

**MASS INTENTIONS****THIS WEEK**

Saturday	5:00	Phyllis E. Roche
Sunday	8:00	George & Anna Walsh, Pierre Laberge, Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	10:00	Patrick Reynolds
Monday	8:00	Jimmy Filliman
Tuesday	8:00	Karen Rau
Wednesday	8:00	Deceased of Bradley & O'Toole Family
Thursday	9:00	Parish Family
Friday	8:00	Charlie Wolff

**NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday	5:00	Curt Sweeney
Sunday	8:00	Catherine & Michael Villano Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	10:00	Leo Kaufmann

**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 Bencoter, 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 Kascsak, Lolita Previd, Joe Conlan, Patty Camarra, 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, Martha Moynihan, Richard Paskiewicz, Phil Farmer, Peg Parker, Mary Rodrigues

**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 Tamaro, Michael L. Hamilton, Thomas Crawford, Aaron Charette, Nicholas McGahey, Edward Pruffer, Christian Goodman, John Reuland

**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

Joseph Charles Clancy

**COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!**

Due to the Veterans Day Holiday, November 11 collection results will be published next week.

**THIS WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION**

There are over 43 million people in the U.S. living in poverty. The Campaign for Human Development collection supports programs to empower local communities to address the challenges they face. 25% of funds collected will remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. By supporting this collection, you are giving those on the margins a hand up, not a handout.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

The Knights of Columbus are holding a Pancake Breakfast this weekend following the 8 and 10 a.m. Masses, serving the ever popular blueberry, cranberry and plain pancakes, sausage, coffee and OJ — all for \$6 per adult; \$2.50 for kids under 12, while those under 7 eat free, with a family limit of \$15. In honor of our Veterans, the proceeds from this breakfast will benefit the Cape and Islands Veterans Outreach Center. We look forward to serving you right after Mass.

**NOVEMBER MASS COUNT**

Parishioners are reminded that each year during the month of November, the parishes of the diocese take a count of the attendance at all weekend Masses. It is a way for parishes and the diocese to calculate the patterns of Mass attendance, locally and regionally.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

The Bereavement Support Group will meet THIS Sunday, November 18, at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. These year-round 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.

Give Thanks



*Father Bill and the Parish Staff wish all of our parishioners and their families a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.*

## **INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

Eastham United Methodist Church is hosting the annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at 2 p.m. this Sunday, November 18. The theme of this year's service is giving thanks and caring for God's gift of Mother Earth, especially Cape Cod. There will be interfaith prayers and readings and songs including one sung by young children. The service will feature a talk by the Medicine Man of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe, Soaring Eagle, otherwise known as Earl Cash Jr. Come early, we expect a capacity crowd!

## **BE STILL**

All are invited to join us in the Chapel at 8:45 a.m. this Wednesday, November 21, for a period of reflection and stillness facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

## **THANKSGIVING MASS WITH FATHER BILL**

This Monday, November 19, our Kindergarten through Grade 5 students will celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass with Father Bill. Please come and share in this very special celebration of gratefulness at 3:00 p.m. in the church. **Parents, grandparents, siblings, and all St. Joan of Arc parishioners are welcome to attend.**

## **RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**

Our recent Baby Bottle Campaign, *A Little Change CHANGES LIVES*, raised over \$3,000, which will be divided between the two pregnancy crisis resource centers in our Diocese ([youroptionsma.org](http://youroptionsma.org) and [ahprc.org](http://ahprc.org)). Many thanks for your continuous generosity which provides a way for all of us to support these life affirming efforts and services.

## **ATTENTION LECTORS**

Lector workbooks for the new liturgical year, which begins on Sunday, December 2, are available for you to pick up in the Sacristy.

## **THRIFT SHOP THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

The Thrift Shop will be closed the week of November 18 and will reopen on Monday, November 26 — ready for Christmas shopping! Donations will NOT be accepted after Saturday, November 17. We will be closed for the month of December. Happy Thanksgiving, a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

## **ADVENT—A SEASON FOR OPENING THE DOOR TO THE HEART**

Please join us for a time of reflection, conversation, and quiet prayer facilitated by Judy Burt Walker on the Wednesday mornings of Advent (November 28, December 5, 12, 19). The program will be held in the Chapel about 8:45 a.m., following the daily Mass.

## **RCIA**

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 Fr Bill at 508-255-0170.

