

*The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Ann, Lenox, MA and
St. Patrick, West Stockbridge, MA*

March 31, 2019



They said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” He replied, “The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went there and washed and was able to see.” - Jn 9:10-11

ST. ANN CHURCH, LENOX



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Mar.	30	4:00 p.m.	<i>The People of St. Ann, St. Patrick & St. Vincent de Paul parishes</i>
Sunday	Mar.	31	9:45 a.m.	<i>Norm Gwara, req. by his family</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>John and Mary Jane Pignatelli, req. by Knights of Columbus Council #2412</i>
Monday	Apr.	1	7:00 a.m.	<i>Patricia "Pat" Naranjo, req. by the parish of St. Ann</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>Lenten Mass at St. Vincent de Paul</i>
Tuesday	Apr.	2	7:00 a.m.	<i>Shirley & Bill Turner, req. by the parish of St. Ann</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>Lenten Mass at St. Vincent de Paul</i>
Wednesday	Apr.	3	7:00 a.m.	<i>Peter A. Spina, 9th Anniversary, req. by Lisa, Jack & Katie</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>Lenten Mass at St. Vincent de Paul</i>
Thursday	Apr.	4	7:00 a.m.	<i>Anna Mae Johnson, req. by the parish of St. Ann</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>Lenten Mass at St. Vincent de Paul</i>
Friday	Apr.	5	7:00 a.m.	<i>Communion Service</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>Lenten Mass at St. Vincent de Paul followed by Stations of the Cross</i>
Saturday	Apr.	6	4:00 p.m.	<i>John & Mary Jane Pignatelli, req. by Sue Kennedy</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>St. Vincent de Paul Church — Lisa Jacobs</i>
Sunday	Apr.	7	8:30 a.m.	<i>St. Patrick Church — Marion Britten</i>
			9:45 a.m.	<i>Loretta Duval, req. by Linda & Tommy Sullivan</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>Maria Connors, req. by her children, cousins and friends</i>

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
"Month of February Collection" Summary
AS OF FEBRUARY 2019

"LAST MONTH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:"	\$ 14,033
FEBRUARY WESHARE:	\$ 5,385
FEB. TOTALS: WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:	\$ 19,417
AMOUNT NEEDED FOR MONTH OF FEB.	\$ 21,667
TOTAL UNDER BUDGET	\$ 2,250
AMOUNT NEEDED JULY-FEB.	\$ 173,334
AMOUNT RECEIVED:	\$ 189,059

Please consider using WeShare for your contributions
<https://stannlenox.churchgiving.com>

Please pray for the **deceased, including Patricia Naranjo**, mother of Fr. Peter Naranjo, and the sick.

Religious Education Corner

Grades K-4: Sun. March 31 during the 9:45 a.m. Mass
 Next class April 7th.

Grades 5-8: Sun. March 31st from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
 Next class April 7th

Grades 9 & 10: Confirmation Group: Sun. March 31st. 6-7:30 p.m. in Church Next class will be Apr. 1st
Mandatory New Spirit Retreat, 5-9 p.m., in family center. Then, Apr. 7, class in church from 6 to 7:30 pm

Weekly Envelopes:

This Weekend: Regular Weekly/Catholic Relief Services/Easter Flowers
Next Weekend: Regular Weekly/Bldg Maint./Easter Flowers

THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE
 BURNS FOR

Tom Cowhey

SAINT ANN'S MUSIC CORNER

Song of the Week:

"FROM ASHES TO THE LIVING FONT"

RESTROOMS AT ST. ANN'S are located in our Family Center. To access them from the church, please exit the church using the side door nearest to the candles on the left side of the church.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
WEEKEND OF MARCH 30 & 31			
Saturday	4 p.m. L. Decorie	C. Decorie, F. McClenachan	M. & T. Léger
Sunday	9:45 a.m. B. Corby	G. McCormack, P. Archey	E. Saupé
	11:15 a.m. J. Coxon	M. Wilser, D. Zola	Volunteer needed
WEEKEND OF APRIL 6 & 7			
Saturday	4 p.m. C. Meisberger	S. Merlino, M. Moran	Volunteer Needed
Sunday	9:45 a.m. J. Hopper	N. Armstrong, J. Lane	I. & J. Cooney
	11:15 a.m. J. Healy	A. & M. Antil	Volunteer needed

COFFEE HOUR TEAMS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Apr. 7 - Team #1 Captain: Carol Kirby & Millie Kirby

Bakers: Tracy Reis, Sarah Williams, & Gina Kirchner.

