

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**THIS WEEK**

Saturday 5:00 Norton, Haynes & McMahon Family  
 Sunday 8:00 Matthew Sulka, Theresa Cornish  
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family  
 10:00 Maggie Colquhoun  
 Monday 8:00 Jean Bryant  
 Tuesday 8:00 Helen & Blair Carleton  
 Wednesday 8:00 Daniel Goodman  
 Thursday 8:00 Communion Service  
 Friday 8:00 Kathryn Driscoll

**NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday 5:00 Theresa & Anthony Zazzaro  
 Sunday 8:00 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family  
 10:00 Albert Desens

**PRAY FOR THE ILL OF THE PARISH**

Martin Coughlin, Loretta Stephens, Regina Zanis, Harry Marcoux, John Keane, Tris Windle, David Cousins, Lynne Scalia, Alex Podeszwa, 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, Gerry Csaposs, Peggy Carson, Ed Daly, Addie Priess, Frank McCarthy, Andree Yager, Loretta Reiter, Paul Kasczak, 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, Gerry Moynihan, Martha Moynihan, Richard Paskiewicz, Mary Rodrigues, Emily Sparks, Martha Byron, Stephen Moreau, Tara Maughn

**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, John Reuland

**PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED**

Henri P. Millhollan

**COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!**

March 3 Regular	\$ 4,525.00
Ash Wednesday Evangelization	\$ 1,815.00
March 10 Regular	\$ 5,520.00
Catholic University	\$ 1,513.00

**THIS WEEKEND IS HARVEST SUNDAY**

The second collection this weekend is our annual *Harvest for Habitat* collection, which supports Habitat housing construction projects on Cape Cod.

**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.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Looking for a way to increase the love and romance in your marriage? Do you need time just for the two of you? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Experience may be the answer! Instead of simply listening to lectures about how to improve your marriage, you will actually learn a practical communication technique and have an opportunity to rediscover your hopes and dreams for your marriage. Your marriage is your most important relationship! NOW is a good time to invest time in your healthy, happy relationship, and reconnect with your spouse. Representatives from WWME will be speaking at all Masses here at St. Joan of Arc Church this weekend. The next local WWME weekend will be April 13-14 at the Our Lady of the Cape Parish Center in Brewster. Renew the commitment, intimacy and passion in your marriage. Marriage Enrichment.... for all our Years!

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

The Bereavement Support Group will meet THIS afternoon at 4:00pm in the Parish Center. These year-round monthly group meetings focus on the various aspects of grieving, providing 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.

**RCIA**

The next RCIA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, at 4:00pm in the Chapel.

## SHAWL MINISTRY

All are welcome to attend our next meeting this Wednesday, March 21, at 1:30pm in the Chapel.

## GUILD SCHOLARSHIPS

The Guild is offering scholarships to parishioners who will be graduating high school. A candidate must; 1) be a practicing member of SJA; 2) have an acceptance to an accredited college; 3) have letters of reference from his/her guidance counselor and teachers; 4) have financial need. All applications must be submitted to the candidate's high school guidance department by April 1, 2019.

## FATAL FLAWS DOCUMENTARY FILM

St. Pius X Church will present the secular film *Fatal Flaws*, which addresses the issues of legalized euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide. The film is open to the general public and can be seen in the St. Pius X Religious Education Center, 5 Barbara St., S. Yarmouth, on Wednesday, March 27, at 1:30pm or Thursday, April 4, at 6:30pm. A Q&A Session, facilitated by Deacons Tony Surozenski and William Gallerizzo, will be held following each film presentation. All are welcome.

## FRENCH IMPRESSIONS TOUR

Join Fr. Richard Roy for *French Impressions*, a Collette tour of Belgium, Paris, Provence and the Riviera from October 9—20, 2019. For more information, contact Fr. Roy at 508-789-2451 or [frroy@saintjulies.org](mailto:frroy@saintjulies.org).

## PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND/BUDAPEST

Join Fr. Marcel Bouchard and Fr. George Bellenoit July 30-August 10, 2019 on a pilgrimage to Poland and Budapest to follow the lives of the great saints John Paul II, Sr. Faustina, and Maximilian Kolbe. This exciting adventure will lift your spirits, and delight your senses! For more information, to request a brochure, please contact Randy Pinto 321-987-8173 or email [randypinto1@gmail.com](mailto:randypinto1@gmail.com).

## ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER

*Christ be with me, Christ within me  
Christ behind me, Christ before me  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me  
Christ to comfort me and restore me.  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger  
Christ in hearts of all that love me  
Christ in mouth of friend or stranger*



## LENT—A TIME FOR BOUNDLESS COMPASSION

Please join us in the Chapel at 8:45am this Wednesday March 20, for a time of reflection, conversation, and quiet prayer facilitated by Judy Burt Walker, based on the work of Joyce Rupp's book, *Boundless Compassion*.

## LENTEN COFFEE FOR MEN



Each Friday of Lent, the men of our community are invited to the Parish Hall immediately following the 8:00am Mass. There will be a meditation and reflection regarding men's spirituality and opportunity for discussion led by Fr. Bill. Coffee and breakfast food will be served.

## LENTEN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 1:00pm until 4:00pm each Friday during Lent. All are welcome to come and spend some time with our Eucharistic Lord as a particular Lenten devotion this year. A sign-up sheet has been placed in the church foyer to ensure that someone will be present throughout the adoration period.

## DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR LENT

Copies of *Not by Bread Alone*, a booklet of Daily Reflections for Lent, are available for all parishioners in the main foyer of the church.

## LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

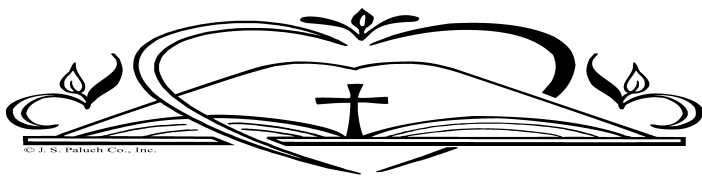
A Regional Lenten Penance Service will be held at 6:00pm on Tuesday, March 26, at Our Lady of Lourdes in Wellfleet.

## CRS RICE BOWLS

CRS rice bowls available in all foyers, provide a vehicle through which our prayers and Lenten sacrifices can change the lives of those in need around the world. At the close of Lent, please forward your check directly to Catholic Relief Services ATTN: CRS Rice Bowl P.O. Box 17090 Baltimore, MD 21297-0303, or donate online at [crsricebowl.org/give](http://crsricebowl.org/give).

## LENTEN PRO-LIFE PRAYER

*Father of all mercy, we thank you for this season of grace and light. We know that sin has blinded us. Draw us ever closer to you, in prayer and penance. Since you, O God, are light itself, give all your people a clearer understanding of what is sin, and what is virtue. Grant in particular that we may see, as never before, the profound dignity of every human life, including the vulnerable unborn children. Give us grace to defend our brothers and sisters in the womb by our prayers, our words, and our self-sacrificing actions. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



## **CLASS SCHEDULE**

Just a friendly reminder that all students kindergarten through grade 9 meet at their regularly scheduled time this Monday, March 18. Please remind your afternoon student to ride the SJA Bus to class! Look forward to seeing you on Monday.

## **RITE OF CONFIRMATION 2019**

Congratulations to our 2019 Confirmation Class and to their parents and sponsors. These young people celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend with Bishop Edgar da Cunha. We pray that they continue to grow in their faith and in the knowledge that they are supported by the St. Joan of Arc Community. We wish them continued blessings.

The Confirmands are: Zackary Blanda, Sophie Christopher, Mason Cornell, Brooklyn Eitelbach, Megan Farrell, Kaitlin Hamaty, Aidan Handville, Will Loomis, Katelyn McGauley, Lucas Meehan, Lily Nannini, Isabelle Nobili, Cambria Parrott, Hailey Richardson and Anna Shantz.

A special thank you to their catechist, Michelle Costa, and her assistants, Bob Filliman and Jeanne Jacovino. We appreciate their time and talent in their work with these young people. We are also grateful to all the Faith Formation catechists, volunteers and teen mentors for helping us throughout the year as well as during their February Retreat. They are a gift to the program and to the parish! And last, but not least, a big thank you to the St. Joan of Arc community for your prayers and support of the youth of our parish.

## **PARISH PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

As our parishioner Nicole O'Leary continues her vocation discernment with the Little Sisters of the Poor, let us remember Nicole and all those discerning a vocation in the Church, in our prayers.

*Lord God, the Provider of all our needs. Manifest in your Church, the Holy Spirit whom you so abundantly bestowed on Our Lady and the apostles at Pentecost. Bless St. Joan of Arc Parish with an increase of men and women to minister in the Church. Form our parish in your image to be the sacred environment for listening to the Spirit that these young men and women may hear your call and respond with generous hearts. May they give themselves, their time, and their talents to serve your Son, Jesus Christ and the Church. Amen*

## GLIMPSES OF HEAVEN

Poet and author, John O'Donohue, said that a thing, or a being "transfigured" is more fully itself than ever, and more: *"it is irradiated with beauty, whether a vase painted by Cezanne or a turn of phrase that comes to new life in a great poem...at its most sublime intensity, transfiguration is utter vision; no one can stay long on the Mountain of Transfiguration, but if you have ever been there, you cannot suppress this seeing without damaging yourself."*

The Trappist monk Thomas Merton tells the story in *"Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander"* about how he was doing something as simple as standing on a street corner in downtown Louisville, Ky., when a transfiguration experience happened to him. The city and the people walking around began to glow. *"There is no way of telling people that they are walking around shining like the sun."* What he discovered at that moment was that *the gate of heaven is everywhere* – even a busy street corner.

Perhaps a message of today's Gospel is that the Transfiguration of Jesus isn't a spectacular, special-effects incident that took place a long time ago. It's instead a *sweet glimpse of heaven* that can come to any of us right now – if we are able to see it.

This *sweet glimpse* can happen to a mother as she first views her newborn baby. It can happen to a person meditating or reading scripture when suddenly something or *someone* seems to 'speak' in a deep place of knowing and peace. It can happen while listening to a moving piece of music; or enjoying a walk on a brilliant autumn day – or, like Merton, simply seeing through the ordinary to the extraordinary that lies beyond the thin veil of separation. Transfiguration moments open our everyday mind to the heaven that is already present—we need only enter the moment fully enough to see it. To quote Merton again: *"Life is simple—we are living in a world that is transparent and the divine is shining through it all the time."*

The season of Lent is a good time to sharpen our inner eyes so that we can better *see* the "holy ground" upon which we walk in our ordinary lives. It is a time to come home to our true selves: to remember that we truly live and move and have our very being in the Radiant One, the one whom we call God.