## **GUILD CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

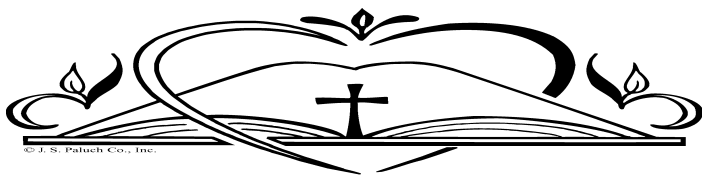


What better way for the women of the parish to usher in the Christmas Season than to gather with other women for fun, fellowship, and a delicious buffet lunch in beautifully-decorated surroundings followed by a performance of holiday tunes by the Mid-Cape Chorale? This year's luncheon will be held at Maplewood at Brewster on Tuesday, December 11, at 11:30 a.m., and will feature hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, buffet lunch, dessert, and coffee and tea. Reservation forms are available at the entrances to the church and should be returned to Karen Knight, 6 White Pines Drive, Eastham, MA 02642 by Monday, December 3, along with your check for \$28, made payable to SJA Guild. Questions? Please call Karen at 508-361-1826. We look forward to welcoming the Christmas Season with you at Maplewood!

## **NEED HELP?**

**We can assist with  
food, shelter, medical, utilities.**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul  
HELPLINE 508-255-8080**



## **FAITH FORMATION CLASS SCHEDULE**

This Monday, November 19, students in Kindergarten through Grade 5 meet at their regularly scheduled time to celebrate Mass with Father Bill. Please remind your student to ride the SJA Bus to class.

**There are no evening classes for Grades 6-10 on Monday, November 19. Evening classes will resume on Monday, November 26.**

## **OFFICE OF SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

### **◆ CORI Process**

The Office of Safe Environment, under the direction of Deacon Joseph Regali, is in the process of implementing various changes to the CORI process. In the upcoming weeks, we are executing these new standards and procedures in order to comply with the new USCCB Charter mandates. We ask for your support and patience as we begin to re-vamp our process to coincide with these new requirements. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Judy Burt Walker at 508-255-1257.

### **◆ Movie Update**

As part of the Diocesan Safe Child Curriculum, Grade 6-8 students viewed the Office of Safe Environment movie regarding personal safety and relationships. The movie provided an opportunity to remind students about various points of personal safety; the importance of safe practices on the Internet; and strategies for recognizing and responding to bullying.

## TO COPE OR TO HOPE?

From time to time, someone manages to figure out a new day for the end of the world. A few years ago an ancient Mayan calendar divined 12-21-12 as the *last day*. Some took this seriously enough to stock backyard bomb shelters with provisions. Jokes abounded. One story was told about someone who noticed the date on one of the cans of Spam in his shelter. It read “*best before the end of the world.*” A cartoon depicted the day *after* the supposed end. As she was reading the news that the end had not come off, the wife in the cartoon said to her husband: “*So I guess you can mow the lawn now!*”

Predictions go way back in time. According to one Scripture scholar, Bishop Clement of Rome had predicted the end would come in the year 90, sixty years after Jesus’ death – then again in 365; 400; 968, and so on up to the present.

Contemporary Christians are well aware, not only of the personal ‘*face*’ of loss in their own lives; but also of an extraordinary measure of global fear, suffering, and terror. Nuclear threats, climate change, terrorism, availability of harmful drugs, handguns, neighborhood violence – yes, the modern Christian knows with certainty the fragility and uncertainty of the times. Over and over, we are faced with the questions: *Are these the end times? Is suffering humanity contributing to its own demise? How are we to cope? Is there reason to hope?*

Dr. Kubler-Ross, author of one of the first modern works pertaining to death and dying, commented on the feelings of her terminally-ill patients as they looked back over their lives. She writes: “*In the last analysis, only two things matter – the service you render others – and love. All those things we think are important: fame, money; prestige; and power are insignificant.*”

It seems that Dr. Kubler-Ross and many other notable people of our time agree with the Evangelist Mark in the Gospel – *there is reason to hope; and not only to hope, but to find reason for joy and for gratitude.* Even as we are reminded in these apocalyptic writings of the transitory nature of life, and the inevitability of things we’d rather avoid; we also remember that Christ will not only gloriously return in some far off future, but remains with us in our present struggles – our moments of pain and loss, as well as in our times of joy.

Let us, then trust in God’s abiding goodness; render loving service to others; and live with hope and great gratitude for each and every moment.