Apr. 14 - Team #2 Captain: Francine Shelhamer & Jeffrey Kane.

Bakers: Vicky May, Anne Sarkis, Michelle Colvin & Christine Manarchik.

HELP WANTED - BOOKKEEPER

St. Ann's would like to find a parishioner volunteer to help with bookkeeping in the Church office approximately 1 day per week. Some accounting or bookkeeping experience desired. Flexible schedule. If interested, please contact Sean Wilson at 413-232-7903.

Tri-Parish Holy Week & Easter Signup Sheets

Signup sheets are available in the Priest's sacristy for anyone wishing to be part of our holy week and Easter liturgies this year. Readers, altar servers and Eucharistic ministers are needed for Palm Sunday Masses, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Saturday Vigil Mass and our Easter Sunday Mass. *This year we have made room for members from each of our three parishes to sign up, as we often are combining Masses at just one parish. We hope members of our other parishes will feel welcome and take advantage of this opportunity! Call Debbie if you need help signing up.*

Habitat for Humanity ~ If you have a few hours to volunteer with us, we have a few projects that could use your help!

Call 442-3181 or info@berkshirehabitat.org or berkshirehabitat.org.

Easter Egg Hunt We found a sponsor family to organize an Easter Egg Hunt following the 9:45 a.m. Mass on Easter morning, so now we are looking for plastic



Easter eggs to fill! If you have any you are not using please consider donating them to the church for our Easter Egg Hunt. Bring them by the office during business hours or leave them on the porch outside the office, anytime. *Thank you!*

Saint Mary's Parish, Longmeadow Director of Faith Formation

St. Mary's Parish in Longmeadow, has an immediate opening for a full-time Director of Faith Formation (DFF). Candidate must demonstrate a strong commitment to Christian discipleship. DFF will work closely with Pastor to create, organize and administer Catholic religious education programs for children, youth and adults, in cooperation with parents and other parish ministries. Full job description available at <http://diospringfield.org/employment/>.

For consideration, please submit resume to:

Father Christopher J Waitekus, Pastor

Email: hr@stmarylong.org or Telephone: 413-567-3124



Bring in your old Palms. There are baskets at the doors of the church for you to place last year's palms.

MARCH 31, 2019

Saint Patrick Church

West Stockbridge, MA

Mass Intention for March 31, 2019

Celestin Avery

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVER</u>
WEEKEND OF MAR. 31 8:30 a.m.	J. Biggs	B. Biggs, V. D'Aniello	L. O'Gara
WEEKEND OF APR. 7 8:30 a.m.	K. Davis,	L. Fields, V. D'Aniello	L. O'Gara

ST. PATRICK STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Collection on Mar. 24, 2019

Weekly	\$	669.00
Bldg. & Maint.	\$	5.00
Bishop Relief	\$	15.00
Easter Flowers	\$	104.00
Total	\$	793.00

Thank you for your continued support!

UPCOMING EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CENTER

- SUN. MAR. 31:** Coffee Hour following Mass
- SUN. APR. 7:** Coffee Hour following Mass
- TUE. APR. 9:** Parish Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- WED. APR. 10:** St. Francis Society, 1-4 p.m.
- SUN. APR. 14:** Coffee Hour following Mass

WEEKLY ENVELOPES:

THIS WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Flowers/
Catholic Relief

NEXT WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Flowers/
Fuel/Cemetery



Friday Stations of the Cross

Join us at 5:30 p.m. each Friday during Lent as Deacon John leads us through the Stations of the Cross at St. Patrick's Church.

