

From the Pastor's Desk

I wish to take a moment this weekend to thank parishioners who contributed in recent months to the **2008 Annual Catholic Appeal**. Since the beginning of March, 141 CCSB parishioners have made a pledge or donation to the appeal. The Catholic Appeal, of course, helps to further the ministries and mission of the Archdiocese of Boston by providing revenue for the more than 80 agencies and services that seek to meet the needs of Catholics and non-Catholics alike in eastern Massachusetts.

To date, CCSB parishioners have donated \$34,130 to the Catholic Appeal. This represents 82% of our \$41,500 goal.

Should you be meaning to make a pledge or donation to this year's appeal, know that there's still time and that any donation, large or small, will be gratefully received. Please keep in mind that 25% of the funds contributed by parishioners above our goal, will be returned to CCSB Parish for our use within the parish! Last year our CCSB Parish received \$4,000 as a result of the generosity of parishioners. Information and contribution cards for the Annual Catholic Appeal will be found at the entrance to the church or by contacting the Parish Office.

You may have noticed that parishes have a variety of practices when it comes to establishing norms for who can and cannot serve as a Godparent at Baptism or a Sponsor at Confirmation. Sometimes parishes will request a statement on behalf of a person who has been asked to be a Godparent/Sponsor. This often requires the person to obtain a letter from one's local pastor indicating that he or she is a registered member of the parish and, to the pastor's knowledge, is suitable for serving the spiritual role of Godparent or Sponsor.

We are very happy to provide a letter to a parishioner who is in need of such a document. But, sometimes requesting a letter to serve as a Godparent/Sponsor can create an embarrassing situation. This happens, more often than not, when the individual requesting the letter has never been properly registered as a parishioner and is not known by anyone active in the parish, staff member or otherwise. If you are wondering if your name is "on the parish rolls," or if you know that you need to submit your name for registration in the parish, please contact the Parish Office and we'll be happy to assist you.

I'll be on vacation through Sunday, July 20 as I join with good friends for time at the beach on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. In my absence Father Conroy will cover the sacramental needs of the parish and I know, on my return, he will tell me what a great job he did! In all honesty we are truly blessed to have his assistance whenever I'm away.

But, while I'm out-of-town, please make sure he doesn't pick up a brush or climb a ladder to help with the painting of St. Bernard's Church. The project is coming along very nicely and I'd like to convince Father Conroy that his gifts rest in proclaiming the Gospel message. Peace!

Father Frank J. Silva



In a few months time our parish will begin a wonderful process called **ARISE Together in Christ**. This process will also be offered in many of the parishes, religious houses, campus ministries, schools, and religious education programs of the Boston Archdiocese.

ARISE Together in Christ is a total parish experience designed to spiritually renew us while providing opportunities for us to grow in faith and community. It is a way to move into the future as a Church of hope. At the heart of the **ARISE** process will be the gathering of small groups of people in homes or in other sites within the parish to read and pray with the Scriptures. RENEW International — developers of **ARISE Together in Christ** — is providing on-going training for those who will lead this process in our parish. We are hoping as many people as possible will see this as a moment of grace and will participate. Throughout the coming weeks we will keep parishioners apprised of dates and events associated with the **ARISE** process. Please consider one of these options for yourself: 1 — you will join an **ARISE** small faith sharing group; 2 — you will volunteer to be a small faith sharing group leader in your home; or, 3 — you will pray for the success of **ARISE** in our parish. For more information about **ARISE**, contact Tom Griffin (617-244-9111 / tgriffin@ccsbparish.org), or Carol Russo (617-527-4416 / crusso@ccsbparish.org).

QUESTIONS OF FAITH

Do you find yourself with questions about your Catholic faith, the Church and its traditions, or why Catholics do the things they do? If so, we invite you to participate in an informal, relaxing session where some of your questions can be addressed and maybe even answered! Under the auspices of our Adult Faith Formation Commission, "Questions of Faith" Sessions will be held this summer on Mondays, July 21 and August 11 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the CCSB Parish Center. Our pastor, Father Frank Silva, will facilitate these sessions. Plan to join us for an evening of light discussion, refreshments, and perhaps even a light-hearted look into all things Catholic.

BRISTOL LODGE FOOD PANTRY

Summer is here and the Bristol Lodge Food Pantry is in need of non-perishable food items for the individuals and families who received groceries each Wednesday at the lodge site on Moody Street in Waltham. CCSB Parish collects food on an ongoing basis. We are in need of people who are willing and able to deliver the food to Bristol Lodge on Tuesday afternoons. If you are interested in helping with this project on a rotating basis, please contact Ann Purcell (617-964-1906). And a special thanks to all who provide continued support for this very important ministry!

• SPECIAL COLLECTION — THIS WEEKEND • BLACK & INDIAN MISSIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

The annual National Collection for Black and Indian Missions will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Support to this appeal goes to some of the neediest people across the United States — from the inner cities of the rural South and the deserts of the Southwest to Alaska's cold wilderness. Through your gifts, you will join your sacrifice to those who sacrifice daily to lead others to Christ. Please give what you are able. Thanks!

UP & COMING EVENTS						
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Sunday, July 13

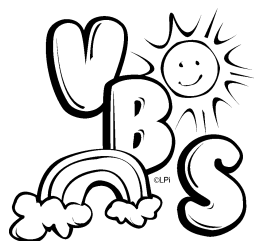
10:30 am (SB) Bus leaves for Tanglewood Concert

Monday, July 14

1:00 pm (CC) Monday Club

Monday, July 21

7:00 pm (CC) Questions of Faith

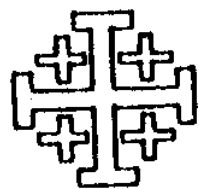


**SonWorld ADVENTURE PARK
Vacation Bible School
August 18 through 22
Daily – 9:00 am-1:00 pm**

The CCSB Vacation Bible School will provide a great opportunity for children entering 1st, 2nd or 3rd grade to have a fun-filled week of games and activities all centering on Choosing Jesus as our guide in life. The week will conclude with a very special trip to Canobie Lake Park on Friday, August 22. Registration forms are available on the parish website (www.ccsbparish.org) or by calling Maureen Connell at 617-244-0608.

