



**Landings During Lent: Help Us Open The Doors to Those Who Have Left**

"May the church be the place of God's mercy and love, where everyone can feel themselves welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live according to the good life of the Gospel. And in order to make others feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged, the church must have open doors so that all might enter. And we must go out of those doors and proclaim the Gospel."- Pope Francis

The "All Are Welcome" sign in front of our church reflects the spirit of Pope Francis' message. During Lent we will be offering a program (called Landings) that helps people who have left the Church explore whether returning to a parish community would be a life-giving experience for them. Landings is run by members of the parish and the focus is on sharing the stories of our faith journeys with people who are thinking about coming back to the Church, listening to their stories, and having an honest conversation about the continuing questions and struggles we all have with what we call God and what we call church. Our next session will held on February 18 and 25 and March 4 and 11 (tentatively at 1 PM). Please tell your family and friends who have left the Church about Landings and help us open our doors and our hearts to all those who are searching for community. You can share this bulletin with them or pick up a brochure with details on the Landings program at the back of the church. The brochure is also on our website (www.saintsusanna.org).

Anyone interested in Landings may contact Linda Bates by email at lindamariebates@comcast.net or by telephone at (508) 415-2535.

**Parish Library Needs Help**

If anyone is interested in volunteering some time to assist the parish adult faith formation program, we have need of someone to help out in the Library. The hours are completely flexible, and most of it could be done, for example, while you are waiting for a child in the Youth Faith Formation program on Sunday mornings.

It involves shelving books and doing some simple cataloging (if use of a computer does not terrify you).

If you are moved to help out, drop an email to me at dcnlarry@gmail.com. Thanks.

**Thank you ...**

We received a special thank you from the Riverdale School:

“At Riverdale we were inspired once again by the giving spirit of our neighbors. Thanks to your kind generosity, thirteen families received Thanksgiving food and eighteen families had their winter holidays brightened with a meal and many, many presents. We are truly fortunate to be a part of this community.

On behalf of the students and families of Riverdale School, please allow us to express our appreciation.“

**The Riverdale School**

# Saint Susanna Parish

January 14, 2018



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**Rectory:** (781) 329-9575  
**Web Site:** www.saintsusanna.org  
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**Parish Center Hours**  
Monday – Friday: 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM

**Sunday Masses**  
Saturday: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 AM (Family Mass)

**Weekday Liturgies**  
Monday-Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 AM

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
Wednesday: 1:00 – 2:00 PM

**Holydays**  
Mass schedule as announced

**Baptisms**  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of month at 10:00 AM Mass

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday: 3:00-3:30 PM

**Marriage**  
Please contact the rectory one year in advance

**Peace and Justice**  
Pat Ferrone 781-449-3890  
patferrone@rcn.com

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society**  
For assistance please call: 781-329-9575

**Pastoral Staff**

<b>Reverend Stephen Josoma</b>	Pastor
<b>Laurence J. Bloom</b>	Senior Deacon
<b>Ines Dwyer</b>	Faith Formation Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator
<b>Janet Sebago</b>	Parish Secretary

**Welcome!**

**A warm welcome to all! If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself after mass or at the rectory. We'd love to meet you!**

**Parish Pastoral Council Members**

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*Mass Intentions*

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 PM	<b>January 13</b> Josephine & Paul Pantano
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	<b>January 14</b> Robert Bates Ray Leoncini & Malachi Leoncini
<b>Monday</b> 9:00 AM	<b>January 15</b> Helen Donovan
<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 PM	<b>January 20</b> Marilyn Sterling
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	<b>January 21</b> All the Deceased of the Parish Paul & Mary Toomey

*We pray for ...*

We pray for **Domenica Cence** and all the deceased of our parish, and for **Jack Donovan** whose Funeral Mass was this past week, and for **Joan McHallam** whose Funeral Mass will be Saturday at 9:00 AM, all our sick and for all who have asked for our prayers.

*Parish Giving - January 7*

**Offertory: \$1,668**  
**Parish: \$1,159**

*Special Collection Next Weekend*

Next weekend there will be a special diocesan collection (**Special Collection Sunday**). For those who do not use parish envelopes, please use the special collection box at the back of the church. Thank you.

*Doggett Circle*

The next monthly service at Doggett Circle will be on Friday, January 19 at 10:30 AM. All are welcome.

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Readings: # 1002**

Opening	686	
Offertory		
Communion	823	733
Recessional	718	718

*Scripture Study/Catholic Studies*

**“Fully Human: Understanding Christian Anthropology”**

This course will begin on Tuesday, February 20, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM, in the parish hall, for six weeks. No previous experience is necessary. Course notes will be provided to help in following and absorbing the course content.