AT ST. PATRICK AND ST. ANN PARISHES

Through **Catholic Relief Services, Rice Bowl**, we share the journey with members of our human family around the world, and commit our Lenten prayers, fasting and almsgiving to deepening our faith and serving those in need. You will find **Rice Bowls** in the Church. If you would like to participate in this wonderful program to help feed the poor around the world, please pick up a box or two and during Lent, put your loose change in the box. Bring your box(es) back to church on Palm Sunday. Your donation will help feed so many people in need!

Used Clothing Drop-Off Shed ~ Please remember our used clothing drop-off shed. All clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes, and stuffed toys will be accepted.

Coffee Hour- Please join us today in the parish center after the 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning Mass, for a variety of light breakfast snacks as well as coffee, tea, etc. All are welcome!



First Friday Devotions — Feel free to join St. Ann Parish community for First Friday Devotions on Friday, April 5th in their parish Family Center. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed following 7 a.m. Mass and conclude with Benediction at noon.

MARCH & APRIL MEETINGS & EVENTS

(All events held in St. Ann's Family Center unless otherwise noted)

- **WOMEN'S LUNCHEON:** Mon. Apr. 1st, 12:30 p.m.
- **NEW SPIRIT RETREAT: CONFIRMATION STUDENTS:** Grades 9-10 Mon. Apr. 1st, from 5-9 p.m.
- **GAME DAY:** Wed., Apr. 3rd, 1 p.m.
- **SHAWL MINISTRY:** Thu., April 4th, 1:30 p.m. St. Ann's
- **BIBLE STUDY—THE GOSPEL OF JOHN:** Thu., Apr. 4, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Rectory
- **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY — GOSPEL OF LUKE:** Thu., Apr. 4, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Family Center
- **NEW GENESIS BINGO:** Sun. Apr. 14th, noon-2:30 p.m.
- **PRE-CANA CLASS:** Sun. Apr. 28th, 1 to 5 p.m.
- **ST. ANN'S WALKING GROUP:** Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.
- **ROSARY:** Tuesdays at 1 p.m.
- **EXERCISE CLASS:** Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. (except the first Friday of the month)
- **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS:** 1st Sunday of the month between the 9:45 & 11:15 Masses.

INTERESTED IN SOME LENTEN READING?

Looking to do some reading during Lent? Here are a couple of web sites that I highly recommend: Litpress.org; ltp.org; and Ignationsolodarity.net.

A few books that you might like: *Seeking God* by Esther DeWaal ISBN: 9780814613887. Another book: *Our Father A New Reading* by Gerhard Lohfink ISBN: 9780814663592, And another book: *Jesus of Nazareth, How He Understood His Life*, by Raymund Schwager, ISBN: 9780824517113.
-Msgr. John

WITH LENT COMES CHANGE

Lent is our season each year to embrace change, in our prayer life, our habits and our concern for the poor. Our liturgy should enhance and underscore our commitment.

During Lent our liturgies will begin with the priest in the presidential chair, to underscore our commitment to prayer and that we bring the weekly fruits of our prayer to our collective Sunday worship. There will be no processional or processional hymn. The priest will call the community to prayer: "Let us pray".

The communion host is also changed in an effort to engage our senses, especially that of taste.

We have stripped the sanctuary of anything that is not needed and is movable in an effort to represent how important it is during this season to "fast" from things that distract us in our prayer.

On the fourth Sunday we will pass out carnations, an ancient custom to recall the promise spring and the gift of life.

Msgr. John to Present A Lenten Bible Study The Thursdays of Lent

Luke's Gospel is the longest of the four Gospels, but it has the most beautiful parables of Jesus. Throughout this liturgical year most of the Sunday gospels will be coming from Luke.

This Bible study will be focusing on the orientation to Luke's gospel in depth and some of the more interesting parables. We will meet on the Thursdays of Lenten from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Family Center All are welcome, no registration required.

The Lenox Community Center is sponsoring a **Family Fun Day** on Sunday, April 28th with a trip to Fenway Park to watch the Boston Red Sox take on the Tampa Bay Rays. The bus will leave Lenox at 7 a.m. and return at approximately 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$48 per person which includes ball park ticket, bus ride, raffle ticket, prizes and snacks. Information and to reserve your seat: 637-5530. Space is limited.

