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THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

15th ~ Mon 8:30 AM - Daniel Darnier
16th ~ Tue 8:30 AM - People of our Parish
17th ~ Wed 8:30 AM - Poor Souls
19th ~ Fri 8:30 AM - Carl Schallmo
20th ~ Sat 5:00 PM - Michael DiCosola
20th ~ Sat 7:30 PM - Hispanic Mass
21st ~ Sun 8:30 AM - People of our Parish
21st ~ Sun 11:00 AM - People of our Parish

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY 11AM ~ NOON

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION
1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 1 ~ 3PM
FOLLOWED BY ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY WEEKEND OF MAY 20 ~21, 2017

SATURDAY 5:00PM

Lectors: Suzanne Herrmann
Altar Servers: Volunteers
E Ministers: C. Fox, C. Davidson, B. Fentress
Gift Bearers: Duke & Debbie Thornton
Ushers: J. Vorst, D. Thornton, R. Attocchi, S. Davidson

SUNDAY 8:30AM

Lector: Faith Formation, Grade 7
Altar Servers: Kim Wyrobek & Alyanna Walsh
E. Ministers: B. Kovach, D. Takacs, D. Opolski
Gift Bearers: Faith Formation, Grade 2
Ushers: Faith Formation, Grade 7

SUNDAY 11:00AM

Lector: Paul Carlson
Altar Servers: Volunteer
E. Ministers: MaryBeth Misiak & Dom Yankauskas
Gift Bearers: Bill & April Hromada
Ushers: T. Burke, D. Yankauskas, M. Misiak

Happy Mother's Day! On this day, we should really show our appreciation for our mothers, and the other mothers around the world whose sacrifices often go unnoticed and whose strength in the face of despair is the reason others can keep going.

What Makes Mothers Special:

She is always on the go. From the moment she wakes up, a mother is busy making life easier for everyone in the family. Her own needs can wait.

Mothers Never Stop Caring

Mother — can we ever do without her? She is loving, dependable, and always forgiving. She makes life seem like a dream. She protects us from life's harsh realities, while gently teaching us to be strong and self-reliant. She sees us through grazed knees, poor grades, lost races, and broken hearts. Her wrinkled face and smiling eyes speak of our childhood and her motherhood.

Biological and Adoptive Mothers

Adoptive mother and actress Valerie Harper says, "However motherhood comes to you, it's a miracle." A woman becomes a mother the moment she holds her baby in her arms. She may or may not have raised the child in her womb, but the baby grew from inside her heart.

Great Sons Are Born of Doting Mothers

Famous personalities have presented odes about mothers. Napoleon Bonaparte said, "Let France have good mothers, and she will have good sons." This line highlights a mother's role in building a strong nation. May you always feel blessed to have a loving, compassionate and encouraging mother; and not take your blessing for granted.

Your Mother Is Your Biggest Fan

Whether you have set your sights on an Oscar, a Grammy, a Nobel Prize, or a salary raise, your mother will stand right behind you, making you coffee, encouraging you, or simply indulging your bruised ego. Your mother's love can give you the confidence to achieve impossible dreams.

She Is Also Your Greatest Critic

Don't underestimate her judgment. A mother knows what is best for her children. She can be your rock of Gibraltar when you need it, but also your greatest critic. She will mince no words when she has to correct you. You may not realize it, but there is the wisdom of a millennium embedded in her advice. Her opinion emerges from her insight and maternal instincts, a distillation of numerous perspectives.

Mother Never Tires of Her Work

Mothers never retire from their job even when their kids have their own kids. No matter how old a mother is, she watches her middle-aged children for signs of improvement.

See the Tears Behind the Smile on Your Mother's Face

Over the years, we all make the mistake of taking our mothers for granted. She is only a phone call away. Yet, she meticulously avoids disturbing you for small favors. She sits by your bedside when you are sick with common cold, but how many times have you been with her when she was down with fever? She would know of every small bruise on your body, but you would never know of her ailments during her old age. You probably did not see her suffer, as she never let you know. Journalist and political satirist P. J. O'Rourke hit the nail on the head. He said, "Everybody wants to save the earth; nobody wants to help Mom with the dishes."

