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**WEEKEND  
LITURGIES**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM  
 Sunday: 8:00 & 11:00 AM

**WEEKDAY  
LITURGIES**

Monday - Wednesday  
 7:00 AM  
 Friday-Saturday  
 7:00 AM

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturdays: 3:15-3:45



**Readings for the Week of April 5, 2015**

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

**Next Sunday:** Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

**Novena in Honor of St. Theresa every Tuesday at 6:50 AM**

**Adoration on Fridays in the chapel from 7:30-11:45 Am ending with a simple benediction**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

April 4, 2015-April 11, 2015  
 (Sat at 4 pm thru Sat at 7am)

- SAT 7:30 PM** Easter Vigil  
Easter Sunday
- SUN 8 AM** Celleste Gillespie– Birthday remembrance
- SUN 11 AM** Joseph C. Maito
- MON 7 AM** Open Intention
- TUES 7 AM** Open Intention
- WED 7 AM** Mary Elizabeth Butler
- FRI 7 AM** Open Intention
- SAT 7 AM** Open intention

2nd Collection will be for:  
 Retired Clergy  
 Last Week's Collections:  
 1st Collection: \$2,826.00  
 Maintenance: \$1,116.00  
 Easter Flowers: \$660.00  
 Rice Bowls: \$730.00

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# ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR PARISH BULLETIN

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Holy Family – Holy Name School  
New Bedford, Massachusetts

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## Holy Family Holy Name School REGISTRATION 2015-2016

We welcome new students in our Preschools for 3 and 4 year olds, Kindergarten and Grades 1 – 8. Call HFHN 508-993-3547 and ask for Linda Boswell to learn more about our school and schedule a tour. Visit us today at Holy Family Holy Name Catholic School, New Bedford, MA. and share the Good News of Catholic education with your family and friends! Holy Family Holy Name School is accredited by the New England of Schools and Colleges.

### 23rd Annual Penny Sale

Will Take place on Saturday April 11th at Holy Name Center, 121 Mt. Pleasant Street New Bedford. Doors open at 5:00 Pm and food will be served all evening. For More information please call the school at (508)993-3547

### Calling All HFHN, HF, HN, HFHS Alumni

What better way to get together and reminisce old times than at HFHN's Spring fling! Join us April 18th at Hawthorn Country Club in Dartmouth, MA at 7:30 for a night filled with dancing, food and live music! Come be a part of an event that will benefit the school for the future generation.

Tickets are \$50.00 each and can be purchased at the school or by emailing [forwardfundsc@gmail.com](mailto:forwardfundsc@gmail.com)

### Faith Formation and Religious Education

Teresa Ouellette- Director- [touellette@hfhn.org](mailto:touellette@hfhn.org)  
Carol Larkin—Secretary— [clarkin@hfhn.org](mailto:clarkin@hfhn.org)

April 11— First Communion Pray Day 8:45-11:30 and parent meeting 11 Am

Sun April 12— Class all Levels

Sun April 19— No Class— April Vacation

Sacrament of Confirmation 2 PM at Our Lady of Guadalupe

**Please keep in your prayers our confirmation candidates who will be confirmed on April 19, 2015 at 2:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. James in New Bedford**

## ST. LAWRENCE PARISH NEWS AND THINGS OF INTEREST

### The Paschal Candle is burning in Remembrance of The Late Miss Celesete Gillespie & The Late Mr. Louis A. Marcotte

### Blessed Virgin Candle is burning from 3/27-4/10 in Remembrance of the Late Francisco Goncalves

#### Ladies Guild First Meeting

The first meeting of the St. Lawrence Martyr Ladies Guild will be held on April 12th at 3 PM in the rectory. Light Refreshments will be served.

#### Eucharistic Minister Training

For all those interested in becoming a Eucharistic minister at Mass, to the homebound or both there will be a training on Monday May 18th at St. Mary's Parish in Dartmouth. Registration forms are available at the rectory. Please feel free to come by during business hours. If you are unable to come 8:30-12:30 M-F you may also call (508-992-4251) or email [stlfin@saintlawrenceymartyr.com](mailto:stlfin@saintlawrenceymartyr.com) and we will make arrangements to get the form to you.

#### March Winners 30 Week Club

Please congratulate the following winners for the month of March  
Week 1— Tom & Patricia Grime— Captain Terry Ouellette/Cecilia Felix  
Week 2— Margret Lefever— Captain— Chris Lefever  
Week 3— Joyce Baptista— Captain— Paul Baptista  
Week 4— Mary Elizabeth Griffin— Captain— Lorraine Harrington

#### Retrouvaille of New England

Struggling in your marriage? Your not alone. Retrouvaille is a peer Christian Ministry sponsored by the catholic Church for married couples. This year's marriage renewal weekends will be held on April 10-12 and September 11-13. To register for the weekend or for more information please call 8001-470-2230 or visit [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com)

#### Ballamy's Pyrate Ball-n Friday May 1st @ Triworks

Calling all Pirates and Wenches. Fort Taber Fort Rodman historical Association is sponsoring a Pyrate's Ball on Friday May 1st at Triworks 71 Eighth St. New Bedford. Come dressed in piratical attire. Music, Food and Cash Bar Donation is \$25.00 and proceeds to benefit the New Bedford Military Museum. Call the rectory if your interested in purchasing tickets or Call Joe Langlois @ 508-996-3850

