

 **Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

Saturday, October 6 <sup>th</sup> ,	5:00 PM	Birthday Remembrance – Dorothy Cook
Sunday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 AM	Pro Populo
	10:00 AM	Special Intention
Monday, October 8 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary – Edward Monahan
Tuesday, October 9 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Christie Keegan
Wednesday, October 10 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Filomena Marinio
Thursday, October 11 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Special Intention
Friday, October 12 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Brian Gillcrist
Saturday, October 13 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Jeffrey DeGiulio
	5:00 PM	In Memory – Emilio & Laura DiPrete
Sunday, October 14 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 AM	In Memory – John & Dorcas O’Connor
	10:00 AM	Anniversary – Yolanda Turano

**St. Veronica Chapel**

Saturday, October 6 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Emily Surprenant
Sunday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Jacalyn McDermott
	11:00 AM	In Memory – The Degan & Beauregard Families
Saturday, October 13 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:00 PM	Birthday Remembrance – Mary Taylor & Bernadette Christina
Sunday, October 14 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Arthur & Simone Boureé
	11:00 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving



**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.

**OUR LADY’S GUILD**

The next meeting of Our Lady’s Guild is this Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, following the 9:00AM Mass. Everyone is invited and new members are always welcome.

**RCIA**

The next class is this Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM – St. Thomas More.

**THANK YOU!**

To all who helped with the Blessing of the Animals: Jim Ferolito – music  
James Logiodice – set-up  
Chief Vincent Vespia – acquiring the horses to carry the priests!

**ALL SOULS DAY**

**LITURGY OF REMEMBRANCE**

On **Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00PM**, our parish will celebrate a Liturgy of Remembrance for those members of the parish or members of their families who have passed away this past year. Please call the Parish Office at 789-7682 by Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, so their names will be included in this liturgy. A light reception will follow. All are encouraged to come and pray for the dead.

**FLU SHOT CLINIC**

A Flu Shot Clinic will take place at St. Thomas More parish hall on **Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 9:30AM-12Noon. There is no cost, if you have health insurance (bring your health insurance card & the cost is \$30.00 with no insurance.) You have to be at least 18 years old to get a shot.

**Wedding  Banns**

III Mark Friedester & Corrie Lombari



Religious Education Schedule  
October 2012

- SUN. AM:** OCT. 14<sup>TH</sup>, 21<sup>ST</sup>, & 28<sup>TH</sup>  
**GR. 1-4** 10:05-10:55AM @ ST. V
- MON. PM:** OCT. 15<sup>TH</sup>, 22<sup>ND</sup> & 29<sup>TH</sup>  
**GR. 1-4** 4:10-5:00PM @ STM
- GR. 5 & 6:** WED., OCT. 17<sup>TH</sup> & 24<sup>TH</sup>  
4:10-5:00PM @ ST. V.
- GR. 7 & 8:** WED., OCT. 17<sup>TH</sup> & 24<sup>TH</sup>  
7:00-8:00PM @ ST. V.
- CONF. I:** SUN., OCT. 14<sup>TH</sup>, 21<sup>ST</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup>  
7:00 – 8:15PM @ ST. V.
- CONF. II:** SUN., OCT. 14<sup>TH</sup>, 21<sup>ST</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup>  
7:00 – 8:15PM @ ST. V.



**OPEN HOUSE**

Bishop Hendricken High School will have an open house on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from Noon to 3PM. The entrance exam is on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:30AM-12:15PM. For more information or to register, please call 739-3450 ext. 163 or go [www.hendricken.com](http://www.hendricken.com).

**GRACE'S COURAGE CRUSADE**

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraiser will take place on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 11AM - 3PM, brunch is served from 12-2PM, at the Atlantic Beach Club, Newport in honor of Marybeth & her daughter Grace Caldarone who are living with Charcot-Marie Tooth Disease, a genetic & progressive nerve disorder. The cost is \$45 adult/\$20 (12 & under). For tickets or more information, go to [www.hnf-cure.com](http://www.hnf-cure.com).



The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day.

