

MASS INTENTIONS

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St. Veronica Chapel

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Decorative line of crosses separating the two chapel sections.



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council is this Tuesday, September 1st at 7:00PM.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, August 31st for a Pastoral Planning Day.

"PART TWO- WHAT DOES THE CHURCH HAVE TO SAY ABOUT REIKI?"

Due to great interest, please join us this Monday, August 31st from 7:00-8:00PM at St. Thomas More Church, for a Q & A regarding the Catholic Church and its thoughts concerning Reiki as an alternative therapy.

24-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Pray for Priests throughout the Year of the Priesthood in each deanery. On Sept. 3-4 at St. Peter's, Warwick, begins Thursday - 7AM-7PM, continues on Friday - 7AM - 12Noon.

Trying to live your faith?
Want to share the Good News with others?
Ever thought of teaching?
Religious education teachers are needed for
the 2009-2010 school year.
Please consider saying "yes"!
Teachers are still needed for the following
grades and times:
Sundays- 10:10-11AM at St. Veronica:
1st Grade
4th Grade
Mondays- 4:10-5PM at St. Thomas More:
4th Grade
Wednesday- 4:10-5PM at St. Veronica:
5th Grade
Wednesday- 7:00-8PM at St. Veronica:
7th Grade
8th Grade
If interested, please contact Sarah Cullen at
783-2113.

Wedding Banns

- III Edward Nusser & Meredith McMillan
- II Timothy McCarthy & Lucie Marlow

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment of the Diocese of Providence is sponsoring the 2009 Wedding Anniversary Celebration **on Sunday, October 4th 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 4th.

FOOD COLLECTION

Next weekend is our monthly Food Collection. Items needed are back to school hygiene products: shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes & deodorant – always needed: juice boxes, cans of juice, cereal, cookies, crackers, hot chocolate, jelly and packages of cheese slices, coffee, pasta, pasta sauce, spaghetti, baked beans, soups, canned fruit, canned meats and gift certificates. Your continued support is appreciated.

MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES

Beginning September 12th & 13th

St. Thomas More:

Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00AM

St. Veronica:

Vigil: 4:00PM

Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00AM

Last Call – 8:00PM**

****The last "Last Call" Mass will be on Sunday, September 20th.**

RCIA – INFO. NIGHT

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Full reception into the Catholic Church –
Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation
Information Night

Tuesday, September 8, 2009

7:30PM–St. Thomas More Parish Hall

What's It All About?

If you are an adult, not baptized, or are interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church, then RCIA is for you. RCIA consists of a series of instructions and group discussions in the Catholic faith.

If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested, come to the meeting planned on September 8th or call Father Taillon at 789-7682.

Thank You

The Vacation Bible School held in August was a huge success. The children collected diapers and raised \$400.00 for the Parish Community of St. Michael in Providence. A special "thank you" to all the adults and teens who volunteered their time.

NEWPORT PLAYHOUSE

The St. Thomas More book club is sponsoring a trip to the Newport Playhouse to see "Crossing Delancey" on Sunday, Oct. 18th. The cost is \$45.00 and includes a buffet dinner, show and then cabaret. We will carpool at 11:00AM from the Park & Lock on Rt. 1A (at the Jamestown bridge entrance). Please call Helen Kwetkowski at 782-6662 for reservations.

AUGUST 30, 2009

“THE LORD BE WITH YOU.....AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT!”

What? That is not how we usually pray at Mass! The above response that is not so familiar to Catholics is indicative of coming changes to the words we use to pray at Mass. After the Vatican Council a new Roman Missal/Sacramentary (the red book you always see on the Altar at every Mass) was published for use in 1970. A second edition followed in 1975. In the Year 2000 Pope John Paul II issued a new updated version that had to be translated into English. That long and often painstaking process is now near completion. There are estimates that the new English translation will come into full usage in or about 2011. How will this affect us? The Mass as we know it will remain basically the same. (This is not the Tridentine or Latin Mass!) but the words that we use will have subtle but meaningful changes. The Creed, the Eucharistic Prayers and Presiding prayers will have some familiar but more succinct verbiage. The greeting and response are good indicators of a change. The new “and with your spirit” will remind us that we are acknowledging the person as body and soul and make reference to the Spirit of each person. I am excited about the changes because they will make us realize what exactly it is that we are saying at Mass and make us more attentive to the theology of the words we pray at the most important of all activities in our lives. This will be especially true in the routinely repeated parts of the Mass. There will be workshops for priests, musicians and laypeople in the months ahead. I think it is important we remain open to the Holy Spirit as He moves in our liturgies. The Bishops website has a new section to highlight the coming changes. I found it informative, descriptive and even stimulating for prayer. I hope you can log-on and see what is happening. The website is uscgb.org/romanmissal

Also, the carriage house painting has been completed at Rockland Street and looks wonderful. The air conditioning system at St. Thomas More has struggled these last weeks and we have found a malfunctioning compressor and a leak in the system. We are on top of it and hopefully by the time you read this the chill will be back in the air....thank you for your understanding.

Please pray for our parish staff as we will have a day-long pastoral planning day this Monday.

In Christ Jesus,

Fr. Tailon