Please Remember Our Food Pantry

Please consider bringing a food item to church each week, for our Food Pantry box, located at the main entrance of the Church. There are many families in need - any non-perishable items you can share with our extended community are always appreciated. There is a box near the front doors of the church for your donations. **Don't forget to check the expiration dates.**



Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Ann's, Lenox
Saturday 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul, Lenox Dale
Sunday 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick's, West Stockbridge
Sunday 9:45 a.m. St. Ann's, Lenox
Sunday 11:15 a.m. St. Ann's, Lenox

Holy Day:

Holy Day: Vigil, 5:30 p.m. St. Patrick's
Holy Day, 7 a.m. St Ann's, 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul

Sacrament of Reconciliation: every Saturday 3 to 3:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the rectory of your choice to register.

Sacrament of Marriage: We welcome the opportunity to prepare and celebrate with couples the Sacrament of Marriage. Please call either rectory office at **least 8 months** before the wedding date.

Web site: stannlenox.org

E-mail: stannlenox@verizon.net

E-mail: stpatricksws@verizon.net

E-mail: stvincentlenoxdale@gmail.com

Pastoral Directory

Msgr. John J. Bonzagni, Pastor
Deacon Dan Romanello
Deacon John Zick
Mrs. Deborah Kuni, Administrative Assistant (St. Ann)
Mrs. Margot Towl, Administrative Assistant (St. Patrick)
Mr. Ron Ramsay, Director of Music Programs (St. Ann)
Mr. Art DeVyllder, Director of Music (St. Patrick)
Deacon John Zick - DRE (St Patrick) (413) 232-0137
Mrs. Joan Hymanson - DRE (St. Ann) (413) 637-4027
Dianne Romeo, R.N., Parish Nurse — 637-2684

Rectory / Cemetery Office (St. Ann)
134 Main Street, Lenox, MA 01240-2395
Tel. (413) 637-0157 • Fax (413) 637-2945

Rectory / Cemetery Office (St. Patrick)
30 Albany Road, West Stockbridge, MA 01266-9200
Tel / Fax (413) 232-4427

Rectory Office (St. Vincent de Paul)
P.O. Box 259, Lenox Dale, MA 01242
Tel (413) 637-0157

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday 7 a.m. in St. Ann Family Center

PRAYER SERVICES

On Sunday, April 7 at 2 p.m., there will be two diocesan Prayer Services for Healing, in response to the sex abuse crisis in the Catholic Church. The prayer services will be held simultaneously at St. Michael's Cathedral, 254 State St., in Springfield and at St. Joseph Church, 414 North St., in Pittsfield. They are being held to show prayerful solidarity with the victims of abuse and their families as well as for healing in the Church and a commitment to remain steadfast in protecting our children, youth and all vulnerable populations. All are invited and encouraged to attend and lend their voice in prayer.

New Direction Women's Center is hosting the movie, "Unplanned" as a fundraiser on Saturday April 13 at 10 a.m. at the North Adams Movieplex 8. Tickets are \$18 and will be available on April 2. You can stop by New Direction, 98 Church Street in North Adams, to pick up your ticket or call to reserve your ticket over the phone and send a check in the mail. We will have a will-call table at the theater. New Direction is open Tuesday through Friday noon-4 p.m. Phone reservations will be taken beginning Thursday Mar. 21. Please call 413 346-4291. This movie is rated R. We look forward to your support of this pro-life movie and of our pregnancy support center.

Please join **Catholics for the Unborn** for a pro-life vigil on Thursday, April 11th at 10 AM in the Holy Spirit Chapel, St Michael's Cathedral in Springfield. The vigil begins with Exposition, Recitation of the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet then Adoration. At 12 noon there will be Benediction followed by Daily Mass. Please support our efforts to protect innocent unborn life through prayer. Come for part or the whole vigil. For more information call Marilyn at 567-6085.

St. Joseph Cemetery-Please remove all decorations by Monday, April 15th. New decorations are not allowed until Mother's Day, May 12th, live flowers only, no artificial. Cemetery gates and Mausoleum are open from 8 a.m. until dusk.



If you have your cell phone with you today, please turn it off or turn it to vibrate during Mass. Thank you.