



## Devotional Lights

A devotional light is burning this week at  
**Holy Cross** in loving memory of the  
**Steven Keating**

requested by His Family.

A devotional light is burning this week at  
**St. John's** in loving memory of  
**The Connery and Shea Families**

Requested by Their Families.

## Mass Intentions

*Saturday, January 13*

HC 4:00PM Reggie Thompson by His Family  
SJ 5:30PM Mary Ann Young by Ed Miller

*Sunday, January 14*

HC 7:00AM *For the Intentions of the People*  
SJ 8:30AM Jack Bartley & Tom Bartley by  
Rod, Patti, Tanner & Rori Sutkowski  
10:00AM Donat Fortin by  
Michael & Lucille Connolly

*Monday, January 15*

SJ Noon William Myatt by Skip Conley

*Tuesday, January 16*

HC 7:30AM Frank Levandoski by  
Joseph & Elizabeth Conroy

*Wednesday, January 17*

HC 7:30AM Communion Service  
SJ Noon Communion Service

*Thursday, January 18*

SJ Noon Mrs. Plourde by MaryJo & Dick Clark

*Friday, January 19*

HC 7:30AM Alexander Frustaci by  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Iaconeta, Jr.

*Saturday, January 20*

HC 4:00PM Patricia Bradley DeMarco by  
Bob & Nancy Millen  
SJ 5:30PM *For the Intentions of the People*

*Sunday, January 21*

HC 7:00AM Henry Mahoney by Mary & Don Kane  
SJ 8:30AM Raymond Landry Sr. by  
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Williams  
HC 10:00AM Jeanette Goucher by Her Family

*There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3*

## HOLY CROSS

Weekly Goal	\$ 7,100.00
Offertory Week Ending 12/31	\$ 5,798.13
Building Fund Month of December	\$ 6,924.00
Offertory Week Ending 1/7	\$ 6,769.60

*Thank you for your continued support and generosity.*

## ST. JOHN'S

Weekly Goal	\$ 3,800.00
Offertory Week Ending 12/31	\$ 2,890.50
Fuel & Energy Month of December	\$ 1,449.50
Offertory Week Ending 1/7	\$ 4,147.00

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## In Your Prayers

*People in our families, our friends and members of our parish who are ill, facing surgery, hospitalized, or experiencing difficult times have asked for our prayers.*

*During the course of the week, please take a few moments to offer a prayer of healing and strength for:*



**Lydia Barron, Harold & Betty Janson, Gail Smith, Steve Lesneski, Laura Stevens, Louise Dixon, Elaine Cribby, Gertrude Fraser, Anne Hewlett, Ed & Ann Letourneau, Theresa Chicoine, Eleanor Ward, Rose Clark, Ryan Burton, Ethel Ball, Eugenia Britt, Janet Yankowsky, Anne Blake, Margaret Page, Emily Kane, Diana Slowinski, Evan Mayone, Rick Lopez, Carolyn Keegan, Joan Clark, Karen Hastings, Brady Wasina, Buddy Cohen, Wayne Carter, Bob Wilson, Robert Belanger, Helen Bernier, Paul Lavangie, Ann Marie Conley, Homer Brookes, Catherine Kneeland, Edie Dominicus, Ron Messoro, Natalie Rice, Evelyn Taylor, Catherine Lee, Terry Bourassa, Ginny Carr, Frank Conroy, Kathy Lehman, Roberta Potvin, Jacques Chazaud, June Mosley, Helena Jones, Marie Stanley, Craig Wickham Jason Steatson, Doris Crowder, Eleanor Flaherty, Michael La Forgia, Robert Tuttle, Bill Cyr, Maureen Harper, Janine Elkanich and Bernadette Meserve.**

## Readings for the Week of January 14, 2007

Sunday:	Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday:	Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25-8:6/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Holy Cross and St. John's

Sunday, January 14

8:30AM Children's Liturgy of the Word - **SJ**  
9:30AM Coffee Hour - **SJ Hall**  
10:00AM Children's Liturgy of the Word - **HC**  
After 10AM Mass Coffee Hour/400 Club - **HC Café**

