

**MASS INTENTIONS  
THIS WEEK**

Saturday	5:00	Alan Bowden
Sunday	8:00	Barbara Russo, Anne Weinberg Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	10:00	Charlie Wolff
Monday	8:00	Alice McKinley
Tuesday	8:00	Frank & Rose Lamborghini
Wed	8:00	George Brescia
Thursday	8:00	Communion Service
Friday	8:00	Alice McKinley

**NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday	5:00	Norma Paladino
Sunday	8:00	Jim Filliman, Bill Mulqueen Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	10:00	Lew Carrington

**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, Eileen Metterville, Thomas Stone, Nick Bartick, Pam Hedlund, Len Hedlund, Greg Morongell, Nora Gould, Edan Pearl, Richard Smith, Anne Caruso, John M. Pollard, Alexandra Burke, Peter Cruckshank, Bill Hannon, Ivy Davis, Maddy Hayes, Clare Stevenson, Joseph Nosari, Vincent Lenczewski, 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, 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, Tom & Deb O'Connor, Chris Frazier, Melissa K., Paul Branden, Claire Surprenant, Jayne Boyle, Vittoria Hillis, Baby Lillian Thoman, Jessica O., Fran McDonagh, Paul Hendrickson, Donna Hibbert

**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 McGahey, Edward Pruffer

**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED** George Mitchell

**IN LOVING MEMORY**

The tabernacle candle has been donated in loving memory of Connie Pelczarski.

**COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!**

May 6 Regular	\$ 7,697.00
Catholic Charities Appeal	\$20,075.00

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL**

The Catholic Charities Appeal provides an opportunity to follow the words of Jesus in St. John's Gospel, *Those who believe in me will do the works that I do.* Jesus' numerous acts of tending to the needs of the sick, discouraged, disenfranchised, and poor are prime examples of how we can do the works that He does by supporting the Catholic Charities Appeal.



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**NEXT WEEKEND IS HARVEST SUNDAY**

The second collection next 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.

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS NEXT 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.

**OUR SVDP CONFERENCE NEEDS YOU!**

Are you waiting to be called? **THIS** is the call! Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference provides emergency assistance to our neighbors in need. We are looking for people to be advocates to reach out to our neighbors in need and for people to serve on our Board to guide our efforts. Training will be provided. If you choose to answer this call, please call Carmella or Al at 508-255-4448.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER**



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner to create a scholarship fund for St. John Paul II High School. The dinner will be next Saturday, May 19, at 6 p.m. in the Parish Center. Reservations are required and flyers with ticket information are available in the church foyers. Thank you for your support.

### **ST. PIUS X YOUTH AWARD**

Congratulations to Jeremiah Tessier! Jeremiah received the St. Pius X Youth Award from Bishop da Cunha this past Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral in Fall River. He is a senior this year at Nauset Regional High School and despite his busy schedule, has found time to assist every Monday evening with the 8th-grade Faith Formation classes as well as the Confirmation retreat. We are so proud of him for all of his contributions through the years to our Parish Community: altar server, bible camp leader, student mentor, and so much more. Jeremiah is such a wonderful representative of a faith that is deep, dynamic and generous. We wish him well as his journey continues towards college and beyond.

### **BE STILL**

All are welcome to join us in the Chapel at 8:45 a.m. this Wednesday, May 16, for a period of prayerful reflection and stillness, facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

### **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

The Bereavement Support Group will meet NEXT Sunday, May 20, 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.

### **SJA MINISTRY DIRECTORY**

As a result of an initiative by the Pastoral Council, a Ministry Directory has been developed and is available on our website. Anyone who is interested in learning more about or becoming involved in Parish ministry is invited to go to [www.joanarc.org](http://www.joanarc.org). On the home page, double-click on "Ministry Volunteer Opportunities" in the column on the left hand side of the page. The Directory provides a description of the mission, as well as contact information and meeting times for each ministry. A printed directory is available in the Rectory for those who do not have access to a computer.

### **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

### **CLARIFICATION ON E2 SOLAR OFFER**

Apparently there has been some confusion about E2 Solar's offer to St. Joan of Arc Parish which was announced at Masses the weekend of the solar panel blessing.

The offer is: **If you use E2 Solar to install a solar panel system, E2 Solar will make a \$500 donation to St. Joan of Arc Parish, IF** you say that St. Joan of Arc Parish referred you to E2 Solar. I hope this clarifies any lingering confusion about E2 Solar's offer to our parish.

### **QUO VADIS DAYS**

Once again the Diocese of Fall River Vocation Office is running Quo Vadis Days from July 9-13 at Betannia II Retreat Center in Medway, MA. This retreat/camp is a great time for boys ages 14-19 (those entering high school to those entering college) to seek to grow in their faith and fraternity, learning how to discern what is one of the most important things in their life: their vocation. Throughout the week there are times of prayer and sports, talks on living the faith and understanding the different vocations, Mass and Adoration, mountain hiking, and fraternity. It is a great chance for them to build friendships with others their ages who are living their faith, as well as to get to know the seminarians of the Diocese. It is a wonderful time and the cost is only \$100. If any young man is interested, please fill out the Quo Vadis brochure available in the church or email Fr. Kevin Cook, Director of Vocations at [frcook@holyfamilytaunton.org](mailto:frcook@holyfamilytaunton.org) for a brochure.

