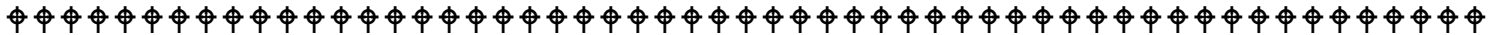


MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 22 nd ,	5:00 PM	In Memory – Dorothy Cook
Sunday, May 23 rd ,	10:00 AM	In Memory – Arthur & Ada Hebert
Monday, May 24 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Catherine M. Halloran
Tuesday, May 25 th ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Edith Simeone
Wednesday, May 26 th ,	9:00 AM	Special Intention
Thursday, May 27 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Margaret Tait
Friday, May 28 th ,	9:00 AM	Pro Populo
Saturday, May 29 th ,	5:00 PM	In Memory – Maureen White
Sunday, May 30 th ,	10:00 AM	11 th Anniversary – Angelina Ricci-Ventura

St. Veronica Chapel

Sunday, May 23 rd ,	9:00 AM	11 th Anniversary – Ralph Annechiarico
	11:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Howard Kenny
Saturday, May 29 th ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Philip & Anna DiRienzo and Anthony & Matilda Rivera
Sunday, May 30 th ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Lydia Coli
	11:00 AM	In Memory – Anthony & Mary Vellucci



Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." - Jn 14:23

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.

SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting of the SDRW Support Group will be on Thursday, May 27th. For more information, please call Gloria at 782-6653.

Babysitter available from now until August 20th. Please call Cathy (18 years old, CPR certified) at 783-1261 for more information.

Wedding  Banns

- II Brendan McShea & Catherine Eastwood
- I Michael Ford & Cassandra Krajewski
- I Brian Casey & Julie Wargo

SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

The Social Activities Committee will hold an important meeting on **Tuesday, May 25th at 7:00pm at St. Veronica Chapel**. We are encouraging new members to join with our veterans as we re-invigorate this important (and fun!!) parish ministry.

RACE FOR GRACE

Next Saturday, May 29th is the date for the "Race for Grace" at St. Veronica Chapel beginning at 10:00AM - registration begins at 8:45AM. This is the last race event. All proceeds from this fund-raising event will go directly to the Rett Syndrome Research Foundation, a non-profit organization. Your support is appreciated. Go to www.theraceforgrace.com for more info.

Welcome the Newly Baptized

*Jason Ford Nesmith,
son of Jason & Siobhan*

*Bruce Edward Price
son of Bruce & Mary*

*Eloise Jane Votta
daughter of Geoff & Kristen
Congratulations!!!*

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH FEAST

SAVE THE DATES!!

JUNE 17TH-20TH

Thursday – Renowned impressionist John Roarke presents: CNN* with Larry King Live

Friday – Festival at Veteran’s Park

Sunday – Solemn Mass & Procession
10:00AM-12Noon



All Feast Volunteers Meeting – 125 needed!!– Wednesday, June 9th 6:30PM at St. Thomas More



CAN YOU HELP?

Anyone wishing to make a “Theme Basket” to be raffled off at the Parish Feast is to call Debbie Rowley at 295-0030. We also need leadership for children’s games and bakers for the dessert table. Please call the Parish Office, if you can help – 789-7682.

FOOTBALL CAMP

The Elite Football School, RI’s premier non-contact Football Camp for players between the ages of 5-15, will be held at Bishop Hendricken High School on the weeks of June 28-July 1, July 5-8 & July 19-22. For more info: www.elitefootballschool.com or call Keith Croft, Camp director at 489-8643.

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.

2010 CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL

A pledge is a gift that continues through the year. If you have not yet made a donation, there are extra envelopes available at the church entrances. Your generosity is appreciated.

Parish Goal: \$121,000.00

Total to Date: \$104,800.00

Needed for Goal: \$16,200.00

Please Note: If you have made a pledge, please do not send payments to the Parish Office. You will receive a bill from the Catholic Charity Fund Office. Thank you.

Welcome and blessings to those received into the Church at the Easter Vigil, as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday – the end of the Easter season:

Newly Baptized: Lia Catherine Costa-Pierce
Ernest Joseph Golding

Confirmed: Jordan Ignatius Ashton
Lynn Ava DiGrado
David Joseph Kalen
Michael Christian Kelly
Kate Gianna Leber
Diana Zita McLaughlin
Jonathan Joseph Mitchell
Dennis Denis Tierney III
Susan Catherine Tierney
Paul Maximilian Trout

OCEANS TIDES 2ND ANNUAL

HALL OF FAME RECEPTION

His year’s honorees are Thomas (posthumous) & Mary Carmody and Br. John Norton, FSC. This event is on May 28th from 6-9PM at the Dunes Club - \$75.00/pp. For tickets or more information, please call Holly at 789-1016.

Please note: The last weekend for “Children’s Liturgy” at the 11:00AM Mass – St. Veronica will be next Sunday, May 30th. We will start it up again in the fall.

MAY 23, 2010

Happy Birthday to You!?

It's a song we have all sung or heard sung many times, sometimes even when it is loud and public in a restaurant. Sometimes it has been sprung upon unsuspecting people when they were surprised or duped into a celebration commemorating their birth. Once in a while I am told some have "forgotten" their birthday to get a free piece of cake or dessert when they are out to dinner! This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. Pentecost is the day we recall and become inspired by the birthday of the Catholic Church. In the Upper Room where Mary and the Apostles were gathered we learn of the coming of the Holy Spirit as promised and explained by Jesus. I hope you remembered to wear something red to Mass this weekend to help celebrate the feast. When someone's birthday is celebrated we often inventory our relationship with them, visit them and celebrate the good graces God has given them.

The Catholic Church these last years has been the focus of many negative stories in the press. One can be made to feel that it is all bad news or at the very least not very positive. Let us recall on the Church's birthday the necessity and gift that the Church is as well as the many graces that come to us through the sacraments, the teaching ministry and the gentle presence of our communion with each other and the Lord's teachings.

I thought it was a good idea to share some of the growth that is happening in the worldwide church on this great Feast.

The number of Catholics worldwide is now 1.16 billion souls! The Catholic Church has grown 11.54% in the last nine years worldwide! In the US alone our membership rose 10.93% in the last nine years--amazing growth. The number of priests has also increased to 409,166. The number of seminarians worldwide increased from 110,583 in 2000 to 117,024 in 2008. Europe saw a decline while most of the world showed an increase.

The Church remains the largest healthcare provider, educator and charitable organization in the world. The Sacred Scripture and Tradition remain steadfast and reliable. She remains faithful and intrinsic to the Lord's presence.

The scandals that have been difficult to comprehend have weighed heavily on our hearts. This is an opportunity for purification and renewal at every level for us all.

We live in exciting and challenging times. Our Catholic faith remains vibrant and open to all peoples. May we celebrate her birthday by witnessing to Christ and being instruments of the Holy Spirit in our homes, families, workplaces and leisure.

Happy and Blessed Birthday to all!

Fr. Taillon

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