Monday, January 15 **\*\*Martin Luther King\*\***

**Parish Office Closed**

Noon Bridge - **SJ Center**

Tuesday, January 16

Noon Bible Growth Study - **SJ Center Library**  
Noon -5:00PM Kitchen In Use - **SJ Kitchen**  
7:00PM Marian Cenacle Prayer Group - **HC Church**

Wednesday, January 17

10:00AM Bible Growth Study - **SJ Center Library**  
6:30PM Bible Growth Study - **SJ Center Chapel**  
6:00PM AFG - **SJ Center Rm 1**  
6:30-7:30 RCIA - **SJ Center Library**  
6:30PM Girl Scouts Troop 76 - **SJ Center 2A**  
6:30PM Girl Scouts Troop 76 - **SJ Center Rsrce Rm**  
6:30PM Girl Scouts Troop 50 - **SJ Center 2B**  
7:00PM Rosary - **SJ Church**

Thursday, January 18

9AM-Noon Food Cupboard - **SJ Church Hall**  
10AM-3:00PM Quilters - **SJ Center**  
4:00-6:00PM Kitchen in Use  
5:30-8:30PM Saving God's Children Training -  
**SJ Center Library**  
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal - **SJ Church**  
6:30PM AA Meeting - **SJ Church Hall**  
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal **HC Church**  
6:30PM RCIA for Families - **SJ Center 2A&2B**

Friday, January 19

3:45PM Armata Bianca - **HC Church**

Saturday, January 20

2:30PM Confessions - **HC Church**

The **Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated at St. John's and Holy Cross within the context of our Eucharistic Celebration ~ our time of gathering as the Body of Christ.

Baptism of infants and children will be celebrated the Second Sunday of every month during the weekend masses (4PM, 5:30PM; 8:30AM & 10AM)

Participation in a Baptismal Preparation class is required. The next class is at 6:30PM, Mon, Jan 22 at SJ Parish Cntr. FMI or to register, please call the Parish Office at 772-7489

## Scooter Available

We recently received word that a small scooter, designed for a person in need who has difficulty walking or keeping their balance, is available. It is not lifted into or out of a car easily but it can buzz about a house or apartment and recharges in a regular electrical socket. FMI: Fr. Mike 772-7489.

## Knights of Columbus

Cheverus Council #2344 Monthly Supper

Pot Roast and all the fixin's will be served on Tues, Jan 16, Columbus Hall, corner of Walnut St & Broadway.

Social Hour from 6-7PM, Dinner at 7PM. FMI & Rsrvtns Ed Powers 799-5227 or Margaret Page 799-7796.

## Help Wanted

As a community of faith, we are committed to making our liturgies meaningful and inclusive. We are currently in need of a person who is proficient in sign language. This would be a weekly commitment during the 10AM Mass at Holy Cross. It would include signing for the entire liturgy. It is my hope that we have a few people in the parish or in the community that possess this particular gift and would be willing to share it. FMI: Fr. Mike 772-7489

## ✠✠ Faith Formation ✠✠

A great BIG "Thank You" to the teens, families and catechists who went Christmas Caroling with us around the Aspen Avenue neighborhood! It was a joyous, festive and fun time singing in prayer with our neighbors.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Sacramental Students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on December 14, 2006. They did a wonderful job! Please continue to pray for our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and their families as they journey towards the life giving sacraments.

## Christmas Flowers

Thank You for your generous support of the Christmas Flower Offertory. Donations from the parish community at Holy Cross were \$1,425.00 and \$561.00 was received from the parish community of St. John's. A complete listing of donations and memorial acknowledgements will soon be published and posted on the bulletin boards in the narthex of both churches.

## Weekend Retreat

A weekend retreat for single women, aged 18 and older, interested in religious life, will be presented Feb 2, 3, and 4 at Marie Joseph Spiritual Center in Biddeford. Registration deadline is Jan 27. FMI: Sr. Linda Mae Plourde, Marie Joseph Spiritual Center, 284-5671.

