

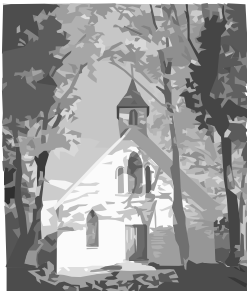


"But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." - Lk 12:20-21

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	07/31	4:30 p.m. – Florence R. Souza 41 st Anniversary
Sunday	08/01	7:30 a.m. – For Our Parish Family 9:00 a.m. – Denise Soucy 10:45 a.m. – Bridie Welby
Monday	08/02	9:00 a.m. – Joseph Machado
Tuesday	08/03	9:00 a.m. – Dominic & Mildred Medeiros
Wednesday	08/04	9:00 a.m. – Adelino & Rosalina Doro
Thursday	08/05	9:00 a.m. – Dr. Joseph Giglio
Friday	08/06	9:00 a.m. – Jane D. Brosnihan 2 nd Anniversary
Saturday	08/07	4:30 p.m. – Florence Brescia
Sunday	08/08	7:30 a.m. – Mota & Milhomens Families 9:00 a.m. – For Our Parish Family 10:45 a.m. – Myles Goulart 4 th Anniversary

The Sanctuary lamp is burning in memory of Robert A. Sloane.



MASS TIMES

**Free ministry to traveling Catholics:
for nationwide Mass times and
locations:**

Call 1-800-Mass-Times (1-800-627-7846) or

Internet: www.Masstimes.org

Their mission is to provide traveling Catholics with information on the times of worship services as well as church location, telephone and handicapped accessibility.

CENACLE FOR PRIESTS AND VOCATIONS: every Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Chapel.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

The true setting of Christian stewardship is the gospel of god's redeeming grace, which offers new life in Christ as an unmerited gift and evokes the response of faith that works through grateful love.

Budget:
July 24-25\$12,338.00

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

If you grew up in a family with another sibling, it is likely that at some point you or a brother or sister went to mom or dad and said something like, "Tell [put your sibling's name here] to share [toy, cake, cookie, TV-fill in the blank]." We've all done it, even if we're an only child and used the line on a school teacher or aunt or uncle when playing with a cousin. Most of us have an innate sense of fairness and justice. We want to be treated equitably. We grow up with aphorisms like "Fair is fair," "Take turns," and "Play by the rules." We appeal to authority (Mom, Dad, teacher, referee, judge) when we think we're being taken advantage of. Our expectation is that justice will prevail.

Civil trials often involve that quest for justice. An aggrieved party seeks an equitable outcome through a judgment against an offender. But justice alone does not guarantee solace. How many times have we heard in the news about a plaintiff who explains that it was not the court judgment that brought peace and resolution? Inevitably, they explain how they have found peace when they were able to bring themselves to forgive the offender. Many describe how the anger or pain in their hearts continued to interfere with their lives until they could put it aside by being reconciled.

The words of Jesus in the Gospel that "one's life does not consist of possessions" reflect this understanding. While compensatory and punitive damages help relieve an injustice, they do not resolve a situation completely. Only movement toward forgiveness and reconciliation can bring that about. It is not easy to do that, but our Christian experience acknowledges that it can be done, even if it takes years to accomplish. The hope is that we will be "rich in what matters to God" (Lk 12:21).

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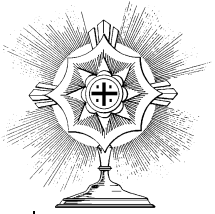
TEACHERS ARE NEEDED to share with our young people, Grades 1 through 9, their faith in and love of the Lord. Grades 1 through 6 meet once a week on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays or Tuesdays; Grade 7 classes meet Thursday evening, Grade 8 classes meet

on Monday evening and Grade 9 classes meet on Sundays. If you are willing to volunteer to teach a class, please call the Administrative Office at 508-336-5549. Try it; you may enjoy the delight of working with young people and helping them grow in the love of God.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

GRADES 1-6: Please register the children who will be in Grade 1 CCD in September, as quickly as possible.



PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest of the Eucharist, is quoted as saying, "The Eucharist is the supreme proof of the love of Jesus."

An adorer is needed for Monday @ 2 AM (Sunday night) and @ 4 AM.

A Co-adorer is needed for Sunday @ 5PM & Wednesday @ 2AM.

Subs are needed for: Tuesday @ 2AM on 8/3.

Please call Maureen at 508-336-3267 if you are able to help.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the hand of God" (Today's Second Reading). Come and seek Christ's guidance and strength for your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are September 17-19 and September 24-26. For more information and to register, call 800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwmeMA.org.

