

**THIS WEEK**

Saturday 5:00 Carole McMahon
 Sunday 8:00 Michael A. Cimini
 10:00 Thomas Mahoney
 .Monday 8:00 Stephen Conner
 Tuesday 8:00 Edward O'Halloran
 Wednesday 8:00 Barbara Lander
 Thursday 8:00 Lillian Sutton
 Friday 8:00 Richard McAllan

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 Gail Bales
 Sunday 8:00 Maura&Maurice Curtin/Sheila&Noel Punch
 10:00 Mary Duff

PRAY FOR THE ILL OF THE PARISH

Anthony Malner, Clara Murphy, Bill Splaine, Martin Coughlin, Tom Giguere, Flora Masa, Priscilla Y. Scibeck, Loretta Stephens, Regina Zanis, Harry Marcoux, John Keane, Tris Windle, David Cousins, Lynne Scalia, Alex Podeszwa, Bernadette Harrod, Brian Sluis, Rev. Robert Kemmery, John Potter, Patricia Falcone, Mary Mullen, Lillian McGrath, Justin Honegstein, Eric Bettag, Norm Klas, Fr. Paul Smith, Shirley McAuliffe, Walter Ollen, Katherine Rogers, Emily Doherty, Baby Peter O'Connor, Rita Skarin, Jeannine & Ed Mooney, Bob & Gail Sadowski, Jimmy Higgins, Rose Stephan, Peter Cruckshank, Eileen & Ed Metterville, Thomas Stone, Kevin Rew, June Lee, Nick Bartick, Lucy Lopez-Roig, Bertha Meads, Beth Baillie, Connor Root, Pam Hedlund, John Szucs, Margaret Harrington, John Cuccia, Rita Grindle, Liz Baldwin, Patrick Eiler, Stuart Smith, Fr. Paul Lalic, Anthony Gorczyca, Bea Viau, Mary Ann Hassen, Eryn Bradley, Tammy Inman, Paul Conte, Len Hedlund, Greg Morongell, Norma Sullivan, Michelle Battista, Paula Keefe, Kerry Gould, Ed Bryant, Danielle Rabel, Mike Day, Edan Pearl, James Flynn, Joe DiBrigida, Martha Doyle, Theresa Buckley, Janet Cole, Dorothy Knight, John Kelley, Maryanne Leonhardt, Peg Baum, Richard Smith, Anne Caruso, Rachel Mancuso

PRAY FOR LOVED ONES IN THE MID-EAST

Brandy Nelson, Anthony Horigan, Timothy Horigan, Scott Doucette, Michael Wilson, David Lucas, Sean Lucas, Peter Civita Shayne, Peter Cabral, Gregory DeLuca, Joshua Schmitt, Joseph Long, Brad Howard, Thomas Scudder, Sean Keneally, David Lynch, Jeffrey Stebbins, Phillip McDonough, David Wilcox, Jordan & Zack Maxcey, Kristofer Poole, John Amick, Peter Scott Stephan, Philip Early, Karl Kuechenmeister, David McDonald, Adam Schade, David Duggan, David Puzzo, Paul Van Tiem, Lt. Edward J. Maloney, Jacob Marshall, Michael Styskal, Andrew Kelley, Jim Schermerhorn, Ryan Lynch, Kim Walker

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**COLLECTION RESULTS -- THANK YOU!**

March 14 Regular	\$,4,001.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$2,045.00

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS INVITATION

On Holy Thursday, April 1, all Eucharistic Ministers are invited to process into the church as a group at the opening of the 7 p.m. celebration of the Supper of the Lord. Please plan on gathering in the Parish center no later than 6:40 p.m.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT WITH ST. DAMIEN - THE FORMING OF A COMPASSIONATE HEART

Father Bob's reflections on St. Damien and Compassion conclude this Friday with a final session in the church beginning at 6:30.

HARVEST FOR HABITAT

This Sunday is Harvest Sunday. As in the past, our March Harvest Collection will be donated to the general fund of Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod. Thank you for your support of St. Vincent de Paul, as well as our SJA Habitat Volunteers led by Bob Filliman, and Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod in this ongoing work to build hope and homes for our neighbors.