## Birthline Reflection

Jan 22 marks the 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the legalization of abortion in our country. They call abortion a "choice," but don't talk about the details of what that choice really is. As we observe another infamous anniversary, wouldn't it be amazing if "both sides" united around the need to find positive alternatives to abortion for women? Wouldn't it be awesome if we replaced "abortion rights" with "mother's rights," to find the means to protect and care for the life of her child? Let us pray that these hopes become a reality. FMI: Family Life Institute 879-1130 or 1-800-CARE-002.

## Soup Kitchen News

Our night at the soup kitchen, Sun, Jan 7<sup>th</sup> was a busy, busy night! We served a total of 215 meals! 42 members of our community volunteered to help with the prep, serving and clean-up and we are very grateful for all their hard work. A special "Thank You" goes out to our *chefs du jour*: Steve Bussone, Sue Mooney and Kathy and Keith Powers for an exceptional job in the kitchen. Many members of our parish have called to offer assistance and we now have a healthy volunteer list! Thank you everyone! *Tom & Margo Hill*

## Benefit Dinner

Stephen Pallotta, a Firefighter/Paramedic in Scarborough and an active member of the community is suffering from a mysterious and progressive illness. Currently wheelchair bound, Steve is only 35 years old with a wife and 2 small children. He is under the care of medical specialists in NYC, but these are out of network costs and expenses are mounting fast! Friends and family will be sponsoring an Italian Dinner and Silent Auction on Sat, Jan 20 at St. Max in Scarboro. Donations of cash (to defray dinner expenses,) gift cards and silent auction items are gratefully accepted. FMI & Tickets: Cathy at 883-3934 or Mary-Jo at 510-1325

## Thank You

Dearest Friends: We wish to express our deepest gratitude to our parish community for your loving support, prayers, cards and heart felt expressions of sympathy. Your thoughtfulness during this time of grief and loss of my beloved husband James is truly appreciated. God Bless you and yours, Gratefully, *Sheila Duane and Family*

## December 2006 "400 Club" Drawing

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	\$200	#230	Kathy Curry
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	\$100	#039	Mike & Michelle Cloutier
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	\$100	#019	Robert Melaugh
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$100	#053	Terry Darling
5 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$ 75	#018	Susan Gillis
6 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$ 25	#335	Bob Nelson
7 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$ 25	#381	John Tracy
8 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$ 25	#250	Mildred Burke
9 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$ 25	#108	Marnie Souza
10 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$ 25	#290	Albert Tirabassi

*\$100 Profit for Holy Cross School.*

It's not too late to renew your membership or to join the "400 Club" for 2007! Only \$55 a year gives you 120 chances to win *and* support Holy Cross School.

FMI: Sue Gillis at 799-8879.

## Tutoring Available

Sr. Dorina Chasse of St. John's Convent will be available to tutor 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade students who have difficulty reading. Sessions will start in January and take place at St. John's Parish Center. FMI: Call Sr. Dorina at 775-1128

## From the Pastor's Desk



### First Reading [Isaiah, Chap 62, Ver 1-5](#)

1. Why does Isaiah use intimate marital imagery when explaining the relationship between God and the people? Does natural human love help you understand how much God loves people?

2. How would you interpret this reading in the light of the New Testament?

### Second Reading [1 Corinthians, Chap 12, Ver 4-11](#)

Is the violin more important than the piano in an orchestra? Why or why not? Are mighty deeds or preaching more important than discernment of spirits or healing in a community? Why or why not?

2. Why does the Spirit give certain gifts to people? What if everyone could preach and no one could discern?

3. Were Beethoven and Van Gogh given their gifts of music and art for their own pleasure? Why are people are given talents like theirs or spiritual gifts such as in the reading? What are your talents? Do you use them?

### Gospel [John Chapter 2, Verses 1-11](#)

1. Several times in the gospels Jesus did tell us to love God and love our neighbor. If you follow his directives, how do you think the "water" of your everyday life will turn to "wine"?

2. Three events mark the beginning of Jesus' divine mission. Compare and contrast these three events. a. The first miracle at Cana, b. the Baptism of Jesus and c. the appearance of the star for the Magi.

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## 2nd Grade Sacramental Family Corner



Gather At Table

Share A Meal Together

