

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:00 Revs. Francis Meehan & Francis Regan
 Sunday 8:00 Bud Oliger, Robert Flaherty
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 10:00 Charlie Wolff
 Monday 8:00 Tim McEnaney
 Tuesday 8:00 Joseph & Carmella Cicerchia
 Wed 8:00 Joe DiBrigida
 Thurs 8:00 Communion Service
 Friday 8:00 Tim McEnaney

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 Anna & Edward Majewski
 Sunday 8:00 John P. Moran, John Hull
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 10:00 Thomas Kelly

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, 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, Anne O'Brien, Ben McMahon, Gerry Moynihan, Martha Moynihan, Richard Paskiewicz, Mary Rodrigues, Emily Sparks, Stephen Moreau, Tara Maughn, Paula Madeiro, Jim Guiliano, Jack Hoblitzell, Paul Brandon

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

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED

COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!

May 26 Regular	\$ 9,741.00
Ascension Thursday	\$ 1,886.00
June 2 Regular	\$ 7,267.00
June 2 Ecclesiastical Students	\$ 2,490.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 38,625.00

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

see all the **“See All the People...”** See Jerry. As a young man in his twenties, Jerry’s life changed forever when he was in a car accident that left him paralyzed. Today, thanks to the help of Catholic Social Services, Jerry has his own apartment and a new lease on life, and he is filled with hope and ambitions for the future. Your gift to the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal gives people like Jerry the greatest gift of all: the renewed promise of a life filled with possibilities. Make your Appeal gift or pledge today by mail, in church, or online at www.givefrdiocese.org/cca19. And you can watch Jerry’s full story by visiting catholicfoundationsema.org/jerry.



GUILD SPRING LUNCHEON

All parish women are invited to our Spring luncheon beginning at 11:30am this Tuesday, June 11, at Freeman’s Grill at Captain’s Golf Course in Brewster. Complete a registration form available in the church foyers and mail with your \$28 check payable to SJA Guild to Anne Kennedy at the address on the form. Questions — call 203-910-2631.

BE STILL

All are welcome to join us in the Chapel at 8:45 a.m. this Wednesday, June 12, for a period of reflection and stillness facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights will be meeting Wednesday, June 12, at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. The Knights of Columbus is the world’s largest Catholic family fraternal service organization with over 13,000 councils located throughout the U.S. and several other countries. Men interested in joining are asked to call Martin Culik at 774-207-0911.

The Knights will hold a blood drive in the Parish Center on Friday, June 14, from 11:30am to 5:30pm. The drive is sponsored by Cape Cod Health Care—and all donated blood stays on the Cape. Donors will receive a movie pass or Dunkin Donuts gift card, plus the Knights’ famous clam chowder.

Let Your Voice Be Heard!

Say NO to Expanded Abortion Access

The Massachusetts State Legislature will consider passing into law two deeply troubling bills this legislative session. They are identical in text but differ slightly in their titles. The first, (House Bill 3320) is ***“An Act removing obstacles and expanding access to women’s reproductive health”***. The second, (Senate Bill 1209) is ***“An Act to remove obstacles and expand abortion access”***. Current law would be dramatically changed by:

- 1) Expanding abortion access, including late term abortions, during the nine months of pregnancy for virtually any reason.
- 2) Eliminating any requirements that abortions be performed in a hospital.
- 3) Eliminating the requirement that provides medical care to a child who survives an abortion attempt.
- 4) Eliminating the requirement that a minor under the age of 18 have the consent of a parent, guardian, or the courts.
- 5) Expanding state funding for women who cannot afford the procedure.

How can your voice be heard?

Contact your legislators, let them know you are a Massachusetts voter, and say NO on Abortion Expansion! Log on to www.macatholic.org and follow the links to find contact information for:

- Your individual State Senator and Representative via zip code link.
- Members of the Joint Committee on Judiciary who will consider House Bill 3320.
- Members of the Joint Committee on Public Health who will consider Senate Bill 1209.

For individuals without internet access, please call the Massachusetts Catholic Conference at 617-746-5630 for legislative contact information.

