

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:00 Ellie & John Doyle
 Sunday 8:00 Damien Larsen, Bud Olinger, Tim McEnaney
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 10:00 William Strakele
 Monday 8:00 Peg Deegan
 Tuesday 8:00 Charlie Wolff
 Wed 8:00 Bernard Power
 Thursday 5:00 Jacqui Costa
 Friday 8:00 John Conway
 Noon Sean Gavigan

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 Margaret & William Baker
 Sunday 8:00 Mary Cacciola
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 10:00 Lewis Carrington

PRAY FOR THE ILL OF THE PARISH

Martin Coughlin, Loretta Stephens, 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 Cruickshank, Bill Hannon, Ivy Davis, Maddy Hayes, Clare Stevenson, Joseph Nosari, Vincent Lencvewski, Jeffrey Wolfgang, 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, 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 Kascsak, Patty Camarra, James Manley, Betty Babcock, Thomas Murphy, Tom & Deb O'Connor, Chris Frazier, Melissa K., Jayne Boyle, Baby Lillian Thoman, Jessica O., Fran McDonagh, Paul Hendrickson, Donna Hibbert, Margaret Royce, Beth Nixon, Anne O'Brien, Ben McMahan, Gerry Moynihan, Martha Moynihan, Richard Paskiewicz, Mary Rodrigues, Emily Sparks, Stephen Moreau, Tara Maughn, Paula Madeiro, Paul Brandon, Rita Folger, Gerri DiCristina, Kathleen Kilmer, Marguerite Forren, Mary Pickard

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 Pruffer

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED

COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU!

October 13 Regular	\$8,397.00
October Harvest	\$4,446.00
October 20 Regular	\$7,427.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$2,597.00

ALL SAINTS DAY

The All Saints Holy Day will be observed with a 5:00pm Mass on Thursday, October 31, and 8am and 12:00 noon Masses on Friday, November 1. Because it is also First Friday, anointing of the sick will be offered following the 8:00am Mass.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

This is the final weekend of the Baby Bottle Campaign. Please return the bottles in the baskets provided at the entrances to the church. Thank you for participating.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our annual Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated next Saturday, November 2, 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 contact the Rectory at 508-255-0170 or joanarc@c4.net to add the names of deceased loved ones to be remembered. All parishioners are invited to attend this Mass to honor their loved ones.

ANNUAL APPRECIATION RECEPTION

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

*All those who are regularly involved in ministry or service in the parish are invited to the Four Points Sheraton for spirits and hors d' oeuvres **this Sunday, October 27, from 3:00pm to 5:00pm.** We look forward to celebrating our ministries and our parish!*

FROM DEACON NORM

I am eternally grateful for the support from the St. Joan of Arc community while I am unable to be with you in my role of Deacon. My daily thoughts of you are God's gift that enables me to look forward to being back among you. Please continue to pray for the many who are unable to be with us.

*May God bless you all.
 Deacon Norm*

LET'S DO LUNCH!

The St. Joan of Arc Guild invites all women of the parish to join us for lunch at the Hidden Cove at Cape Cod Regional Tech High School on Tuesday, November 12, at 11:30 a.m. The menu is a garden salad with balsamic vinaigrette; a choice of either Chicken Piccata or cod, served with roasted squash, rice, steamed carrots and broccoli; cornbread; apple pie with vanilla ice cream; coffee, decaf, and assorted hot teas. Reservations are required by Tuesday, November 5, and may be made by contacting Paula DeCecco at 914-471-5459 or via email at pauladececco@yahoo.com; Barbara Prestileo at bprestileo@comcast.net; or Ann Brescia at 774-330-3033. Please be sure to indicate your preference of entree when making your reservation. Your payment of \$10.00 (cash, please) is payable at the luncheon. This is a wonderful way to enjoy a casual lunch with old friends, and to meet new friends while enjoying a delicious lunch prepared by the culinary students. **Note:** Space is limited, so make your reservations early. We regret that we will not be able to accommodate walk-ins on the day of the luncheon. (If you would like to ride-share to the luncheon, please meet in the St. Joan or Arc lower parking lot by 11:00 a.m. on November 12.) See you at the Hidden Cove!



PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEXT WEEK

A Parish Pancake Breakfast will be held in the Parish Center next Sunday, November 3, following both Masses. We offer blueberry, cranberry and plain pancakes, with sausage, juice and coffee — all you can eat for \$5/adults, \$2.50/children under 12, and Free for children under 7, with a family limit of \$15. Come and enjoy the great food and fellowship! The Knights of Columbus hold the breakfasts on the first Sunday of each month.

