

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**THIS WEEK**

Saturday 5:00 Bill Dunning & Ozon Family  
 Sunday 8:00 Thomas Cosgrove, Philip Hawko,  
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family  
 9:30 Lydia Shaughnessy  
 11:00 Dawn Monkiewicz  
 Monday 8:00 Christopher Thomas  
 Tuesday 8:00 Dan McEnaney  
 Wed 8:00 Clare Pare  
 Thursday 8:00 Communion Service  
 Friday 8:00 Mark Dundas/Louis DiGiovanni

**NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday 5:00 Abbott, Page, Bradley Families  
 Sunday 8:00 Judith DeFilippo, Lewis Ward, Jr.  
 Henry & Mray Kolakowski  
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family  
 9:30 Thomas Mess  
 11:00 Barrie Richardson

**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, Regina Collyer, Tyler Benschoter, 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, Ruth Kantorski, Andree Yager, Loretta Reiter, Paul Kascsak, Lolita Previd, Joe Conlan, Patty Camarra, Sue Waugh, James Manley, Eileen Johnsmeyer, Ray Newman

**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, Matthew Blair, Nicholas McGahey, Edward Prufer, Christian P. Goodman

**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED** William Rouillard

**COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU.**

July 2 Regular \$14,240.00

**THIS WEEKEND IS HARVEST SUNDAY**

The second collection this weekend is the Harvest Sunday Collection, which supports the efforts of the parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference to help those in need with necessities – food, medicine, rent, utilities. Thanks for giving.


**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS THIS SUNDAY**


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), HOT CEREAL (10 env. Pack), COLD CEREAL. Thanks for sharing.

**KNIGHTS ANNUAL YARD SALE**

The Knights of Columbus are soliciting items for their Saturday, August 26 Yard Sale. Please do **not** contribute electronics, upholstered or heavy furniture, bedding or clothing. To arrange for pick-up call Don Ouellette at 508-240-7672, or Bob Donahoe at 508-240-1201. Your donations are tax-deductible.

**KENYA COLLECTION**

 The annual Kenya Konnection Collection at the doors of the church will be held next weekend. Continuing our efforts of the past 10 years, donations will provide elementary school scholarships and medical assistance to pregnant women and their children, particularly to stop the spread of HIV. Please be generous in your support of this worthy cause. Checks can be made to St. Joan of Arc, noting Kenya in the memo section.



**Pastor's Corner**

On behalf of myself and the entire Parish, I would like to thank the St. Joan of Arc Guild and Thrift Shop for the generous donation recently made to the Parish, as well as the wonderful scholarship support to seven of our graduating high school seniors. St. Joan of Arc Parish is blessed to have such talented, dedicated volunteers, who support the Parish in so many ways.

I am also very grateful for your generous response to the Catholic Charities Appeal of *Whatsoever You Do*. . . As of this writing St. Joan of Arc donations total \$78,191.

Peace & Gratitude,  
Fr. John

## **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MINISTRY**

The Bereavement Support Group will meet THIS Sunday, July 16, at 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. These year-round monthly group meetings focus on the various aspects of grieving. The presentations and round-table discussions provide information to assist the bereaved as they move forward with their new life. For further information, please call Barbara at 508-240-1090, or Liz at 508-896-4916.

## **BE STILL**

All are welcome to join us in the **Chapel** after the 8:00 a.m. Mass this Wednesday, July 19, for a period of centering prayer and meditation, facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

## **SIGNATURE DRIVE POLICY**

Recently Archbishop Sean O'Malley, Bishop Edgar M da Cunha, as well as Bishop Mitchell T. Rozanski, and Robert J. McManus, of Springfield, and Worcester, published a Policy Regarding Signature Drive Campaigns on Church Property. While the Bishops encourage civil engagement by Catholics in the public square, often agree with many of the proposals advocated for in the petitions, and support signature drives on public property, they write:

*. . . church functions are a place to experience the fullness of community and parish life. In particular, Holy Mass is a place to encounter God through the reception of the Eucharist.. The celebration of Holy Mass is a place for prayer, reflection, reconciliation, and hope. .*

*We also believe in the democratic process in this great Commonwealth . . . We agree that certain laws should be enacted while others should be repealed. In many cases the voice of the church must be heard.*

*Accordingly, we issue the following policy:*

*We hereby direct that what has commonly been referred to as "signature drives" to enact or repeal a law or amend the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts not take place on church property.*

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

### ***Jeune Choeur D'Ile De France***

The Youth Choir of Greater Paris will perform at St. Pius X Church at 98 Station Ave., South Yarmouth, this Monday, July 17, at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend an enjoyable evening of music followed by a reception in the Parish Life Center.

### ***Holy Trinity Parish Mission***

Holy Trinity Parish invites all to their Parish Mission, conducted by Fr. Simeon Gallagher, OFM Cap., Monday through Thursday, July 17-20. Fr. Gallagher will speak at the 9:00 a.m. Masses and conduct a retreat service each evening at 7:00, focusing on the principle that the core experience of all life is expressed in relationships — which defines the inner life of the Trinity itself.

