
St. John is a Stewardship Parish

**May 25, 2014
Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Saturday, May 24, 2014

4:00 – Pizzi Family -- Memorial

Sunday, May 25, 2014

8:00 – John & Mary Doherty
Robert & Theresa Mason

9:30 – Parishioners of St. John

11:30 – Robert W. Small – Month’s Mind

Saturday, May 31, 2014

4:00 – Susan Fitzgerald – Month’s Mind

Sunday, June 1, 2014

8:00 – Parishioners of St. John

10:30 – Parishioners of St. John

Important Dates

Mon. 5/26 – Memorial Day – Rectory Closed

Thurs. 5/29 – Ascension of the Lord – Holy Day of Obligation.

Wed. 6/11 – Info Mtg. for Leadership Retreat – 7 PM

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Josephine Figueiredo whose funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, May 13, 2014

Please keep the following in your prayers:

*Pam Adornato, Mei Connelly, Dottie & Eddie Yunis, Lillian Wedge, Richard Cerci, MacDonald Family, Susan Lynch, Roy Conrad, Mark DeLuca, Michael Terry, Harvey Day, Audrey Ribero, Bill Maloney, John Gomes, Jon Olson, Pat Sweet, Bill Clements, Rita Orr, Nancy Porter, Dawn Bono, David LaRosa, Bill Monaghan, Nancy Belisle, Ann Storti, Karen Debenedictis, .
The residents of Sachem & Westview.*

The Ascension of the Lord, Thursday, May 29, 2014 is a Holy Day of Obligation and Masses will be celebrated at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

Please welcome our newly baptized members of the parish:
Colton Vincienzo Cunio
Nicholas George Demaio, III
God Bless them and their families.

Our Shared Treasure

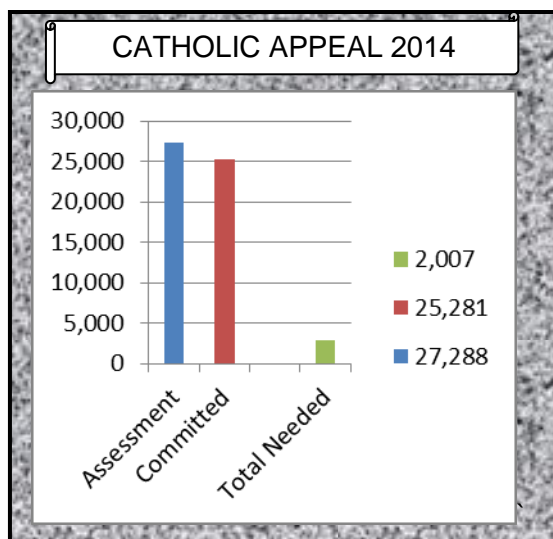
May 18, 2014

	<u>Last Wk</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Collection	\$ 4691.00	\$ 250,889.76
Budgeted	<u>5,882.35</u>	<u>264,705.69</u>
Excess/(Short)	\$ 1,191.35	\$ 13,815.93
<i>First Communion: \$272.00</i>		

Grand Annual to Date: \$27,484
Grand Annual Budget: \$40,000 = **Short \$12,516**
Catholic Appeal: \$25,281 from 155 parishioners
Catholic Appeal Goal \$27,288 -- at 93%

Thank you for your continued generosity.

2nd Collection May 25, 2014 – Catholic Communication Campaign



**SUMMER SCHEDULE OF MASSES
BEGINS NEXT WEEKEND**

JUNE 1, 2014

SATURDAY – 4 PM

SUNDAY – 8:00 & 10:30

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Please include God in your summer plans.

A Special thank you to Kevin & Nancy Smith for quarterbacking our peer ministers and mission trip participants into transforming the foyer of the church into such a warm, inviting area. It shouts welcome!

Walk to Aid Mothers and Children, sponsored by Mass Citizens for Life, benefits 27 beneficiary groups which help pregnant women and their children, Sunday June 29, 2014, 1:30, Boston Common, featuring Lift Ministries. Pre-register as a walker, start a team, or make a contribution to a specific beneficiary: <http://respectlifewalk.org> or call 617 -242-4199

A special retreat at Miramar Retreat Center, Duxbury, MA: "A Conspiracy of Joy: Circus Spirituality" ...A weekend like you've never had before. A way of looking at spirituality from a whole new perspective, the view of the center ring. Deepen our everyday spirituality with insights from jugglers, high wire walkers and clowns. No circus experience necessary! Join two missionary sisters who minister to the circus, and their friend, Catherine Martin, author of "A Conspiracy to Create Joy: Circus Spirituality Beyond the Center Ring". Three days of reflection, prayer, stories and interaction. Come and see! Facilitators: Sr. Dorothy Fabritze and Sr. Bernard Overkamp. May 30-June 1. Call Ann Cadieus at Miramar Retreat Center to register or for info: (781)-585-2460



One in every 45 children in the U.S. is homeless each year. The stress and trauma of homelessness is emotionally and cognitively damaging to young children.

Horizons for Homeless Children is looking for volunteers to play with young children living in homeless shelters. The commitment is just two hours a week. The next training will be 6/7/14, 9:30-3:30 in Lakeville. Other dates are available. To apply or find out more, call 508-510-3250 or visit horizonschildren.org/playspaces.

*And I will ask the Father,
and he will give you another
Advocate to be with you always,
the Spirit of truth,
which the world cannot accept,
because it neither sees
nor knows it.*

*But you know it,
because it remains with you,
and will be in you.*

* John 14:16-17 *

People needed to assist priests at Funeral Masses Weekdays & Sat: 9 or 10 AM

Training will be provided.

Call the Rectory if you can help.



My Dear Friends in Christ,

A few years back, a colleague in ministry was asked to offer the prayer at a Memorial Day Service. While I am not in the habit of writing down any such prayers (I tend to rely on the Holy Spirit (the Spirit of which Jesus speaks in today's gospel) for such inspiration, as well as the right words to offer), I did come across the famous poem, "In Flanders Fields", written by Lieut. Col. John McCrae, M.D. As the son and brother of two combat veterans, I offer this poem in light of our celebration of Memorial Day. It is a day on which we remember the sacrifice of so many brave men and women who "paid the ultimate price" by giving their lives in service to us, so that we might be free – may we never forget! Here it is:

In Flanders Fields

By: Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD
(1872-1918)
Canadian Army

In Flanders Fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

A Peaceful and Safe Memorial Day to you All,
Fr Paul

Come celebrate Faith, Friends and Family with the My Brother's Keeper community. Join us at the 3-mile 5th Annual Family Walk in Easton on Saturday, June 14th! Complimentary t-shirt for those who register by May 31st and there are no registration fees to participate. Donations are gratefully accepted. Walk and join us for refreshments, music, free amusement rides and family fun activities. Go to www.MyBrothersKeeperFamilyWalk.org to learn more and sign up today!