



First Communion – Rooms 9-12

Saturday, May 1st @10:00am

Rehearsal – Wednesday, April 28th @4:30pm

First Communion – Rooms 13-16

Saturday, May 1st @1:00pm

Rehearsal – Wednesday, April 28th @6:30pm



The Knights of Lithuania Council 27 will be holding its first annual Yard Sale Fundraiser on Saturday, May 15th from 9:00-3:00pm at 169 Mechanic Street in Foxboro.

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

Mother's Day Cards are available at the doors of the church. To remember your Mother living or deceased, at all the Masses on Mothers Day, May 9th, please fill out the insert and return to us. If your Mother is living please take a card and insert. If your Mother is deceased fill out the insert card. Insert cards may be placed in the collection basket or dropped through the mail slot at the Rectory. All Mother's will be remembered in a special way at all the Masses on Mother's Day.



Applications for St. Mary's Women's Guild Scholarships are available at the front doors of the church, at the Rectory and also at St. Mary's website, www.stmarysfoxboro.org.

Applicants must be members of St. Mary's and have completed at least 1 year of formal education beyond high school. Two \$2000 scholarships will be awarded. Please return completed applications to Scholarship Committee, % St. Mary's Rectory, 83 Central Street, Foxboro, MA 02035 by June 27th.



Please remember in your prayers the men and women who are in the military today, especially William Albano, Cpt. USMC Michael Burke, Cpt. USMC John Burke, Commander Karl Eimers,

Louise Balduf, Graham P Johnston, Father Bill Devine and USMC Phillip Giardino, Jr. Also, Daniel Sheehan, Shane McAulay, Daniel Wagner, Sean Davey, Corporal Eric Thomas, USMC Marc Manning, Cpt. Joseph A. Colantoni, Brendan Quinn, Sgt. James R. Jarvis III, Cpl. Michael P. Johns, Staff Sgts. Andrew & Arielle Grato, Sgt. Eric Seiden, Army Airborne Specialist Matthew Blanchette, & Staff Sgt. Chris Butler. Also, Frank Fleming, Sgt. Neil W. McCabe, USMC Ryan Davis, Kevin Michael Ryan, William Lopatka, Elizabeth V. McCarthy, PFC Hyder Alsatlawi, USMC Sean Wilson, USAF Ryan Wilson and US Army Sgt. John W. Collins III. Also remember US Coast Guard Matt Bonneau, Sgt. Thomas Landreth, USAF Daniel W. Loring, Officer Training Jesse Boyd and Sgt. FC Thomas D. Chadronet, SPC Christopher Redd, Sgt. Nicole L. Jenkins, Cpt. Bill Lord, Lt. FC Sarah Lord, CWO-3 Thaddeus Yukna, Lt. Comm. Anthony LaCourse and Army Pvt. Daniel A. Cintolo. If you have a family member, friend or loved one who is serving in the military please give those names to Father Steve at the Rectory so we can publish them in the Bulletin each week and pray for them and their families.



Wedding Banns

I Valerie Murano and Ryan McCarthy



Saint Mary's Christmas Fair Committee will be meeting on Monday, April 26th at 7:00pm at the South Foxboro Community Center (corner of South & North Grove Streets). Please join us and help plan the 2010 Christmas Fair which will be held November 20-21st. Any questions please call Donna at the Rectory.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

It is officially Spring!! As the weather changes and gardens and trees burst forth with new vibrant colors, it is a reminder that some of our most important Liturgies during the year are upon us. This weekend we begin our First Communion celebrations. For me, they are such a rewarding experience. There are very few Liturgies at which I preside that are as enjoyable. The Liturgies are simply put – fun!

Seeing the smiles and joy that our second graders have on their faces brings an equal one to mine. First Communion is a *family celebration*. I have mentioned many times in the past that *family* is what defines us. This weekend and next, the *parish family* joins in celebration with individual *families* who welcome the Lord in the Eucharist for the first time. What a joy it is for me as a priest to witness and participate in our First Communion Masses. They are truly a celebration of happiness.

I want to express my gratitude to Gerry Saegh, our Coordinator of our First Communion Program, and all the teachers who prepared our young people. Our program is second to none! I also want to thank the parents of our First Communicants. They have been and will continue to be “*the best teachers*” of their children. First Communion – A Happy Day!

CARDINAL'S APPEAL

I received this week our first update from this year's Appeal. So far we have pledged \$35,823 toward our goal of \$37,500. This is roughly about 96%. That amount has been given by 188 donors which is far below our goal of 300 donors. It would be great if more families would prayerfully consider making a contribution or pledge sometime soon. It would be wonderful if we could reach our goal 2 years in a row. If you have not already done so make a contribution. We still have some work to do. Thank you!

You may have noticed that we have been doing some work in and around the church property. The spring clean-up and sprucing up the grounds has been completed. We have also been re-pointing the windows and outside walls of the church. In recent years moisture has been a problem in the downstairs hall and the problem needed to be addressed. Once that work is completed the hall will be re-plastered and painted anew. This week we had to demolish the garage at the Rectory. It was totally gone and it was a hazard and safety issue. Every day, we find a new project to consider.

Finally, I want to express two “*gentle*” reminders to everyone. Please leave your cell phones in your car when you come to Mass or at least put them in quiet mode. When they ring aloud and even answered during Mass it is very distracting. Secondly, Please try to be on time for Mass. During the week there are some people who are consistently late every day for Morning Mass. Please try to arrive on time for Mass.

God bless,

Father Steve



Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28a

**SATURDAY, APRIL 24**

4:00 Carol Poirier Memorial

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

9:00 Shannon Hurley 15th Ann

11:00 Bill Palladino Memorial

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

9:00 Edward McGuirk Birthday Remembrance

SATURDAY, MAY 1

4:00 Marge Forencik 10th Ann

SUNDAY, MAY 2

7:00 Margaret Mary O'Brien Kelly 5th Ann

9:00 The Roche Family Memorial

The VanDenBerghe Family

11:00 Warren Nametz Memorial

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 Gerald Waldron & Kevin Martin whose Funeral Masses were celebrated this week.



The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in loving memory of Charles Weisker. If you would like to remember your beloved sanctuary candle in their memory please call the Rectory. A donation of \$25 is requested.

ST. MARY'S PRAYER LINE

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



World Day of Prayer
for Vocations^{USA}