

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:00 Trudy Murry, Doris Silbernagle,
 Marcy Wharton
 Sunday 8:00 Vincent Gulotta, Michael Prete,
 John & Ellie Doyle, Joan M. O’Leary
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 10:00 Robert W. Dahlke
 Monday 8:00 Sharon Eisenhauer
 Tuesday 8:00 John Ward
 Wednesday 8:00 Barbara H. Carey
 Thursday 8:00 Communion Service
 Friday 8:00 Gerald L. Dillon

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 George Brescia
 Sunday 8:00 Mark Dundas, Louis DiGiovanni
 Vincent Gulotta
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 10:00 Lewis 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, Anne Caruso, John M. Pollard, Peter Cruckshank, Bill Hannon, 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, Chad Larivee, Patrick McNulty, Dick Wentworth, Nuvia Downs, Karen Mary McNulty, Olivia Hart, Alex Haas, Patrick Devine, Carter Mock, Nancy Hurley, Gerry Csaposs, Peggy Carson, Ed Daly, Addie Priess, Tim McEnaney, Frank McCarthy, Andree Yager, Loretta Reiter, Paul Kascasak, Lolita Previd, Joe Conlan, Patty Camarra, Sue Waugh, James Manley, Betty Babcock, Thomas Murphy, Tom & Deb O’Connor, Chris Frazier, Melissa K., Jayne Boyle, Vittoria Hillis, Baby Lillian Thoman, Jessica O., Fran McDonagh, Paul Hendrickson, Donna Hibbert, Margaret Royce, Beth Nixon, Maureen Hall, Anne O’Brien, Ben McMahon, Mark Dance, Gerry Moynihan, Bill Strakele, Martha Moynihan, Richard Paskiewicz

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 Prufer, Christian Goodman, John Reuland

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED Michael McGowan

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.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend’s second collection is in support of the Propagation of the Faith.



JOIN OUR FLORAL GUILD

The St. Joan of Arc Floral Guild is reorganizing and we look forward to the involvement of present and new members. If you have a love of arranging flowers, please join us at our meeting in the Library section of the

Parish Center this Tuesday, October 16, at 8:45 a.m.

K OF C PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Pancake Breakfast following Sunday masses next weekend. We will be serving the ever popular blueberry, cranberry and plain pancakes, sausage, coffee and OJ — all for \$ 6 per adult; \$2.50 for kids under 12; free for those under 7 — with a family limit of \$15. We look forward to serving you right after Mass next Sunday.

ANNUAL APPRECIATION RECEPTION

We are grateful for all of our parishioners who are involved in one or more of our many ministries.

*We look forward to celebrating our parish ministries with all those who are regularly involved in ministry or service to the parish at the Four Points Sheraton for spirits and hors d’ oeuvres **this Sunday, October 14, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.***

BE STILL

All are invited to join us in the Chapel at 8:45 a.m. this Wednesday, October 17, for a period of reflection and stillness facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Bereavement Support Group will meet NEXT Sunday, October 21, at 4 p.m. in the Parish Center. These year-round 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 John at 508-240-0904, or Liz at 508-896-4916.

ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

October is Respect Life Month. Our annual Baby Bottle Campaign, *A little change — CHANGES LIVES*, provides a way for all of us to support life affirming efforts on the Cape and within our Diocese. Services that are provided at no cost, because of the generosity of many, include pregnancy tests, ultrasound exams, medical consultations, parenting and adoption preparation, on-going friendship and long-term practical support. Fill your baby bottle with your donation, and return it to the baskets in the foyers by the end of the month.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our annual Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated on Saturday, November 10, at 9:00 a.m. followed by a collation in the Parish Center. This Memorial Mass is celebrated especially for those parishioners who have died during the past year. Parishioners who have lost a loved one during this year whose funeral was not celebrated at St. Joan of Arc can call Nancy McEnaney, 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.

ANYONE FOR RCIA?

Are you interested in deepening your spirituality? Has life gotten in the way of serious participation in your spiritual growth? Are you inspired to renew and review your knowledge of Jesus' teachings and the rich treasure of our Catholic Faith traditions? Then the intimate faith-sharing format of RCIA might be for you.

Even though the primary purpose of RCIA is the discernment and preparation of someone considering becoming a Catholic, it also offers an opportunity for Catholic seekers to share their faith and support one another within a small community framework.

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, or if you are already Catholic and simply want to reconnect with the church in a small and hospitable forum, please call Judy Burt Walker at 508-255-1257, or Father Bill at 508-255-0170.