### **SAVE THE DATES**

This year the Diocese of Fall River is very blessed to have one young man being ordained to the transitional diaconate and three men to be ordained priests. Please plan on attending these great gifts of Holy Orders being given to them at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption in Fall River. Ryan Healy is to be ordained a Transitional Deacon on Saturday, May 19, at 11:00 a.m. Deacons Matthew Gill, Juan Carlos Munoz, and Daniel Nunes are to be ordained to the Priesthood on Saturday, June 9, at 11:00 a.m. Please join us for these beautiful occasions, and please keep these men in your prayers.



### **A ROUND OF APPLAUSE**

Another Faith Formation year has come to a close! We wish to thank all those who made this a faith-filled and fun year. Thank you to our outstanding students and their supportive families; our talented and dedicated teachers; our awesome volunteers and teen mentors; and our entire Parish Family who continue to bless us in all we do. We are grateful for all of you. Have a beautiful and relaxing summer!

### **FIRST COMMUNION**

Congratulations to Christopher Angelillo, Jack Butler, Cecile Cheffers, Alan Neil Cronin, Jr., Zoey Crowley, Maeve Gaskill, Ciara Hess, William Naughton, Ella Nowak, Faith Wolcott, and Nathaniel Yonce who are receiving the Eucharist for the first time this Sunday. May they continue to nurture the love of Christ in their hearts and minds. Thank you also to their families for their support during this year and for preparing them for this blessed event.

A special thank you to the First Communion Catechists, Nancy Rouillard and Eileen Budnar, for teaching and guiding these young people for communion and to Marianne Sinopoli for directing the song presentation. Our thanks to the parish community for keeping these young people in their prayers.

### **A SPECIAL THANK YOU**

We in the Faith Formation program are very grateful to various groups who made our students' year so special. A very special thank you to the Prayer Shawl Ministry, under the direction of Joan Valicenti, for creating the beautifully knitted prayer swatches for our First Communion and Confirmation students. A "high-five" to the Knights of Columbus for donating the rosary beads for those who received the sacraments of Eucharist and confirmation. It takes a village and we are appreciative!

### **ANNUAL CATECHIST MAY MEETING**

Our annual end-of-the-year dinner meeting for Catechists and Faith Formation Volunteers is this Monday, May 14, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. We plan to recap this past year's program and to share the upcoming calendar of events. We hope you are able to join us for an evening of reconnecting, celebrating, and sharing our thoughts with each other before the summer season is upon us.

## A LEGACY OF LOVE

Katharine Hanschu remembers her beloved grandfather in an article written for the Readers' Digest some years ago:

*"Grandpa was a man of integrity. He was a rancher who loved his family fiercely and passed down simple yet important life lessons. My dad tells a story about helping his dad tediously wash borrowed farm equipment before they returned it to a neighbor. 'Why are we cleaning this?' he had asked. 'It was dirty when we got it.'*

*'Always return something a little better than you found it,' was Grandpa's reply.*

*A week after Grandpa's funeral, I helped my dad vacuum, wash, and refuel a car he had borrowed from a friend. After accepting the vehicle, the friend leaned over to me and remarked, 'Whenever I loan something to your dad, I know it will come back in even better shape.'*

*And that is my grandpa's legacy. He left the world just a little better than he found it. I hope I can do the same."*

Katharine's grandpa left a legacy of love and truth, justice and integrity – the legacy of father to his son, who in turn instilled it in his daughter; who in turn has passed it to her family – and to us. In similar manner the legacy of Jesus' spirit of compassion and truth, justice and integrity is passed to his early friends – and through the ages, to all of us: *"Consecrate them in truth"*, he prays with heartfelt concern for each of us as he foresees his death. And again, expressing the urgency of the way we are to live: *"As I have loved you, so you must love one another."* Jesus' words, and the example of his life, show us the profound truth that our very identity as disciples is centered in the legacy of a constant love that is ever present in our lives and in our world. This love is a steady and guiding force – a holy and unwavering Spirit that remains with us and guides us through our moments of cynicism and rationalization.

Jesus the Healer and Reconciler; Jesus the Foot-washer; Jesus the Crucified, entrusts to his people a *'new'* standard and understanding of love – a love that goes the extra mile, a love that leaves the world a little better than we found it, a love that renews and re-creates relationships through mercy and caring service. May this legacy of wholeness and love, of mercy and kindness take firm root in our hearts so that it becomes the legacy we pass to our children and to our children's children – the very kingdom of God in the making