COAT COLLECTION

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a **Coat Collection** in cooperation with the Lower Cape Outreach Council. Gently used coats for adults and children will be collected the weekend of November 9-10, and may be brought to the Parish Center before or after the Masses that weekend. The coats will be distributed by the Lower Cape Outreach Council to their clients. **Due to storage considerations, coats cannot be accepted prior to November 9-10.**

A CHRISTMAS CAROL AT ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH

A *Christmas Carol* will be presented by the Performing Arts students at 7:00pm on November 7, 8, and 9 in the JP II HS auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for seniors and students, and \$10 for adults. In the spirit of the play, we will also be accepting donations of non-perishable food items for St. Vincent de Paul. Please attend — and support Catholic education on Cape Cod.

BE STILL

All are welcome to join us in the Chapel at 8:45am this Wednesday, October 30, for a period of reflection and stillness facilitated by Judy Burt Walker.

NEW BEGINNINGS



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 for the discernment of and preparation of anyone who is 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 Catholic and simply want to reconnect with the Church in a small and hospitable forum, call Judy Burt Walker in the Faith Formation Office at 508-255-1257, or Fr. Bill in the Rectory at 508-255-0170.

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.



CLASS REMINDER

All Kindergarten through Grade 10 students meet at their regularly scheduled time this Monday, October 28.

We have a special guest speaker, Peg Jones, joining us to share her knowledge and insights on *Heavenly Angels*. This unique program is for all our students and we know they will enjoy learning about angels and their “special gifts”. Please remind your afternoon student to ride the SJA bus to class. We look forward to seeing all our students on Monday for this exciting event.

OCTOBER FAMILY MASS

Our Family Mass is this Sunday at the 10:00am liturgy. Please join Father Bill and the Faith Formation Ministry in celebrating Mass with our young people and their families. All are invited to enjoy refreshments in the Parish Center following the Mass.

GRADE 9 AND 10 PARENT MEETING

There is an important Grade 9 and 10 Parent Meeting scheduled for Monday, November 4, at 6:00pm in which we will review the upcoming expectations for the Confirmation program. We look forward to meeting with you.

LAUDATO SI

Catholics throughout the world have been called by Pope Francis in his encyclical *Laudato Si - On Care For Our Common Home* - to join in this united effort to become more aware of and to take more responsibility and action in caring for creation. The *Laudato Si* study group meets in the Parish Center from 4:00pm to 5:30pm each Friday through November 8.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Here on Cape Cod there are two Perpetual Adoration Chapels which are open 24 hours a day 7 days a week for visitors to our Eucharistic Lord. Corpus Christi Church in East Sandwich and Holy Trinity Church in West Harwich host this traditional and time-honored Roman Catholic devotion.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR

To begin National Vocation Awareness Week (November 3 –9), the Diocesan Vocation Office is having a holy hour for vocations at St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral in Fall River on Sunday, November 3, at 3:00pm. The holy hour will be preached by the most recently ordained priest of the diocese, Fr. Ryan Healy.

TO THE CLOWN IN ALL OF US

The New York Times had a special Monday feature called “*Metropolitan Diary*” in which residents of various New York neighborhoods shared stories of the touching or interesting things that typify life in the Big Apple. One such entry reported the following story about an event that happened in a neighborhood parking garage:

One evening while reading emails on his phone, the author of this particular diary entry saw a gang of five young men hanging out in the parking garage. On the trunk of their car were two large pizza boxes and five coke bottles. The guys were having a great time – but their horsing around was getting out of hand. The extra pizza was dumped on the ground and the empty coke bottles were smashed on the pavement. The observer wrote that he was getting angry at the mess and noise, but did not want take on five fit guys alone – so he remained in his car.

Then the clown appeared – a real clown – grease-paint, baggy clothes, big floppy shoes, and a huge rubber nose. Apparently he was on his way to an appearance at a children’s birthday party. He came upon the scene in the parking garage. He said nothing – stooped down to pick up the smashed pizza globs and the broken glass; elegantly deposited them in the trash can – then walked over to the five and passed his hat. The men were dumbfounded. They sheepishly dug into their pockets; and gave him their change. The clown bowed deeply and went on his way.

Today’s Gospel appeals to the “clown” within each of us – that little bit of reality that enables us to understand that we are not the center of the world – that we are part of a much larger *circus* than our own *little sideshow*. This is the Gospel value of humility – to realize that all the blessings we have received are a *gift* emanating from a boundless generosity – the result of the abundance of God’s Love.

Humility brings the light of truth to the way we live. It loosens our grip on the need for power and control. It inclines the heart to give more freely; love more fully; and care more deeply for the earth and all its inhabitants – even the ones who act out of their own ignorance like the guys in the parking garage. Humility enriches relationships and enables us not to take ourselves so seriously – after all – it is not all about us! We come to see that somehow we are all *one* – born of the same generous, unmerited Love. Humility allows smiles through tears; gratitude through hardships; forgiveness through hurts. So let us relax with the Publican of the parable, and the Clown of the parking garage. Let’s practice little acts of kindness, many moments of humble gratefulness; and bring a little more *light-ness* – *Christ-Light-ness* to the world!