



THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:00 Robert McGinn
 Sunday 8:00 Anita & Pierre Larose
 10:00 Peg Deegan
 Monday 8:00 Rev. Neal Herndon
 Tuesday 8:00 Joan Bowman
 Wednesday 8:00 Francis X. O'Neill
 Thursday 8:00 Sean Glew
 Friday 8:00 Ryan Colleran

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 Peg Deegan
 Sunday 8:00 Ryan Colleran
 10:00 Frank O'Neil

PRAY FOR THE ILL OF THE PARISH

Anthony Malner, Clara Murphy, Bill Splaine, Martin Coughlin, Tom Giguere, Flora Masa, Priscilla Y. Scibeck, Loretta Stephens, Regina Zanis, Harry Marcoux, John Keane, Tris Windle, David Cousins, Lynne Scalia, Alex Podeszwa, Bernadette Harrod, Brian Sluis, Rev. Robert Kemmery, John Potter, Patricia Falcone, Mary Mullen, Lillian McGrath, Justin Honegstein, Eric Bettag, Norm Klas, Fr. Paul Smith, Shirley McAuliffe, Walter Ollen, Katherine Rogers, Emily Doherty Baby Peter O'Connor, Rita Skarin, Jeannine & Ed Mooney, Bob & Gail Sadowski, Jimmy Higgins, Rose Stephan, James M. Clifford, Peter Cruckshank, Eileen & Ed Metterville, Thomas Stone, Kevin Rew, June Lee, Nick Bartick, Lucy Lopez-Roig, Bertha Meads, Beth Baillie, Connor Root, Pam Hedlund, John Szucs, Margaret Harrington, John Cuccia, Rita Grindle, Liz Baldwin, Patrick Eiler, Stuart Smith, Fr. Paul Lalic, Anthony Gorczyca, Bea Viau, Mary Ann Hassen, Eryn Bradley, Tammy Inman, Paul Conte, Len Hedlund, Greg Morongell, Norma Sullivan, Michelle Battista, Paula Keefe, Kerry Gould, Ed Bryant, Danielle Rabel, Cornelius Shea, Mike Day, Edan Pearl, James Flynn, Joe DiBrigida, Infant Makayla Grace, Martha Doyle, Theresa Buckley,

PRAY FOR LOVED ONES IN THE MID-EAST Brandy Nelson, Anthony Horigan, Timothy Horigan, Scott Doucette, Michael Wilson, David Lucas, Sean Lucas, Peter Civita Shayne, Peter Cabral, Gregory DeLuca, Joshua Schmitt, Joseph Long, Brad Howard, Shawn Kivman, Thomas Scudder, Sean Keneally, David Lynch, Jeffrey Stebbins, Phillip McDonough, David Wilcox, Jordan & Zack Maxcey, Kristofer Poole, John Amick, Peter Scott Stephan, Philip Early, Karl Kuechenmeister, David McDonald, Adam Schade, Trevor English, David Duggan, David Puzzo, Bradford Van Tiem, Paul Van Tiem, Lt. Edward J. Maloney, Jacob Marshall, Michael Styskal, Andrew Kelley, Jim Schermerhorn, Ryan Lynch

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Gordon Nadeau, Mary Miner, Paul O'Connor, Eunice O'Connell

COLLECTION RESULTS -- THANK YOU

January 24 Regular \$5,280.00
 Harvest Sunday \$3,915.00

IN LOVING MEMORY

The tabernacle candle has been donated in loving memory of Barrie Richardson.

HAITIAN RELIEF SPECIAL COLLECTION

All funds collected at this weekend's second collection for Haitian Relief Efforts will be used to support the efforts of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Relief Services, the international humanitarian agency of the U.S. Catholic church, as they respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter and medical care, as well as to the long-term need to rebuild and to the pastoral and reconstruction needs of the church in Haiti.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Your donation to next weekend's second collection supports the Home Missions Appeal which provides supplemental funding for U.S. dioceses where priest must travel long distances to serve multiple parishes which struggle with poverty or are located in difficult or isolated terrain. The focus of this year's appeal is youth ministry in these areas. Thank you for supporting the Home Missions Appeal.

ST. BLAISE DAY

The traditional Blessing of Throats will be observed at the 8 a.m. Mass this Wednesday, February 3.

FIRST FRIDAY OBSERVANCE

This Friday, February 5, there will be anointing of the sick during the 8 a.m. Mass. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the Mass, ending with Benediction at 11:45 a.m.

NEED HELP?

**We will assist with
 food, shelter, medical, utilities.**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 HELPLINE 508-255-8080**

KENYA KONNECTION

Jane, Donna and Gail will soon be on their way to personally make a Kenya Konnection! Baskets are available in the church foyers through the weekend of February 6-7 for you to support the Kenya Konnection with your donations of children's stickers; new baseball caps; balloons; and travel size bottles of hand lotion. Checks payable to *SJA-Kenya Fund* may be mailed to the Rectory.

