

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Budget:	\$3,100	YTD Budget:	\$158,100
Weekly Collection 08/13/23:	\$1,515	YTD Weekly Collection:	\$ 96,994
Weekly R&M Collection:	\$ 50	YTD R&M Collection:	\$ 5,574
YTD Surplus (Shortfall): (\$55,532)			

Special Collections: Assumption of Mary was \$40, Energy Needs was \$30 and Aid to

THANK YOU FROM BISHOP MCMANUS

Bishop McManus wishes, “to express my gratitude to the parishioners of Holy Cross Parish for their generosity to the Annual Partners in Charity Appeal.” and offers his “deepest appreciation” for our Parish exceeding its goal. The Appeal provides for the needs of thousands of people in our Diocese through charitable, educational and pastoral programs.

*Thank
You!*

FALL FESTIVAL

Saint Edward the Confessor Parish, 10 Church St, Westminster will hold its annual Fall Festival on **Saturday, Sept. 9 from 10 am to 4 pm** on the church grounds. The festival features Chicken BBQ, games for children and adults, “Attic Treasures” flea market, cash raffle, baskets, raffles, jewelry room, baked goods, entertainment at 1pm and many locally produced craft items. Plenty of free parking. Early Bird to Attic Treasures – get in a half hour before the crowd for \$5.00 per person. Call the Parish Office at 978-874-2362 for BBQ tickets and information.



SANCTUARY CANDLES

M/M Michael Beaulieu, M/M Tom Benbenek, Pat Flynn, M/M James Haverty, M/M Scott Huntoon, M/M Jim Killay, Joyce & Shirley Koczan, Laura Lawrence, M/M Ronald Ladeau, M/M Raymond LeBlanc, M/M Yvon LeBlanc, M/M Robert LeVangie, Victor Maillet, M/M Larry Martin, M/M Frank Moschetti, M/M Leo Murray, Suzanne Racette, M/M Pete & Pris Valliere, Edward Yablonski, M/M Michael Yablonski, & **In Memory of:** Nancy Anderson, Paul Benbenek, Kyle Berger, Helena Breton, Alphonse & Loza Chartier, Deacon Arthur & Leah Chartier, Michael Fichtel, Rachel & Chuck Frenier, M/M Allen Garvey, Nellie & Stanley Koczan, M/M Chester Lepkowski, Bobbie Lesneski, Gloria Magnuson, Anthony J. Manca, Fr. George O’Brien, John & Eleanor Quarella, Philip Robichaud, Damien Royer, Paul Tourigny, and Barbara Yablonski.

Church of the Holy Cross



August 20, 2023, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rectory: 25 Lake Avenue, Templeton, MA 01468
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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

- Holy Days of Obligation: As announced.
- Eucharistic Adoration: Last Tuesdays of the month, 7:00-8:00pm.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:30-4:15pm and anytime by appointment.
- Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the rectory for registration, preparation and details.
- Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call the rectory at least one year in advance of the desired date to begin the Couple to Couple Marriage Preparation Program.
- Sacrament of the Sick/Communion Calls: Please notify the rectory if anyone is hospitalized or confined to home due to illness, handicap or age, so that we may keep them in prayer, visit them and support them with the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and the Sick.

New Parishioners: We welcome you into our parish family and invite you to enter fully into our spiritual and social life. Please introduce yourself after mass and arrange to enroll as a member.

Coffee Hour: You are cordially invited to join us in our Church Hall, the first Sunday of every month, after the 7:45am Mass. Good conversation and tasty treats. We hope to see you there.

Parish Bulletin: All items must be submitted in writing at the rectory prior to 9:30am on Monday mornings, preferably 2 weeks in advance.

Parish Council: Every parishioner is welcome to submit items for consideration, by calling the rectory or through any council member. You may contact Thomas Royer, Chair at 978.939.2593.

Religious Education: For information about our CCD Program, Grades K-11, please contact Elizabeth Schroeder, Coordinator, at hcchurchet@gmail.com.


AA Meetings: Wednesdays 7:00 pm in the Church Hall.

Pastoral Ministries: There are many opportunities for ministry to our fellow parishioners. You are invited to volunteer your time and talent by expressing your interest to the pastor or to members of the Pastoral Council or the Religious Education Program.

MEETING SCHEDULE		
Sun.	Mon.	Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat.
Wednesday	7:00pm	AA

ALTAR CARE:
This week Altar Care is provided by Julia.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THANK YOU
Thanks to all who donated to The Templeton Food Pantry at the Knights of Columbus Food Drive which was held at St. Martin's parking lot on August 5. All donations were very much appreciated.



ROSE OF LIFE
Each week a parishioner/family places a rose in the vase at the Blessed Mother's statue to express witness to the sanctity of life. This week the rose is placed by the Kodys family. Please see the sign-up book at the main entrance to participate.

Prayer Requests
You are requested to remember in your prayers the following: an anonymous cancer patient, Doris Bickford, Stacy Bishop, Jared Blais, Raymond Boudreau, Randall Carrol, Henry Connery III, Judy Davis, Mike Dembek, Diana Earle, Jane Fleck, Frank Flynn, Gail Gabis, Lilah Grace Gagnon, Tim Gatautis, Doris Geyster, Marley Guthrie, Paul Jurgelonis, Sandy Kulvete, Marie LeBlanc, Bob LeMieur, Joyce Moschetti, Kirk Moschetti, Simone Nash, Gabe Olszak, Judy Roberts, Jane Royer, Paul Saari, Maria Rose Schroeder, Joy Taintor, Marie Valeri, Priscilla Valliere, Gloria Wilder, Michael Young, & All affected by Coronavirus.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES	
SATURDAY	AUGUST 19
4:30pm	+Stanley and Sophia Yablonski by the Yablonski Family
SUNDAY	AUGUST 20
7:45am	+Esther Fusco (25 th Ann.) by Pat Flynn
9:15am	Mass at St. Martin's
10:45am	
MONDAY	AUGUST 21
8:00am	Souls in Purgatory by Glen Mularella
TUESDAY	AUGUST 22
8:00am	+Roger Charland (55 th Ann.) by Pris and Pete Valliere
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 23
8:00am	+Fr. Joseph McKiernan
SATURDAY	AUGUST 26
4:30pm	
SUNDAY	AUGUST 27
7:45am	
9:15am	Mass at St. Martin's
10:45am	

LIVING FAITH INITIATIVE
*Get more out of Sunday Mass,
by reading ahead...*

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS
**August 27, 2023: Twenty-First Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 22: 19-23
Romans 11: 33-36
Matthew 16: 13-20