



THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:00 Peg Deegan
 Sunday 8:00 Coleman & Delia Nee
 10:00 Rev. John Tavares
 Monday 8:00 Brigid Mulcahey
 Tuesday 8:00 Peg Deegan
 Wednesday 8:00 Leonard Power
 Noon Peg Deegan
 5:00 Joan McDonough
 Thursday 8:00 Muriel Lorraine Jurgens
 Friday 8:00 J. Louis Roberti

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 Joseph Leonard, Jr.
 Sunday 8:00 Helen Adams
 10:00 Tom/Catherine/Jerald Dowd
 & Peter Restelli

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, Mike Day, Edan Pearl, James Flynn, Joe DiBrigida, Infant Makayla Grace, Martha Doyle, Theresa Buckley, Janet Cole, Dorothy Knight, John Kelley

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, David Duggan, David Puzzo, Paul Van Tiem, Lt. Edward J. Maloney, Jacob Marshall, Michael Styskal, Andrew Kelley, Jim Schermerhorn, Ryan Lynch, Kim Walker

COLLECTION RESULTS -- THANK YOU

February 7	Regular	\$5,771
	Home Missions	\$2,344

LENT BEGINS WEDNESDAY



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 In observance of Ash Wednesday, ashes will be distributed at 8 a.m. and noon Masses on Wednesday, February 17, and at a 5:00 Communion Service that evening.

FALL RIVER LENTEN REGULATIONS

Those adults 18 to 60 are to observe a fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. **Fasting** is defined as only one full meatless meal, and two other meatless meals, which together do not equal a full meal. Those who are 14 and older are to observe **abstinence** from meat on all Fridays of Lent, as well as Ash Wednesday.

HARVEST SUNDAY THIS WEEK



As noted last week this Sunday's Harvest collection will be donated to the Housing Assistance Corporation (HAC) as part of a matching funds arrangement. Many SVdP clients have benefited from financial assistance provided by the Housing Assistance Corporation (HAC). Additional information on HAC's Home With a Heart Campaign is available in the church foyer.

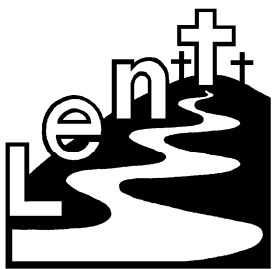
FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS THIS SUNDAY

Please help the Vincentians' food collection this week with the following items: BEEF STEW (24 oz), BAKED BEANS (16 oz) JELLY (8-16 oz) CANNED FRUIT (16 oz), CANNED VEGETABLES (14.5 oz) TUNA FISH (6 oz) , SPAGHETTI (1 lb box) MACARONI & CHEESE (6 oz box), PEANUT BUTTER (18 oz) SPAGHETTI SAUCE (28 oz), JELLO (3 oz) and CANNED SOUP (11 oz). Thanks for sharing.

NEED HELP?

**We will assist with
 food, shelter, medical, utilities.
 Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 HELPLINE 508-255-8080**

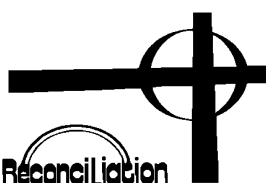
JOURNEY THROUGH LENT WITH ST. DAMIEN - THE FORMING OF A COMPASSIONATE HEART



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Join Father Bob on a Journey through Lent with St. Damien of Molokai. Father Bob will present this program, designed to be a spiritual preparation for the celebration of Easter, at 6:30 p.m. in the Church each Friday of Lent from February 19 through March 26.

DIOCESAN RECONCILIATION WEEKEND



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The Diocese of Fall River will observe a Reconciliation Weekend on March 19 and 20. Hours for Reconciliation here at St. Joan of Arc are Friday, March 19 from 8-9 p.m. and Saturday, March 20, from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. -3:30 p.m.

CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING

In an effort to keep the church clean and welcoming for those attending a later Mass, please do not leave your bulletin in the pew. If you do not wish to take it home with you, please return your bulletin to the rack in the foyer. Thank you.

OUR LADY OF THE CAPE LENTEN PROGRAM

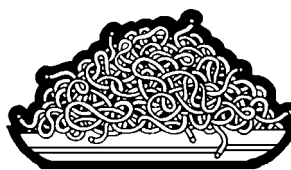
On each Thursday of Lent, from February 18 through March 25, at 9:30 a.m. Sr. Betty Doyle will facilitate a program based on Father Michael Himes videos exploring six topics: Mystery, Conversion, Faith, Hope, Love and Eucharist. Call OLC to register 508-385-3252.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13
 Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21
 Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
 Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15
 Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32
 Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

SPAGHETTI AND MEAT BALLS!!