ST. JOAN OF ARC GUILD

Wondering what to do with all those seashells you collected last summer? Come find out on Tuesday, February 9, at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. All women of the parish are invited to attend our next meeting when our guest speaker, artist Pati DuVall, will enlighten us on the creation of Seashell Art. The afternoon will not only prove to be creative but also an afternoon filled with good friends and great treats! Grocery cards will be available for purchase at the meeting. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of these cards will support the Homeless Prevention Council.

LIFETIME LEARNING PROGRAM

Fr. Bob will be the speaker at the first of five sessions in Snow Library's Comparative Religion Series this Wednesday, February 3, from 3 to 4:30, focusing on the theology of Catholicism. Speakers for the remaining four sessions will address the theology of the Episcopal, Unitarian, Baptist and Congregationalist churches.

HUMAN RIGHTS CELEBRATION

Church Women United of Cape Cod invite all to the fifth annual human rights celebration honoring individuals who work for the cause of human rights. This year's theme deals with people who have overcome disabilities or those who work with the "differently enabled". The celebration will be held Friday, February 12, at Our Lady of Victory Parish Center in Centerville beginning at 10 a.m. The \$10 fee includes brunch. Contact Georgia Hawko, 508-255-1929 or ghawko@comcast.net.

CHURCH HISTORY GROUP

Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 9, at 7 p.m. in the Chapel.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

We meet Friday, February 5, at 10 a.m. in the Parish Center classroom.

FEBRUARY 5 BLOOD DRIVE AT SJA!

We need blood donors! The American Red Cross and the Knights of Columbus are holding a blood drive to support the community blood supply for patients in need this Friday, February 5, 1- 6 p.m. in the St. Joan of Arc Parish Center. You can make an appointment to donate by calling 1-800 RED-CROSS or by logging onto RedCrossBlood.org. Please give blood!



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HELPING HANDS

Do you need help with small jobs around your apartment and house? Things that need fixing? Jobs that are too heavy or strenuous? Small repairs? Yard work? We're available to volunteer our help! Please call Ed Mahan & Friends at 508-896-7617.

PARISH NURSES

Exercise Program Check out our winter exercise classes continuing through February 24 every Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. Info: Call Jackie, 508-240-7766.

CORI/CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

The Diocese of Fall River has initiated Safe Environment programs to ensure the safety and security for all children as they participate in church and religious activities. Safe Environment programs require background checks, training, and codes of conduct for employees and volunteers who work with young people, as well as education and outreach for parents. In the next few weeks, we plan to notify and work with our various ministries to complete the CORI process for this year. Contact Judy Burt Walker with questions, 255-1257.



FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Grades 1-5 **Mondays** **2:45—4:00 p.m.**

Grades 6-10 **Monday** **6:45—8:00 p.m.**

Sun	Jan 31	9 a.m. Kindergarten 10 a.m. Family Mass Faith Formation Pancake Breakfast
Mon	Feb 1	Classes, Gr 1-10 3:15 Gr 2 Parent Meeting
Tues	Feb 2	6-8 p.m. Gr 9-10 Teen Nite
Mon	Feb 8	Classes, Gr 1-10
Mon	Feb 15	No classes
Mon	Feb 22	Classes, Gr 1-10
Tues	Feb 23	6 p.m. Staff Confirmation Retreat Meeting
Sun	Feb 28	3-9 p.m. Confirmation Retreat

FAMILY MASS & PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join us for a delicious pancake breakfast sponsored by the Faith Formation Family after the 10 a.m. Mass this weekend.

GRADE 2 PARENT MEETING

On Monday, February 1, there is an important Grade 2 parent meeting at 3:15 p.m. in the church to discuss the calendar of events and expectations for the Sacraments of Penance and Communion.

GRADE 9-10 TEEN NITE

All Grade 9 and 10 Confirmation students are expected to attend our February Teen Nite, Tuesday, February 2, from 6-8 p.m., to work together on a community service project and share in dinner and fellowship.

CONFIRMATION ANGEL CARD

As our Confirmation students anticipate their February retreat in preparation for the Sacrament, please support them in your prayers and in the form of notes and letters. At each church entrance is an Angel Basket with name-cards of our Confirmation students. Please select one or more Angel Cards and send a note of encouragement and prayer to that student c/o SJA Faith Formation Office, 61 Canal Road, Orleans, MA 02653. Please return all cards and letters by Sunday, February 21.

RCIA

We meet this Wednesday, February 3, 5 p.m. in the Chapel. Questions/info, call Judy Burt Walker, 255-1257.

AN “ORDINARY” PROPHET

In July 2009 Margaret Silf wrote an article for *America* magazine entitled *The Power of One*. The article contained a story that took place during World War II when a battered contingent of captured allied soldiers were marched through a German village. The streets were lined with onlookers, some smiling smugly, others wiping away tears of compassion for the plight of these poor soldiers, many of them boys. The starving prisoners were utterly exhausted, their eyes dark with despair.

Suddenly, the silence of the scene was broken when a woman broke through, an ordinary housewife and mother, who thrust a loaf of bread into one of the prisoner's hands before disappearing to her kitchen. Her risky act of compassion was soon taken up by others, who brought out food for the captives.

