



<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>MARCH 30</b>
9:00AM	St. Mary's
4:00PM	Lawrence and M. Louise Cullen
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MARCH 31</b>
7:30AM	Francesca Margaux Sio (2nd Anniversary)
9:00AM	Vietnamese Liturgy
11:00AM	Andrew Allexander (19th Anniversary)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 1</b>
9:00AM	Mass of healing for Dorothy Woroniecka
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 2</b>
9:00AM	Mass of Thanksgiving for Joseph Giovanni Leflis
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 3</b>
9:00AM	St. Mary's
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 4</b>
9:00AM	St. Mary's
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 5</b>
9:00AM	For all those perpetually enrolled in the Parish
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 6</b>
9:00AM	St. Mary's
4:00PM	Joseph Canavan (17th Anniversary)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 7</b>
7:30AM	Nwamalubia Catherine Umeonwujiobi
9:00AM	Parishioners of St. Bernadette
11:00AM	Bonnie, Milton, and James Baram

**COLLABORATIVE LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**St. Bernadette Parish**  
 Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm  
 Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am (Vietnamese), 11:00am  
 Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Friday at 9:00am

**St. Mary Parish**  
 Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm  
 Sunday Masses: 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:30am  
 Daily Mass: Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday at 9:00am

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*Easter flower envelopes . . .*  
  
*can be found on the tables at the entrances to the church for anyone who would like to donate to our flower fund in memory of a loved one. Help us decorate our beautiful church for the Easter and spring seasons while remembering a loved one. A special booklet will list all those names.*  
*Drop in any collection basket, or send it to the Parish Office. The deadline is Monday, April 15th.*  
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**Parish Support**

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Energy Needs</u>
4:00PM	\$1,172.90.....	\$ 539.45
7:30AM	\$ 660.25.....	\$ 285.00
9:00AM	\$1,993.00.....	\$ 927.00
11:00AM	\$ <u>785.05</u> .....	\$ <u>393.50</u>
Totals	\$4,611.20	\$2,144.95

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - MARCH and APRIL**

3/31/19	Parish Outreach
4/07/19	Capital Improvement Fund
4/14/19	Monthly Maintenance
4/21/19	NO 2nd Collection — Clergy Health & Retirement
4/28/19	Energy Needs

Our Catholic Appeal goal is \$30,911. To date, we have raised \$11,088.82, which is 36 percent of our goal.

*confession  
 penance  
 reconciliation*

**The Light is On For You**  
 All Wednesdays in Lent from 6:30pm-8:00pm at St. Bernadette's, St. Mary's, and all the parishes and chapels in the Archdiocese of Boston will be open for Confession.

NEXT WEEK, APRIL 3rd, CONFESSION WILL BE HELD AT ST. MARY'S ONLY.

**Collaborative Adult Education & Faith Sharing**

Deacon Maurice Culver, a seminarian at Pope St. John XIII National Seminary, is offering a series of four evenings for adults. Deacon Maurice has selected video segments of Bishop Robert Barron's very popular film series, The Mass.

The last date for the series is:  
 Wednesday, April 10th at St. Mary Rel. Ed. Center from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.



**LENTEN WAY OF THE CROSS**

each Friday in Lent after the 9am Mass.



Please remember the soul of  
*Jim Joy*  
 May he rest in eternal peace.

## Pastor's Message

### Reflections for the Fourth Sunday of Lent Cycle C

On this fourth Sunday of Lent in 2019 there seems to be a frightening amount of pain, darkness, and sadness in the world. There is much selfishness, insensitivity, snobbery, pride, greed, prejudice, hurry, materialism, misuse of creation, and superficiality which contributes to the darkness in the world. There is also much good in the world. Are we looking for or taking part in the good in the world? Where do we find our hope? Do we believe that Jesus is the light of the world, and do we believe that Jesus is the one who leads us from darkness to light? We are called to see beyond appearance. Through Baptism, we can learn to see everything in the light of Christ. The story of the man born blind was a favorite one at Baptisms in the life of the early church? At that time, Christians might call the sacrament of Baptism the illumination or enlightenment. We are called to live the light of Christ. We receive the gift of faith at Baptism. At that time, the candidate for Baptism might echo the blind man's confession of faith and recite the Creed. Jesus even healed on the Sabbath. The more we learn about Jesus, the more spectacular and glorious He becomes. Lent provides the opportunity and is a time to seek a clearer and more focused vision of Jesus, just like the blind man grew into with the help of Jesus. God gives this to those who wish to see and understand Jesus.