NOTE FROM FATHER STAN

Dear Fr. Brian,

Peace! May the Lord repay you for your welcome, friendship, wonderful, splendid treatment and generosity! I have you in my prayers asking the Lord to maintain you in health, good spirits, a priestly blessing to your people.

Thank your parish community for opening up their parish family to me and their generosity.

Give my regards to Deacon Rich, Vicky, the sacristan, Smokey, the oldest altar server in the world, and all the other good people I've met.

Deep in Mary's Heart we meet,

Fr. Stan

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT WEEKEND is being offered at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs (formerly St. Mary's) Parish Center, 385 Central Avenue, Seekonk on August 14 & 15, 2010. The weekend concludes with dinner on Sunday. Registration fee of \$10.00 made payable to St. Mary's Prayer Group, c/o Rita Beaudet, 191 Greenfield Street, Seekonk, MA 02771 no later than August 4th is requested. For more information call Rita @ 508-399-7519 or Janet @ 508-944-2431.

A DAY WITH MARY

Eucharistic and Marian day of prayer

Will be held on

Saturday, 7 August 2010

From 8 AM to 3 PM

At

St. Patrick's Church, Somerset, MA 02726



SERGIO PHOTOGRAPHY

Parents of children who received First Holy Communion in May and who need to receive photos of their children are asked to contact the Parish Administration Office at 508-336-5549.

THE MOUNT CARMEL PRAYER GROUP is having its annual Family Pot Luck Picnic at 12:30 on August 8 at the home of Pat & Ed Olean, 89 Warren Avenue, Seekonk. Bring your lawn chairs, swim suits and a favorite dish to share and join us for a relaxing day of food, fun and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

POCASSET – THE DISCALCED CARMELITE SECULAR ORDER, meeting at St. John's Catholic Church, is welcoming inquires from lay men and women, married or single, who are devoted to the search for union with God, following the teachings of Sts. Teresa of Jesus and John of the Cross. To learn more about our way of life, or join us as guests, please contact Phyllis Sanders at 781-848-8311 or Rachel Cote at 508-540-9767.

DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR CHILD PROTECTION

The Office for Child Protection is responsible for overseeing sexual abuse response and reporting, counseling, pastoral care, prevention training and education and compliance. If you would like to learn more about how the Diocese of Fall River is working to keep your children safe, please call Office for Child Protection at 508-674-4681.

REMINDER: According to Diocesan regulations, "No one who has an expired CORI should be working or volunteering in [the] parish." Volunteers who receive renewal of CORI forms are asked to complete them and return them to the office as quickly as possible. Anyone who is not sure they are in compliance should feel free to call Ruth at 508-336-5549.

AUGUST 1, 2010

Readings for the Week of August 1, 2010

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2,
10-14
Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
Saturday: Hb 1:12---2:4/Mt 17:14-20
Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk
12:32-48 or 12:35-40

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HOME VISITOR VOLUNTEERS are spending meaningful time with our parish home-bound. The purpose of these visits is to connect with them so they can experience the social aspect of Church. The home visitors simply go as a friend – someone with whom they can chat or share, or with whom they can laugh or pray.

A few home visitors are available to visit more people. If you have a home-bound family member, friend, or neighbor who is a parish member and would like to be visited, please call the Parish Office at 508-336-5549.

Our Lady of Fatima Statue

Pray the Rosary – Prayers changes things.

Our Lady's statue will be in the narthex of the Church for a couple of weeks along with the sign-up booklet. Please consider signing up to receive the statue in your home for a period of one week or more throughout the year. If you are unable to pick-up or drop off the statue for any reason we will be happy to do so for you. Please call Laura Grima (508-336-7606) or Donna Castle (508-252-6497) if you have any questions. Thank you.

PRAY FOR PRIESTS AND VOCATIONS

Please pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Sign up for the Vocation Crucifix Devotion in the narthex of the church.

NEW ADDRESS FOR SISTER IRENE:

Sister Irene Rivard.
Mt. Sacred Heart
226 Grove Street
Littleton, NH 03561

GOOD SHEPHERD FEAST & FESTIVAL: Good Shepherd Parish at 1598 South Main Street in Fall River is having a Festival on Saturday, August 14, 2010 from 5-10 PM and Sunday, August 15, 2010 from noon to 6 PM. We will have games, music and food (Portuguese, Polish, BBQ, and American). In addition we will have a Chinese Auction, Flea Market, Crafters, raffles, Kids Korner, and much more. We will have a simple Procession at 11:30 AM on the 15th with Saint Cecilia's Band followed by a concert. For more information, please call the rectory at 508-678-7412, or view our webpage at gsfallriver.com/dev.