“We, the Roman Catholic Bishops of the four Dioceses of Massachusetts, call on our elected officials to carefully consider the consequences that these bills would bring to the lives of infants, parents, families and the citizens of the Commonwealth. We urge all people of good will, regardless of what faith they practice, to vigorously oppose these extreme measures.”¹



¹ Statement of His Eminence Seán P. O’Malley, OFM, Cap., Archbishop of Boston; Most Reverend Robert J. McManus, Bishop of Worcester; Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski, Bishop of Springfield; Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, SDV, Bishop of Fall River
April 11, 2019



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Congratulations to all our college and high school seniors who are graduating this year. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their journeys of new discoveries, adventures, and faith.

HAVEN'T GOT A CLUE 'BOUT THE ONE-DAY FUN-DAY?

According to the "Rome-ing for Treasure" map, clue #5 marks a "magnetic attraction" that's drawing all the treasure hunters from ages 5-10 to the Parish Center for this one-day event. Hope you can join us for scouting for the other clues on the map — such as "measuring up" and "hearty imprints" as you meet new friends along the way. The journey begins on Tuesday, June 25, from 9:00am to noon. Afterwards, join us for the Family BBQ from noon—1:30pm. For more details or to register, contact the Faith Formation Office at 508-255-1257.

P.S. We are on the lookout for Junior Leaders! Call today if you are interested in being part of the crew.

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (CLI)

The Fall River Office of Faith Formation will hold a six-day leadership training experience for high school youth who wish to make a commitment to their parish and community from Tuesday, June 25 to Sunday, June 30, at Cathedral Camp in East Freetown, MA. Call Judy Burt-Walker at 508-255-1257 for more information.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Bereavement Support group will meet NEXT Sunday, June 16, at 4:00pm 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 John at 508-240-0904 or Liz at 508-896-4916.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED IN JULY & AUGUST

Bon Jour! Loisirs Culturel A L'Etranger is looking for host families for French teens from July 8-28 or August 1-21. Students bring their own spending money and are insured. Weekly family compensation of \$150 is provided to hosts. Contact Sue Lajoie at qu98@aol.com. Merci beaucoup!

SETTING SAIL

If you are sailing, the best condition is to have the wind at your back; the worst is no wind at all. But the most common situation is a headwind coming at your craft from varying angles. Skilled sailors learn how to reach their destination in a headwind by *tacking* into the winds – setting their craft's sails so they can move forward, indirectly, toward the desired destination in a zigzag fashion.

Progress can be slow, but it is steady. It takes patience, perseverance and attunement to the elements. It goes without saying that the best sailors are those who have learned to '*read*' the wind – the ones who know how to make the best forward progress against the wind's resistance, when to *come about* to make a turn and reset their sails. With steadfastness and ease, they are capable of getting into the flow and of letting the flow carry them in a seemingly effortless manner. To see a ship at sail in the hands of such a sailor is to behold a dance of graceful beauty.

The Hebrew word for Spirit is *Ruah* which means *breath* or *wind*. The early Christian community experienced God's spirit as a '*wind*' propelling the '*craft*' of the Church. They perceived the Spirit in their midst as the very Breath of God which filled their community with an animating force. The movement of this enlivening force would enable them to let go of their doubts and fears; set their sails accordingly; and to go with the flow of Divine grace.

The challenge of Pentecost is to sense God's Spirit in our midst. Sometimes the *ruah* of God requires us to '*come about*' and move more slowly – more intentionally than we might like. Often the *ruah* of God forces us to '*tack*' in directions that cause us to pause and reconsider our decisions to move forward.



To be a disciple of Jesus is to be attuned to the Breath of God. To be a disciple of the Risen One is to do our part to '*read*' the winds and to chart the course of justice, mercy, and compassion. But then, like good sailors, we must be ready to let go of our own agendas and to let the flow of God's grace carry us in a seemingly effortless manner. By allowing the *ruah* of God's life and love to transform, animate, and dance within us; we become willing vessels – worthy '*crafts*' capable of bringing that same life and love to our broken world.