



**Saturday, January 21, 2012**  
4:30 p.m. Andrew H. Thomas

**Sunday, January 22, 2012**  
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish, Living and Deceased  
9:30 a.m. Francisco, Maria, and Fernando Camara

11:00 a.m. Robert Hamm

**Monday, January 23, 2012**

8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

**Tuesday, January 24, 2012**

8:00 a.m. Philomena Dovico

**Wednesday, January 25, 2012**

8:00 a.m. Joanne Preston

**Thursday, January 26, 2012**

8:00 a.m. Sgt. Patricia Morton - LIVING

**Friday, January 27, 2012**

8:00 a.m. Jose, Maria, Teresa and Antonio Couto

**Saturday, January 28, 2012**

4:30 p.m. Henry Amoroso, 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary

**Sunday, January 29, 2012**

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish, Living and Deceased

9:30 a.m. Jose Couto

11:00 a.m. George P. Richardson, Jr., 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary



*Please remember in your prayers the sick of the parish. If you wish to have*

*someone added to the prayer list call the rectory and their name will be mentioned in the bulletin.*



**FOOD FOR THE NEEDY**

Drop non-perishable food items in baskets at the rear of the Church. Food is delivered to My Brother's Keeper on the first Monday and to Easton Food Pantry remaining Mondays. Thanks to all who have made donations.

**MUSIC FOR THE WEEKEND**

Gathering: # 575 - Preparation: # 380

Communion: # 522 - Sending: # 428

Readings Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS  
LECTORS**

4:30 p.m. - Gerald Koelsch and Wil Roberge

8:00 a.m. - Leo Harlow and Stephen Freitas

9:30 a.m. - Bob Peterson

11:00 a.m. - Kristina Cerce and Jeremy Berry

**MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

4:30 p.m. - Theresa Pratt, Ken Hampston,  
Kathy Coughlin

8:00 a.m. - Esther DeLello, Betty Rose

Ann Melanson

9:30 a.m. - Kim Pressey, Bill Morse

Elaine Flanagan

11:00 a.m. - Lori Bechtel, Dan Bechtel

Sheila Rhodes

**ALTAR SERVERS**

4:30 p.m. - Caitlyn J., Olivia M., Stephanie B.

8:00 a.m. - Martin K. and Virginia K.

9:30 a.m. - Jake R.

11:00 a.m. - Domenic C. and Steve C.



**OUR LADY'S ROSARY PRAYER GROUP**

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

**ICC HALL CHAPEL - 6 P.M.**

*(enter the door at the outside stairs)*

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**SUNDAYS AT 5 P.M.**

**FATHER PEYTON CENTER**

*(on the grounds of Stonehill College)*

CALL Ann at 508-631-0533 for more information.



**BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are held once a month. Call the rectory office to make an appointment to meet with Fr. Paul Fedak. A parent meeting is held each month that you are required to attend prior to your child's baptism.

**WE WELCOME** - Hailey Ann Dias, Aidan Michael Melcher, Benjamin Davis Girard and Aiden Miguel Vieira who were baptized recently and we congratulate their happy families.





**Low Gluten Altar Breads**

It has come to my attention that there are parishioners who are gluten intolerant, this may prevent them from receiving the Eucharist. Low gluten altar breads are available which consist of less than 0.01% gluten content. These altar breads are approved for the Eucharist by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and are made by the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration. The Immaculate Conception Parish is happy to accommodate those whose health requires them to receive low gluten altar breads. Please contact Fr. Fedak for more information.



**OUR SERVICE MEN AND**

**PRAY FOR... WOMAN** - Please continue to pray for those members of our parish family who are serving our country through the military: Staff Sgt. J. Grey; Maj. Dana Sanders-Udo; Pvt. Jon MacLean; Pvt. John Lawlor; Jay Rustoski; Glenn McNally; Maj. James Blake; Giuseppe Puopolo, Capt. Richard McCann, "Uncle Billy"; the Carnathan boys; Glenn McNally; Jon Mooney; Sgt. Patricia Morton and all those who are serving or about to serve our nation far from home.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS**

Weekend January 14 & 15 - \$4,904.  
Catholic Communication - \$898.