The CCSB Vacation Bible School could also use your help!! Are you a medical professional? Nurse, doctor, EMT — retired or on school vacation? Can you give us four (4) hours of your time to be present at our Vacation Bible School? VBS meets Monday through Thursday August 18-21 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. We would welcome having someone on site in case of minor scrapes, etc. We will supply a full First Aid kit and a room with a cot for quiet time if needed. If you are interested in helping all four (4) days or even one, please contact Maureen Connell at 617-244-0608 or email mconnell@ccsbparish.org.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE



Have you ever imagined yourself travelling the roads and pathways that the Lord himself was known to walk during his time on earth just over 2000 years ago? Here's your chance! Father Frank Silva will conduct a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from January 12-21, 2009. The trip will visit sacred sites in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, and numerous places in between. Mass will be offered daily at some of the most holy Christian sites in the world. Cost for the trip — including air fare, hotel, meals, and more — is \$2,600. If you are interested in receiving additional information about the Holy Land Pilgrimage, please contact Father Frank Silva (617-244-0608 / fsilva@ccsbparish.org).

IRISH CULTURAL CENTRE OUTING

A special Seniors Outing is being hosted by the Irish Cultural Centre in Canton, MA on Thursday, July 24 from Noon-3:00 pm. The outing will include Mass, a catered lunch and guest Susan Gedutis Lindsay who will present a program of music and photos from Boston's Dance Halls of 1940-1970. Suggested donation is \$10. RSVP by calling 617-479-7404, ext 13 by July 22.

CCSB Religious Education Program 2008 –2009



Registration is now open! All returning students must be re-registered. Information was mailed in mid-June to those in last year's program. Be sure to get your registration in NOW to ensure the class time

and day you desire. New registrations are welcome. For information, contact our parish Religious Education Director, Maureen Connell at 617-244-0608 or email: mconnell@ccsbparish.org. Registration forms are also available on the parish website: www.ccsbparish.org.

BRINGING OTHERS TO THE FAITH

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process for those interested in learning about the Catholic faith and, at the same time, discovering where God is present in their lives. The process is designed for adults who are: unbaptized; baptized in another Christian tradition; or, baptized Catholic, but with no further religious training or sacraments. If you would like information about becoming a Catholic and receiving the sacraments of the Catholic Church, please contact Tom Griffin, 617-244-9110 or tgriffin@ccsbparish.org.

ARCHDIOCESAN BICENTENNIAL



During the month of July our Archdiocesan Bicentennial honors the ethnic and cultural diversity that exists within the Boston Archdiocese. The Catholic Church is a universal church and

that is very much experienced throughout our archdiocese. Every weekend Mass is celebrated in over 28 languages in various parishes of the archdiocese. We are and should be proud of this diversity which enhances our mission and goal in so many ways. Let us pray for the grace that comes in diversity.

For information about Archdiocesan Bicentennial events and happenings, log on to www.boston200.org

STAINED-GLASS WINDOW DONOR SEARCH

As mentioned in last weekend's bulletin, we are seeking to identify family members of those who donated the stained-glass windows in the original Corpus Christi Church when it was constructed in the 1920s. Due to their present condition, the windows (located on the lower level of the church) are soon to be removed and stored by the parish. Please contact the CCSB Parish Office (617-244-0608) if you know of someone related to any of the following...

- In Memory of Mary Kelley
- In Memory of Mollie Keyes
- Frank & Mary Benson — Gift of Mary Benson
- Brendon J. Coleman
- Gift of Mary Rooney
- In Memory of Ellen Harrington
- In Memory of Mary E. Brett

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Saturday, July 12

4:00 pm Pasquale & Mary Caruso Memorial

Sunday, July 13

9:00 am Mass for the People

11:15 am Vincent Consigli Memorial

Thursday, July 17

7:00 am Radm. Roberta L. Hazard USN (Ret.) Health & Blessings

Saturday, July 19

4:00 pm Philomena (Phyllis) Broderick Memorial

Sunday, July 20

7:30 am Constance & Anthony Vena Memorial

9:00 am Michael Bonadio Memorial

11:15 am Mass for the People

If the Mass Intention is for a family member or friend,
please contact a Eucharistic Minister before Mass
should you wish to bring forward the offertory gifts.

Arrangements for Anniversary or Memorial Masses
can be made by calling 617-244-0608.
Office hours are 10:00 am-3:30 pm, Monday–Friday.

PARISH SANCTUARY FUND

A donation was recently made to the **CCSB Sanctuary Fund**
in memory of the **Ferrera Family**.
Please remember them in your prayers.

Parish Support

Last Weekend's Offertory Collection: \$4,437.

*We thank you for your support and financial assistance
in helping to further the mission of Christ in our parish.
God bless you for your generosity!*

† **Next Weekend's Celebrants** †

Saturday, July 19

4:00 pm Fr. Edward Geary

Sunday, July 20

7:30 am Fr. Edward Geary

9:00 am Fr. Francis Conroy

11:15 am Fr. Francis Conroy



All are welcome to include their petitions in the
Intercessory Prayer Books located at the main
entrances to our parish churches. As a faith
community, we pledge to remember these
intentions in our prayers.

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