In today's Gospel, people had a wrong vision of the man's blindness. Blindness is not a result of sin. Suffering is a mystery that cannot be completely understood. When Jesus cured this man it did bring glory to God. The gospel today is a lesson on growth in faith. Please observe the steps on this man's journey to faith in Jesus. Seeing does not always lead to belief in Jesus, but in the case of this man it did. The eyes are not the only part of the body that needs to be able to see, the heart also needs to be able to see. Moving from darkness to light is moving from no commitment to God to following Jesus Christ. Please notice in this miracle story and other miracle stories the powerful effect that Jesus has on people and the joyful experience that people begin to live. If we follow Christ, we can become a light to others. Please observe also the behavior of the Pharisees and how they were not able to enter into this joyful experience because of their spiritual blindness. Perhaps each of us can listen to such stories in Sacred Scripture, connect them with our lives, and rejoice when we observe or hear of healings in the lives of others or ourselves. One of the practical ways we can move to see better is the Sacrament of Reconciliation asking God to help us see things from a spiritual perspective. All of us are in need of deeper awareness in our lives which would include the way we treat others and even God's creation. The Sacrament of Reconciliation invites us to a grateful and loving response which includes God and others. In understanding the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we see a whole new meaning in spiritual eyesight. God's creation is part of the way we treat others. May we always be willing to share with others in words and deeds what our faith means to us.

### What Kind of Man Are You?

#### Kingdom Men Rising

is a documentary film exploring what it means to be a real man in the midst of cultural trends.

The film will be shown at the SHOWCASE CINEMAS in Randolph on Monday, April 29th at 7pm.

Bring your male family members and friends for an evening of enlightenment.



## Upcoming Events

Lenten retreat	April 2	7:00pm	Church Hall
Lenten retreat	April 4	7:00pm	St. Mary's
First Penance	April 6	10:00am	Church
Brown Bag Lunch	April 6	10:00am	Church Hall
Sisters	April 9	10:30am	RE bldg.
First Communion	April 27	10:30am	Church
May Procession	April 28	12:00pm	Ch. grounds

### *The Retirement of a friend ~~*

*After many years as Business Manager at St. Bernadette Parish, Mrs. Karen McCormick will be retiring at the end of April. For many years, Karen has brought so many of God's graces and blessings of God to all of us. Her leadership skills, talent, and dedication have helped St. Bernadette Parish to maintain such high standards. Because of her skills and loyalty, she is leaving our Parish in a financially-stable condition. She has worked wonderfully with each pastor and administrator during all these years. We all owe her a real debt of gratitude.*

*I am particularly grateful that she stayed longer than she had originally planned to help me through Lent and Easter as your new pastor.*

*Fr. Phil*



### COLLABORATIVE LENTEN RETREAT

We are very excited about our first Collaborative Lenten Retreat! This retreat will take place for two nights on Tuesday, April 2 at St. Bernadette's and Thursday, April 4 at St. Mary's from 7 – 9 pm.

During the first evening, Sr. Regina Dick, Fr. Ixon, Fr. Phong, and Deacon Tom Burke will share stories about experiencing forgiveness in their own life. Three parishioners will follow also explaining times when they too have experienced situations of forgiveness. Small group sharing and discussions will follow.

On the second evening, Sr. Regina will lead us in a reflection followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation for those who desire the Sacrament.

### ST. MARY'S SPRING FLING

St. Mary's Annual Spring Fling sale will be held on April 7<sup>th</sup> after all the Sunday Masses in the Church Hall. Everything for sale will be from last year's craft fair, items which did not make it out of the nooks, crannies, and closets around the hall. From juicers to jewelry, plates, books, and the always favorite "Various Sundry Items" at truly affordable prices, find just what you need.