**FOOD for the NEEDY**

A roast turkey casserole, layered with stuffing, turkey, gravy, and topped with mashed potatoes, was served at MainSpring House on Friday, January 6, 2012. Mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, a garden salad and a yummy icebox dessert were served as well. MainSpring House relies upon churches and organizations to provide a meal to feed 100-120 people, usually on a monthly basis. ICC parish serves the first Friday of every month, and it is received with much gratitude and praise. Our next meal preparation is on Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5 pm at the parish hall kitchen.

**MY BROTHER'S KEEPER** -If you have any gently used household items, in particular towels, pots and pans that you would like to donate or if you have any questions, please call Luzann for pickup 238-4117.

**DE COLORES!** There will be an Ultreya Mass on Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m. at Holy Cross Retreat House. The celebrant will be Fr. Jim Fenstermaker. What a great way to begin this New Year and to rekindle the flame of your Cursillo no matter how long it has been. Questions call Luzann Noonan 508-238-4117.

**Religious Education Schedule**

- Session I - 9 am - grades 1 to 5
- Session II - 10 am - grades 1 to 5
- Afternoon session - 4 pm - grades 6 and 7
- Evening Session - 5 pm - grades 8 and 9

**Confirmation II Students and Sponsors** - Day of Prayer from 10 am to 3 pm. *Please take a moment this week-end and pray for our students and their sponsors. Thank you.*

**REMINDER: First Penance 10 am on Sat. Jan. 28th**

**PLEASE NOTE the special schedule for next week-end February 5<sup>th</sup>:**

- Session I - 9 am - Grades 1 to 5
- Session II - 10am - Grades 1 to 5
- \*\*\*SUNDAY (Feb. 5) ONLY\*\*\*
- \*Grade 6 (non-movie students only) Noon - 1 pm
- \*Grades 7 and 8 will meet from Noon to 1pm
- \*Grade 9 (non-paper students only) - 1pm to 2 pm.

**ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP DINNER**  
February 4<sup>th</sup> after the 4:30 Mass  
in the Parish Hall

\*\*\*\*\*Please use this form to RSVP by January 29<sup>th</sup>. Tear off and place the form in the collection basket at Mass or drop it off at the church office. **Please bring a desert to share.** If you have any questions please contact Claire Dalton [cddal@comcast.net](mailto:cddal@comcast.net) or 508-230-0017.

*Stewardship Dinner 2/4/12*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_

**FROM THE DESK OF FATHER PAUL FEDAK:**

**QUESTION CORNER**

**A Format of weekly questions and answers about our faith**

**Question:** Doesn't the Big Bang theory explain the way the world was created apart from a Creator?

**Answer:** No, because even if the Big Bang theory is true, it doesn't explain where the matter came from that caused the Big Bang. And even if you hold, as some scientists do, that before the Big Bang that started our universe, there were an infinite number of Big Bangs and Big Collapses or "earlier" universes, exploding and collapsing, you still have a problem. Where did the stuff these Big Bangs and Big Collapses were made of come from? Also, why is the universe the kind of place where there are such occurrences, when it doesn't have to be? Where did the *whole thing* come from, anyway?

Since the universe doesn't explain its own existence, the explanation for it must be somewhere else. And that somewhere else can only be something, actually Someone-who is self-existing, God.

**SAINT OF THE WEEK**

**St. Anthony of Egypt (251-356)**

The life of Anthony will remind many people of St. Francis of Assisi. At 20, Anthony was so moved by the Gospel message, "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor" (Mark 10:21), that he actually did just that with his large inheritance. He is different from Francis in that most of Anthony's life was spent in solitude. He saw the world completely covered with snares, and gave the Church and the world the witness of solitary asceticism, great personal mortification and prayer. But no saint is antisocial, and Anthony drew many people to himself for spiritual healing and guidance.

At 54, he responded to many requests and founded a sort of monastery or scattered cells. Again like Francis, he had great fear of "stately buildings and well-laden tables."

At 60, he hoped to be a martyr in the renewed Roman persecution of 311, fearlessly exposing himself to danger while giving moral and material support to those in prison. At 88, he was fighting the Arian heresy, that massive trauma from which it took the Church centuries to recover, which denied the divinity of Christ. Anthony is associated in art with a T-shaped cross, a pig and a book. The pig and the cross are symbols of his valiant warfare with the devil-the cross his constant means of power over evil spirits, the pig a symbol of the devil himself. The book recalls his preference for "the book of nature" over the printed word. Anthony died in solitude at 105 years old.