

February 6, 2011
ORDINARY TIME
5th Sunday

**"Your light must shine
before others."**

THE READINGS:

Isaiah 58:7-10. *The behavior that makes your light shine.*
1 Corinthians 2:1-5. *Have faith in the power of God.*
Matthew 5:13-16. *You are salt and light.*

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat .	Feb. 5	4PM	Dorothy Dias Helen Gula – 1 st Anniversary
Sun.	Feb. 6	8:30	Luis Tavares
		10:30	Malvina Turcotte
Mon.	Feb. 7	9AM	Maria L. Rezendes & Leonora Resendes
Tue.	Feb. 8	9AM	Leo Conroy
Wed.	Feb. 9	9AM	Maria Leite and the Souls in Purgatory
Thu.	Feb. 10	9AM	Intention at the discretion of priest
Sat.	Feb. 11	4PM	Paul Cormier Ernest P. Lebeau Jr.
Sun.	Feb. 12	8:30	Jesse Costa
		10:30	Adelard Martinville

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4PM Taylor Kelly
Judy Norman
Judi Morin
8:30 Denise Branco
Roxie Leary
Joe Andrews
10:30 Carol Levesque
Sharyn Fitzgerald
Ellen Demetrius

LECTORS:

Paulette Martinville
Paul Levesque
Ernie Benoit

RESPECT LIFE – FEBRUARY – “Mommy felt me kick!”

This month marks the half-way point to birth, and the baby is very active. Sleep habits develop and his mother can feel him move and stretch, particularly when she is resting. He is big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside uterine wall and dent it. Up to now, although he swam with ease in his watery world, he was too small for her to detect because the inside wall of the uterus has little feeling. Babies born at this age have survived.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be held as usual Monday and Wednesday from 9AM to 12 noon.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE is lit for the month of February for DORIS ST. PIERRE.

THE MARY CANDLE is lit for the month of February for GLORIA & VICTOR DITULLIO.

Please remember them in your prayers.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY PROGRAM will present an evening of Discussion and Prayer on Grieving on Sunday evening, February 13th at 6:30PM in the Church (WEATHER

PERMITTING). Deacon Peter Cote who is chaplain at Catholic Memorial Home will be our presenter and give a talk on the overview of Grief, and how we can be a Spiritual Presence to the dying. The evening will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This program is open to all who wish to come. If the weather is bad, please call or check the website or email messages if you are on our email list or a voicemail message will be left on the CCD line before coming out.

**MALASSADA BREAKFAST SCHEDULED FOR TODAY
HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**

It will be rescheduled as soon as possible. At press time, JEFF and LINDA DEMARCO were called to New Jersey for the birth of their first grandchild, **RIGHT ON SCHEDULE!**

CONGRATULATIONS JEFF, LINDA, VANESSA, and JOHN!



BAKED HAM DINNER

Saturday, February 19, 2011

Dinner served at 5:00PM in the church hall

Menu: Baked ham with pineapple, parsley potatoes, carrots with brown sugar, applesauce, salad bar, bread pudding with whipped cream. All this only \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 10 years of age. Tickets will be sold after all Masses or until they sell out.

UPDATED: Reminder – Daily Mass and Snowstorms:

When we have a storm it takes time to get the lot and walkways cleared. Through the winter months when we have a measurable snow storm or icy conditions, I ask that you check the website www.stbernardassonet.org. If you are on our email list check your email or you can call the rectory to check the status of daily Mass before venturing out. If school is postponed in Freetown...Mass will be cancelled as well and the intention for the Mass will be rescheduled as soon as possible. This is for everyone's safety.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

is looking for donations for this year's Dinner Dance and Auction scheduled for Sat. March 19th at Whites in Westport. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. Anyone with a gift card or a gift that they would like to donate to the auction is asked to see Bill Morin or Marlene Correia. Please donate new items only. If you are a business owner and would like to donate a gift or service or gift certificate, that would be most welcome. Tickets to the dinner are on sale now after Masses or in the Church Office during the work week.

