



"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free."
Lk 4:18

Readings for the Week of January 21, 2007

Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday:	Heb 9:15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
Friday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday:	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Religious Education News

Question of the Week

Adults: How can I immerse myself in the Scriptures in order that they might become a living part of my life?

Children: What are my favorite stories from the Bible, and what do they teach me?

CONFIRMATION PICTURES are in and can be picked up in the parish office during business hours.

TEEN BIBLE STUDY: We are looking to begin a Teen Bible Study Program. In order to do this we need an adult team to gather and begin praying about having one. Then we will look for group leaders and then begin putting it in place. If you would be interested in doing this with Mrs. Martha Geraghty, please call or e-mail Dawn Alves at the Religious Education Office dalves@holyfamilycapeann.org.

AUDITIONS for Holy Family Drama Club's spring production "Give Our Regards to Broadway" will be held in the school auditorium on Saturday, Feb. 3rd from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. All ages are welcome. Those who wish to perform solos or have a featured part in an ensemble number should be prepared to sing. Bring your own accompaniment. Rehearsals will be on Saturday and Sundays. We will work with your schedule. Production dates are May 19th & 20th. Fun for the whole family!

YOUTH & GROUP

TEEN MISSION TRIP - 8 students from our parish are preparing for their mission trip to our Cevicos Clinic in support of the Dominican children's education. To support the mission group's expenses once there (rental vehicles, food and a gift of money to the Religious Women), they will be holding an **INDOOR YARD SALE** on **Saturday, Jan. 27th in the parish hall from 9 a.m. to noon.** Artisans are welcome - please call Dawn Alves (978) 281-4820, x0119 to rent tables (\$25). New and used household goods (no clothing please), toys, sports equipment, children's story books, games, etc. can be dropped off next Friday from noon to 5 p.m. Students will be available in the parish hall to unload or carry items from your car.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS - Over the next five weeks the students will have a basket in the back of both churches and at the office for school supply donations, such as pencils, pencil sharpeners (no battery/electric operated ones please), children's story books (Spanish only), Spanish/English dictionaries, crayons, rulers, erasers, and spiral notebooks.

Reflections by Father Bullock

It is the reign of Oliver Cromwell and the government is running low on silver for coins. Cromwell repeatedly sends some of the Treasury people to search for silver. At one point, there was a report that the only silver left was in statues of the saints in the corners of some great cathedrals. "Good!" says Cromwell, "We'll melt down the saints and put them into circulation!"

Cromwell was not known to be a lover of Catholics or saints, but he did speak a good point of Catholic theology. Indeed, the first priority of practical Christianity – to put saintly human beings into circulation: not just the Mother Teresas, Padre Pios or Dorothy Days, but all those trying to live the Christian calling beyond a set of truths and list of commandments; more than the irreverently termed approach to church as "hatch, match, and dispatch." To be fishers in the circumstances of their lives (from bookkeeper to plumber, from writer to laborer), to be one tiny cell circulating through the mainstream of humanity sometimes takes very little, strange twists and turns.

Then there is the story of a man named Mark hurrying down a busy street to a meeting. He hears someone say, "Can I have something for my file, Mister?" and turns and sees a man carrying a grimy box under his arm, which gives him away-definitely a crazy. They're always carrying something; a shopping bag, or pushing a cart. "Sorry, no money" he replies. The lie comes out automatically.

Again, the question, "Have you got anything for my file?" So Mark looks for some piece of paper to satisfy the delusionary. He finds an old travel brochure and hands it to him. "No!" the man shouts, "I don't have a file for that." Mark continues searching and the man says, "I'm Howard. What's your name?"

"Mark." One syllable is more than enough involvement. "Sorry, got to go." He looks back and sees the man scratching something on a dirty piece of paper.

Two days later, on the same street, Mark sees an ambulance and two EMTs working on a man in rags covered with blood. A policeman asks, "Anyone know this guy?"

Mark answers, "The man's name is Howard. That's all I know," not risking any association with the crazy. The policeman responds, "Thanks for your help. At least we have a name for the headstone. Take this and save me the paperwork." He shoves the grimy box into Mark's hands.

"Why would I want this guy's garbage?" Mark asks, looking for a trash can. He opens the box - you never know – but finds nothing but some old clothes and a file folder. Crude printing on the folder reads FRIENDS. Inside, Mark finds a single scrap of paper. On it was written, "Mark."

Martin Buber, great Jewish philosopher and theologian states, "God is often found not in people but between people; if we try to attune to others, God comes down and fills the space, bringing about connection, not separation. As Mark discovered, God can sometimes be found in the simple acknowledgement of another's basic dignity and presence. Christ's call to be "fishers" is a call to be circulating, practical Christians seeking to discover the love of God that unites us, rather than the portfolios and grimy boxes that separate us!