How to Celebrate Mother's Day

On Mother's Day, children honor their mothers with gifts and flowers. However, you don't need a Mother's Day to show your mother how much you love her. Every day can be a Mother's Day if you take care of her wishes and needs. (Continued)



ROSARY PRIOR TO MASS

We invite all fathers & grandfathers to bring their families and join the Knights of Columbus to Mass ½ hour early to pray the rosary during May, which is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Rosaries are available in the vestibule.

DIVORCE & BEYOND

*The final meeting of this support group will be on Monday, May 15th at 6:30PM
Contact Mary Bean for information*

LADIES' SODALITY

May 16th (Tues) There will be a meeting at 9:30AM in the church hall.

LADIES' SODALITY ANNUAL APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

*The annual appreciation luncheon will be held on Sunday, May 21st, at McVey's Restaurant, in Lowell at 2PM.
All paid members of the Sodality are welcome,
but reservations must be made by Tuesday, May 16th.
To make a reservation, call Edie (987-6613), or Deb (987-4674)*



Pancake Breakfast!
Hosted by the Men's Club
For All Catechist and Students
Sunday, May 21st
Following 8:30 Mass
Everyone is welcome
after Catechists & students have been served

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Shower her with undiluted attention with a beautiful Mother's Day quote. She would be touched if you write her a little poem. If writing is not one of your strengths, fall back upon greats such as Edgar Allen Poe.

Take Mom Down Nostalgia Lane

On Mother's Day, gift her a day of enjoyment and pampering. Give her a collection of old photographs that take her down nostalgia lane. Inscribe special quotes about mothers to make each photo come alive with words. You will find plenty of beautiful messages to bring a big smile to her face.

Show Her You Care

Being busy is no excuse to give Mother's Day a miss. You can always send a quick text message. Show your appreciation with some beautiful Mother's Day quotations. Let her know that her sacrifices have not gone wasted, and you cherish every little thing she did for you.

Gift Your Mom Precious Moments of Togetherness

Mothers revel in the joys of motherhood. Her life is a series of small and big sacrifices, yet she cherishes each of her hardships like a trophy. To honor your mother, set aside some quality time for her. Give mom a holiday from the daily chores. Take her out to a cozy dinner. Catch a movie or a play together. Maybe even make a trip to the amusement park. She may not want expensive gifts, but she will surely welcome the precious moments you spend with her. And when she is least expecting it, slip her a card with a handwritten message.



May Crowning of the Blessed Mother
*Will be on Sunday, May 14th, at the 8:30 Mass
Grade 3 please wear your Communion attire.*

May 21... CCD Mass (All Classes) Kindergarten through grade 10 are asked to be in the hall no later than 8:15AM, to begin the joyful celebration of Mass with their classmates and Catechist. Grade 7 will be in charge of the readings, and ushering; Grade 2 will be in charge of the gifts. Parents are asked to please promote this outreach.

Sunday, May 21st is CCD Closing Day!
There will be a pancake breakfast for all CCD Students and Catechists, followed by a special program!

*Bishop Doherty will be here to celebrate Confirmation Mass on May 24th at 5:30PM.
A reception will follow. All are welcome.*

All Blueberry Weekend

As a fund raiser for Gretta Carlson's religious vocation/mission year, she will be selling various blueberry items (made with REAL blueberries) after all Masses next weekend, May 20-21. Thank you for your support for her vocation journey.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO AID IN THE MASS
AS A LITURGICAL MINISTER?**
*(Ushers, Gift Bearers, Lectors,
Altar Servers, & Eucharistic Ministers)
Please contact Fr Dennis, or call the office.*



LADIES' SODALITY COOKBOOK
Need a Great Mother's Day Gift?
**Our fabulous cookbook has arrived,
And is still available for sale
Following Sunday Masses,
Or contact Debra Opolski or Deb Thornton
The cost is only \$15 Be sure to get your copy.**

Mark your Calendars For Vacation Bible School!
Vacation Bible School will be held June 26 ~30th

PARISH STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK

*Weekly Envelopes: \$3,703.40 Loose Cash: \$276.32
Building Fund: \$1041.71 Children: 25¢
1st Communion Loose Cash: \$154.77
Candle Money: \$50.65*

TOTAL DEPOSIT LAST WEEK: \$ 5,227.20