessions & Benediction
4:00PM Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing

This is a great day for our Seniors to gather in prayer, scripture and sacramental healing. Please pray for our Seniors as they share in this special day. We welcome our Redemptorist priests from the Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help who serve the Church around the world.

AUTUMN IS AROUND THE CORNER and our

MASS SCHEDULE IS CHANGING

September is here, vacations are coming to a close, schools are opening, it's time to get back to our schedules and settle in for another wonderful season at St. Ann Parish with our new Mass Schedule. The new Mass schedule begins with the start of our religious education program on the weekend of

Sunday, September 27th:

Saturday 4:00PM, Vigil Mass

Sunday, 8:30AM, 10:30AM and 5:30PM*

(*5:30PM during the religious education academic year).

PLEASE NOTE: For those Mass intentions already booked for the 9:30AM Masses, they will be moved to 8:30AM and those for the 11:30AM Masses will be moved to the 10:30AM.

A PRAYER FOR TEACHERS

***Lord God,
your spirit of wisdom fills the earth
and teaches us your ways.***

***Look upon these teachers.
Let them strive to share their knowledge
with gentle patience
and endeavor always to bring the truth to
eager minds.***

***Grant that they may follow Jesus Christ
the way, the truth, and the life,
for ever and ever.
Amen.***

THIRD FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH 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 18th – 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

**SAINT ANN PARISH
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Registration for Religious Education will be on Sunday, September 13th, after the 9:30AM and 11:30AM Sunday Mass in the school. All new registrations must have a Baptismal Certificate if they were not baptized at St. Ann Parish.

Fee for one child is \$50.00 or for a family of two or more children \$75.00.

Teachers and assistants are needed to help with the Program. We need a teacher for Grade 1, Grade 5, Grade 6, and Grade 10. Please consider sharing in the Catholic Education our youth.

Please check our parish web site www.saintanneponset.com for more information regarding the dates and times for the classes.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
Do you know someone interested in becoming a Catholic?

The four parishes of the South Dorchester area are sponsoring a preparation program for individuals who are interested in joining the Catholic Church. The instruction and formation process is known as the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RICA). The program is designed for individuals who have never been Baptized and others who may have been members of another Christian tradition. We also welcome baptized Catholics who were never instructed in their faith and who didn't receive First Eucharist or Confirmation.

An orientation meeting will be held on **Monday evening, October 5th at St. Gregory's Rectory beginning at 7:30PM**. The weekly program will begin on Monday evening, October 19th at 7PM until at 8:30PM. The instruction program will conclude several weeks after the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 3, 2010.

If interested in participating in the RCIA program please call St. Gregory's Rectory at 617-298-2460 and contact Father Laurence Borges for a preliminary meeting.

**YOUTH MINISTRY
AUTUMN 2009**

Middle School Grades 5,6,7, and 8

Mark your calendars for the Rock and Bowl this Friday, **September 11, 2009**. The cost is \$20.00 and permission slips are required.

**THE WEEKEND OF 12TH & 13TH
LECTORS/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

9/12	4:00	A. Juliano	A. Lessard B. Lessard
9/13	8:00	C. Carmody	M. Browne
	9:30	A. Connell	T. McGrath M. Reilly
	11:30	D. Daley	B. Follett N. Follett

ALTAR SERVERS

9/12	4:00	C. Garvey	M. Garvey R. Garvey
9/13	8:00	A. Mannion	E. Mannion S. Mannion
	9:30	R. Kulesza	J. DaMatin
	11:30	S. Skalinski	S. Grealish M. Collins

READINGS TO REFLECT UPON

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

Reading I	Is 35:4-7a
Responsorial	Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10
Reading II	Jas 2:1-5
Gospel	Mk 7:31-37

PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS CORNER

<i>Judy Finn</i>	<i>Mary Tierney</i>
<i>Mary Nagle</i>	<i>Mark Curry</i>
<i>Russell Brandi</i>	<i>Helen Maloney</i>
<i>Ann Maloney</i>	<i>Catherine Horgan</i>
<i>Mary O'Sullivan</i>	<i>Connie O'Sullivan</i>
<i>Ethel & John McPherson</i>	<i>Kitty O'Donnell</i>
<i>Mrs. Mary B. Tighe</i>	<i>Barbara Monahan</i>
<i>Brian Lawler</i>	<i>Angel L. Silveira</i>
<i>Robert & Paola Perez</i>	<i>Ed & Jeannie Leahy</i>
<i>Nathalie Bennett</i>	<i>Mary Costello</i>