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS –There is a great need in the Greater Fall River area served by St. Anne's Food Pantry for non-perishable food items. We thank those who continue to bring these items to our church for this purpose. St. Anne's serves over 200 families every week. Items can be left at the entrances of the church...they are picked up weekly.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: For any adult age 18 and over who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to do so, the Office of Faith Formation has scheduled classes at all the Diocesan High Schools. If you are interested, please call Fr. Mike at the rectory and he will give you the information on registration which is required. The classes are free of charge. If the class times are not convenient, Fr. Mike will set up some instruction time with candidates. **Please remember one of the requirements for being a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation is that you have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.**

RCIA – otherwise known as the Rite of Christian Initiation – These classes are for those adults who may need all three sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, or just Confirmation and Eucharist, which can be administered by Fr. Mike during the Easter Season. We are now accepting candidates for instruction during the Lenten Season. Please call the rectory for more information.

BLESSING OF THROATS: The blessing of throats in honor of the Feast of St. Blaise will take place after all Masses this weekend.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT: The regular collection last weekend was \$3,479.06 with 242 budget envelopes used. \$40 was given towards the Church Mortgage, \$88 for Building and Maintenance and \$783 for Utilities. \$210 was also given to the Parish Emergency Fund.

THE SECOND COLLECTION TODAY is for Home Missions. Utilities and Building & Maintenance donations can be made in any collection during the month.

THE SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND is for the church mortgage.

FEBRUARY IS DESIGNATED AS ANCHOR SUBSCRIPTION MONTH - All parishioners are encouraged to subscribe to The Anchor, the weekly newspaper of the Diocese of Fall River. This is a great means to grow in faith and stay informed of issues of relevant to the faith that secular newspapers can neglect or distort. Subscriptions are \$20 a year. Renewal subscription envelopes are in the mail. If you are a new subscriber, please take an envelope from the rear of the church, fill out your contact information, enclose \$20 cash or a check made out to our parish, and put it in the collection basket. We will take it from there. Our parish subscription quota is 325 families. It would be wonderful if we could fill our quota this year with paid subscriptions.

THE NEXT YOUTH DANCE will be held Friday, February 11th from 7-10PM for students in grades 5-8. Admission is \$8.00 per student with snacks and beverages also available for purchase. All students must be signed in when they arrive by a responsible adult. When the dance ends, adults must come into the building to pick up the students they are responsible for. If anyone would like to become a chaperone for these dances, please contact Bill Morin, Dance Coordinator at 508-823-9172 or email him at bmorindevonlumber@gmail.com. All chaperones must be CORI screened.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT ALL 9TH GRADE STUDENTS in our Confirmation program are required to attend a retreat which is scheduled for Saturday, February 5, 2011. The retreat is being held at the Miramar Retreat Center in Duxbury. The retreat is a full day and attendance is mandatory for Confirmation. Transportation will be provided. The students are asked to meet at the church by 7:30AM and will be leaving from St. Bernard Church parking lot by bus at approximately 8AM. Expected return time is approximately 3:15PM. Lunch will be provided at the center. The retreat is a wonderful day for students to reflect on the meaning of Confirmation and their reasons for choosing to be confirmed. Having the retreat off site lends itself to a more enjoyable day, but it also gets costly. We are asking each family to contribute \$50 towards the retreat experience for your child. This fee will cover the cost of the bus, the center's services, the retreat leader, the lunch, etc. Any questions, call Brian or Marlene Correia 508-644-2032.

AGAIN THIS YEAR one of our parishioner (IRS trained) has generously offered to help seniors or low income families file their taxes for free. A donation to St. Bernard parish is optional. Call the Church Office 508-644-5585 if you wish to set up an appointment. Mondays and Fridays are preferable, but he will try to accommodate other times by appointment.

REQUEST FOR SUPPORT: Project H.O.P.E. Spring Break Service Project at Stonehill College encourages students to experience and challenge themselves to grow in their love of God and neighbor by rebuilding houses, performing landscaping work, etc in the communities of Louisiana, California and West Virginia March 12-20 2011. The fundraising goal is to raise \$3,000 and look to our parish for support in their endeavors. Prayers and financial assistance would be most gratefully appreciated by parishioner Molly McCabe and fellow classmates, Randy Jose of Assonet and Ali Racine of Lakeville. Gift on line: www.stonehill.edu click Giving to Stonehill and put H.O.P.E. in the gift designation box; by phone 508-565-1341, or mail to Stonehill College, Office of Development, 320 Washington St., Easton, MA 02357-6242...make sure you indicate "H.O.P.E." on the memo line. See the students' stories of HOPE on our bulletin board at the main entrance to church.