

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEK

Saturday	5:00	Robert Dahlke
Sunday	8:00	Jeanne Main, Regina Collyer, Vera Coffey Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	10:00	Don Dolan
Monday	8:00	John Whearty
Tuesday	8:00	Walter Burke
Wed	8:00	William Hodges
Thursday	8:00	Communion Service
Friday	8:00	Ellie Doyle

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	5:00	Peg Deegan
Sunday	8:00	Betty Ann O’Keefe, Maddie Potts, Nick Fabiano Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	10:00	Robert E. Kuralt

PRAY FOR THE ILL OF THE PARISH

Flora Massa, Martin Coughlin, Loretta Stephens, Regina Zanis, Harry Marcoux, John Keane, Tris Windle, David Cousins, Lynne Scalia, Alex Podeszwa, Bernadette Harrod, Eileen Metterville, Thomas Stone, Nick Bartick, Pam Hedlund, Paul Conte, Len Hedlund, Greg Morongell, Nora Gould, Edan Pearl, Richard Smith, Anne Caruso, John M. Pollard, Alexandra Burke, Peter Cruckshank, Bill Hannon, Peter Gill, Ivy Davis, Maddy Hayes, Clare Stevenson, Joseph Nosari, Vincent Lencvewski, Jeffrey Wolfgang, Louise Francke, Joan Ouellette, Bev Sarazin, Tyler Benscoter, Agnes Wolfgang, Fr. Paul Smith, Marilyn Drewes, John L. Sullivan, Kameron Hardaker, Ray Castriotta, Julianne Sullivan, Robert Grudzina, Brenda Kowalski, Marge LaGrassa, Jim Lewis, Joyce Loechner, Frank Salomone, Paul Chamberlain, Pauline Laberge, Edith Vinci, Chad Larivee, Patrick McNulty, Dick Wentworth, Nuvia Downs, Karen Mary McNulty, Olivia Hart, Alex Haas, Patrick Devine, Ellen Marie Anderson, Carter Mock, Nancy Hurley, Gerry Csaposs, Peggy Carson, Ed Daly, James Roberts, Addie Priess, Tim McEnaney, Frank McCarthy, Andree Yager, Loretta Reiter, Paul Kasczak, Lolita Previd, Joe Conlan, Patty Camarra, Sue Waugh, James Manley, Betty Babcock, Thomas Murphy, Vittoria Hillis, Tom & Deb O’Connor, Roseanne Balsavage, George Meservy, Nancy McGaughey, Mary Ellen Ackley, Chris Frazier, Melissa K.

PRAY FOR LOVED ONES IN THE MID-EAST

Brandy Nelson, Timothy Horigan, Scott Doucette, Michael Wilson, David Lucas, Sean Lucas, Peter Civita Shayne, Peter Cabral, Gregory DeLuca, Joshua Schmitt, Joseph Long, Brad Howard, Thomas Scudder, Jeffrey Stebbins, Phillip McDonough, David Wilcox, John Amick, David McDonald, Lt. Edward J. Maloney, Andrew Kelley, William James Miller, David Orloski, Stephen Tammaro, Michael L. Hamilton, Thomas Crawford, Aaron Charette, Nicholas Blair, Nicholas McGahey, Edward Prufer

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED Ruth Kantorski

COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!

October 8 Regular	\$ 8, 526.00
Hurricane Maria—Puerto Rico	\$10,953.00
October 15 Regular	\$ 7,833.00
Harvest Sunday	\$ 5,206.00
Annual Appeal	\$46,585.00

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection this weekend will be for the Propagation of the Faith which supports missionary efforts of the Church around the world.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY

The Knights of Columbus are holding a Pancake Breakfast this Sunday following the 8 and 10 a.m. Masses. We’ll be serving blueberry, cranberry and plain pancakes, sausage, coffee and OJ — all for \$6 per adult. Kids under 12 pay \$2.50 each and those under 7 eat free, with a family limit of \$15.

