



Classes are complete for this Religious Education year. Home Programs and all outstanding work are due back to the Religious Education office as soon as possible.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

Confirmation Parent-Student Meeting  
Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 12:15pm – Church hall



**SUNDAY, MAY 18**  
**LOWER CHURCH HALL**  
**10:00-11:00AM**  
**GRADES 1-3**

### **FIRST COMMUNION CANDLES**

Our second graders are welcome to go downstairs after all the masses today to pick up their candles from the First Communion altar cloth.

Our Annual Mass for all deceased buried at St. Mary's Cemetery will be held on Memorial Day, May 26<sup>th</sup>, at Saint Mary's Church. All are invited to join in offering prayers for our beloved deceased. \*\*This Mass will take the place of the 9:00am Daily Mass.\*\*

### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION:**

\$5988.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity each week to Saint Mary's Parish.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** The special collection for the Seminaries will be taken at all the Mass this weekend, May 10-11<sup>th</sup>. As always your support is much needed and will be greatly appreciated.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** The Archdiocesan special collection for Communications will be taken at all the Masses next weekend, May 17-18<sup>th</sup>. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



A Mass and Healing Service will be held at the Immaculate Conception Church, Stoughton on Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm. All with physical illnesses, as well as those burdened or suffering emotionally, mentally, spiritually or financially are welcome to attend. Rev. Joseph McDermott will be the celebrant.

### **WEDDING BANNES**

*II Angela Azzolino and Michael Testa*

### **SEUSSICAL, JR.**

The Ahern Middle School students proudly present "*Seussical, Jr.*", a wonderful musical based on the works of Dr. Seuss. Performances are: Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm; Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm & 7:30pm and Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm. Tickets: \$5/person. Ticket information - Foxboro Reporter or contact Caroline Clark through the Rectory.



Father Steve, Father Jay and Deacon Richie join together in wishing all the Mothers and Grandmothers a happy and blessed Mother's Day. A blessing for all Mothers living and deceased will be extended at all the Masses today. We will remember in a special way those Mothers whose names have been submitted to us.

### ST. MARY'S PRAYER LINE

We believe in the power of prayer. If you have a prayer request or are interested in joining our Prayer Line please call the Rectory.

### Readings for the Week of May 11

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b  
or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/  
Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39  
Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23  
Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13  
Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21  
Wednesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17  
Thursday: Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33  
Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34-9:1  
Saturday: Jas 3:1-10/Mk 9:2-13  
Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

### ALL ARE INVITED OPEN HOUSE

The Community at Pond Meadow & Pond Home of Wrentham is holding an Open House on Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm. Learn about life at Pond Meadow and Pond Home, services offered and a tour of the grounds. For more information or if you need a ride to the Open House please call 508-384-3531, ext. 225



**LIFETEEN MASS:** Sunday @6:00pm

**LIFENIGHTS:** All high school teens are welcome to join us every Sunday evening after Mass at the K of C Hall until 8:45pm. This week we will celebrate all mothers, including our Mother Mary.

**PIZZA & PRAYER:** Mondays @7pm - Sacristy.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** Monday from 6-7:00pm in the main church.

**STEUBENVILLE EAST:** is held at the LaSalette Shrine and brings together high school teens from all over to celebrate in the Eucharist. We are attending the first weekend, July 11-13<sup>th</sup>. Spots may still be available check with Katy through the Rectory. Incoming freshmen welcome.

**NEW WEBSITE** – Websites for both Lifeteen and Edge are up and running. Check it out @ [.stmaryslifeteen.net](http://stmaryslifeteen.net)



Lifeteen is hosting a Surprise Dinner in honor of Father Joseph Li on Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm in the lower church hall. Tickets: \$10/person. All proceeds will be given to Father Joe for the Church in China. Tickets will be sold after all the masses this weekend.

**LIFT:** an exciting new monthly worship event which includes vibrant praise and worship music, dynamic speakers and Eucharistic Adoration. LIFT is for all ages. The guest speaker for the next LIFT on May 13<sup>th</sup> will be Mary Bielski. The evening runs from 7:00-9:00pm at Fontbonne Academy, Milton. For more info visit [www.liftedhigher.com](http://www.liftedhigher.com)

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Happy Birthday! The Feast of Pentecost which we celebrate today is one of the primal feasts on the Liturgical Calendar. It is a celebration of the disciples being commissioned to bring the Gospel message out to the world. It is a day to mark the beginning of the church and it is therefore “our birthday.” Enjoy the day and “celebrate.”

At church we gather to worship the Lord at our liturgies held here in this building. I am so pleased that we do that well. I continue to hear from so many folks how much they enjoy coming to Mass here and how welcome they feel. That needs to be a priority for all of us. We need to work together to create a vibrant community of believers who gather weekly to pray, sing and worship our loving God. It is important for me as Pastor to say thank you to all of you who do your part to make our Liturgies uplifting and prayerful. The way we celebrate defines who we are as “church!”

It is also true that as a community of faith called St. Mary’s Church, our attempts to care for one another in Foxboro and beyond is a piece of our commitment as “church” as well. I continue to be amazed and very pleased at the extra acts of Christian charity that many of you are so generous with your time and talents because it is the right thing to do. You are being “church!” Today, we celebrate us!

We have been reminded this week, both globally and locally, that life can change so drastically for us in a blink of an eye. The tragic loss of so many people in Burma this past week is shocking. Our community too hurts this weekend after the sudden and tragic death of a father of one of this year’s First Communicants. Life can change so quickly. Please pray for all of those who experienced a loss this week.

Be assured of a remembrance in my prayers for you all and I humbly asked to be included in yours as well.

God Bless,

Father Steve

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*Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." - Jn 20:21-23*



**SATURDAY, MAY 10**

4:00 Gerald W. Roque 5<sup>th</sup> Ann

**SUNDAY, MAY 11**

7:00 Mary Reda Memorial

9:00 Brandon MacMaster 10<sup>th</sup> Ann

11:00 Charles Gabarino, Sr Memorial

**MONDAY, MAY 12**

9:00 The Hyland Family Memorial

**TUESDAY, MAY 13**

9:00 The Molloy Family Memorial

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 14**

9:00 The Kelleher Family Memorial

**THURSDAY, MAY 15**

9:00 The Wenger Family Memorial

**FRIDAY, MAY 16**

9:00 The Cheney Family Memorial

**SATURDAY, MAY 17**

9:00 The Hines Family Memorial

4:00 Joseph Meomartino Memorial

**SUNDAY, MAY 18**

9:00 Vin Igo Birthday Remembrance

11:00 Elizabeth Bryan Powers 10<sup>th</sup> Ann

*Please remember in your prayers the above intentions, the ill and infirmed of the parish, members of our Benefactor Society and all our beloved deceased especially Jeannette Driscoll and Mary Anzalone whose Funeral Masses were held this past week.*



*The sanctuary candle is lit this week in loving memory of The Wenger Family. If you wish to remember a beloved loved one by lighting the sanctuary candle in their memory please call the Rectory. An offering of \$25 is appreciated.*