Spaghetti Dinner



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Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a spaghetti and meatball dinner after the 5 p.m. Vigil Mass **next Saturday, February 20**. \$8/adults; \$4/children 12 and under. Join us for a hearty Italian dinner. Mangia!

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.

SEPARATED/DIVORCED CATHOLICS

We meet this Sunday, February 14, 1230-2, at Christ the King Parish Center, Mashpee Commons. Mary Louise Klimm will speak on *Reclaiming and Holding on to Self*. All are welcome.

HEALING MASS

The Cape & Islands Prayer Group Deanery invites you to take part in a Healing Mass at Corpus Christi, 324 Quaker Meetinghouse Road, E. Sandwich, Wednesday, February 24 at 7 p.m., celebrated by Fr. Edward Murphy. More info, call Libby 255-4679.



FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Grades 1-5	Mondays	2:45—4:00 p.m.
Grades 6-10	Monday	6:45—8:00 p.m.
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
Mon	Mar 1	Classes, Gr 1-10
Tues	Mar 2	6 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal
Sun	Mar 7	9 a.m. Kindergarten 10 a.m. Family Mass RCIA Rite of Welcome 11 a.m. Confirmation Rehearsal/Brunch
Mon	Mar 8	Candidate/Sponsor Gathering 6:00 Confirmation
Fri	Mar 12	6 pm Family Ministry Movie Night
Mon	Mar 15	No classes 6:00 Catechists In-Service Dinner Meeting
Sun	Mar 21	10 a.m. RCIA Continuing Conversion
Mon	Mar 22	Classes, Gr 1-8 6 p.m. Gr 6-9 Prayer/Soup Supper w Families
Sat	Mar 27	9 a.m. First Penance 1030 RCIA Penance
Mon	Mar 29	Classes 1-9 3:00 Gr 3-4 Stations of the Cross

WINTER VACATION

Wishing all our Faith Formation students and families a wonderful and safe school vacation week. See you on Monday, February 22.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT & ANGEL CARDS

The Confirmation Retreat is Sunday, February 28, 3-9 p.m. As our Confirmation students prepare 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 17, at **4 p.m.** in the Chapel prior to attending the Service of Ashes at 5. Questions: Judy Burt Walker, 255-1257.

A POWERFUL INHERITANCE

Patricia D. Nanoff is an American Indian. She reflects on her heritage through the quilts pieced together by her grandmother which decorate her bed, and the hooked rugs that protect her feet during the cold winter months. The pieces of fabric that make up these simple household items recall her grandmother's values -- her conviction that everything is useful.

Patricia's mother, the youngest of four girls, wore only garments remade from her older sisters' clothing. And the garment's usefulness did not end when her Mom outgrew it. Grandma resurrected it as a part of a quilt or rug. Grandma's strong heart and skilled hands held the family together in the times when survival depended on these enduring qualities. When Patricia's mother died, she inherited the quilts, the rugs -- and the memories. The highs and lows, joys and heartaches of her world were recorded in this handiwork that symbolized a powerful inheritance. Through them she came to appreciate the understanding that every thing, every person, and every experience are useful.

The world that Jesus envisions in today's Gospel redefines the fundamental values that shape our culture and our heritage. He invites us to leave the comfortable security of abundance and to enter the world of justice -- to care for and lift up those who are poor, hungry, and weeping. Our true inheritance from Jesus is a world in which we gather every person in, where we honor all, and waste no one or no thing.

In the beatitudes Jesus sees everyday life transformed. He challenges us to remake our world, to live out the promise of his love through rethinking how we understand security, comfort, charity, and justice. He challenges us to leave the world of complacency.

Such a life requires great hope in the promise of God's strength and abiding love. Such a life requires openness to God's grace reshaping our priorities. Such a life requires a belief that in Christ the world will be made new and in this new world, no person will lack adequate food, shelter, and comfort.

Such a life requires the belief that in this new world, every thing, every person, and every experience will be useful. Nothing and no one will be wasted.

As we enter into the Lenten season, it is a good time to look upon God's handiwork and to reflect upon our small piece of the "quilt" -- the kingdom that embodies Jesus' vision of a world transformed by love. How are our lives contributing to this vision, this powerful inheritance in which we share?