Let’s explore the nature of humankind through the lens of Christian anthropology. In this series we will learn about the multifaceted Christian perspective on what it means to be human in light of Christ's revelation. We will ask the deep questions of meaning, our origins, purpose and destiny, our relationship with God; all through the lens of human experience. Together, we will examine how our encounter with God profoundly shapes our understanding of our place in the universe.

If you are interested, please contact Tim Sullivan at [Timothy.Sullivan17842@gmail.com](mailto:Timothy.Sullivan17842@gmail.com) or 781-326-2834, or call the rectory (781-329-9575), by February 12th.

There is no fee, but a free will offering for Saint Susanna's will be solicited toward the end of the course to help with costs. **Come and See!**

*St. Susanna Pax Christi*

The parish manger, with the figures of the Holy family and those who recognized the extraordinary event of the Christ Child’s birth, is a traditional reminder of the incarnation of Peace. Again and again, we call forth the blessings of God that we may fulfill the call to be the vehicles of the Peace God intends for our earth. Because we so often miss the mark, each Christmas brings the hope that we can begin again. This year, consistent with our efforts to draw attention to the culture of violence in which we live, we highlight the horror of mass killings in the United States. In a New York Times editorial, entitled “**511 Days, 555 Mass Shootings. Zero Action**”, they note that note that in 2016 alone, 248 mass killings have taken place. Another source cites an astounding 14,400 gun deaths have occurred in the first 340 days of 2017. Surely, this carnage cannot be of God.

May we disarm our hearts and lay down our weapons. May we learn to love again.

✠✠ *In Loving Memory* ✠✠

During January the hosts for our liturgies has been donated in loving memory of **Robert Bates** from Nancy & Linda Bates.

**Adult Faith Formation**  
**Monday, January 15 from 7:00-9:00 PM**

**“Women At The Table Of The Lord”**

The question of how we understand ministry, both ordained and non-ordained, is ancient in our history, in fact it is in our story of origins; it is also perpetually new with a Church that is always in motion, always a pilgrim—even when its institutional face does not at times suggest such. The decision of Pope Francis to convene a commission on the question of women and the diaconate has brought to new levels of visibility the need to rethink and explore with new eyes the relationship of women to the Table of the Lord.

Our evening will examine the variety of possibilities that await the Church as well as the controversy such a topic inevitably entails.

As usual, this presentations will run from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Parish Hall. There is no pre-registration requirement, there is no fee, and the refreshments are free. Free Will Offerings are gratefully accepted to cover the costs of our program

*An After Christmas Poem*

**When the song of the angels is stilled,  
When the star in the sky is gone,  
When the kings and the princes are home,  
When the shepherds are back with their flock,**

**The work of Christmas begins:**

**To find the lost,  
To heal the broken,  
To feed the hungry,  
To release the prisoner,  
To rebuild nations,  
To bring peace among brothers,  
To make music in the heart.**

Howard Thurman  
Boston University’s Marsh Chapel Dean (1953-1965)

*Upcoming Events in January*

Mon.	Adult Faith Formation 7-9 PM
Tues.	Scripture Study 7-9 PM Knitting Group 7 PM
Wed.	Prayer Group 1:00 PM AA Meeting 7:30 PM
Thurs.	SVDP Meeting 7 PM *****
Jan. 21	Faith Formation resumes 11 AM Grades 1-5 Teacher’s Meeting after class

**Faith Formation Grades 1-5**

Classes resume on Sunday, January 21 at 11 AM  
Teacher’s Meeting after class.

**“Liturgy of the Word” for Children continues**

"The Liturgy of the Word" for children continues throughout the year during the 10 AM Mass. Mrs. Ashley Sarro, Mrs. Maureen Blazejewski and Mrs. Sarah Burton, will be celebrating the “Liturgy of the Word” with our children in the parish hall.

**Prison Visitation Opportunity**

One day each month, a small group of men and women visit inmates at the Federal Medical Center in Devens. Most of those visited are far from home so receive few if any visits in the course of a year.

If you might be interested in joining the group please contact Normand LeBlanc at 617-512-5732 or at [normandjleblanc67@gmail.com](mailto:normandjleblanc67@gmail.com)

**Martin Luther King**

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."

“We have also come to this hallowed spot to remind America of the fierce urgency of Now. This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilizing drug of gradualism. Now is the time to make real the promises of democracy.”

“The time is always right to do what is right.”