

From the Pastor's Desk

We have taken the turn into a new month — a very significant one that will conclude with traditional Thanksgiving celebrations and propel us into the holiday season. From a faith perspective, November also reminds us of the dignity we share as members in the **Communion of Saints**. This weekend, our usual Sunday worship in 'ordinary time' moves aside for our observance of **All Souls Day**, inviting us to turn our minds and hearts to those who have preceded us in faith.

As we offer our prayers for those who have died, we are made more sensitive to our own mortality. Yet, we also rejoice in proclaiming the new life we have in Christ — a life we share in and through our baptism into Christ's death and resurrection. The hope of eternal life offers us the assurance that our faithful departed are in God's loving embrace and that we, too, will one day know the fulfillment of God's promises. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

The selection process for our new **Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)** is moving along. Please remember that all nominations for the council must be received by Tuesday, November 4 in order for those nominated to be properly invited to the Information Session on Monday, November 10. Thanks!

Many people throughout our country — and for that matter, throughout the world — see the coming days to be very significant ones as Americans cast their votes to elect the next President of the United States. In anticipation of **Election Day (Tuesday, November 4)**, I encourage you to offer the following "Prayer Before an Election." And, by all means, VOTE!

Father Frank J. Silva

Prayer Before an Election

Lord God,
 as the election approaches,
 we seek to better understand the issues and concerns
 that confront our city, state, and country,
 and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful
 citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness
 so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters,
 one and equal in dignity,
 especially those who are victims of abuse and violence,
 deceit and poverty.

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and
 those abandoned,
 men and women oppressed because of race or creed,
 religion or gender.

We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice
 of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.

We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders
 who hear your Word,
 live your love,
 and keep in the ways of your truth
 as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles
 and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through
 the power of the Holy Spirit.
 Amen.

CLOTHING DRIVE



Our annual CCSB Clothing Drive for Waltham's Bristol Lodge is underway and will continue through Sunday, November 2. Donations of clean, wearable children's, women's and men's clothing as well as clean, gently-used bedding and towels are most welcome. Boxes for your donations are located in Father Moore Hall (St. Bernard's Church) and in the Gathering Area at Corpus Christi Church. Those interested in helping to deliver the clothes in the early afternoon of Sunday November 2, please call Ann Purcell at 617-964-1906. Thank you for your support of this important project!

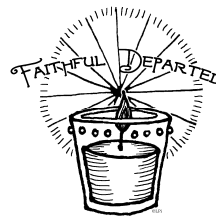
SOUL FOOD: OUR FAITH, OUR FOOD, OUR LIFE

This Sunday, November 2 at 2:00 pm in Father Moore Hall (St. Bernard's Church), the CCSB Guild will host a presentation by author and food specialist Susan Hamilton. She will share stories of faith and food, connecting God's gift of food to our daily life. Take time to contemplate our spirit of living: taste a few recipes and re-awaken your joyfulness in faith and food! For tickets (\$8), call Connie (617-969-1455) or Lucille (617-244-9386). Tickets may also be purchased at the door. Let us know if you need a ride. All are welcome!

DINNER AT BRISTOL LODGE

CCSB Parishioners will be serving dinner to the guests at Bristol Lodge Soup Kitchen this Tuesday, November 4 from 4:00-6:00 pm. We are in need of casseroles, salads, juice and fresh fruit (bags of apples, pears etc.). If you can help in any way, please call Lucille (617-244-9386) or Ann (617-964-1906). Thank you!

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE



Our parish's annual Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated next Saturday, November 8 at 9:00 am in Corpus Christi Church. The Mass is offered specifically for those who have died during the past year. Family members of those for whom funerals were offered in our parish have been sent an invitation with details about the Mass. We also look to include in our Mass of Remembrance the names of immediate relatives of parishioners who died this past year but had their funeral services conducted elsewhere. If you had a relative who passed away this year and wish his or her name to be included in our Mass of Remembrance, please contact the parish office by this Tuesday, November 4 to provide us with information. Thank you.

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 / tgriffin@ccsbsparish.org).

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FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

UP & COMING EVENTS						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Sunday, November 2

2:00 pm (SB) CCSB Guild — Soul Food: Our Faith, Our Food, Our Life

Monday, November 3

1:00 pm (CC) Monday Club

7:00 pm (CC) Worship Commission Meeting

Saturday, November 8

9:00 am (CC) Annual Mass of Remembrance

Sunday, November 9

5:00 pm (CC) CCSB Scripture Study Group

Monday, November 10

1:00 pm (CC) Monday Club

7:00 pm (SB) PPC Information Night

Thursday, November 13

7:00 pm (SB) CCSB Book Club Meeting

SCRIPTURE STUDY

The CCSB Scripture Study Group continues its study of the Book of Genesis. The next meeting will be on Sunday, November 9 at 5:00 at the Parish Center. We will be discussing Lesson 3, Chapters 9-14. New members are always welcomed. If you are interested in participating in the study group or just curious, contact Bob Larner (617-965-4746 / rlarner@crai.com).