On a Personal Note

Because of health conditions, I am limited in what I can do. I cannot hear confessions and am not in a position of giving advice.

But in a real sense, I am not limited but freed; free to do what is possible; to greet people at church; most important to pray.

I am not limited, I am simply directed in ways now possible for me; and is that not a blessing!

Fr. Bullock



Strengthening Families Program

Cape Ann Families, a program of Wellspring House, is offering a community opportunity. This program, *Strengthening Families 10-14*, offers parents and youth a way to learn the skills to develop better relationships. Parents build on their strengths in showing love and setting limits. Youth develop skills in handling peer pressure and building a positive future. How does the program work? The group meets for seven weeks in the evenings starting in February. The group meets for two hours. During the first hour, parents and youth meet in separate groups. During the second hour, everyone meets together as a family. A healthy snack is provided. You need to have at least one child between the ages of 10-14 that will participate in the program. Childcare is provided for children under age ten. If you are interested in receiving more information about this FREE opportunity, please contact Pat Goehlert, Program Coordinator (978) 281-7856 or pgoehlert@wellspringhouse.org.

Wedding Anniversaries

Seán Cardinal O'Malley, OFM Cap. invites all couples of the Archdiocese of Boston marking their 25th and 50th wedding anniversaries in 2007 to join him for the annual celebration at the 11:30 a.m. Mass in the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, **Sunday, May 27th**. Mass will include a renewal of marriage vows by all participating anniversary couples. Family members and friends of the participating couples, as well as the general public, are welcome to attend. Please watch the bulletin in April for more information!

RCIA

RCIA Classes will resume on **Monday Jan. 22nd** at 7 p.m. in the parish office.

Food Pantry Needs



The St. Vincent de Paul Society needs your help! We are looking for the following items for our food pantry:

- pasta & sauce
- peanut butter & jelly or fluff

Any donations may be placed in the receptacle in the church foyer.

Thank you for your generous support!

Fuel Assistance

You may be eligible for savings and discounts on your heating bill if your income meets 2006-2007 fuel assistance guidelines. Gross monthly household income:

One person	\$1,633
Two people	2,200
Three people	2,766
Four people	3,333
Five people	3,900

Receive discounts on your gas, electric, telephone, and oil bills. You may also be eligible for repairs, cleanings, or replacement of heating systems (homeowners). Weatherization is also available for your home or apartment. If your refrigerator or freezer is not energy efficient, National Grid may replace it free of charge. Your water bed may be replaced with a regular mattress. The energy manager will provide energy saving light bulbs and water conservation devices, also at no cost to you. The goal of this program is to help conserve energy as well as to lower your high energy costs. **Please call (978) 281-3900 for more information.**

Parish Council

THE **JANUARY MEETING** of the Holy Family Parish Council has been **CANCELLED**. The next meeting will be held **Sunday, Feb. 11th** at 7 p.m. in parish hall. *Everyone is welcome!*



Memorials & Donations

Holy Family Parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations in memory of:

Pasquale (Remo) Asei
GASPARE & GIUSEPPA PALAZZOLO

Anthony Barbara
VITO & ROSEMARIE ASARO

Seamus Densmore
JANICE (MELANSON) BROGHAMER
MARY & JIM CONTRI

Rose Dagle
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Anna DiGenova
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Geraldine Kimmence
MR. & MRS. JAMES BURNHAM
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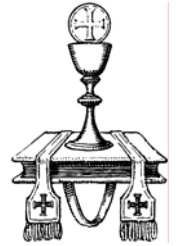
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MARY ANN HORNE
NANCY PARISI

Giuseppe "Joe" Saputo
MR. & MRS. CARLO MOCERI

Host & Wine

The Host & Wine for January
was donated
in loving memory of:

Thomas & Rose Lupo
Tommy, Rosemarie, & Jennie Faye Lupo
From Family



Lectionary for Cycle C

A new Lectionary for Cycle C has been donated in memory of **Capt. Frankie Ciaramitaro by Mom and Dad** (Ninfa and Vito Ciaramitaro). Holy Family Parish thanks them for this gift.

Little Rock Scripture Study

A new Little Rock Scripture Study on the Gospel of Luke has just begun on Monday evenings. If you are interested please contact Kathleen McCabe (978) 281-4820, x121.

Cursillo Ultreya

There will be a Cursillo Ultreya on **Saturday Jan. 27th** at 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall of **St Ann Church, Holy Family Parish, Cape Ann, MA**. All are welcome and need not have been on a Cursillo encounter weekend to attend. Please call Al Mitchell (978) 281-0536 or Audrey Brancaleone (978) 281-1083 for more info.

