St. Thomas More Narragansett

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 4 th ,	5:00 PM	1 st Anniversary – Edward Hopkins
Sunday, August 5 th ,	8:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Vincent Pellegrino
	10:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Viola San Antonio
Monday, August 6 th ,	9:00 AM	Anniversary – Maurice Bissonnette
Tuesday, August 7 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Debbie Hazlebrook
Wednesday, August 8 th .	9:00 AM	In Memory – Raymond O'Dowd
Thursday, August 9 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – James Ricci
Saturday, August 11 th ,	9:00 AM	Special Intention
	5:00 PM	1 st Anniversary – Rita Devine
Sunday, August 12 th ,	10:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Timothy Sullivan Sr.

St. Veronica Chapel

Saturday, August 4 th ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Bud & Evelyn Gunning
Sunday, August 5 th ,	9:00 AM	Wedding Ann. Intention – Timothy & Mary Ellen Gelinas
	11:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Michael Maggiacomo
Wednesday, August 8 th ,	8:00 AM	Special Intention
Thursday, August 9 th ,	8:00 AM	Month's Mind – Teresa Bushee
Friday, August 10 th ,	8:00 AM	Pro Populo
Saturday, August 11 th ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Evelyn Gunning
Sunday, August 12 th ,	9:00 AM	In Memory - John Mansolillo
· -	11:00 AM	8 th Anniversary – Winifred Cox

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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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting is this Monday, August 6th at 7:30PM at St. Thomas More Parish Hall. Any questions, please call Bill Munroe at 295-0171.

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.

ENDER'S ISLAND - SUNSET CRUISES

Board the schooner Argia for an evening of reflection on Mondays through August 20th. Suggested donation is \$40.00 per person. Reservations must be made by 12Noon the day of the sail. Please check endersisland.com for updates and call 860-536-0565 for availability.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

St. Veronica, Msgr. Halloran Hall Tuesdays though August 28th from 8:30-10:00AM. This week's topic is: "The Memorial Acclamation, the Offering, the Intercessions and the Doxolgy". For more information, contact Maryann Knag, mmknag@aol.com or 203-213-4809.

ADDING-UP - PENNIES FOR THE POOR

There is a small box near the parking lot entrance of St. Thomas More Church and the poor box at St. Veronica Chapel where people place change, mostly pennies. Donations the Diocesan go to Emergency Fund in South County that helps with rental assistance, utilities, prescriptions emergencies. and other Thanks to all who make "change", "change" the world.

Wedding Sanns

II John Oliver & Holly McPartlin

II Nicholas Stebenne & Vanessa Amaral

I David Gentile & Amanda Pasquazzi

ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Mark your calendar!! – Sunday, August 12th – meet at Applebee's at 1:00PM (South County Commons). Look for the flier in the mail.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Children and families-VBS 2012 will be held on **August 13-17** from 9:30am to 12:30pm, St. Veronica, Msgr. Halloran Hall. All children ages 4-11 are invited to join us for "Sonrise."

Registration forms are available in the parish office, at Church entrances or online at stthomasmoreri.org. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Missie Antone @ 783-2113 or e-mail her at stmantone1@yahoo.com. We are in need of teens and adults to volunteer! Please let me know if you are interested!

RESPITE CARE - HELP FOR CAREGIVERS

The Diocese of Providence, Community Services and Catholic Charities, provides assistance to family caregivers who care for a person over 60 years of age or someone with Alzheimer's Disease of any age. Respite care is arranged by bringing a trained worker into the home for Adult Day Services or overnight care in a licensed care facility. For low to moderate income seniors, assistance in paying for respite care may be available. Call 421-7833 Monday – Friday, 8:30AM to 4:30PM, and ask for Elder Services.

"NIGHT UNDER THE STARS RECEPTION"

August 12th - Dunes Club - 6PM. The cost is \$100 per person - Cocktails/hors d'oeuvres - Surf and Turf dinner followed by dessert. Entertainment - Brass Attack. For reservations or more information, please call 789-0244. All proceeds will go to the DeLaSalle Christian Brothers Retirement Fund.

SPECIAL LAST CALL MASS

Next Sunday, August 12th – following the 8:00PM Mass – We welcome all college bound students - new and those returning to college - for prayer/campfire/conversation/pizza.

SAVE THE DATE!

Friday, August 24th - 8:30AM - 6:00PM at St. Veronica - All Day Confessions/Adoration

with Praise & Worship Holy Hour to follow from 6-7PM.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Our Ladies Guild invites the members of our St Thomas More parish community to a Day of Recollection on Tuesday October 2nd from 10AM - 3:30PM at St Edmund's, Enders Island, Mystic, CT. The cost is \$35.00 p/p and includes lunch. Presentation: "Prayer: Presence To The Presence Of God" by Fr. John Burchill OP. Please rsvp. by September 4th. Car pools will assemble by 8:45 AM on October 2nd in the St Thomas More Parking Lot. For more information or to register contact Kathy Rigney 782-4545 or call the Parish Office at 789-7682. Please make payable to St. Thomas More.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE

Are you looking to put Christ in your marriage? Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn how to refocus your marriage on what is most important. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are September 14-16 & October 19-21. For more information call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwme.org.



New Friendly Visitor Program..Something to Pray About...

Over the last several years, there have been many occasions when some parishioners have been in need for some gentle support for a number of reasons beyond the regular reception of the Holy Eucharist that is afforded them by a dedicated cadre of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Some parishioners (especially the elderly) have been discharged from the hospital or had a fall or simply been going through some things that needed a bit of TLC and support. This is especially true when someone's children or family live far away.

The Friendly Visitor Program is a bridge of sorts to help meet this need. I brought this challenge to the parish council at our last meeting and a subcommittee was assembled to explore meeting this need. Fr. Murphy, Ed McLaughlin, Matt Mannix and Donna Monaghan met with Linda D'Avant Deishinini to learn and understand the program model that was suggested by the Diocese and in place in some parishes in Rhode Island.

In short, to launch such a program there needs to be a Volunteer Coordinator who could commit 2-3 hours/week (for at least a year to start out) to coordinate the training and assignment of volunteers. The Coordinator solicits and coordinates volunteers who can commit to one hour a week for at least a year to match people with homebound or nursing home residents. No experience is required although a great desire to manage and encourage others would of course be consistent with the programs goals and objectives.

In our modern times of mobile families and a fluid society, a Friendly Visitor Program would be a great addition to the already serving and welcoming ministry of our parish.

I would ask you to consider praying about being the Volunteer Coordinator or perhaps suggesting it to someone you know after prayer. Perhaps you yourself might consider being a volunteer in this special ministry once it gets going? I hope we can launch this often needed and deserved program.

Thank you to David and Elaine DeSousa, who hosted a summer BBQ for members of the McCauley House program on July 19th. Fr. Murphy attended the gathering and our parish, though the efforts of the Mother Theresa Fund, provided the busing needed for their transportation from Providence, so that the inner city residents were able to visit Narragansett for the day.

Blessed Summer to all.

Fr. Taillon