CCSB BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the CCSB Book Club will take place on Thursday, November 13 at 7:00 pm in Father Moore Hall (St. Bernard's Church). Club members will be discussing Clericalism: The Death of Priesthood by Father George B. Wilson, SJ. The book explores the question, "What is clerical culture?" For information, please contact Anne Keidel (617-527-5053).



Those participating in the faith-sharing groups for **ARISE Together in Christ** are very grateful for the prayers of all parishioners. The groups are into the final sessions of their six week journey and many are looking forward to

beginning anew when another series of sessions begins in Lent 2009. Please keep the prayers coming!

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE IN WALTHAM

Sacred Heart Parish (311 River Street, Waltham) will host their annual Holiday Boutique on Saturday November 8 from 9:00 am-5:30 pm, and Sunday November 9 from 8:00 am-1:00 pm. Dozens of tables featuring handcrafted holiday decorations, jewelry, children's gifts and unique artisan designs for the home will be on sale. Breakfast and lunch items will be available at the Holiday Café and take home treats will be sold at the Boutique Bake Shop. There will be lots of raffle prizes including a Nintendo Wii game system, a handcrafted quilt and much more. The event will take place in the parish hall which is handicapped accessible with plenty of parking available. For additional information, log on to www.sacredheart311.org.

CCSB Religious Education Program 2008 –2009



Our Second Graders have begun preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which they will celebrate in mid-December. As the year unfolds, they will also prepare for the Sacrament of the Eucharist — their First Communion! With

this in mind, you will find at the entrance to the church, cards with the children's names on them. If you are so inclined, we are asking you to take a card and place this child in your prayers for the remainder of the Religious Education year. Each card will have a slip of paper attached. If you put your name on the paper and leave it in the container provided, we will know who is praying for each child. Thank you and God Bless!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES

Area Catholic elementary and high schools are presently conducting Open Houses for prospective students. Please contact the schools directly for information about these sessions.

Mount Alvernia High School, Newton (617-969-2260, ext 46)

Sunday, November 2 — 1:30-4:00 pm

St. Joseph Elementary School, Needham (781-444-4459)

Thursday, November 13 — 7:00 pm

Jackson — Walnut Park Schools, Newton (617-969-15237)

Wednesday, November 19 — 9:00-11:00 am

PLEASE, BE COURTEOUS!



To provide a convenience for those with walking difficulties, it is requested that all respect the handicapped accessible curbing located on the Prospect Street side of St. Bernard's Church and directly in front of Corpus Christi Church. Please do not block these areas! Your cooperation is much appreciated.

NEWTON CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

A "brown bag lunch" meeting of the Newton Church Women United will be held at Noon on Friday, November 7 in the CCSB Parish Center (45 Ash Street, Auburndale). All are welcome!

THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

The Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola in Every Day Life (the 19th Annotation Retreat) will once again be offered by staff members of the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life of the Boston Archdiocese. The retreat will begin on Wednesday, November 19 and extend through April 29, 2009. The group meets weekly from 7:00-9:00 pm at the Creagh Library on the Brighton Campus of Boston College (formerly the grounds of the Archdiocesan Chancery offices). This will be the 14th year that Reverend John Sassani and Mrs. Mary Ann McLaughlin will direct the Spiritual Exercises. If you are interested, please call 617-779-3640 or e-mail spiritual_development@rcab.org.



Check out www.foryourmarriage.org for some helpful insights and suggestions.

NOVEMBER 2, 2008



Saturday, November 1

4:00 pm John Ackerley Memorial

Sunday, November 2

7:30 am Mass for All Religious Sisters Memorial

9:00 am Domenico & Antonia Alicandro and Michael Caira
Memorial

11:15 am Mass for the People

Monday, November 3

9:00 am Margaret T. Ahern Memorial

Tuesday, November 4

9:00 am Elizabeth Dalton Memorial

Thursday, November 6

7:00 am Ellen McCabe 5th Anniversary

Friday, November 7

7:00 am Mass for Military Personnel and their Families

Saturday, November 8

4:00 pm Angela Cucinotta, Joseph & Elizabeth Bianco and
Joseph & Barbara Ribeiro Memorial

Sunday, November 9

7:30 am Mass for the People

9:00 am Alfonso & Santa Montillo and Joseph & Angelina Macrillo
Memorial

11:15 am Anthony D. Mirabito Memorial

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 Support

Last Weekend's Offertory Collection: \$4,705.

TEMPORARY ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

In response to requests that have been received, 'Temporary' Contribution Envelopes are available for those wishing to use them as they await the arrival of personalized printed envelopes from our parish supplier. To obtain a set of 'temporary' envelopes, please call Ann Medeiros at the parish office — 617-244-0608.

† Next Weekend's Celebrants †

Saturday, November 8

4:00 pm Fr. Frank Silva

Sunday, November 9

7:30 am Fr. Leo Manglaviti

9:00 am Fr. Frank Silva

11:15 am Fr. Francis Conroy

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