



Once again registration will be automatic. If your child was enrolled in the program last year and all work is completed he/she will automatically be placed on a class list for the upcoming year. If you are *new* to the parish or have a child entering *1st Grade* in September please call the Religious Education Office (543-4577) to register.

ATTENTION PARENTS

Our sacramental program for First Penance and First Eucharist is a two-year program. Students must complete the Grade 1 program in order to be registered for Grade 2.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE 2008-2009

- Grade 1:** Thursday – 4:00-5:00pm – starting October
Grade 2: Tuesday - 4:30-5:30pm
Grade 3: Wednesday – 4:00-5:00pm
Grade 4: Monday – 4:00-5:00pm
Grade 5: Monday – 5:30-6:30pm
Grade 6: Wednesday – 5:30-6:30pm
Grade 7: Tuesday -7:00-8:00pm
Grade 8: Thursday - 7:00-8:00pm
Grade 9: Sunday – 12:15-2:45pm – once a month

SHARING SUNDAY

DUE TO THE JULY 4TH HOLIDAY, SHARING SUNDAY WILL NOT BE HELD IN THE MONTH OF JULY.

KID'S CLUB

Kid's Club, sponsored by Community VNA Hospice Care of Attleboro, is a children's bereavement program designed to help children ages 5-13 deal with the loss of a parent, sibling, grandparent or other significant person in their life. The next Kids' Club will be held Saturday, July 12th from 9:30noon. To register or for more information call 508-222-0118, ext. 1370.



LIFETEEN MASS: Sunday – 6:00pm **NO** Lifenights during the summer but continue to check our website for upcoming events: stmaryslifeteen.net

PIZZA & PRAYER: Mondays @7pm - Sacristy.

PART-TIME MUSIC DIRECTOR NEEDED

Have a passion to lead teens closer to Christ? This is the job for you. Please contact Katy Bouffard at campbellbegy3@aol.com

LIFT

LIFT, a new monthly worship event includes vibrant praise and worship music, challenging speakers and Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Tuesday, July 8th at Fontbonne Academy in Milton beginning at 7:00pm. LIFT is for all ages. For more information visit www.liftedhigher.com

PARISH SUPPORT

OFFERTORY: \$5986.00
 Thank you for your continued support and generosity each week to Saint Mary's Parish.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: The Archdiocesan special collection Black and Native Americans will be taken at all the Masses next weekend, July 12-13th. As always your support is much needed and greatly appreciated.

Request from Father Steve:

This past weekend we all celebrated our nation's birthday with July 4th parades and fireworks. These festive activities serve to remind us of our freedom as a country. I would like to remember in my prayers and encourage every to do the same, to pray for the men and women who service in the military today to defend that freedom. Over the next few weeks if you have a family member, friend or a loved one serving presently in the military please get those names to me at the Rectory (508-543-7726). Once I have created a list, I will publish the names weekly in the Bulletin so we can pray for them and their families as a community.

Thank you – Father Steve



Last year I went to Washington, DC for a few days to visit a friend who works at the White House. It was a great opportunity to walk around and visit all the memorials and buildings at my own leisure. It was the first time in along time that I was able to do that without being responsible for a large group. IF you have been part of a group on tour you know getting on and off the bus and trying to be on schedule is tough. This trip was different. One beautiful afternoon I sat at the new World War II Memorial for a few hours. It was an opportunity for me to take in its beauty but also to be reflective about what this peaceful place memorializes. The quiet peace of the memorial stands in sharp contrast to a time in our history that was anything but serene. While sitting there thinking I noticed two veterans of World War II standing together and they were very emotional while surely bringing to mind again and sharing their experiences of war. I also saw a little boy who was around the age of 10 listening to the two men from a short distance away. He just listened! As I walked closer to the scene I too stopped to listen. I wanted to share with you what the little boy spoke with conviction to the two strangers standing there. "Hey Mr., excuse me. Thank you for what you did for me." I will never forget this experience. As I am writing this column I am getting emotional again as I recount the story.

It is July 4th weekend. A weekend for all of us to be proud of who we are as a nation and to celebrate with our families and friends. It is a weekend to participate in parades, cookouts, fireworks and to wear the red, white and blue. Enjoy the excitement and activity that July 4th affords us. We should celebrate.

I told that story because I believe it is also equally important to be grateful this weekend. The boy was right. We may not all have the boy's experience but we should all remember in our thoughts and prayers that the freedom we enjoy this weekend has been won by the sacrifices of many others. That same freedom is still being defended this moment throughout the world by our nation's newest heroes. We pray for their safety.

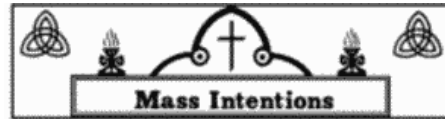
Happy 4th of July!! Enjoy the weekend but please remember the little boy's words as you do so – "Thank you for what you did for me."

God Bless you all,

Father Steve



"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." - Mt 11:28-30



SATURDAY, JULY 5

4:00 Jeannette Driscoll Memorial

SUNDAY, JULY 6

7:00 Romeo Mendes 12th Ann

9:00 Patrick O'Malley 5th Ann

11:00 The LaFlamme Family Memorial

MONDAY, JULY 7

9:00 Mary Brown 7th Ann

SATURDAY, JULY 12

9:00 Bob Aucoin Birthday Remembrance

4:00 Arthur Longa 7th Ann

SUNDAY, JULY 13

7:00 Eleanor Kennedy Memorial

9:00 Philip & Elsie Clement Memorial

11:00 Kevin Cave Memorial

Please remember in your prayers the above intentions, the ill and infirmed of the parish, members of our Benefactor's Society and all our beloved deceased.



The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in loving memory of Bob Aucoin. If you wish to remember a beloved loved one by lighting the candle in their memory please call the Rectory. A donation of \$25 is appreciated.

Readings for the Week of July 6

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/

Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9