

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Saturday, November 5

4:00 PM The Bramante Family

Sunday, November 6

9:00 AM Rev. Fr. James Curtin - Living

11:30 AM Swithen and Jolyon Rodrigues

5:00 PM Parishioners

Monday, November 7

12:10PM Carlo Croce

Tuesday, November 8

12:10PM Helen Bielski Puopolo

Wednesday, November 9

12:10 PM Corinne Galante

Thursday, November 10

12:10 PM In memory of the Marron Family

Friday, November 11

12:10PM For All Veterans Living and Deceased

Saturday, November 12

4:00 PM Ruth Fornier

Sunday, November 13

9:00 AM Vincent J. Spiziri

11:30 AM Arthur Faucher

5:00 PM Parishioners

REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS

Please remember in your prayers all our veterans living and deceased. We salute them, the living and the dead, for their selfless service, protecting loved ones back home, even as they fight in distant lands to protect freedom's light. May our veterans know the peace that they desire.



OUR PARISH SUPPORT

October 23—Offertory —

\$3,148

Parish Pay	
MONTH OF OCTOBER	
Offertory	\$1,165
Special	\$ 20
Word Mission	\$ 45

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development makes grants to local community-based groups who create jobs, improve education, and strengthen neighborhoods. Twenty-five percent of the collection stays in the Archdiocese of Boston.

"IN MEMORY OF" ENVELOPES
NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

November is the month we remember all who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. The Basket of Remembrance next to our Easter Candle will remain ever before us during the month of November. If you would like to remember your loved ones in this way, please pick up an envelope at the back of the church. Please remember our beloved dead as we commend them to the Lord and pray they enjoy the Light of Christ's Resurrection.

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Every scout knows the motto, "Be Prepared." Even the general public commonly associates the words with scouting. What's less well-known is that Robert Baden-Powell describes this preparedness as being in a state of readiness of both mind and body. For him, to be prepared in mind meant that a scout had thought out beforehand any situation that might occur, so that he or she would know the right thing to do at the right moment, and be willing to do it. Being prepared in body meant that a scout would be strong and active and able to do the right thing at the right moment.



The Gospel parable of the wise and foolish virgins could be said to be an example of Baden-Powell's scouting philosophy. The wise virgins were prepared in mind. They had thought through the process recognizing that if the bridegroom were to be delayed they would need extra oil to keep their lamps burning.

Of course the parable is not about scouting. But we who await the arrival of the bridegroom, Jesus Christ, should be prepared just as readily as any scout. For us being prepared to "do the right thing at the right moment" means that we have formed our consciences in line with the moral teaching of Christ and that we are ready to act as a Christian in the face of injustice and immorality. It means that we have chosen a way of life that aligns our actions with the teachings of the Gospel, prepared to help those in need. We Christians have waited a long time for the return of the Lord. In that time we have fed the poor, tended the sick, educated the young, sheltered the homeless, preached the Gospel, and championed the oppressed. Not everything that we have done has been perfect, because we are still sinners. We still have much left to do to prepare ourselves for the bridegroom's coming.

**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

"It's My Mass Too,"

A priest in Chicago wanted the people to realize that not only was Mass for everybody but that each mass properly treasured was for the individual person as Mass.

Admittedly we do come to church and the utmost reason is to be one with Jesus Christ. Really it is for each person present. It is our Mass offered indeed and absolutely by the priest. Each one of us has our own special intention. This mass we attend can be and should be "My Mass too".

In days long past a priest came to celebrate Mass for people in a Southern town where Mass on Sunday was not always possible. He wanted to put the little altar boy at ease. "I hope that you are not afraid to serve Mass for a visiting priest." The answer was simple. "If you are not afraid to say Mass then I am not afraid to serve you."

The Mass is always and above all "Christ's Mass".

REMINDER!

150th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE MEETING IN THE PARISH HALL THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 AT 3:30PM. ALL ARE WELCOME.



Our 150th Celebration

SAVE THE DATE

***ST. JOSEPH PARISH 150th
GALA FUND RAISING DINNER***

***WHEN: JANUARY 20, 2012 TIME: 7:00pm
WHERE: MILLENNIUM BOSTONIAN HOTEL***

**AN IMPORTANT
LITURGICAL MINISTRY MEETING
IN THE CHURCH**

Saturday, November 19 at 10:00am-11:00am
Please save the date

All new and present day **Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers** are asked to attend our annual meeting. An important one because of the new changes to our liturgy.

Thank you to all who have offered their time and talent to enhance our Liturgies.



**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION NEWS**

About 30 Religious Education Program people went on our First Annual Field Trip to the Granary Burial Ground. Our rubbings gave us people to pray for during this past week of remembrance and throughout November. The children were reverent, quiet, and very intense in creating their rubbings. We learned that praying for all people in the Communion of Saints, living and dead, is a holy (Hallowed) endeavor.

Please let us know if you would like to be part of the 9:00 AM Family Mass being offered on November 20. Sign up information is found in the flyers at the doors. Contact us at repatharis@verizon.net.

Religious Education Sessions: November 6 and 20,
10-11:15AM, Parish Hall.
Family Mass: November 20, 9AM

PETITION DRIVE FOR ASSISTED SUICIDE

Between now and December 7, supporters of a bill to legalize physician assisted suicide will be trying to gather 68,911 signatures from Massachusetts voters. This is the first step in putting this measure on the ballot in November 2012. The position of the Church is that all suicide is a tragedy. In a recent homily, Cardinal Sean said, "A vote for assisted suicide is a vote for suicide." Please consider Church teaching if asked to sign this suicide initiative.

MANY CAME FORWARD !



Thank you to all who worked so hard to organize our ministry weekend. The parish council and all their helpers gave us a wonderful opportunity to respond to the Lord's call to serve. Many wonderful parishioners came forward to volunteer time and talent to further enrich our parish! May the Lord continue to bless our parish!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA FESTIVAL

Fri-Dec 2, 11 AM - 2 PM

Sat-Dec 3, 3 PM - 6 PM

Sun-Dec 4, 10 AM - 2 PM

The Christmas Spirit is definitely coming to St. Joseph with gifts and flowers and food and fun for young and old. You won't believe the goodies in store for you. *Don't miss it!*

Remember!!! Put your order in for your Poinsettias here at St. Joseph's.