“BE STILL”

All are invited to join us in the Chapel this Wednesday, October 25, at 8:45 a.m. for a period of centering prayer and meditation, facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our annual Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated on Saturday, November 4, at 9:00 a.m., followed by a collation in the Parish Center. This Memorial Mass is celebrated especially for those parishioners who have died during the past year. Parishioners who have lost a loved one during this year whose funeral was not celebrated at St. Joan of Arc can call Nancy McEnaney at 508-240-0417 to add the names of their loved ones to the list to be remembered. All parishioners are invited to attend this Mass to honor their loved ones.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

All baby bottles should be returned by next weekend. When you fill a baby bottle with coins, cash or checks you are making a positive impact on young families in our community. Thank you for observing Respect Life Month by supporting our Baby Bottle Campaign.

GUILD OUTING

All parish women are invited to lunch at Cape Cod Tech’s Hidden Cove Bistro on Tuesday, November 14, for lunch at 11:30. The cost for a lunch of minestrone soup, fresh baked rolls, baked chicken filet with apple & cranberry stuffing, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans, and baked apple with puff pastry/vanilla ice cream is only \$10! RSVP to Paula DeCecco, 914-471-5459. Meet in the SJA parking lot at 10:45 a.m. if you wish to car pool.

COAT COLLECTION

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a **Coat Collection** in cooperation with the Lower Cape Outreach Council. Gently used coats for adults and children will be collected in the Parish Center before all Masses the weekend of November 11-12. Due to storage considerations, coats cannot be accepted prior to November 11-12. The coats will be distributed by LCOG to their clients.

SOLAR PANELS

In the recent Annual Appeal Letter, I stated that we hope to put solar panels on the south facing roof of the church NEXT year. Over the past few months, I have been meeting with a small committee of well qualified parishioners about this project. I have also consulted several churches who already have solar panels, and have obtained the support of the Diocese for the project.

With the most recent information our committee has gathered, we have determined that it would be MOST beneficial for the parish to **complete a solar panel project BEFORE March 31, 2018**. AFTER March 31, 2018, Massachusetts State Law changes regarding the value of Solar Renewable Energy Credits (or SREC'S). This means that the income we will receive for being a clean energy producer will be substantially LESS than it would be if our system is "Mechanically Complete" by March 31st.

After looking into FIVE solar companies, and receiving bids from four of them, we have selected E2 Solar out of Dennis, MA to design and install our solar panel system. E2 Solar has visited our site, and they SHOULD complete the design of our solar panel system shortly. Then, Eversource must APPROVE the design of the system before the project can move forward. By law, Eversource has up to 45 business days to approve the system.

Please know that **your contribution to THIS year's Parish Annual Appeal WILL support our Solar Panel Project**, as well as the other projects outlined in the Annual Appeal Letter. We strongly believe that producing clean energy is a great response to Pope Francis' call to care for our environment, and we KNOW that a solar panel system will virtually eliminate our \$20,000 - \$30,000 electric bill from our three parish buildings.

Please consider a **generous donation to this year's Annual Appeal in support of our Solar Panel Project**. Thank you very much!

Peace,

Fr. John Kelleher

ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

Earlier this year, our Knights of Columbus donated the proceeds of one of their Pancake Breakfasts to support the St. John Paul II Choir's trip to Italy to sing at the Vatican. On Sunday, November 5, we will have the privilege of having this choir sing at our 10 a.m. Family Mass. Special thanks to Principal, Christopher Keavy, Choir Director, Richard Fish, and, of course, the high school choir, for their enthusiastic response to our request to bless our worship with their gift of music.

MARKING HISTORY/MAKING HISTORY

A special ecumenical prayer service will be held in the Cathedral Church of St. Mary in Fall River on Sunday, November 5, at 3:00 p.m. to mark the **500th Anniversary of the Beginning of the Protestant Reformation**. Bishop Edgar da Cunha will preside at the service and Bishop James Hazelwood of the New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church will preach. As we mark this significant anniversary of this pivotal moment in the history of Western Christianity, we will also be making history as this observance is taking place in the context of 50 years of ecumenical dialogue and cooperation. Protestants and Catholics can now gather in prayer together not only to remember the origins of their divisions, but most especially to celebrate their ongoing progress along the path toward greater unity. All are welcome.

FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY CONVENTION

The Diocese of Fall River Office of Faith Formation is hosting their annual Ministry Convention on Saturday, November 4, with the theme, *Becoming a Church of Intentional Disciples*, presented by Katherine Coolidge. To register, contact Judy Burt Walker at 508-255-1257.

A CAPE AFTERNOON WITH TOM BOOTH

Join composer Tom Booth and keyboardist Carl Herrgesell for an afternoon of Praise and Worship this Sunday, October 22, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church, 167 East Falmouth Hwy, E. Falmouth. A free will offering will be taken. Tom and Carl will also offer a 2-night parish mission at St. Anthony's on Monday and Tuesday, October 23-24 at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

BECOME A NAUSET NEIGHBOR!

Join Nauset Neighbors' team of volunteers and make a real and important difference in the life of a senior. We help our senior neighbors remain living at home and active in their communities and we add measurably to their quality of life. We take them to appointments and on errands, we stop by for a visit, and we help with small tasks around the home. There is no fixed schedule — we go online to sign up when we have time. Go to nausetneighbors.org and start making a difference now!



FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Grades 1-5 Mondays 2:20—4:00 p.m.
Grades 6-10 Monday 6:00---7:30 p.m.

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We look forward to seeing Grade 1-10 students this Monday, October 23. Grade 9 & 10 Confirmation students, please remember to bring your iPads or laptops to class.

IMPORTANT GRADE 9 & 10 PARENT MEETING

An important Grade 9 and 10 Parent Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 30, at 6:30 p.m. to review the upcoming expectations for the Confirmation program. We look forward to meeting with all of you.

ECHO RETREAT

ECHO is offering a retreat for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors at Craigville Beach. Register online at www.echoofcapecod.org.

Girls Retreat October 27—29, 2017

Boys Retreat November 17—19, 2017

RCIA —

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Have you or anyone close to you ever given thought to becoming a Catholic Christian? Perhaps now is a good time for inquiry. RCIA is a small, faith-sharing community that helps answer such questions and provides a vehicle for either becoming a baptized Catholic adult or being confirmed in the Church. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 508-255-1257 for further information.

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PROGRAM

The Diocesan Marriage Preparation program needs more team couples — both newly married and veterans. WE constantly hear from those working in the program how much they get out of their involvement. The program meets locally in Harwich where there is a team of volunteers to facilitate three to five sessions per year. If you are interesting in serving in this ministry, please email or call Clair McManus at cmcmanus@dfrcs.org or 508-678-2828, x19.

THE COMMON CURRENCY

Anthony deMello tells a true story of two countries at war. During the hostilities, some officers from one army were taken prisoner. When an armistice had been reached they were led by their captors to the border to be released. A line of trees some distance ahead was pointed out as being the “boundary” between the two countries.

The returning prisoners were overjoyed when they caught sight of “their land”. They ran past the trees and knelt down to kiss the earth and jubilantly cried for joy. Suddenly they heard a shout from whence they had come—an enemy officer came running toward them waving a roughly drawn map. With some embarrassment, he admitted his mistake. It seems that the boundary was yet a few hundred yards to the north—they were still in enemy country.

The officers got up off their knees and quietly walked “home”.

Today’s Gospel leads us to a broader vision. The “gotcha” question that was meant to make Jesus take sides in a highly volatile political situation was used instead to clarify the complexities of human boundaries and to reestablish priorities based on a “bigger” value system. We create states and nations out of a practical need to manage and protect common interests. But, as we know only too well, boundaries are often fragile and changing. Our loyalties shift with new information and more mature perspectives. They cannot be solidly defined by a simple line of trees, a fence, a wall or even a coin engraved with a national image.

With true wisdom, Jesus draws our attention to a deeper place—the place where all boundaries are erased and Love becomes the unifying force—a place in which we recognize God’s image as our common currency. Once we have experienced this truth, we realize that we cannot separate ourselves from our sisters and brothers no matter the national identities, the religious beliefs, the prejudices, the flags and uniforms. God’s image—Father Creator and Compassionate Mother of all—is imprinted on every human heart. Yes, “fences make good neighbors” and help us live practically in this world of ours, but today’s Gospel calls us to a broader vision: the realization that we are all one, bound together by the Spirit of Love, to uphold and protect the dignity of all as the children of God.