Baby Bottle Fundraiser

The Guild of Holy Family Parish is sponsoring a baby bottle fundraiser for A Woman's Concern, our closest crisis pregnancy center. Please take a bottle home and be as generous as possible for this worthy cause. Bottles containing your donations will be collected at the Jan. 27/28 and Feb. 3/4 Masses.

In Loving Memory

We commend into God's care our deceased brothers and sisters who were buried from our Parish recently:

Anthony Barbara **Richard Strescino**
Marcia Margiotta **Mary Vigeant**



Mass Intentions
January 20 – 28, 2007

- Saturday, Jan. 20, 2007**
4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Danny & Jennie Ciaramitaro**
From Daughters
- Sunday, Jan. 21, 2007**
8 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Nina Benson**
From Daughter
- 9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**George & Josephine Piacitelli**
10 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Joseph & Providenza Parisi**
From Family
- 11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Rosalia Bancarotta**
From Daughter, Margarita Pelliccia
- Monday, Jan. 22, 2007**
9 a.m. (St. Mary Chapel)
- Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2007**
9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)
- Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007**
9 a.m. (St. Mary Chapel).....**Giuseppe "Capt. Joe Spray" Saputo**
From Wife & Family
- Thursday, Jan. 25, 2007 - MASS CANCELLED**
- Friday Jan. 26, 2007**
9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Matthew Sweet**
From Family
- Saturday, Jan. 27, 2007**
4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Bessie Tortorici**
From Family
- Sunday, Jan. 28, 2007**
8 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Joan Monbourquette**
From Husband, George
- 9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Pro Populo**
10 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Capt. Peter J. Lovasco**
From Wife & Family
- 11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Josie & Gus Russo**
From Daughter, Connie Arcari



Last Weekend's Collection

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4 p.m.	263	\$1,697.67
8 a.m.	150	1,153.80
9 a.m.	137	1,528.00
10 a.m.	262	1,295.95
11 a.m.	202	1,266.50
	1,014	\$6,941.92
Office		7.00
Total		\$6,948.92

Grand Annual Total (as of Jan. 17th): \$61,894.20
This is 82.52% of our \$75,000 goal!

Thank you for your continuing support!

Parish Office Hours

MTWF 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Th. 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Sat. Closed
Sun. 8 a.m. to 12 noon

New Sanctuary Floor

Beginning Monday, Jan. 22nd, the Sanctuary floor in St. Ann Church will be replaced. The new floor will be mahogany, similar to the sanctuary floor in St. Joachim. It is expected that this work will be completed within the week. We anticipate that the only disruption will be for funerals which will need to be held in St. Joachim Church. We apologize for any inconvenience, but know the end result will be worth it.

Parish Guild - Upcoming Events

CAKE SALE – Jan. 27th-28th after all Masses at St. Ann and St. Joachim Churches.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER – Feb. 10th – after the 4 o'clock Mass. Tickets are on sale now. \$8/adults, \$5/children. Tickets may be purchased after Masses, at the parish office, or call Bea Ciaramitaro (978) 283-2691 or Grace Hagstrom (978) 546-1619.

IRISH DINNER in March with musical entertainment.

Valentine's Day Party

The Madonna Del Rosario Society will hold its annual Valentine's Day Party and raffle on **Saturday, Feb. 3rd at 2 p.m. in the parish hall**. All members are reminded that Annual Dues are payable at this time. Mass will follow the meeting.

Bulletin Deadline

Please have all items for submission to next week's bulletin in our office by 12 noon on Tuesday. Items submitted after that time will be considered for the following week. *Thank You!*

Holy Family Parish Registration

If you wish to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, please print the following information and deposit in the offertory.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Comments: _____

We look forward to hearing from you!

New Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday – St. Mary Chapel as usual - 9 a.m.
Tuesday, Friday – St. Joachim - 9 a.m.

Please remember that there is no daily Mass in St. Mary Chapel on Fridays and there will be no daily Mass on Thursdays. Due to Fr. Harrington's absence this will be the schedule until further notice. We did try to find another priest to cover the Thursday Mass, but we were unable to find someone who could be available on Thursdays. Thank you for your understanding!

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays – 7 to 9 p.m. (St. Joachim Church)
7:30 p.m. - Chaplet of Divine Mercy
8 p.m. – Rosary
Thursdays – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (St. Mary Chapel)

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Greycliff – at 3 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22nd
Family, friends, and parishioners are always welcome!

Liturgy Committee

There will be a Liturgy Committee Meeting **this afternoon (Sunday, Jan. 21st) at 1 p.m. in the parish office.**