

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:00 Laura Corcoran
 Sunday 8:00 Steven Burgess, Joan Flaherty
 Ray Newman, Marilyn Caldwell
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 9:30 Maureen McEnaney
 11:00 Peggy Hallisey
 Monday 8:00 Ann Kearns
 Tuesday 8:00 Ann Kearns
 Wed 8:00 Helen Stempsey
 Thursday 8:00 Communion Service
 Friday 8:00 Thomas Mahoney

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 Laura Corcoran
 Sunday 8:00 Joellen Aleida
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 9:30 Phyllis F. Dunkin
 11:00 Helen Stempsey

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 Bencotter, 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, Betty Babcock, Thomas Murphy, Vittoria Hillis

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 Pruffer

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED Thomas Martin

COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU.

August 13 Regular	\$11,882.00
Assumption	\$ 2,527.00
August 20 Regular	\$ 9,859.00
August 20 Harvest	\$ 5,979.00

PRESENTATION ON TEILHARD DE CHARDIN

Please join us this Monday, August 28, at 7 p.m. in the church as Dr. Louis Savary shares his presentation, *Love and Evolving Human Relationships*, on Teilhard de Chardin. Dr. Savary will explore Teilhard's belief that God loves us unconditionally and that the evolving universe is really God's divine love project for us to help fulfill. All are welcome.

RESPECT LIFE BAKE SALE NEXT WEEKEND

Our Respect Life Ministry is sponsoring a fundraising bake sale after all masses next weekend, offering a variety of homemade delights for your Labor Day Weekend gatherings. If you'd like to donate a baked good for the sale, you may bring it to Mass with you next weekend.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE

We have special hosts available for those who are intolerant of wheat/glucose products. Please alert the priest or deacon **before** Mass if you are in need of this special host to receive communion.

SEASON OF CREATION ~ SEPT 1 to OCT 4

Pope Francis has asked the Catholic Faith Community to join Christians around the world in praying and taking action in our daily lives to care for God's gift of creation. A special opportunity for reflection and prayer is an Evening Prayer Service to be held here at St. Joan of Arc on Friday, September 14 from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the church. A reception will follow in the Parish Center.

NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM

The St. Joan of Arc Bereavement Ministry is offering their nine-week bereavement program, *A New Day*. The program, designed to help you work through the natural process of grieving in a small group atmosphere of care and understanding, will be held on Sundays from September 10 to November 5, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, please call 508-240-1119

“BE STILL”

All are invited to join us in the Chapel on Wednesday, August 30 at 8:45 a.m. for a period of centering prayer and meditation, facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

SYNOD ON YOUNG PEOPLE SURVEY

In preparation for the 2018 Synod of Bishops on *Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment*, the Vatican is asking those between the ages of 16-29 to respond to a Vatican survey through this link:

<https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718>. The link is available on our website (www.joanarc.org). When you initially access the site, the survey will come up in Italian, but a drop-down box to the right allows you to select English.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

A special Mass of Thanksgiving for couples observing significant wedding anniversaries (including first year) in 2017 will take place on Sunday, September 24, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral in Fall River. If you would like an invitation, please call or email the Rectory by Friday, September 15.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

The calendar is finalized and the registration forms are being processed, so be on the lookout for your registration packet later this week. If you are new to the parish or wish to enroll your kindergartener or first grader, please feel free to contact the Faith Formation Office at 508-255-1257 to receive a registration packet. Classes begin on Monday, September 25..

PLEASE DON'T TREAD ON ME!!

Please do not park on the grass lawns which have sprinkler heads in them. There is additional parking available behind the Thrift Shop. Many thanks!

OUR LADY OF THE CAPE NEWS

Calling all golfers! Our Lady of the Cape will be hosting their First Annual *Giving Back* golf outing on Monday, October 2, at Ocean Edge Golf Resort in Brewster as a fundraiser to support the mission of the parish, their St. Vincent de Paul Society and CHAMP homes. After golf events include dinner and a silent and live auction. Visit the OLC parish website, www.ourladyofthecape.org, for more info and to register.

LIVE THE ANSWER

Three years ago *Time* magazine named Sister Rosemary Nyirumbe one of the 100 most influential people in the world for her work with abducted girls and their children in Gulu, Uganda. For young Rosemary, God's *'first call'* brought her to the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus where she became Sister Rosemary. There she worked in clinics, assisted at surgeries, and learned how to deliver babies.

Her *'second call'* came from a growing awareness of discipleship. The Gospel question *"Who do you say that I am?"* led her to a deeper understanding of who she was as a person dedicated to Jesus. When she was sent to a semi-deserted school—a school that served barely 30 students in buildings soldiers had looted and damaged—she could not refuse. The resistance army that had terrorized Uganda—killing families, kidnapping children to become soldiers, abducting girls as young as 10 and forcing them into sexual slavery—had been disbanded, but the effects lived on. Child mothers who escaped found their families were dead or unwilling to accept their 'bush' children. The word soon found its way to hundreds of the victimized young mothers that not only were their children welcome at this school, but so were they.

Simple vocational skills such as sewing were taught to help rebuild people's lives. As Sister Rosemary says in regard to her *'third call'*: *"People have been broken for so many years. We need to mend these lives, literally with a needle—that is why we say we are 'sewing hope'. We are fixing lives with a needle and thread."*

Today's Scriptures remind us that to be an authentic follower of Jesus we must be willing to grow in the awareness of who Jesus is for us and the ways this belief calls us to wholeness, to holiness, to compassionate service. For Christians the answer to Jesus' question *"Who do you say that I am?"* cannot be a merely stagnant, intellectual answer; but a living force which colors every moment of our lives. We answer Jesus' query in the same way modeled by Sister Rosemary and so many others: by the way we live, the way we love, the way we forgive, the way we put our gifts and talents at the service of others. Let us live the answer—the challenge of discipleship—again and again and again!

NEED HELP?

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