

Mass  for the Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, August 7 th ,	5:00 PM	Special Intention – Members of the Rogers and O'Donnell Families
Sunday, August 8 th ,	10:00 AM	6 Month Anniversary – Martin E. Toth
Monday, August 9 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – James L. Ricci
Tuesday, August 10 th ,	9:00 AM	Special Intention
Thursday, August 12 th ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Debbie Hazebrook
Friday, August 13 th ,	9:00 AM	Pro Populo
Saturday, August 14 th ,	9:00 AM	Special Intention – James Kablinsky
	5:00 PM	Anniversary – Lester & Michael Manning
Sunday, August 15 th ,	8:00 AM	23 rd Anniversary – Henry Del Monico
	10:00 AM	In Memory – John & Gertrude Hall

St. Veronica Chapel

Saturday, August 7 th ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Anthony Moretti
Sunday, August 8 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Flora Vigliotti-Lavery
	11:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Michael Maggiacomo
Monday, August 9 th ,	8:00 AM	Special Intention – Marjorie T. Beauregard
Wednesday, August 11 th ,	8:00 AM	Parishioners who are Ill
Thursday, August 12 th ,	8:00 AM	Anniversary – John Mansolillo
Saturday, August 14 th ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Evelyn Gunning
Sunday, August 15 th ,	9:00 AM	2 nd Anniversary – Anthony T. Simonelli
	11:00 AM	6 th Anniversary – Winifred Cox
	8:00 PM	In Memory – Lydia Coli



*"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them."
- Lk 12:37*

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.

Wedding  Banns

- II Ronald Carlstrom & Marcy Trocina
- I John Deitz & Mary Gormley

MASS FOR HOMEBOUND & ANOINTING

On behalf of the St. Thomas More Parish Community, we would like to invite you to our annual Mass for the Homebound and anointing of the sick, followed by a sit-down luncheon in the Parish Center, on **Saturday, September 11th at 11:00AM at St. Thomas More**. A communal anointing of the sick will be included in the Mass for anyone who is elderly or health is fragile due to sickness. We extend our invitation to any family members and especially Eucharist Ministers who would like to accompany you. Please call us at 789-7682, if you are interested in attending.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, August 9th – Victory Day.
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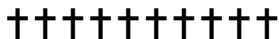
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Sunday, August 15th
4:00 – 7:30PM

Dedication of the Statue of Mary
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Last Name - A – M: appetizer/salad
N – Z: dessert item



DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

We are seeking to nominate someone to serve on Bishop Tobin's Diocesan Pastoral Council. The advisory group meets quarterly at Our Lady of Providence Seminary in Providence. See Fr. Taillon if interested in serving.



A VOCATION VIEW

Jesus is with us to help us to do what may seem impossible. Have faith that you will not sink. Consider ministry in the Church. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, visit our website at www.catholicpriest.com or call Fr. Michael Najim at 831-8011.

PRAY THE ROSARY

The rosary is prayed each weekday after the 9:00AM Mass at St. Thomas More and for the special intention of Peace in the World on Saturday mornings at 8:30AM before Mass. Please join us whenever you can.

Moving – Please call the Parish Office at 789-7682, if you are moving out of the parish or at another location within the parish, so we can update our records.

New to the area? Call and let us know so we can meet you! Thank you!

Be a Blood Donor

Sunday, August 22nd, the Rhode Island Blood Center will sponsor a blood drive from 8:00AM-1:00PM at both Churches. Every day patients in Rhode Island and Southern New England need blood transfusions to recover from illness and injury. Our goal is to collect about 240 pints daily to meet these patient needs. We hope you will join us by giving the Gift of Life - a blood donation. Bring a buddy with you and you will be entered in to a drawing to win a pair of tickets to the Red Sox, Patriots, Celtics or Bruins. For more information, please call 453-8307 or visit the website at www.ribs.org.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment of the Diocese of Providence is sponsoring the 2010 Wedding Anniversary Celebration **on Sunday, October 3rd at 1:00PM at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul**. Married couples who are celebrating their **25th, 40th, 50th and Over** anniversary will be honored at this celebration. Couples, who would like to attend, can register for this event through the Parish Office before September 2nd. This celebration will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows and a personalized certificate for each couple. Following the Mass, there will be a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin is the main celebrant and the homilist.

RACHEL VINEYARD RETREATS

Post Abortion Healing: Do you wonder? Do you regret? Rachel Vineyard weekends are available to women and men who are seek to reconcile a past abortion experience. Come meet Jesus and be made whole again. For more info., call Carol Owens at 421-7833 x118/rachelsvineyard@dioceseofprovidence.org. All calls are confidential.

AUGUST 8, 2010

Organic History 101

The pipe organ at St. Thomas More Church has an amazing history that I thought you might find interesting. I recently stumbled upon an article in the Evening Bulletin from November 1990 about the just then completed \$42,000 renovation of the organ which took place in Deerfield, NH by George Bozeman.

It was built by the highly regarded Hooks and Hastings and contains over seven hundred pipes. It was first installed in a church in Westfield, NJ and then moved to a church in New York City. It was purchased for St. Thomas More by Zenaide and Alexine Bouvier. The Bouvier sisters, aunts of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis lived next door to the church and were faithful parishioners also commissioning the pulpit and presiders chair which were recently restored to St Thomas More Church. The Bouviers paid \$400.00 in the 1920's (an enormous sum in those days!) and in 1990 was valued at over \$200,000.00. There is a small and simple plaque noting this on the organ console.

In 1990 Paul Ladd was the parish organist and oversaw the restoration project. In 1990 there was a dedication concert in which eight organists from throughout Rhode Island played on the newly restored instrument.

Imagine for a moment how many prayers, psalms and canticles have been sung by the countless souls who have been led to prayer by this standard yet special organ here in our parish and in New York and New Jersey.

Our organ tucked up in the loft is now played by Ed Rashed our organist who shows the organ the respect it deserves and the rigors it demands. This storied musical instrument reminds us of the consistency of the prayer life over the years in our parish and the importance of sacred music in prayer. Let us keep in grateful prayer all those who labor in music ministry in our parish and provide such quality and committed service.

St. Cecelia, patron of musicians, pray for us!

In Christ Jesus,

Fr Taillon

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