SVDP PANTRY NEEDS

We have seen an increase lately in the number of 2-day packs given to clients. Please consider donating **paper towels, toilet paper and dry cereal**, in addition to our regularly listed items: BEEF STEW (24 oz), BAKED BEANS (16 oz) JELLY (8-16 oz) CANNED FRUIT (16 oz), CANNED VEGETABLES (14.5 oz) TUNA FISH (6 oz) , SPAGHETTI (1 lb box) MACARONI & CHEESE (6 oz box), PEANUT BUTTER (18 oz) SPAGHETTI SAUCE (28 oz), JELLO (3 oz) and CANNED SOUP (11 oz). Thank you for your generous support of our St. Vincent de Paul ministry.

ORLEANS CONVALESCENT HOME SERVICE

Deacon Jack will conduct a communion service at the Orleans Convalescent Home at 2:30 on Palm Sunday, March 28. All are welcome.

NEED HELP?

**We will assist with
 food, shelter, medical, utilities.
 Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 HELPLINE 508-255-8080**

PARISH NURSES

Blood Pressure Clinic. Get in shape for Spring and have your blood pressure checked by a Parish Nurse this Tuesday, March 23, 830-1030 in the Parish Center.

Exercise Program Our exercise classes, focusing on flexibility, balance and muscle strength continue every Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. Drop by and check us out. For further info: Call Barbara, 508-240-1090.

SJA VISITORS

Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 23, 130 p.m. in the Parish Center. **Current Visitors are urged to attend so their CORI record can be updated as required by the Diocese. If you have not yet been processed through CORI, it will be done at the meeting. All Visitors should bring their driver's license.** We have 46 volunteers visiting 61 homebound or nursing home parishioners from Eastham to Chatham, spending time chatting, or bringing communion to those who cannot regularly attend Mass. If you are interested in this ministry as a Eucharistic Minister or just as a visitor, please attend this meeting.

ST. JOAN OF ARC GUILD SPRING POTLUCK

April Showers may bring May flowers, but April also brings Potluck dinners -- and a silent auction! So, dust off that recipe box and join us for an evening of fine food and blooming friendships on Tuesday, April 13, 6 p.m. in the Parish Center. Call Barbara Carey, 432-1233, to let her know the number in your party and whether you are bringing a salad, entrée, vegetable, hors d'oeuvre or dessert for 8-10 people.

HELPING HANDS

Do you need help with small jobs around your apartment and house? Things that need fixing? Jobs that are too heavy or strenuous? Small repairs? Yard work? We're available to volunteer our help! Please call Ed Mahan & Friends at 508-896-7617.

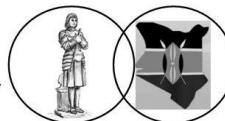
POPE JPII HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Grade 6-10 Students and their parents are invited to an open house at Pope John Paul II High on Sunday, March 21, 1-3 p.m. Tour the facility, meet instructors and students, and learn about this Catholic secondary school.

DIVORCED/SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP

On March 28, at 7 p.m., St. Pius X Family Life Center will feature a video presentation by Clayton Barbeau entitled *Surviving Life Transitions*, followed by open discussion of perceptions, transition and change. For info email janegreenel@comcast.net.

**Kenya
Korner**

**WELCOME HOME!**

We are very grateful to have Gail Harding, Donna Kelley, and Jane

MacAfee of the Kenya Konnection Committee home from their wonderful and successful visit to our sister parish, Holy Cross in Dandora, Kenya. They more than met their objective of establishing personal relationships with members of the Holy Cross community and hearing first-hand the most effective ways that we can grow our involvement and enrich our relationship.

Gail, Jane, and Donna have lots of stories and pictures of the parish and community, including the five students we support -- Kimberly, Veronica, Salome, Rose and Samuel (who loved the shawls donated by the Prayer Shawl Ministry).

This trip marks the beginning of a new phase in our relationship with Holy Cross. It is now up to us to develop ways to grow closer to our sister parish. Please join us in the Parish Center on Sunday, April 18 after the 10 a.m. Mass when the travelers will share photos and stories of their wonderful experience.

Thank you to all parishioners and parish groups who helped to make this trip a success and thank you for your continued support of our sister parish. If you have questions, please call Lem Skidmore, 255-6907 or Jane MacAfee, 432-9480.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Jn 8:12-20
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
 Thursday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56
 Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]

HABLA ESPANOL?

Holy Trinity Regional School is looking for a part-time Spanish teacher for the 2010-11 school year. All interested candidates should submit a current resume to Holy Trinity Regional School, 245 Main St., W. Harwich, MA 02671; or email lmattson@holytrinityelementary.org.



FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Grades 1-5	Mondays	2:45—4:00 p.m.
Grades 6-10	Monday	6:45—8:00 p.m.
Sun	Mar 21	10 a.m. RCIA Continuing Conversion
Mon	Mar 22	Classes, Gr 1-9 6 p.m. Gr 6-9 Prayer/Soup Supper
Sat	Mar 27	9 a.m. First Penance 1030 RCIA Penance
Mon	Mar 29	Classes Gr 1-9 3:00 Gr 3-4 Stations of the Cross
Mon	April 5	Classes, Gr 1-9 3:15 Gr 2 Parent Meeting
Sun	April 11	10 a.m. Family Mass 9 a.m. Kingergarten
Mon	April 12	Classes, Gr 1-9 3:30 Gr 5 Blessing Ceremony 7:30 Gr 8-9 Blessing Ceremony
Mon	April 19	No Classes
Mon	April 26	Classes, Gr 1-9 Last Class, Gr 6-9
Sun	May 1	9 a.m. Kingergarten 10 a.m. May Crowning/Family Mass

SOUP SUPPER & LENTEN PRAYER

All Faith Formation Evening Students plan to attend class with a Soup Supper and Lenten Prayer service this Monday, March 22, 6 p.m. Family members are welcome; please RSVP to the Faith Formation Office. Once again, Donna Twerago is helping with the soup, so you know it'll be wonderful. Come celebrate an evening with our students and catechists!

FIRST PENANCE FOR GRADE 2

Grade 2 students make their First Penance next Saturday, March 27. Please arrive promptly at 9 a.m. in the Church to practice the First Communion song. After rehearsal the students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr. Bob.

GRADE 3 & 4 STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Parents and family members are welcome to join Grades 3 & 4 students in praying the Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m. Monday, March 29 in the Chapel.

RCIA

We celebrate the Rite of Continuing Conversion this Sunday at the 10 a.m. Mass and meet on Wednesday, March 24 at 5 in the Chapel. On Saturday, March 27, the candidates will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please keep our candidates in your prayers during these last weeks of preparation before the Easter Vigil.

EMBRACING HOPE

In today's gospel Jesus rescues a woman caught in adultery from the prescribed punishment -- stoning. Jesus doesn't condemn the woman, but challenges her to transform her life. Prostitution continues around the globe today, especially among the 40% of the world's population that lives on less than \$2 per day. Education and micro-financing hold out the possibility for women to transform their lives and our world.

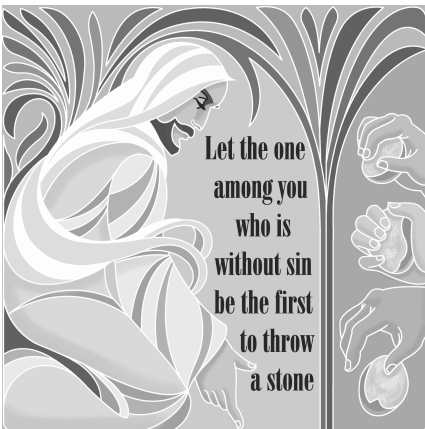
In their book *Half the Sky*, authors Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn describe the beginning of a new global movement to emancipate women and girls. After two decades of traveling the Third World countries, they identify the education and empowerment of women as the key to ending global poverty.

They estimate 3 million women and girls, and a smaller number of boys, are enslaved in the sex trade worldwide. The U.S. State Department estimates 600,000 to 800,000 people are trafficked across international borders each year and many more within their own countries.

Kristof and WuDunn tell amazing stories of women and girls, like 13-year-old Kun Sokkea who escaped trafficking. Many of these have returned to their homeland to educate others and help to establish a better life.

Like Greg Mortenson's popular book, *Three Cups of Tea*, *Half the Sky* calls us to connect across the globe and help educate children in the Third World. In doing so, these authors embrace hope and envision an end to poverty.

In the vision of God, change is always possible. Jesus challenges us, through the gospel of the woman accused of adultery, to be agents of change -- to give one another, and ourselves -- space to grow, a hand to help up, a shoulder to lean on. Jesus challenges the Scribes and Pharisees, who prided themselves on the meticulous keeping of the Law, to move beyond the Law and become ministers of reconciliation and agents of forgiveness.



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Rather than stone this woman, Jesus calls them to help her up, to provide support to help her, and others like her, to re-create their lives. Such a response begins with the humility to realize that we, too, stumble and fall -- that we, too, are in need of transformation -- that we, too, have

something to learn. May we be willing to be the change we wish to see in our world and become living signs of God's hope and merciful compassion.