

MASS INTENTIONS

THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:00 Catherine & Michael Villano
 Sunday 8:00 Patricia Mendocha, Francisco Simmgg,
 Thomas Ficca, Fr. Bob Kemmery,
 Parish Family
 10:00 Catherine & Michael Villano
 Monday 8:00 William Schulz
 Tuesday 8:00 Betty Hawk
 Wed 8:00 Curt Sweeney
 Thursday 9:00 Parish Family
 Friday 8:00 Charlie Wolff

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 Curt Sweeney
 Sunday 8:00 Patricia O’Keefe, Melissa Tambolleo
 Fr. Bob Kemmery, Parish Family
 10:00 Lewis Carrington

**PLEASE HELP US KEEP
 THESE LISTS UP TO DATE**

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 Cruckshank, 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, Addie Priess, Frank McCarthy, Andree Yager, Loretta Reiter, Paul Kascak, 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 OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE
 MEN AND WOMEN**

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 Prufer, Brandon Stubbs, Christian P. Goodman

PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED

Elizabeth Hardy

COLLECTION RESULTS—THANK YOU

November 10 Regular	\$ 9,352.00
Archdiocese for the Military	\$ 3,323.00
Annual Appeal to Date	\$20,935.00
November 17 Regular	\$ 6,955.00
November Harvest	\$ 4,498.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This week’s second collection is for the Campaign for Human Development, which supports programs addressing the causes of poverty; 25% of the collection remains in our Diocese to fund local antipoverty projects.

Your donation to next week’s second collection will help provide flowers to decorate our altar and church for the Christmas season.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am on Thanksgiving Day.

NAUSET INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE



Please help us welcome our neighbors and friends from other faith communities at the Nauset Interfaith Thanksgiving Service here in our church this Sunday, November 24, at 2:00pm, followed by a reception in the Parish Center.

MARIAN MEDAL RECIPIENT

Sincerest congratulations to **Al Alfano** who will receive the Marian Medal from Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha at the Cathedral next Sunday, December 1. Every year the pastor of each parish is invited to nominate one parishioner to receive this medal recognizing their outstanding service to the parish and the Church. Al represents the many people from our parish who give of their time, talent and treasure to build up God’s Kingdom on earth. Thank you, Al, for your faithful and dedicated service.

GUILD CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The St. Joan of Arc Guild invites all women of the parish to join us for our annual Christmas luncheon on Tuesday, December 10, at 11:30am at Freeman’s Grill in Brewster. The highlight of this year’s luncheon will be a performance by the St. John Paul II High School Select Choir. Reservation forms with event details are available in the church foyers and should be returned by December 4. Contact Peg Jemison, 781-710-4720 with questions.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

The Knights of Columbus will be distributing *Keep Christ in Christmas* car/truck magnets, depicting a manger scene, next weekend after all Masses. The suggested donation for a car magnet is \$5 each. Please spread the word to family and friends and Keep Christ in Christmas.



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This weekend we come to the conclusion of the Liturgical Year with the celebration of Christ the King and prepare to enter into the Advent Season. Copies of the Fiscal Year Financial Report are available at the entrances of the church.

The St. Joan of Arc Parish Annual Appeal is well underway. As you know, the Annual Appeal is a long-standing tradition here at St. Joan of Arc Parish. Your response to the Annual Appeal over the years has helped the parish to make various improvements as the needs have arisen and fulfill the multi-faceted mission of the parish. Your generosity to St. Joan of Arc Parish helps to support our ministries, outreach and activities as well as maintain the parish buildings and grounds.

From the time of my arrival here last year, it has been suggested to me by the Parish Finance Council and parishioners at large that we look into the possibility of upgrading our church air conditioning system. The air conditioning system is the original system installed at the time of the construction of the church in 1984 and is therefore becoming antiquated. Concerns mentioned include the age of the system and the impact that the loss of the system would have on Mass attendance during the height of the summer tourist season here on Cape Cod. Recently, Bishop da Cunha granted St. Joan of Arc Parish permission to make the necessary upgrades to our air conditioning system in the church

Robies Heating & Cooling is the company that has been overseeing repairs and troubleshooting for us over the years. They know our heating and cooling systems through and through. The estimated cost for this project is \$44,150.00.

As people of faith we know that we are called to share the blessings we have received, serve Christ in one another and worship in memory of Him. The Annual Appeal is an opportunity for those who can to make an additional sacrificial offering to our parish. You may return your gift by mail or simply place it in the collection basket at Mass.

Having completed a full year here at St. Joan of Arc Parish I would like to take this opportunity to reaffirm that I am truly happy to be here with you as your Pastor. I consider it, in fact, a privilege and an honor to serve as your Pastor. Thank you for your many kindnesses, support, encouragement and prayers.

May the Lord abundantly bless you and the parish we all love. St. Joan or Arc, pray for us.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. William M. Rodrigues

SNOW IN THE FORECAST?



