

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**THIS WEEK**

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  
 Monday 8:00 John T. Bradley  
 Tuesday 8:00 Edward Warin  
 5:00 Sophie J. Sarro  
 Wed 8:00 Mark Dundas/Louis DiGiovanni  
 Noon Sean Gavigan  
 Thursday 8:00 Communion Service  
 Friday 8:00 Mary Cacciola

**NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday 5:00 Norie Leonard  
 Sunday 8:00 Thomas Cosgrove, Tom Hawko,  
 Scott McCracken,  
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family  
 10:00 Diane Kessler

**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., Paul Branden

**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** Francis Kane

**COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!**

October 22 Regular	\$ 7,967.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 3,309.00
Annual Appeal	\$48,635.00

**ALL SAINTS DAY—NOVEMBER 1**

The holy day will be observed with a 5 p.m. Vigil on Tuesday, October 31, and 8 a.m. and Noon Mass on Wednesday, November 1.

**FIRST FRIDAY—NOVEMBER 3**

First Friday will be observed with anointing of the sick following the 8 a.m. Mass.

**“BE STILL”**

All are invited to join us in the Chapel this Wednesday, November 1, 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 for parishioners who have died during the past year will be celebrated on Saturday, November 4, at 9:00 a.m., followed by a collation in the Parish Center. 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 this weekend. 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 and Karen, Knight, 508-361-1826. Meet in the SJA parking lot at 10:45 a.m. if you wish to car pool.

**SVDP FOOD PACKING THIS MONTH**

St. Vincent de Paul, in conjunction with Lower Cape Outreach Council, will be providing two-day packs and Thanksgiving turkeys to many in our community. Please mark your calendars for Friday, November 17, from 1 to 3 p.m. to help pack food for distribution. Also, we need volunteers that morning from 10:30-12:30 to set up tables. Refreshments provided to the set-up team!

## 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

## SEASONAL REMINDERS

As we turn back the clocks next weekend, we become mindful of the cold and flu season. Beginning next weekend, the cup will not be offered at Mass until Holy Thursday. The Sign of Peace may be offered with words and a smile rather than a handshake.

As winter approaches, bringing unpredictable weather and health conditions, keep in mind these guidelines: If you suspect you are ill or weather conditions are hazardous, you are **not** bound to attend Mass. Remain at home, possibly participating in the Mass on TV, radio or internet. **If schools are closed or delayed due to snow, there is no daily Mass**. Please observe this policy for your safety, as well as to expedite the snow removal in our parking lots.

## 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. Next 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

All are welcome to a special ecumenical prayer service to be held in the Cathedral Church of St. Mary in Fall River next 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.

## 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.

## ULTREYA

There will be an Ultreya gathering at Holy Trinity Parish Center on Sunday, November 5, at 6:30 p.m., featuring a guest speaker, grouping and light refreshments. For more info, call Alice Doherty, 508-432-0540.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

SJA volunteers are needed to work on Brewster houses on December 2. No experience required — only willingness to help. More details in future bulletins.



## **FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE**

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

### **FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE**

We look forward to seeing Kindergarten–Grade 10 students this Monday, October 30. Please remind your elementary student to ride the St. Joan of Arc bus.

### **IMPORTANT GRADE 9 & 10 PARENT MEETING**

An important Grade 9 and 10 Parent Meeting is scheduled for this 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 boys retreat for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors at Craigville Beach the weekend of November 17-19. Register online at [www.echoofcapecod.org](http://www.echoofcapecod.org).

### **NOVEMBER FAMILY MASS**

All are welcome to share in our first family mass of the school year with our Pastor Fr. John, next Sunday, November 4 at 10 a.m., followed by refreshments in the Parish Center.

### **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.

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### **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](mailto:cmcmanus@dfrcs.org) or 508-678-2828, x19.

## THE “FEELIE” HEART

Rachel Naomi Remen, MD, in her book *My Grandfather's Blessings*, tells the story of her visit with the husband and the four-year-old daughter of a recently-deceased cancer patient. The little girl, Kim had been devastated at the loss of her mother; and her father — overwhelmed by his own grief— had tried his best to be there for her, but it wasn't always possible. “Kimmee” was doing better now and dad had started back to work — a good time to re-connect and offer support.

Kimmee, eager to show Rachel one of her “treasures”, took a small stuffed velvet heart from her little pocket and placed it in the doctor's hand. Rachel looked at her Dad, who offered: “*It's a 'feelie' heart. She never goes anywhere without it.*” The *feelie* heart had been made by a bereavement group who served children touched by death. Small enough to go in little pockets, the heart could be held and rubbed anytime, giving children permission to hold their own hearts tenderly and to grieve — to remember that they are loved and now can ‘feel’ love. Children carry them as long as the need to, finding comfort in the softness, when sadness might otherwise overwhelm them.

Rachel says that she carefully handed the heart back to Kimmee, and was deeply moved as the child held it to her cheek for a long moment before returning it to her pocket. Her mother had loved her fiercely. Somehow, through this small, velvety homemade heart, that love was becoming a refuge for Kimmee; as well as a sign to her dad—and to Dr. Remen — of the undying power of a loving heart.

Perhaps if we all held our own hearts more tenderly, we would find within ourselves a well-spring of compassion — God's own love poured into our souls — a God who loves us fiercely. Trusting in that love, we could open our hearts more freely to others in the same generous and life-giving way.

This weekend the Gospel reminds us that Love is the summit—the *heart* of all the commandments: love of God; love of neighbor; love of self — intertwined in the dance of God's great love for us. This all-embracing love generates an ever-increasing sense of compassion for oneself and for others — especially for those most vulnerable. May we touch our own hearts and be reminded that the undying power of a loving heart is a gift that can transform the world!