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MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM

12 Noon & 5:00 PM

(10:00 am Family Liturgy)

Monday & Tuesday 8:00 AM

prayer/communion service

Wednesday-Saturday 8:00 AM Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 PM or by appointment

St. Peter School

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Rectory

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Welcome

***No matter what your present status
in the Catholic Church,***

***No matter what your current family
or marital situation,***

***No matter what your current personal
history, age, background, race, etc.,***

***No matter what your own self image-
You are invited, welcomed, accepted,***

loved and respected here at

Saint Peter Parish.

We are here to welcome and serve you.



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To schedule Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or for any question you may have please visit our website or call the Parish Office.

New Website: www.saintpetercambridge.org**Email: office@stpetercamb.org****Telephone 617-547-4235****Fax 617-547-1525****FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

As we get further into the Pastoral Planning Initiative of the Archdiocese, it is important to keep people informed of what is happening, and be able to answer questions. To that end, the Pastoral Council has suggested another opportunity for parishioners to gather. This time we will schedule Sunday morning, March 4th at 11:15 AM for interested people to gather. This Town Hall type meeting will take place after the Family Mass, in the School Cafeteria. Refreshments will be served.

By this date, the Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council will have had an opportunity to attend and speak at a consultation meeting, so we should have the very latest word on what is happening. (Soon there will be consultations with the Planning Committee of the Archdiocese scheduled for parishioners. This will be your opportunity to speak your mind directly to the Planning Committee. Your opinion is important. We will let you know dates as soon as they are published.)

Of course, the best way to stay informed is to check the Planning web site: 2012Planning.org

And, again, a request.. Now that the cold winter weather has arrived, could I ask for people's attention to not leaving the doors of the church open after (or during) masses. Maybe we could return to the practice of "holding the door for each other". This encourages interaction, friendliness and a spirit of welcome. It also helps to ensure that we are not trying to heat Concord and Manassas Avenues. Thank you.

From the Pastoral Associate:**Why Catholic? Small Group Offerings:**

Join us as we look closely at Christian Prayer this Lent. Small groups of 8-12 participants will be meeting for 6 weeks during Lent beginning the week of February 19th.

The time offerings are as follows:

Sundays 11 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the School Library

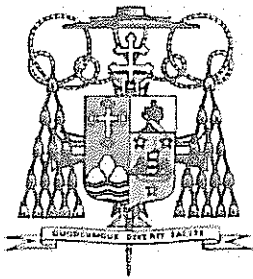
Sundays 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Center

Tuesdays 9 a.m. – 10:30 p.m. in the Parish Center

Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center

Thursdays 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Center

To sign up for one of these sessions, please fill out a sign up form available at the doors of the church and return it to the parish office or contact Anna Molettieri at amolettieri@stpetercamb.org or by phone at 617-547-4235 x17.



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January 2012

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Allow me this opportunity to share with you important information concerning an alarming and serious matter that negatively impacts the Church in the United States directly, and that strikes at the fundamental right to religious liberty for all citizens of any faith. The federal government, which claims to be “of, by, and for the people,” has just dealt a heavy blow to almost a quarter of those people—the Catholic population—and to the millions more who are served by the Catholic faithful.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced last week that almost all employers, *including Catholic employers*, will be *forced* to offer their employees' health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Almost all health insurers will be *forced* to include those “services” in the health policies they write. And almost all individuals will be *forced* to buy that coverage as a part of their policies. The Church has had to struggle against regulations like those now proposed by HHS in several states. This HHS ruling would expand and intensify a situation which is already very harmful.

In its ruling, the Administration has cast aside the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, denying to Catholics our Nation's first and most fundamental freedom, that of religious liberty. And as a result, unless the rule is overturned, we Catholics will be compelled and must be prepared either to violate our consciences, or to drop health coverage for our employees (and suffer the penalties for doing so). The administration's sole concession was to give our institutions one year to comply.

We cannot simply accept this unjust law now proposed at the federal level. People of faith cannot be made second class citizens. We are already joined by our brothers and sisters of all faiths and many others of good will in this important effort to regain our religious freedom. Our parents and grandparents did not come to these shores to help build America's cities and towns, its infrastructure and institutions, its enterprise and culture, only to have their posterity stripped of their God given rights. In generations past, the Church has always been able to count on the faithful to stand up and protect her sacred rights and duties. I trust she can count on this generation of Catholics to do the same. Our children and grandchildren deserve nothing less.

In order that we make every effort to respond to this proposed restriction on religious liberty I would ask of you two things. First, as a community of faith we must commit ourselves to prayer and fasting that wisdom and justice may prevail, and religious liberty may be restored. Without God, we can do nothing; with God, nothing is impossible. Second, I recommend that you visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website, www.usccb.org/conscience, to learn more about this assault on religious liberty, and how to contact Congress in support of legislation that would reverse the Administration's decision.

