


**Mass Intentions
for the Week**
November 30 – December 6

Mon.	7:00 a.m.	Mary (McGuire) O'Connell by her husband
Tues.	7:00 a.m.	Manuel Santana DeLaTierra by Antonia Brown
Wed.	7:00 a.m.	Deacon Roland Rugoletti by Deacon Pasquale Mussulli
Fri	7:00 a.m.	All the Holy Souls in Purgatory, sponsored by the Helpers of the Holy Souls
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Anthony & Josephine Petrilli by their family
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
	9:00 a.m.	Umberto Spallone by his wife and children
	10:30 a.m.	Angelina (Gogliormella) Bonina by her mother and sister


Sophie Ruscitti

**Grace Catherine Schoenberg
Trevor Edward Talieri**

“O Come Let Us Adore Him!”

It is hard to believe that another 12 months has past and we are beginning the Advent Season again. Advent is a very special time in the Liturgical Calendar.

The beginning reminds us that we should be waiting in “Joyful Hope” for the second coming of Jesus. Not with fear but expectation of what we have been promised by Jesus for all those who are faithful to His teachings. Then on Dec 17th, and the eight days following, we reflect on the events that bring us to the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. There is so much to reflect upon and yet we can lose out on this opportunity if we allow it not to happen. Take some time this Friday, December 4th, to pray before the **REAL PRESENCE** of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during our First Friday Adoration. Begin the Christmas Season in the right way with our attention focused on the true reason for celebrating Christmas. **First Friday begins with Mass at 7:00 a.m. in the Chapel, followed by Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament until Noon.** Come and visit **anytime** during these hours. Litanies or the Rosary will be prayed each hour on the half hour starting at 8:30 a.m. In addition **Evening Prayer with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament** will take place at **6:00 p.m.** in the Chapel for all those who are working during the day. Let us gather and pray as one family before the Master, who answers all our needs.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE.

Need “Adorers”

We are happy to say that we have 4 new “Adorers” who have signed up for First Friday Adoration from 11:00 to noon. We are now looking for additional “Adorers” to help cover the following times on First Friday: **8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. or 9:00 a.m. to 10:00, or any half hour during this period.** Because the Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended when it is exposed in the Monstrance, we need committed people to be present to watch and keep safe the Blessed Sacrament. We call these people “Adorers” because during their “watch” they pray not only for their personal needs but for the needs of the parish and all our parishioners. Please call or see Deacon Pat if you can make yourself available (508) 473-6595.


ECUMENICAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Ecumenical Christmas Concert featuring combined choral groups from area Milford Churches will be held in the upper Church on **Sunday, December 13th at 4:00 p.m. here at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church.** All parishioners are encouraged to take time during this Advent season to join us in song and prayer.

Please remember in your prayers our men and women in the Service. (They serve so that we can celebrate our freedom).



Parish Council
OUTREACH COMMISSION OF THE PARISH
PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Outreach Commission through the Human Services Fund will sponsor the distribution of turkeys and hams to needy families for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Cash donations during the month of December will be greatly appreciated. You may send your donation to the rectory or put it in an envelope marked "Holiday Donation" and place it in the collection baskets at Mass. We thank you for caring and sharing.

Gift requests for the needy will be hung from the fireplaces located at all entrance to the church. Please take one, purchase the gift, attach the tag and return it **UNWRAPPED BEFORE DECEMBER 13TH** to the tree or bring it to the rectory. It would be appreciated if you could provide a bag or wrap with the gift.

Legacy of Faith
A Gift of Love and Appreciation

With the Christmas holiday approaching are you looking for a special gift for the proverbial "person or family who has everything"? Please consider a donation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish LEGACY OF FAITH Campaign in honor of that person or family with your holiday wishes for God's blessings. Every donation will assist our parish in the next phase of restoration of our church's worship space. Cards to acknowledge this gift or even in remembrance of a deceased loved one are available at the rectory.

The Legacy Campaign total raised to date is **\$359,814.88**. **459** families pledged/contributed **\$334,622.00** and an additional **\$25,192.88** has been given in memory of friends and loved ones or from the estates of deceased parishioners.



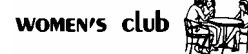
The Children's Choir at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church is seeking new members. Anyone 6-13 years of age interested in joining should attend rehearsal that is held every Tuesday from 4:00-4:45 p.m. in the Chapel. The choir will sing at the 4:00 p.m. Mass on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month. Please call Ken Miller at (508) 381-3935 with questions.

The Adult Choir is also looking for new members to join them every Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel as they prepare for the Advent Season.



PARISH CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 13, 2009
BELL TOWER ROOM

AFTER THE 10:30 A.M. MASS
FOR RESERVATIONS CALL (508) 634-5435
Coloring and face painting tables will be available
 Under 2 is free---3 yrs-12 is \$5.00-13/adult- \$7.00
Please bring a gift with the child's name on it
Reservation Deadline is December 8th



SACRED HEART WOMEN'S CLUB
CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Sacred Heart Women's Club Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, December 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Tower Room. A hot buffet dinner will be served. There will be entertainment and a sing-long. If you would like to participate in a gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift valued at no more than \$10.00. Please contact the rectory if you plan to attend. The \$15.00 payment is due by December 11th. Tickets will not be issued.

Also, the Sacred Heart Women's Club will be holding its annual Christmas Party for the residents of the Milford Geriatric Authority on Sunday, December 6th. Members are asked to arrive by 1:30 p.m. and be sure to bring your baked goods (no nuts, please).

ATTENTION ALL MINISTRIES

If there are any dates during the first quarter that you are unavailable during the first quarter of 2010 to serve your ministry, please notify the rectory at (508) 634-5435.

MINISTRY ASSISTANCE NEEDED

December 7th –Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – we need 1 altar server, and 1 Lector.

Christmas Day: 8:30 a.m.- we need 3 altar servers, 3 Eucharistic Ministers, and 2 Lectors –**10:30 a.m.**

Mass- we need 3 altar servers, 3 Eucharistic Ministers and 2 Lectors for the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Parish Support:...(11/22/09).....\$ 8,173.00
Average Wkly. Expenses for (Oct.).....\$6,444.33
Thank You for your continued support each week.



MORTGAGE:

As of August 31, 2007

Total amt borrowed at 7% interest.....\$747,570.91
Outstanding Bal. as of Oct. 31, 2009...\$247,120.18

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 29, 2009

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