One woman's prophetic act of courageous generosity resulted in the transformation of enemy soldiers into sons and brothers.

In today's Gospel Jesus repeats the words of the prophet Isaiah once again -- just as we heard in last week's readings. On this particular Sabbath, Jesus lays claim to a radically new and flourishing future by remembering Isaiah's ancient promise. Today, he says, is the day for looking at the world from God's point of view in which the poor and blind are as important as the rich and seeing. Today, Jesus says, the prophetic words of Isaiah are fulfilled. Jesus steps out in a public manner “to give bread to the hungry and comfort to the oppressed.” His mission of healing and selfless service has begun.

To act “prophetically” begins with embracing what is right and just and then being able to confront whatever evil seeks to destroy that good. We are all called to be prophets of God's goodness and justice, however unpopular that prophetic act may make us -- whatever cost such prophecy exacts from us. May we be open to the grace to act prophetically with compassion and forgiveness; may we possess the wisdom to listen to God speaking to us in the example of the prophets in our midst; and may we have the courage to live our lives with integrity and conviction -- ordinary prophets prompted by extraordinary grace.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL

St. Joan of Arc Parish Conference
61 Canal Road
Orleans, MA 02653

Annual Report - January 2010

Dear Parishioners:

The Parish Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has focused on three areas during 2009: Emergency Assistance, Food Programs, and the NOAH Shelter, Soup Kitchen in Provincetown (SKIP) and the Lower Cape Lunch Program (LOCAL).

The board members of our Conference wish to express their gratitude for the tremendous cooperation and generosity demonstrated by the parishioners of St. Joan of Arc Church, without which our efforts would have been fruitless. The officers also wish to express their gratitude to the more than 290 associate and contributing members who do much of the necessary work. Members of our parish donated more than 6,000 service hours to the organizational activities and charitable works of the Society during the past year.

OUR MISSION

(1) EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE IN NEED – Volunteers have provided immediate relief and counsel, in confidentiality, on a person-to-person basis. The conference has assisted more than 118 families, disbursing in excess of \$65,000 for clothing, shelter, fuel, utility expenses, medical needs, and over 100 two-day food packs.

(2) FOOD PROGRAMS – Over 100 volunteers have processed 25,500 items of food and personal products valued at almost \$20,000 for distribution to our less fortunate neighbors. A total of 960 Spring and Thanksgiving “Two Day Packs” have been distributed during the holiday seasons. Also, during the past year we provided \$5,300 worth of non-perishable food items to the “LCOC” Main Pantry, “NOAH” Shelter, “SKIP,” and “LOCAL” meal programs. Volunteers donated over 1,000 hours to these programs.

(3) NOAH SHELTER - P'TOWN SOUP KITCHEN (“SKIP”) - LOWER CAPE LUNCH (“LOCAL”) – More than 80 volunteers donated over 1200 hours to prepare and deliver over 1,000 meals to the Hyannis NOAH shelter for the homeless serving seventy clients and over 400 mid-day meals to “SKIP” which serves about sixty clients. Support group members also collaborate with other churches in volunteering at the “LOCAL” lunch program.

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**St. Joan of Arc Parish Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
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Your generosity has enabled us to provide these additional services:

Christmas Giving Tree - Over 350 gifts were provided in our community for children in families who have been assisted by SVdP in the past year, and for the NOAH Shelter, SKIP, A Baby Center, Children's Place, Orleans Elementary School and LCOC's "Santa's Toy Stop" clients. Volunteers devoted over 40 hours.

Twinning - Our Parish Conference assists Vincentian Conferences, foreign and domestic, that lack resources. Your generosity allows our Parish Conference to "twin" with three foreign SVdP Parish Conferences in Columbia, El Salvador, and Kenya and with our diocesan twin in Attleboro.

Housing With Love Walk - Our Parish Conference made a contribution of over \$8,600 to the Cape-Wide Vincentian's "Housing With Love Walk" District Housing Fund to assist with client housing needs.

Recovery at Canal House - We continued our annual pledge of \$2,000, based on availability of funds, in support of appropriate housing for working individuals in recovery from substance abuse.

Habitat for Humanity - As a Habitat for Humanity Covenant Church our March Harvest Sunday donations provided over \$5,000 for the work of Habitat in our community.

Helping Hands - A ministry of volunteers who provide help with small jobs around one's apartment or house with things that need fixing, jobs that are too heavy or strenuous, small repairs, and yard work.

Other Charitable Giving - We again provided support for the A Woman's Concern Pregnancy Resource Center, LOCAL, SKIP, NOAH, Hospice of Cape Cod, CapeAbilities, Cape AIDS Ministry, Children's Place, and Homeless Prevention Council.

If you need any of these services, please call the HELPLINE - 508-255-8080.

If you would like to help us in any of these activities, please call the HELPLINE number, leave your name and telephone number and we will get in touch with you. New volunteers are always needed and welcome.

Our funds have been provided through generous donations from you, our parishioners, on Harvest Sundays, Holy Days of Obligation, and through the poor boxes in conjunction with the generosity of Father Bob, our pastor.

Thank you for helping us to help others,

The St. Joan of Arc Parish Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul