

MASS INTENTIONS**THIS WEEK**

Saturday	5:00	George J. Herbert
Sunday	8:00	Ryan Colleran, Ray Newman, Lewis Ward, Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	9:30	Joseph Osmanski
	11:00	Dr. Orazio Prestifilippo
Monday	8:00	Margaret Mullin
Tuesday	8:00	Joe Conlan
Wed	8:00	Richard Valicenti
Thurs	8:00	Communion Service
Friday	8:00	Tim McEnaney

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	5:00	Harriet Royal, Ann & Pat Patterson
Sunday	8:00	Mary Ryan Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
	9:30	Freyne Family
	11:00	Joe Conlan

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 Lenczewski, 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, Rita Folger, Gerri DiCristina, Kathleen Kilmer

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

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED**COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!**

July 14 collection results will be reported next week.

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.

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.

KNIGHTS YARD SALE

The Knights of Columbus Council 3384 will be holding their biennial Yard Sale on Saturday, August 24. Due to lack of storage space, we will not be able to collect items before Tuesday, August 13. We are looking for a few large items such as a car, a boat or a riding tractor. If you have such an item that you would like to donate, please contact Don at 508-240-7672 or Bob at 508-240-1201.

11:00AM SUNDAY USHERS NEEDED

ATTN MEN, WOMEN, TEENS: Ushers are needed for the 11am Mass which continues through Sunday, September 1. If you regularly attend the 11:00am Mass and would be willing to usher, please contact Tom Finan at 508-255-1152 or tfinan@capecod.net. It is not necessary to commit to every Sunday as subs can be arranged as needed.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE

Please alert the priest or deacon **before** Mass if you are in need of this special host to receive Holy Communion.

WELCOME SUMMER VISITORS!

We are grateful you have chosen to worship at St. Joan of Arc while visiting our area. If some of your little ones become restless, the following alternatives are available. We have a small “cry room” in the rear of the church. Also, you are welcome to sit in the area around our Baptismal font and the small chapel beyond it, both of which provide a bit of extra room for restless children and are equipped with speakers so adults can hear the Mass.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

The Bishops of Massachusetts recently released a statement expressing their strong opposition to two proposed bills that would expand abortion in Massachusetts. Bishop da Cunha has asked that it be shared with parishioners to help call attention to the extreme provisions of this legislation and the radical consequences that would follow. The proposed legislation, *HB 3320* and *SB 1209*, would:

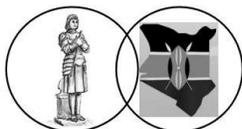
- **Allow abortions during the nine months of pregnancy for virtually any reason.**
- **Eliminate any requirements that abortions be performed in a hospital.**
- **Eliminate the requirement that provides medical care to a child who survives an abortion attempt.**
- **Eliminate the requirement that a minor under the age of 18 have the consent of a parent, guardian or the courts.**
- **Provide state funding for women who cannot afford the procedure.**

In their statement, the Bishops “call on our elected officials to carefully consider the consequences that the bills would bring...” and they “urge all people of good will, regardless of what faith they practice, to vigorously oppose these extreme measures.” Bishop da Cunha is appealing to all members of the Diocese to contact their state legislators. The Massachusetts Catholic Conference has resources available on its website at www.macatholic.org. Copies of the full Bishops Statement are at the main entrance of the church.

KENYA KONNECTION COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND JULY 27-28 AT CHURCH DOORS

St. Joan of Arc parishioners have supported our sister parish, Holy Cross, in Dandora, Kenya for over 10 years! Last year your donations provided five elementary and two high school students with scholarships. In addition, your contributions provided medical assistance to prevent HIV and tuberculosis transmission, as well as screenings for cervical cancer, the leading cause of death among Kenyan women. Please be generous in making a difference in the lives of so many less fortunate. Checks may be made out to St. Joan of Arc Church, noting **Kenya** in the memo section.

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BE STILL

All are welcome to join us in the Chapel at 8:45 a.m. this Wednesday, July 24, for a period of reflection and stillness facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Bereavement Support Group will meet THIS Sunday, July 21, at 4:00pm in the Parish Center. 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.

IMPORTANT CORI NEWS

Since the inception of the new branch of the Diocesan Office of Safe Environment last year, new standards and regulations for CORI have been set in place. This past year was a “period of grace” so that the advised guidelines could be implemented uniformly by all parishes of the Diocese. Therefore, beginning with the July CORI renewals, we must comply with all the standards expected. When you receive your CORI renewal packet, please review it **carefully**. You need to complete and return 1) the *CORI Acknowledgment* form; 2) a copy of a *MA driver’s license or passport*; and 3) a signed Code of Conduct. In addition, you are required to complete the on-line CMG Connect training — and if you haven't already done so 4) the *completed training certificate* must be included with your CORI documents. Call the Faith Formation Office, 508-255-1257 if you have questions or concerns.

