

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 14 th ,	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
Monday, August 16 th ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Gerald Proulx & Rita Phaneuf
Tuesday, August 17 th ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – John & Bernice Wayland
Wednesday, August 18 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Mary Andrews
Thursday, August 19 th ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Agnes Daly
Friday, August 20 th ,	9:00 AM	10 th Anniversary – Waldo DiSanto
Saturday, August 21 st ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – John & Ida Boitano
Sunday, August 22 nd ,	7:00 AM	Pro Populo
	8:00 AM	In Memory – Members of the Military

St. Veronica Chapel

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
Monday, August 16 th ,	8:00 AM	Anniversary – Peter Marino
Tuesday, August 17 th ,	8:00 AM	Anniversary – Adolfo & Elisa DiBiasio
Wednesday, August 18 th ,	8:00 AM	2 nd Anniversary – Mary Annechiarico
Thursday, August 19 th ,	8:00 AM	Special Intention – The Franciscan Order
Friday, August 20 th ,	8:00 AM	1 st Anniversary – Vincenza Masiello
Saturday, August 21 st ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Mary B. Karkos
Sunday, August 22 nd ,	7:30 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Terence & Catherine McGinnity
	9:00 AM	In Memory – Frank Gallashaw
	11:00 AM	In Memory – John J. Mitchell
	8:00 PM	Anniversary – James & Elizabeth Creighton

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*"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly."
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52*

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

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

DAY OF REFLECTION

The Annual Day of Reflection, for women & men, sponsored Our Lady's Guild of St. Thomas More, will be held on Wednesday, September 15th. It will begin with an 8:00AM Mass at St. Thomas More with Fr. Taillon, followed by a carpool going to St. Theresa of the Child Jesus in Harrisville, RI. This day consists of Eucharistic Holy Hour, Outdoor Way of the Cross, Little Museum of St. Theresa, Outdoor Procession; Veneration of 1st Class Relics, Confession, and departure is at 3:15PM. The cost is \$20.00 payable to St. Thomas More by September 8th and includes Coffee an' and lunch. For reservations or more information, please call Margherite Garrahy at 783-4352.



Be a Blood Donor

Next, 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.

St. Thomas More/St. Veronica Chapel
"Remember, Restore, Renew"

Please Note: A parish mailing went out this past week with an information packet explaining the upcoming needed building/structural repairs at St. Thomas More & to address/complete some items at St. Veronica.

KNITTING MINISTRY

The next meeting of the Knitting Ministry will be this Wednesday, August 18th, from 12:30-2PM in the St. Thomas More Parish Hall. We welcome anyone who can knit or crochet to please join us. For more information, please call Mary Mann at 792-2210.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment 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. Please register through the Parish Office before September 2nd. This celebration includes Mass, renewal of vows and a personalized certificate for each couple. A reception will follow. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin is the main celebrant and the homilist.

THIS WEEKEND!!
SUMMER PARISH GATHERING AT
ST. VERONICA CHAPEL
Sunday, August 15th
4:00 – 7:30PM

Dedication of the Statue of Mary
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Soft Drinks
Music - DJ

Free-will donation gratefully accepted
Last Name - A – M: appetizer/salad
N – Z: dessert item



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.

GRACE'S COURAGE CRUSADE

3rd Annual Dinner Party & Book Launch for "Arlene on the Scene" on Saturday, September 25th from 5-10PM at the Village Inn, catered by Amalfi, in honor of Grace Caldarone, who is an 9 year old student at Msgr. Clarke. All proceeds to benefit the Charcot-Marie Tooth Disease Foundation, a genetic & progressive nerve disorder. The cost is \$40 adult/\$20 (12 & under). RSVP by September 12th – call RoseMarie Sidoti at 792-3905 for tickets or to reserve a book or go to www.gracescouragecrusade.com.

AUGUST 15, 2010

The Assumption...what does it mean for us?

This year the Feast of the Assumption falls on a Sunday which means two things: there is no holy day of obligation this year since it is on a Sunday and all of us truly celebrate this important and wonderful feast!

Mary remains the perfect disciple for us to emulate, imitate and follow. But she does not remain aloof and outside of our own journey of faith. She is not simply the perfect athlete in the life of faith that we all admire but know we simply cannot achieve that record. No, instead she is in relationship with us and the Church on our own journey and advocates for us along the way when we fall. Today's feast is special in that we meditate on the moment of Mary's earthly death. It is at this moment the Church believes that she was assumed body and soul into heaven where she is with Jesus and our Heavenly Father. It is a foretaste of what we will taste at the Last Judgment or earlier if Christ returns before our own death. It makes sense that this be the case since she is redeemed and saved by Christ. This gift of the Assumption flows from the gift that she was without sin as the Mother of God.

It is with great joy that today we bless and unveil the new outdoor statue of Mary and the child Jesus outside of St. Veronica Chapel, a gift to us from the recently closed Sacred Heart Church in Pawtucket, RI. I thought it appropriate to do this in conjunction with our Summer Gathering, and to schedule both on this special holy day.

This week we begin our parish wide/pulpit appeal for the ***Remember, Restore, Renew Campaign*** to re-shingle and re-roof our St. Thomas More Church and property. The construction begins tomorrow and should be finished by November 4th. Please prayerfully consider a sacrificial three-year pledge to help us save and secure our beautiful mother church for future generations. As our church is returned to its original look may we also remain strong in the faith like those who came before us. May the tabernacles in our sanctuaries remind us of the gift Mary received at her death and what we have been promised!

Mary, Assumed Body and Soul into heaven,
pray for us!

Fr. Tailon

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