With the assurance of my prayers for you and all your loved ones, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Boston

FROM THE MAILBAG:

Dear parishioner,

Thank you for your generous support during the Christmas season. The collection at Christmas is for the care of our senior priests. These priests have been there for you and your families and in many cases continue to be there for you in the sacraments and the wisdom they share.

This year, preliminary returns from the Christmas collection throughout the Archdiocese show an increase of almost 5% from Christmas 2010. This is remarkable considering the economic times, and heartening because it is a testament to the care and respect you show for your priests.

The Clergy Funds provides for the health, welfare and retirement benefits to our priests in the Archdiocese of Boston. We currently have almost 250 senior priests. Each year we need to raise approximately \$10 million to provide for them. The Christmas Collection is one of a limited amount of opportunities for parishioners to help support our senior priests, some of whom have loyally supported our communities for over 50 years.

Thank you for your contributions and being there for the priests who have always been there for us.

God Bless You

St. Peter Parishioners generously donated \$14,344.00 to the Christmas Collection.

Joseph D'Arrigo
Executive Director of Clergy Funds

**Dare to Dream Auction
“Forever Young”**

Please join our community as we enjoy a valentine themed evening of laughter and fun while raising money for Saint Peter School. On Saturday, February 11, 2011 at the Sonesta Hotel in East Cambridge, Saint Peter School will hold its Ninth Annual Dare to Dream Auction. We are pleased to announce our Honorary Chairperson for this year's event who is our own Alumni, a Saint Peter Parishioner, a Past Parent, and our esteemed Parish Photographer, Barbara Sullivan. Our professional auctioneer is Kathleen Kingston. The night's itinerary is: 6pm – 7:30 pm Silent Auction, Cocktails & H'orderves, 7:30pm – 9:00 pm Dinner and Live Auction, followed by entertainment and dancing till 11pm. All proceeds benefit the children of Saint Peter School.

Buy your raffle tickets to support the St. Peter School; additional tickets are available at the school office or by calling 617-547-0101 ext 30.

For more information check out our website www.saint-peter-school.org/gala.shtml

**Special thanks to our Auction's Major Sponsor:
Orthodontics of Cambridge
Orthodontics for Children & Adults, William U. Murthy
617-864-2003
www.OrthodonticsOfCambridge.com
186 Concord Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138**

**Weekly Schedule
February 5th - 12th**

Sunday 9:15 am Youth Choir, Religious Education classes immediately following 10:00 am Mass,
11:00 am RCIA (parish ctr.), 1:00 pm CYO basketball, 4:00 pm Adult choir practice,
Tuesday 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (school)
Wednesday 7:00 pm AA (school cafe)
Thursday 10:30 am St. Peter Playgroup (parish ctr.)
Friday 5:30 pm CYO Basketball
Sunday 9:15 am Youth Choir, Religious Education classes immediately following 10:00 am Mass,
11:00 am Faith Sharing Group (school library), 1:00 CYO Basketball (gym),
4:00 pm Adult choir practice, 6:00 pm Confirmation Preparation (parish ctr.)



Weekend of February 4/5
Saturday 8:00 AM Chester Gajewski
4:00 PM Helene Flynn Horney -
Anniversary
Sunday 10:00 AM Phyllis Ann Marie Cullen
5:00 PM Michael Riley -
Birthday Remembrance
Julia Brown & Linda Mahtesian

Weekend of January 28/29 \$5023
Mail-ins \$260
January Online Giving \$3730

Evangelization Sunday - Catholic Charities
\$2786
Thank you for your generosity.

Week of February 8 - 10
Wednesday 8:00 AM Helen Alcaro &
friend - Richard Saraceno
Thursday 8:00 AM Rev. Robert Nugent -
Anniversary

Special Collection - Fuel & Snow Removal
Weekend of February 18/19
Please be generous to this fund. Our New England winter is not over yet!

Weekend of February 11/12
Saturday 4:00 PM Paul & David Mahoney
Sunday 12:00 Noon Francis D. Harrington

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32;
1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Middle School Religious Education
CHANGE of Date:
In order to accommodate students and families wishing to watch the Superbowl, we will not have class on Sunday February 5th, we will meet instead on Sunday February 26th at 6:00 p.m.

WE PRAY FOR : those who are having a difficult time in their lives; for the imprisoned and the addicted; for the hungry and the homeless; for those who suffer abuse at the hands of another; For Eleanor Bosco, Joan Boyt, Janet Finn Reardon, and for all families and caregivers; and for all who have asked for our prayers. Names will be placed on list for a period of 4 weeks. If you wish to keep names in bulletin for a longer period of time please contact the parish office by calling 617-547-4235 or email: office@stpetercamb.org