

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, September 11 <sup>th</sup> ,	5:00 PM	1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary – Robert Cunningham
Sunday, September 12 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 AM	Marriage & Family Life
	10:00 AM	16 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – George Buerry
Monday, September 13 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Maureen Prior
Tuesday, September 14 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Pro Populo
Wednesday, September 15 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Special Intention – Members of the Military
Friday, September 17 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving
Saturday, September 18 <sup>th</sup> ,	5:00 PM	Birthday Remembrance – Winifred Hague
Sunday, September 19 <sup>th</sup> ,	8:00 AM	5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Antonetta Pasquazzi
	10:00 AM	In Memory – Joseph & Philomena Buerry

**St. Veronica Chapel**

Saturday, September 11 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:00 PM	In Memory – Robert Viola, Anthony & Theresa Viola
Sunday, September 12 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Robert Menard
	11:00 AM	Members of the Smith Family
<b>Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>,</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Mass for Our Lady’s Guild</b>
Saturday, September 18 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:00 PM	Anniversary – Emily P. Surprenant
Sunday, September 19 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Anthony B. Paolozzi
	11:00 AM	Special Intention – Members of the Military



*"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents." - Lk 15:10*

**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.

**CHOIR**

St. Thomas More choir will resume rehearsal on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00PM. New members are welcome.

**Wedding Banns**

- III Michael Jannitto & Jennifer Currie
- II Gregory Zanella & Karen Palmieri

Rosary Repair – Bring your rosaries to the Parish Office in an envelope with your name and telephone number on the front and we will call you when they are repaired.

**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 15<sup>th</sup>**. It will begin with an **8:00AM Mass at St. Veronica Chapel** with Fr. Young, 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 1<sup>st</sup> Class Relics, Confession, and departure is at 3:15PM.

**ADOPTION INFORMATION**

Catholic Social Services will sponsor an adoption information session on Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, from 6:30-8:30PM at the Catholic Social Services office, 1600 Bay Street, Fall River, MA. This session is for families interested in domestic or international adoption. Please call Catholic Social services at 508-674-4681 for information and directions. There is no charge for this session. Refreshments will be served.

### **TEACHERS NEEDED!!**

Trying to live your faith?  
Want to share the Good News with others?  
Ever thought of teaching?

Religious education teachers are needed for the 2010-2011 school year.

Please consider saying "yes"!

Teachers are still needed for the following grades and times:

Mondays- 4:10-5PM at St. Thomas More:  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Wednesday- 7:00-8PM at St. Veronica:  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade

8<sup>th</sup> Grade

If interested, please contact Missie Antone at 783-2113.



### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

#### **REGISTRATION**

Registration forms are available at the Church Entrances, the Parish Office or on our website at [www.stthomasmoreri.org](http://www.stthomasmoreri.org). Families need to be registered in the parish. Classes will begin the week of September 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### **CONFIRMATION I & II CANDIDATES &**

#### **PARENTS MEETING:**

**Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM at St. Veronica Chapel.** This meeting is required, schedules will be distributed and other matters will be discussed.

#### **ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION MASS**

The Diocese of Providence will be hosting the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Altar Server Appreciation Mass on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> - 11:00AM at the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul, Providence. Bishop Evans will celebrate and preach the Mass. Refreshments to follow. Please respond by calling Jan Rego at 789-1673 by September 15<sup>th</sup>. Parents & families are encouraged and welcome to attend.

#### **PRAYER CHAIN**

Did you know that our Parish has a Prayer Chain Ministry? If anyone would like some extra needed prayers, you may call 295-1241 and express your request.

### **RCIA – INFO. NIGHT**

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)  
Full reception into the Catholic Church –  
Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation  
Information Night

Tuesday, September 21, 2010

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 21<sup>st</sup> or call Father Taillon at 789-7682.

### **ENDERS ISLAND - DAY OF RECOLLECTION**

The theme for this day of Recollection on Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-3PM is "Effective Faith, Faith That Makes A Difference" with Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, D.D. Bishop Tobin's book is a collection of essays reflecting on issues facing Catholics today. The cost is \$35.00 per person and includes 2 conferences, Mass, confessions and time to explore the island. Hot lunch is served. Pre-registration is required - please call 1-860-536-0565.

### **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM**

The Our Lady of Sorrows Bereavement Support Program, sponsored by the Diocese of Providence, Office of Life and Family, will be offered at St. Francis of Assisi, Wakefield on Thursdays from 7-8:30PM over eight consecutive weeks from September 23<sup>rd</sup> through November 11<sup>th</sup>. The group is most appropriate for persons who are at least three months beyond their loss. There is no cost to attend. Registration is required by calling Peter Magnotta, Diocese of Providence at 421-7833 ext. 117.

New to the area/New Telephone Number/Moving? Call and let us know so we can meet you – make changes! Thanks.

## What About That Mosque?

I confess that I am asked that question frequently by parishioners and non-parishioners alike. Of course I am referring to the mosque that has been proposed near Ground Zero in New York City.

There are arguments for allowing the mosque/center rooted in religious liberty and freedom (a position in principle favored by most Catholic leaders) and there are those against who are uncomfortable in that the 9/11 terrorists were motivated by a radicalized interpretation of Islam. There is, of course, a wide array of emotions, thoughts, laws and precedents that all collide in this situation. (To be honest I am very uncomfortable with the State Department funding an imam's fifteen-day trip to the Middle East to promote "religious tolerance" with taxpayer funds ironically being sent to countries that do not allow Catholics/Christians the respect and freedom of public worship in their lands. One might think the State Department should instead fund Christian leaders to go promote inter-religious dialogue with Muslim nations to allow for real, genuine religious freedom!)

So, what about the mosque and its location? I would say that an article by William McGurn in the *Wall Street Journal* in August seemed to make the most sense. He pointed to the situation some years ago in Auschwitz where a convent of contemplative nuns was located just outside the concentration camp in Poland after the war. The Jewish people were upset at the convent's location (even though Catholics were also put to death in the camps with others). Pope John Paul II intervened with a steady mind and heart and asked the sisters to re-locate away from the camp but to continue their prayer of reparation. The nuns had every legal right to be there but Pope John Paul II thought it was the sensitive and right thing to do even though it wasn't required. I was thinking of writing to those nuns (who continue to pray for the victims of the Holocaust and their killers), asking them to pray that the hearts and minds of those planning to build the mosque respect the sensitivity of its location, and move it further away not because they have to but because they ought to.

Let us pray for all Americans of all faiths on this anniversary week of 9/11 and pray for our good soldiers in harm's way. May they be able to practice their faith wherever they serve.

Blessings,

*Fr Taillon*

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