
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

May 5, 2013

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 4, 2013

4:00 – Frances Swinamer – Memorial

Sunday, May 5, 2013

8:00 – Tony & Lu Cruz – Memorial

11:30 – Parishioners of St. John

Saturday, May 11, 2013

4:00 – Riley Politano – 9th Anniversary

Sunday, May 12, 2013

11:30 – Ronald Federico – 1st Anniversary

Important Dates

Thurs. 5/9 – 1st Communion Rehearsal – 6 PM

Thurs. 5/9 – Ascension of the Lord – Masses @ 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Sat, 5/11 – First Communion – 10 AM

Sat. 5/ 18 – Catholic Women’s Club Bake Sale

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pam Adornato, Nira Porciello, Jackie Hennebury, Billy Brown, Debra Vass, Meaghan O'Brien, Judy Potts, Debbie Sperre, Ellen Hansen, Niko Westhaver, Christopher Berlo, Penny Walsh, Juan Botta, Nolan Letts, Irene Kimball, Nancy Thomson

Catholic Appeal is here!

Your support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal helps countless people of all ages and backgrounds through 50 ministries of the Archdiocese of Boston. Thank you to all who pledged their support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal at Mass. To date our parish has contributed \$10,255 to this year’s appeal. If you have not yet participated in the Appeal, you can make your pledge by completing one of the forms available at the back of the church or by contacting St. John Parish by calling 508-378-4207. You may also pledge your support to the parish campaign at www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org.



Ascension of the Lord – Thursday, May 9th

Holy day of Obligation

Masses will be celebrated at 9 AM and 7 PM

Our Shared Treasure

Sunday, April 28, 2013

Offertory Collection: \$5277

Home Missions: \$1027

Grand Annual: \$250

Thank you for your continued generosity.

GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

As of this weekend, 161 families/individuals have contributed \$34,045 towards our parish goal of \$50,000. At this point in time last year, the parish had raised \$47,000 toward our goal of \$50,000.

CRIBBAGE

For Seniors, Age 60+

Every Friday – 8:45 a.m. until Noon

The Center at Sachem Rock

355 Plymouth St. (Rte 106)

East Bridgewater, MA

On Sachem Rock Farm

Friendly game style, equipment provided.

COUNTERS NEEDED

We need a new team of counters to count the offertory collection after the Masses on Sunday every 6th week.

Please contact the Rectory if you can help out. 508-378-4207

MILES FOR MIRAMAR

You can receive health and spiritual benefits when you support Miramar Retreat Center in Duxbury’s **Fifth Annual Miles for Miramar** campaign from **April 1-June 30**. Walkers, cyclists, joggers, haymakers and swimmers can pledge miles and donate to support Miramar. Everyone can support these “athletes” by making a donation for their efforts. \$2.00 per mile is suggested. The priests and brothers are already on the streets moving toward our goal of 10,000 miles. Contact Ann at Miramar Retreat Center: 781-585-2460 or on line at www.miramarretreat.org to pledge miles or make your donation.

Visa and Master Card accepted.

Grief and the Change of the Seasons

Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at 1:00 PM
Conant Center
5 Wally Krueger Way
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Elizabeth Ashby, bereavement counselor and licensed psychotherapist will be the guest speaker.

We have planned this seminar to assist individuals in understanding the emotional aspects of living with grief. We will discuss the experience of loss, the personal journey we made through grief, and explore the meaning and value of traditions and rituals. Our goal is to enhance living and grieving.

Prophett-Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Homes



Dear Friends,

I am sure that everyone knows by now that I will be leaving St. John's and traveling to St. Joseph's in Kingston sometime around the first of June. Change is difficult and this change will be very difficult for me. I have been here for the past nine years. That thought became very evident when the students, who were confirmed last week, received their First Communion from me 8 years ago and the children whom I will have the privilege to give First Communion to next week will have been children that I Baptized 7 years ago. Where did the time go? It has been a wonderful time for me and I hope for you. I am very proud of what has happened here in the past nine years most especially with our children and our young people. When I leave, I will leave two buildings that are in great shape structurally, a parish that is debt free with about \$80,000 in the bank (not a lot of money but \$80,000 more than nine years ago), and a congregation that is not only generous but one that truly loves and is devoted to St. John the Evangelist Parish. You are the parish, not me. It has been an honor to be your shepherd these past many years. I can't thank you enough for the kindness, support and love that you and my staff have extended to me and to my family. St. John's will always hold a special place in my heart. I hope that you can join me on June 9 at the 11:30 Mass for a final celebration of the Eucharist and a "cook out" in the back yard after the Mass.

Perhaps the most loved staff person is "M. Doris Thompson". All of us have been greeted by her sweet voice on the phone or in person. She was a paid staff person for many years and has been a volunteer secretary two days a week for the past several years. Doris is going to cut back her weekly activities in the next month but will continue to take care of the First Communion and Confirmation Registers (no one's penmanship can equal Doris'). She will also continue to take care of the Altar linens and to make sure that the sacramental supplies are ordered--host, wine, candles, etc. I am sure that she will show up around noon time on many a day so that the staff can enjoy her loving presence. I hope that she will also show up in Kingston from time to time as well.

God bless,
Fr. Wally

St Vincent de Paul's Food Pantry is looking for a 17' ALL refrigerator for the Food Pantry. If you have one that you can donate, please call the pantry at 508-378-3760 or call the Rectory.



Horizons for Homeless Children is looking for volunteers to play with homeless children in one of more than 150 family shelters statewide, including Brockton, Middleboro, Kingston & Marshfield. The commitment is just two hours a week, but it will make a real difference in their lives. And in yours. The next training will be held on June 1, 9:30-3:30 in W. Bridgewater, MA. To apply or find out more, call 508-510-3250 or visit www.horizonschildren.org/playspaces.

Save the date

*JUNE 9TH
FOLLOWING THE 11:30 MASS
CASUAL COOKOUT FOR
FR. WALLY TO SAY HIS
GOODBYES*

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB Last meeting of the Year--May 8, 2013 1:00 PM--At Riddell Road Hall

Everyone should attend as we will be scheduling next year's agenda! Anyone thinking of joining the CWC, this would be a meeting you should attend. We are planning a Cookie and bake sale the week-end of the 18th and 19th after the Masses; asking all the parishioners to help us bake as the proceeds are going to Fr. Moses to help with St. Kizito church. Any questions, call Maryann - 378-4704