MLK STUDY GROUP

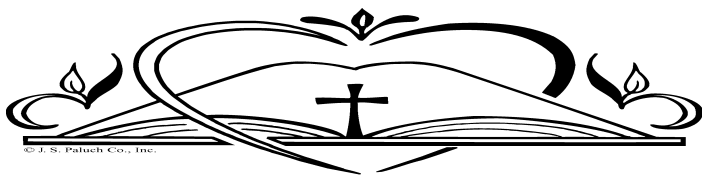
Most Americans are familiar with Dr. Martin Luther King's *I Have A Dream* but, fewer than 10% have read and studied his *Letter from Birmingham Jail*, considered by most scholars as his most important work. During this 50th year since Dr. King's assassination, the Nauset Interfaith Association seeks to establish 50 study groups on the Cape to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest this remarkable document. The St. Joan of Arc study group, will continue to study the *Letter from Birmingham Jail*, at 4 p.m. on Sundays 10/21, 10/28 and 11/4. We will meet in the Parish Center for all sessions, except for October 21, which will be in the Chapel. Visit www.nausetinterfaith.org and click on LFBJ for details and to download study group materials. Questions? Contact Jane MacAfee at 508-432-9480, or Madalyne Hillis-Dineen at 508-896-8829.

CURSILLO

Cursillo is an active three-day learning experience in basic Christianity featuring practical insights into an everyday life of faith and service. This unique experience offers an opportunity to develop, nurture, and deepen your personal relationship with God. It is enjoyed by active and less active Christians alike through a sponsor — a friend who has already lived Cursillo. Cursillo weekend are held at the Holy Cross Retreat House on the grounds of Stonehill College. Upcoming Men's weekends are in October, January, and March; and Women's weekends are in November, February and April. For more information, please contact Jim Lane at FallRiverCursillo@gmail.com or call 508-238-0889.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Join Fr. William Kaliyadan, Pastor of Our Lady of the Cape, on a 10-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land on December 2, 2019. During this pilgrimage, that promises to be both spiritually and socially enriching and exciting, we will discover the roots of our faith as we see the sites, walk the holy ground our Savior walked, and pray the prayers which have helped form the faith we hold as sacred. For more information, please email wkaliyadan@gmail.com or call Fr. William at 508-737-8103.



FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Classes resume this Monday, October 14, for all Faith Formation students. We look forward to seeing Kindergarten through grade 10 students on Monday. Please remind afternoon students to ride the St. Joan of Arc Bus.

REMINDERS:

- * If you have not returned your registration fee and form, please stop by the Faith Formation Office on Monday, October 1. It is important to verify we have the correct info on file for each child.
- * For afternoon session dismissal, the catechists instruct the students to wait in the classrooms for their parents or guardians to come in and get them. This is not only for safety purposes, but also offers an opportunity for the teachers to meet the parents or guardians.
- * Even though Faith Formation is in session, it's **not too late** for your child to join us. If you are new to the parish or have a kindergartener or first grader who you wish to attend religious education, please stop by the Faith Formation Office located in the Parish Center to complete an application — or call the office at 508-255-1257. We are happy to assist you.

NEED HELP?

**We can assist with
food, shelter, medical, utilities.
Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

HELPLINE 508-255-8080

AN HONEST RESPONSE

Have you ever felt that Jesus is just asking too much – that the demands of authentic discipleship are ‘*over the top*’? How about the admonitions to love your enemies; pray for your persecutors; turn the other cheek; forgive without limit; sell what you have and give to the poor – to name just a few.

As we listen to today’s Gospel we might be taken aback by the challenge Jesus extended to the young man with the many possessions. The truth is that it is the rare person – perhaps a ‘real saint’ – who doesn’t hold tightly to something. That ‘something’ may be a possession, a position, an accomplishment –today, maybe a cell phone, or an I-pad!

Psychologists are labeling this technology addiction a very real problem – an *FOMO* – the *fear of missing out* on something or someone that might be more important – more exciting than what we are currently doing, or the people right in front of us – friends, family, or co-workers. To be out of the loop terrifies us. What if we were asked to relinquish those things to which we are attached, like an I-phone. If we are honest, we might have a similar reaction to that of the young man in the story.

The possession itself is not the problem. Communication is a wonderful thing. But the Kingdom of God is not digital. It is born of a form of communication called *love* which demands that we be fully engaged with the other – fully present to what is most beneficial for the common good. To the extent that we are tethered to our digital devices, our status, our bank accounts, we may find ourselves less free to be fully present in the here and now. How, then do we begin to shift the balance – reestablish priorities and become authentic followers of the Way of Jesus – the way of love?

Jesus reminds us that what he is asking is **possible** only with God’s grace. Small practices can open us to this grace: *gratitude* – which counts everything as a gift and prepares the heart for generosity and service; *prayer* – which shifts the focus from self-centeredness to God-centeredness; *kindness* – which brings a little more gentleness, love and joy to those closest to us and ultimately, to the world. Certainly these are not the only practices that could be mentioned, but they serve to re-orient our values and help us to loosen our grip on the things that keep us bound to our own needs and wants.

Persistent practice in small ways, opens the heart to a new way of being – a new way of communicating with one another born of compassion and mercy. Authentic discipleship becomes a whole-hearted ‘*yes*’ – the only possible response of those who have begun to taste the sweetness of the freedom and the joy of the children of God