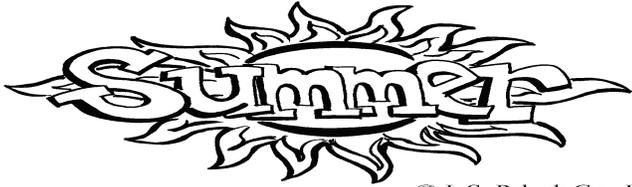
DAY OF PRAYER & HOLY HOUR



Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., is asking that Friday, July 26, the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, be a special Day of Prayer for the success of the work of the Planning Commissions now underway in the Fall River Diocese as part of the overall *Rebuilding in Faith and Hope* initiative. All are

encouraged to pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide and inspire the members of the Planning Commissions as they now work to bring their months-long efforts to a fruitful conclusion. In the evening of that day a Holy Hour will be offered in one church in most deaneries to provide an opportunity for all from the region to join together in prayer for this important intention.

Parishioners in the Cape Cod Deanery are invited to gather to pray together for planning efforts at St. Anthony Church in East Falmouth on Monday, July 22, at 6:00pm within the parish’s weekly hour of Eucharistic Adoration.



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Father Bob Powell will present ***Finding God in Loss and Grief: Journeying Into the Grand Canyon of the Human Heart***, next Monday, July 29. Please join us in the church at 6:30pm for this one-night, two-part presentation (with a brief intermission). You won't want to miss this universal and challenging topic!



Annual Parish BBQ will be Friday, August 2, at 6:00pm. We'll be firing up the grills and providing hamburgers and hot dogs. Come with a salad or vegetable dish and a dessert to share. Come One—Come All to celebrate the Parish in an evening of fellowship and food!

JULY MASS COUNT

Parishioners are reminded that each year during the month of July the parishes of the Cape Cod Deanery 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.

CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY

Bishop Edgar da Cunha invites the High School Youth of the Diocese of Fall River to Cape Cod for a celebration of their faith at Corpus Christi Church in E Sandwich on Wednesday, August 7. The day begins at 10:00am with music and presentations from Joel Stepanek of Life Teen, as well as witness talks from young adults in the Diocese. The day also includes a service project, Stations of the Cross and Adoration, Reconciliation, and the celebration of Mass with Bishop da Cunha. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 508-255-1257 for additional information.

NEED HELP?

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

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

LOVE'S MANY ROOMS

Yann Martel's novel, *The High Mountains of Portugal*, describes a young man who has just buried his wife and child. Now, for the first time, he re-enters his house – the home in which they had recently died from an epidemic. The young man's feelings are expressed poetically and poignantly:

“Love is a house with many rooms: this room to feed the love, this one to entertain it, this one to clean it, this one to dress it, this one to allow it to rest, and each one of these rooms can also just as well be the room for laughing or the room for apologizing or the room for telling one's secrets or the room for sulking or the room for intimate togetherness. And of course, there are rooms for the new members of the household. Love is a house in which plumbing brings bubbly new emotions every morning, and sewers flush out disputes, and bright windows open up to admit the fresh air of renewed goodwill. Love is a house with an unshakable foundation and an indestructible roof. [This father] had a house like that once, until it was demolished...”

The house of Martha and Mary in Bethany mirrors the challenge of creating houses where love dwells – homes with room for true hospitality. This is a hospitality that generously provides for the needs of both body and of soul – not only of family – but sometimes of guests: friends, neighbors, and even strangers. Such hospitality has been described as the *virtue of a great soul* – a soul that cares for the whole universe through the ties of our common humanity.

The Bethany home of the Gospel might represent a balanced sense of hospitality: Martha's generous, selfless service through caring for the practical matters of preparing for guests; and Mary's practice of the art of presence – of tuning in to the profound and unique presence of the guest who graced the rooms of their home – in this case, Jesus. We all know the challenges of providing for the practical demands of maintaining our dwelling places – certainly a fundamental aspect of creating a welcoming home. But we must take time, too, to fully realize and appreciate – like the young father returning to his house – like Mary sitting with rapt attention at the feet of Jesus – the love that dwells within each room. Whether our abode is a shared family dwelling or a single living space, let us resolve to let the presence of love – the love that is the very Spirit of God – bless every room and all who enter.