As winter approaches, bringing unpredictable weather and health conditions, keep in mind these guidelines: If you suspect you are ill or weather conditions are hazardous, you are **not** bound to attend Mass. Remain at home, possibly participating in the Mass on TV, radio or internet. **If schools are closed or delayed due to snow, there is no daily Mass.** Please observe this policy for your safety, as well as to expedite the snow removal in our parking lots.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Our Lady of the Cape Women's Guild is sponsoring a bus trip to the Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette on Friday, December 6. A \$30 ticket includes bus fare, beverages, snacks, and concert, with time allotted to visit the Creche Museum, and see the Festival of Lights at nightfall. Call Judy Fasano at 508-896-8869 by December 1 for reservations.

THRIFT SHOP HOLIDAY

The Thrift Shop will be closed the week of November 25, and will reopen on Monday, December 2, ready for Christmas shopping. We will be closed after December 7 and reopen in January 2020. PLEASE NOTE that donations will not be accepted now until January.

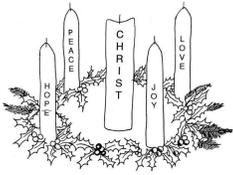
WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

The Knights of Columbus are a sponsor of the Wreaths Across America Day in Massachusetts on Saturday, December 14, an annual event to remember and honor our veterans through the laying of Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes. Ceremonies will be held at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne and parishioners can sponsor a wreath for a family member buried there by using the Wreaths Across America brochure found in the church foyers or online at <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/16175/overview/?relatedId=29533>. Call Martin Culik 309-533-9010 with questions.

Give Thanks



ADVENT ~ A TIME FOR TENDING TO THE PRESENCE OF GOD



Are you ready to become a *Spiritual Gardener*? Are you ready to tend to the presence of God growing in your life? Do you desire to live more fully with more clarity and awareness?

Then let's go gardening! Advent is the perfect time to prepare the soil of our hearts for new birth. Join Judy Burt Walker on Wednesday mornings during Advent in the Chapel after the 8:00am Mass for a time of conversation, reflection and quiet prayer. The series begins this Wednesday, November 27.

RCIA—RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Have you or anyone close to you ever given thought to becoming a Catholic Christian? With Advent and the new liturgical year upon us, perhaps now is a good time for inquiry. RCIA is a small, faith-sharing community that helps answer such questions and provides a vehicle for either becoming a baptized Catholic adult or being confirmed in the Church. Please contact Judy Burt Walker in the Faith Formation Office at 508-255-1257, or Fr. Bill in the Rectory at 508-255-0170 for further information.



FAITH FORMATION

NOVEMBER FAMILY MASS

We celebrate our Family Mass at the 10:00am liturgy this Sunday with our young people and their families. All are welcome to join us.

CLASS REMINDER

Grades 1-5 meet at their regularly scheduled time this Monday, November 25. Please remind your afternoon student to ride the SJA Bus to class.

FAITH FORMATION THANKSGIVING MASS

All families — parents, grandparents, siblings — all St. Joan of Arc parishioners are welcome to join our Kindergarten through Grade 5 students as they share in a special afternoon mass of Thanksgiving on Monday, November 25, at 3:00pm in the Church.

FROM DEATH TO LIFE

“Susan Harmes, CSJ, recalls the true story of a young 16-year-old boy who murdered the only son of Mary Johnson on a night when drugs, gangs, and ego went way too far. The 16-year-old was convicted as an adult and sentenced to 25 years in prison. For twelve years following the conviction, Mary Johnson thought of her son’s killer as an animal deserving to be caged.

Then a poem entitled “*The Two Mothers*” changed her heart. The poem described two mothers who met in heaven. They talked about the joys and sorrows of their sons growing up. Mary, one of the mothers, told the other: “*When they crucified him – how gladly would I have hung there in his place.*” Then, mindful of the grief of her new friend, she asked the other woman the name of her son. The second woman answered, “*His name is Judas, from Iscariot – I am his mother.*”

The poem touched Mary Johnson deeply and challenged her to work on herself and her anger. “*I prayed for my son’s killer and asked God what I had to do. I chose to forgive.*” There were many steps to be taken before she finally made the move to visit her son’s murderer in prison.

The visit changed both of their lives. Mary says that her anger ‘just disappeared’ and she gradually got to know him and treat him like a son. “*Anger will eat you from the inside out,*” says Mary, who has since founded an organization – *From Death to Life*. Its aim is to help other mothers heal from the trauma of murder. Eventually Mary Johnson’s son’s killer left prison – a different person. He now spends all his spare time doing presentations in schools and churches. He attributes his transformation to the gift of forgiveness offered by Mary – his ‘*second mom*’.

This *is* the kingdom of God – this *is* Jesus reigning in every act of selfless kindness and compassionate understanding. This *is* Jesus, the Christ – alive and vibrant in every form of forgiveness, mercy, and reconciliation. On this last Sunday of the Church year, we celebrate Christ, the King whose kingdom knows neither boundaries nor walls; neither castes nor classes. This is Christ, the King whose rule is one of humble *service*; whose power is *compassion*; whose scepter is *humility*; whose banner is *gratitude*; whose currency is *forgiveness and reconciliation*. The reign of God takes shape when we, like Mary Johnson, find the strength to imitate the love and mercy of Jesus, the Christ – when we claim his leadership as our compass for the journey through this life to the life of the world to come.