### ***Cape Cod Hospital Chaplain***

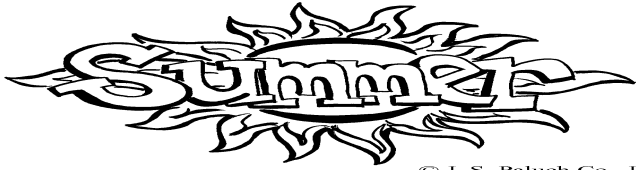
There is a priest on call at all times at Cape Cod Hospital. If someone you love is ill and in need of a priest, ask the patient's nurse to page the priest on call — or call the CCH switchboard and ask to have the Catholic Chaplain paged. If it is not an emergency, you may also call our office at 508-862-5287. Please do not call your local parish as this is likely to lead to confusion and delay. Remember: Sacraments can only be given to the living, so call the Chaplain as soon as possible.

### ***Free Retreat for the College-Bound***

Fall River Catholic Campus Ministry is offering an overnight program, *Embark*, at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, on August 1-2. The retreat is designed to provide an opportunity for college-bound students to take time away for reflection and to listen to the experiences of a young adult team in preparation to transition from high school and home life to college. *Embark* is open to any first year resident or commuter student attending any university. Although there is no charge to attend, registration is limited, so respond today at <http://fallrivercampusministry.com>. Questions? Contact Deacon Frank Lucca at [flucca@umassd.edu](mailto:flucca@umassd.edu) or Fr. David Frederici at [Fr.David@fallrivercampusministry.com](mailto:Fr.David@fallrivercampusministry.com).

### ***Cape Catholic Connection***

Check out the Cape Cod Deanery's new website for the Catholic Community on Cape Cod: [www.capecatholicconnection.org](http://www.capecatholicconnection.org). Here you will find a one-stop source of information for all aspects of our life of faith here on the Cape, from Mass times to hospital and social ministries, to an events calendar of happenings in our local parishes. Please be sure to let all your friends visiting for the summer know about it as well.



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## SUMMER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **Summer Adult Ed Series**

All are welcome as Father Bob Powell continues his series this Wednesday evening, July 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. The program, entitled *The Myth of Redemptive Violence As Found in Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity, Islam, and Secularism*, explores this myth and the ways in which it keeps the world from finding true and lasting peace. The series will conclude next Wednesday, July 26.

### **Summer Bible Camp — Coming Soon!**

Now that summer is in full swing, remember that our Maker Fun Factory Bible Camp is less than a month away! This exciting week begins on Tuesday, August 1, and continues through Friday, August 4, from 9:00 a.m. to noon for children who are 5-10 years old. There are spaces available to learn why you are special in God's factory. To get the gears in motion, contact our Plant Supervisor at 508-255-1257 to register today.

### **Factory Workers Needed!**

Our summer bible camp is preparing to "manufacture" another exciting and fun week — but we can't do it without you. If you are over the age of 11 and wish to be part of the Maker Fun Factory experience as a Junior Plant Crew Leader, we can certainly use your help. Call our Plant Supervisor now at 508-255-1257 to complete an application. **(This is a great opportunity for high school service hours.)**

### **WELCOME SUMMER VISITORS!**

Welcome to all our summer visitors. If some of your little ones become restless, seating alternatives are available. We have a small "cry room" in the rear of the church. Also, you are welcome to sit in the area around our Baptismal font and the small chapel beyond it, both of which provide a bit of extra room for restless children and are equipped with speakers so adults can hear the Mass.

### **PLEASE DON'T TREAD ON ME!!**

Please do not park on the grass lawns. These lawns have sprinkler heads in them which can be broken if cars are driven over them. There is additional parking available behind the Thrift Shop. Many thanks!

## THE KINGDOM IN A SEED PACKET

In her book *“Parables: The Arrows of God”*, Megan McKenna relates the following story:

A woman despaired at the state of the world. She longed for the flowering of love among her family and friends, the buds of peace to burst into bloom among all people, compassion to blossom for the poor and forgotten. But, everywhere she looked, she saw nothing but turmoil, intolerance and hatred. She became more and more depressed by the daily news and by the cynicism she encountered in others.

One day she came upon a little shop and was absolutely amazed to find Jesus behind the counter. Oh, it was Jesus all right—no question about it! She hesitated but finally found the courage to ask if she could look around. “Certainly,” Jesus replied, “Just let me know what I can do for you.”

The store was stocked with everything she had longed for: peace on earth, every kind of food to feed the hungry, clean air and water, warm clothing for the naked, forgiveness...the woman started making a long list of the things she would like.

When she finished shopping, she presented her list to Jesus. He skimmed the list, bent down behind the counter and laid out a series of small envelopes for the woman.

“What are these?” she asked.

“Seed packets,” said Jesus. “This is a catalogue store—a place of dreams and possibilities. You come and see what it all looks like— I give you the seeds. You go home, plant them, nurture them, help them grow; and someone else reaps the benefits.”

The woman left the store without buying anything.

Jesus challenges us to embrace the faithful perseverance of the Gospel Sower and to trust his word. If we seek peace, are we willing to plant the seeds that realize such peace? If we seek understanding, are we open to cultivating the ground that nurtures such insight? If we seek kindness among associates or family members, are we sowing the seeds of acceptance and forgiveness so that kindness might bloom?

This week we might ask if we are sincerely committed to taking Jesus at his word—to *“buying into”* his plan for creating a kingdom of generous love on this beautiful earth. Let’s take our seed packets and get to work—diligently tending each tiny seed of joy, compassion, and kindness so that little-by-little, God’s love will take root and flourish.