#### Adult Grief Group –Sponsored by: Community Nurse Unity with Community Managing Grief Together

Starting Monday April 13, 2015 from 5:30-7:00 pm for 5 consecutive weeks at Hathaway Manor Conference Room 863 Hathaway Rd. New Bedford. Light dinner will be served. Please Register by April 6,2015 (508) 992-6278

Please Remember In Your Prayers the following :

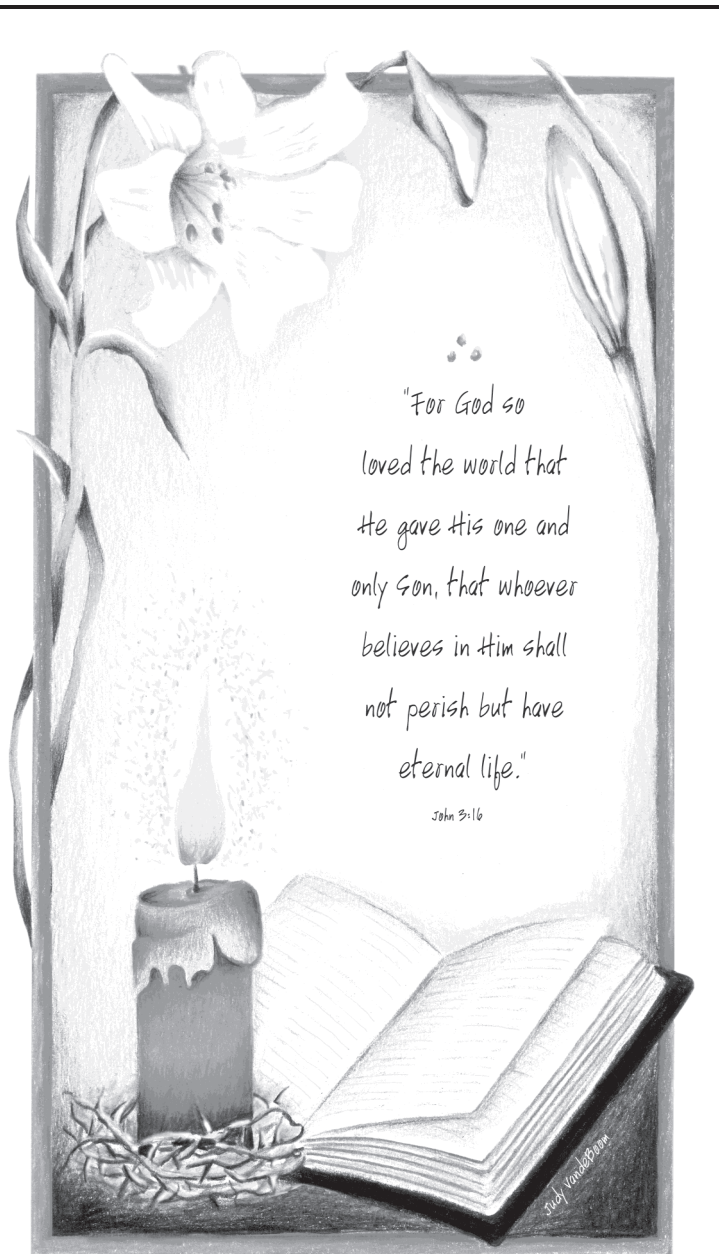
Cecilia Felix, Betty Tomko, Diane Letourneau, Thomas/Marion Wholley, Maria Ferreira, Aline Santos, Augusta Fernandes, Florence Marshall, ES Martin, Steven Dacunha, Maureen Stewart, Ginger Lamoureux

*Please call the parish office if you know of someone in need of prayers. Names are printed only with consent.*

### From the Desk of Fr. Powell

To put it in a nutshell, Easter is about believing that love is stronger than death; that the love in Jesus raised him from death to life and that God's love in us will do the same. The early disciples of Jesus grew to understand this. In our Gospel for today Peter, John and Mary Magdala "peer into the empty tomb", which is the scriptural writers way of saying that the first disciples of Jesus spent many years probing the awesome mystery of God's unfathomable love. The many different reactions of the first disciples of Jesus to the empty tomb reflect the many different reactions of Christians down through the ages to the Easter Proclamation that love was the driving force of Jesus' life, suffering, death and resurrection and that the powers of sin and death cannot overcome this love.

In the Gospel story of today what is being suggested to us is that the key to beginning to understand and believe in the resurrection is to look into the empty tomb of Jesus with the eyes of love. Richard of St. Victor, a 12<sup>th</sup> Century theologian and writer, once wrote, "Where there is love, there is seeing!" It is only when we peer into the empty tomb with love that we can begin to believe. This is what is being suggested by the "beloved" disciple's seeing into the empty tomb and believing. He is the only one in today's story that sees and believes because he sees with love. Love gives a kind of "insight", a seeing from within. Love can see fullness and life where others see only emptiness and death. The resurrection is all about the triumph of love over sin, suffering and death and it takes love to see it and believe. To truly know Jesus crucified and risen is to step into the Paschal Mystery and know it from the inside. For the one who loves, then empty tomb of Jesus is less a problem to be solved and more a mystery to be live out in our daily life as we journey along the road to eternal life.



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### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Enlivened by the Holy Spirit and with appreciation for God's gifts of time, talent, and treasure, we, the people of St. Lawrence, Martyr Parish, dedicate ourselves to bring the gospel message of Jesus Christ to the world through worship, education, and service. We give witness to our faith by reaching out to those in need