
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

June 28, 2015
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, June 27, 2015

4:00 – Manuel T. Luz – 20th Anniversary

Sunday, June 28, 2015

8:00 – Parishioners of St. John

10:30 – Thomas Buckley – Memorial

Monday, June 29, 2015

9:00 – Alexander DeSerpa – 10th Anniversary

Saturday, July 4, 2015

4:00 – John & Eileen Barry -- Memorial

Sunday, July 5, 2015

8:00 – Parishioners of St. John

10:30 – Thanksgiving to the Holy Trinity

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

9:00 – Barbara Underhill – Month’s Mind

Thursday, July 9, 2015

9:00 – Robert Gale – 4th Anniversary

IMPORTANT DATES

Sat. 6/27 – Leadership Retreat Car Wash – 9 – 2

Sat. 6/28 – 7/4 – Mission Trip to Nashville

Sat/ 7/18 – Leadership Retreat Car Wash – 9 – 2

Mon – Fri – 7/27 – 31 – Vacation Bible School 9 – 12

Sun. – Thurs – 8/2 – 8/6 – Leadership Retreat

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Ann Storti, Karen DeBenedictis, Floyd Weaver, Christopher MacDonald, Elaine McKeon, Teresa Barris, Joseph Recco, The Shearing Family, Alex Hankey, Bob Cass, Jean Tilden, Chris Golden, Paul Martin, Anna Foy, Joe Z., Steven Lacey, Pat Lang, Bob Foley, Karen Burke, Steve Mason, Bob Hill, Ruth Bosworth & The residents of Sachus & Westview & all our service men and women serving in the military.

If you know of anyone who should be included or taken off the prayer list, please let the Rectory know.



Prophett-Chapman, Cole & Gleason
“Bring the Community Together”
Invite you to a
Night at the Rox!

Come see the Brockton Rox play the North Shore Navigators, Weds., July 8th at 6:30. It is wacky Wednesday so bring the kids. RSVP by July 1 – 508-697-4332 Pick up the tickets at the will call window the night of the game. Thank you,
Mark, Bill, Shane, Sharon, & Brian

Our Shared Treasure

June 21, 2015

Offertory: \$4798

Budgeted: \$5,784

****Below budget: \$986**

Grand Annual : \$31,838-- \$3,162 away from goal!

Help us reach our goal of \$35,000 by June 30, 2015

Thank you for your continued generosity

St Vincent de Paul

The St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. John’s needs "A Few Good Men" (or women). Are you available to volunteer a few hours a month? There is some lifting involved and assisting with pick-ups and deliveries for the Food Pantry. Consider lending a hand to the pantry and in turn you will be helping others. You can leave a message on our hotline at 508-378-3760 or stop by the Food Pantry on the 1st or 3rd Monday of the month after 3PM. Please ask to speak with Bob Hill or any other pantry volunteer.

Our kids eat the same things as yours: all kinds of breakfast cereals, pancake mix and syrup, PB&J, Spaghetios, mac & cheese, tuna, chicken soup, canned fruit, jello and pudding. How about cake, cookie and brownie mixes (for those rainy days) when you just need something to keep them busy.

St Joseph Retreat Center, 339 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset invites you to the following programs and retreat opportunities. Visit our website, www.csjretreatcenter.org, email Retreat.Center@csjiboston.org or call 781-383- 6024 for more programs and details.

Directed / Private Retreats

Sept 23 – 30, Oct 1 – 8; 17-24; 25 – Nov 1, Nov 2 – 10; 16 – 22, Dec 3 – 6; 11 – 13

Join us for our Mornings of Prayer

Sept 14: A Disciple’s Heart
Oct 17: Discovering Good Things in Good Time: The Treasure Within
Nov 16: Living the Call to Discipleship

Arrival & light refreshments 9:00-9:30 AM input 9:30 AM followed by private time for prayer, closing communal experience, departure by 12:15 PM

\$24,110 pledged	91% participated
\$26,637 our goal	90.5% of goal
161 participants	176 our goal of participants
An increase of \$725 from last week.	
Only need \$2527 to meet our GOAL	



My Dear Friends in Christ,

One of the most common questions I'm asked is: "Why does God allow people to die?" (or some variation on that question). Death is, indeed, part of the human condition. As one trained in sociology, I can tell you that (statistically) the death rate for the general population as a whole runs at about 100% - eventually, we all gotta go! I say that "tongue in cheek", of course, but the truth is that for all of us our earthly life will end. Thank God for God, however, because for us as Christians death is not the end. As one preface for the Mass of Resurrection (Funeral Mass) states that for one who follows Christ, "life is changed, not ended" and that "when our earthly life ends, we gain an everlasting dwelling place in heaven". What a comfort that is for us! The gift of everlasting life, won for us in the sacrifice of Jesus, is something on which we can rely.

So where does that place the question of death? Why does it happen? Is it just so that we can (God willing) get into heaven? We read in the Book of Wisdom that "God did not make death" (Wis 1:13); death came into the world through the "envy of the devil" (Wis 2:24). It was through the jealousy that Satan felt towards God that death came into the world; we can look at Adam and Eve, Cain and Able and many such biblical references to see how jealousy plays a part in this. We read further in this passage that "they who belong to his (read: Satan's) company experience it" (Wis 2:24). Since we (who follow Christ) do not belong to Satan's company, we do not experience the fullness of death. Our earthly life may end, but our lives do not end. The cessation of this earthly experience does not affect or hinder our entrance into the Kingdom.

Our God is the Living God, so how could someone who is living promote death? It is simply not possible! Therefore, we take comfort in the fact that Jesus, in calling us home to heaven, is calling us to life – Eternal Life! When Jesus, in today's gospel, commands the little girl "Talitha koum" ("Little girl, I say to you, arise!") (Mk 5:41), this is a command for us as well. It is a charge to believe in, to trust in, the Resurrection. We are to believe not only in the Resurrection of Christ, but in the fact that we will share in a like resurrection. May this, indeed, come to pass for all of us. May we never know death, but share in the fullness of life won for us by Christ Jesus!

Have a Blessed Week,

Fr. Paul

FAMILY CHURCH PICNIC

IS COMING SEPTEMBER 13, 2015.

It takes many people to make this event the success it is every year. The Family Life Mission could use more hands to help this year. Please Contact Carmen Pearson (508-378-7364) if you can help in any way.

"The Summer Youth Leadership Retreat is planned for August 2nd - 6th at Craigville Beach

Any of our youth that received the Sacrament of Confirmation this year and are interested in attending are encouraged to contact Lorraine or Deacon Joe Hopgood at 508-378-1521 or email Lorraine at repstjohn@stjohnrep.net for information.



Knights of Columbus is having a blood drive on July 7th from 2 – 7 PM at St. Thomas' Parish Hall.

The Mission Trip is this week. Please keep all the participants in your prayers . We wish them a wonderful experience filled with the Holy Spirit.

POPE FRANCIS: ENCYCLICAL LETTER



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