

Mass  for the Week  
Intentions

Saturday, April 21 <sup>st</sup> ,	5:00 PM	In Memory – Members of the White Family
Sunday, April 22 <sup>nd</sup> ,	10:00 AM	Special Intention
Tuesday, April 24 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – John & Lucy Cicilline
Wednesday, April 25 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Friday, April 27 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Pro Populo
Saturday, April 28 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	50 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Intention – Thomas & Marie DePetrillo
	11:00 AM	Mass for Homebound/Anointing
	5:00 PM	Birthday Remembrance – James Doherty
Sunday, April 29 <sup>th</sup> ,	10:00 AM	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary – Robert Stearns

St. Veronica Chapel

Saturday, April 21 <sup>st</sup> ,	4:00 PM	Month’s Mind – Margaret Garrahy
Sunday, April 22 <sup>nd</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Austin J. Donnelly, Jr.
	11:00 AM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary – Justin Monaghan
Saturday, April 28 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Members of the Andersen & Wojciechowski Families
Sunday, April 29 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary – Amleto Salvadore
	11:00 AM	In Memory – Members of the Delaney & Kirwan Families



**MASS FOR HOMEBOUND &  
ANOINTING**

On behalf of the St. Thomas More Parish Community, we would like to invite you to our annual Mass for the Homebound and anointing of the sick, followed by a sit-down luncheon in the Parish Center, next **Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM at St. Thomas More.** A communal anointing of the sick will be included in the Mass for anyone who is elderly or health is fragile due to sickness or any family members, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist who would like to accompany you. Please call 789-7682, if you are interested in attending.

**KNITTING MINISTRY**



The next meeting is this Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:30PM at the St. Thomas More Parish Hall. For more information, please call Pat Wesselhoeft at 783-1956. All are welcome.

**MEN’S BIBLE STUDY**

Each Saturday at 7:30 A.M. in the Parish Hall, Men’s Prayer Group meets to reflect on Sunday scriptures. All men are welcome.

**PRAY THE ROSARY**

The rosary is prayed each weekday after the 9:00AM Mass at St Thomas More and for the special intention of peace in the world on Saturday mornings at 8:30AM before Mass. Please join us whenever you are able to attend.

**ROSARY REPAIR**

Bring your rosaries to the Parish Office in an envelope with your name and telephone number on the front and we will call you when they are repaired.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE**

April 2012

**SUN. AM:** APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> – LAST CLASS  
**GR. 1-4** 10:05-10:55AM @ ST. V

**MON. PM:** APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> – LAST CLASS  
**GR. 1-4** 4:10-5:00PM @ STM

**CONF. I** SUN., - APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup> - LAST CLASS  
7:00 – 8:15PM @ ST. V.

**CONF. II:** SUN., - APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup> - LAST CLASS  
7:00 – 8:15PM @ ST. V.

Conf. II overnight retreat is from Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> at Camp Hazen.

**COME JOIN US!!**

This Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, there is a talk by Fr. Taillon on ***The Healthcare Mandate & Religious Liberty*** from 6-7PM at the St. Thomas More Parish Hall. All are welcome.

**2012 CATHOLIC CHARITY**

**FUND APPEAL**

The Theme for this year's Appeal is *"Give and Gifts Will Be Given To You"*. **In pew solicitation will take place this weekend- April 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> and next weekend - April 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>.** We as a family of faith can help bring a little light and hope to thousands of people who benefit from the 39 agencies and programs supporting the Catholic Charity Fund Appeal. **Our Parish's goal is \$125,000.00. All checks are to be made out to Catholic Charity Fund. Credit card pledges must be done through the diocesan web-site – see CCF envelope for details.**

Let us pray for this campaign that helps thousands of needy Rhode Islanders, especially in this time of economic challenge.



**MOTHER OF HOPE DAY CAMP**

Looking for a great, safe place to send your children to camp this summer? The Mother of Hope Day Camp, located on beautiful Echo Lake in Chepachet, RI, is a Catholic Charity Fund agency sponsored by the Diocese of Providence. Discounts are available for multiple children in the family. Please call 568-3580 for a brochure or for more information.

**PRAYER CHAIN**

Did you know that our Parish has a Prayer Chain Ministry? If anyone would like some extra needed prayers, you may call 295-1241 and express your request. If you would like to become part of the prayer chain ministry, call 295-1241.

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION**



**SUNDAY, MAY 6<sup>TH</sup>**

The practice dates for First Communion are: Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00-5:30PM at St. Thomas

More. **The date for the Sacrament of First Communion is on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM.**

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**



**SUNDAY, MAY 20<sup>TH</sup>**

The practice date for Confirmation, with sponsor or proxy, is on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM at St. Thomas More, with a Pot Luck

Dinner to follow. **The date for the Sacrament of Confirmation is on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM,** with Bishop Robert Gruss Presiding. Candidates and sponsors are to be at the Church at 12:30PM.

**BISHOP TOBIN TO OFFER RETREAT**

Bishop Tobin will direct a retreat for men in high school, especially sophomores and juniors, who wish to learn more about the priesthood next Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00AM to 3:30PM at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence. Anyone interested should call Fr. Carl Fisette, Vocation Director at 831-8011 or visit the website at [www.catholicpriest.com](http://www.catholicpriest.com).

*APRIL 22, 2012*

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Dear Parishioners,

This weekend our 21 missionaries are returned from the Standing Rock Reservation in South Dakota. They were in one of the poorest areas in our country. Their work was a blessing to those in another section of our country, but there is a need for charity right here at home as well. That is why we have our in-pew campaign as part of the Catholic Charity Fund Appeal.

Have you ever wondered where the money raised by Catholic Charity Appeal goes? The Appeal supports 39 ministries and programs of our Diocese. These ministries include outreach to the poor such as Emmanuel House shelter for the homeless in Providence. Emmanuel House is now providing not only shelter at night but also a day shelter for the homeless. For those who have a home but are struggling financially, the bishop's Keep the Heat On program receives a grant from the Appeal. Over 20,000 people receive assistance or referrals through Project Hope for medical, rent, and utilities.

Seniors are served through the grants to our two diocesan nursing homes and the St. Martin de Porres Center. I have seen the loving and wonderful care and the Catholic environment that the residents of our diocesan nursing homes experience.

Catholic education is supported through grants from the Appeal to our inner-city Catholic schools. College campus ministry to our young people is also supported by the Catholic Charity Appeal.

One ministry that is especially close to me is the grants that the Office of Vocations and the Major Seminarian Education Fund receive. As Assistant Vocation Director for the Diocese, I have been working on the budgets for these recently. Our seminarians (your future priests) are receiving solid theological formation—but that is not free. The Diocese pays for the seminarians' education and formation once they have completed their undergraduate degrees. Imagine paying for graduate school—tuition, room, and board—for ten people at the same time. The grants from the Catholic Charity Appeal are one of the ways that we are able to meet this financial challenge.

The programs mentioned above are just a sampling of the thirty-nine spiritual, educational, and social ministries that are supported by the Appeal. The Catholic Charity Appeal goal this year for St. Thomas More Parish is \$125,000. Please help us to reach—and exceed—our goal so that through the ministries of our Diocese the Good News of Jesus Christ will be made available to all people.

*Fr. Fiset*