**SAVE THE DATE – COUNTRY HOEDOWN!**

Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6PM  
The Elks Club – 60 Belmont Ave.  
(behind Larchwood Inn)



The cost is \$30.00 p/p & tickets are available at the Parish Office. Chicken & Ribs from Wes' Rib House Country Western music by "The Barley Hoppers"- Cash bar. Limited seating.

**BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG**



Make a "life affirming" donation for Respect Life Month. Please return the Right for Life Baby bottles filled (coins/dollars) to Church next weekend - October 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. Your donations will help our parish to uphold the sanctity of human life by helping struggling mothers and their unborn babies.

**BISHOP TOBIN TO OFFER RETREAT**

Bishop Tobin will host a Discernment Evening for all high school, college, and post-college age men who are interested in learning more about the priesthood on Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at 6:30 at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence. The evening will include prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, food and fellowship, and a talk and question-and-answer period with Bishop Tobin. Please contact Fr. Carl Fiset at 331-1316 if interested or for more information at [www.catholicpriest.com](http://www.catholicpriest.com).

**HAUNTED LABYRINTH**

October 5-7, 12- 14, 19-21 and 26-31  
Open 7:00PM until the last person screams!  
Admission: \$10.00  
Rejoice in Hope Youth Center  
804 Dyer Avenue, Cranston  
943-8686 or [www.hauntedlabyrinth.com](http://www.hauntedlabyrinth.com)  
Rain or Shine/Indoor Waiting  
All proceeds to benefit Rejoice in Hope Youth Center  
**(Please bring this ad with you and receive \$1.00 off)**

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## ***Respect Life Month – A Sober Reflection***

October is the month when the Church calls us to reflect on the dignity of all human life. As Blessed John Paul II so often pointed out, “we live in a culture of death.” We can see it all around us. The seemingly endless stories of violence are so evident. We hear of the wars each day and are no longer shocked at the number of lost lives. Here in our own country, murder and gun violence are a reality, sometimes just a few miles from our own parish boundaries. A priest I know buried three murder victims in a short time in one parish! And let’s not forget about the senseless shootings at universities, schools and movie theatres. They are an ominous sign of where things may be headed. In addition, and maybe at its root, is the reality of abortion. Three thousand little Americans lose their lives in what is arguably the safest of all places to be...the womb.

I know many are tired by the mantra of the Church always calling people to work tirelessly against abortion, but anyone who knows the Lord’s heart in these matters and loves our country cannot be silent. Mother Theresa has often said that a country which allows and protects abortion rights will never have peace. When this terribly violent act is perpetuated and promoted, our culture not only changes radically, but it becomes vulnerable to judgment. In our increasingly secular culture where real morality is maligned and rejected, what are we to do? The reality that the federal government, in the HHS Mandate, will expect Catholic institutions to give employees the means to have abortions, is only weeks away. This reality can only draw similarities to countries like China, where religious freedom is not truly present. This year is a particularly perilous time in our nation’s history with regards to the most basic of all freedoms. I still can’t believe the reality that we find ourselves in and the outcry remains muted by so many Christians.

I was blessed this year to witness firsthand stillborn births. I know the little bodies that I saw and held are precious to the Lord and should be to all of us. The prenatal tests done for Downs Syndrome and other possible disabilities that result in abortion, makes me want to take everyone to the orphanage in the Dominican. Just holding one of the severely disabled orphans (some of whom survived abortion attempts) allows you to experience the unconditional love the children give and receive. There is no such thing as a perfect child, but each one of us is intended by God to exist. The more vulnerable the person, the more the heart of Christ expands. *Special Olympics* is rightly named.

Let us think, study, and pray about the life issues, and then have the courage to challenge as much as possible this “culture of death.” We must and can change hearts in these most serious times. Being rejected or mocked by some (perhaps even those we love most) may save a life and please the Lord. Whatever God calls us to do, we should do. Remember, “For God, nothing is impossible.” He will not give up on anyone.....will we?

*Fr. Tailon*

Educating oneself about Project Rachael in the Diocese of Providence would be a great activity for Respect Life Month. This program is one of great healing for so many among us who are post-abortive.