



**REGISTRATION** will again 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. If you are new to the parish; have a child entering Grade 1 in September please call the Religious Education Office @508-543-4577.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!** Teachers are needed at all grade levels for our Religious Education Program. All materials are supplies. If you would like to teach or team-teach with a friend please call 508-543-4577. Tuition is waived for those volunteering.

### **CHANGES TO OUR PROGRAM:**

**GRADE 1:** This year **ALL Grade 1** students will be in the Home Program. At Baptism parents are told that they are their child's first and best teachers of their faith. This year we are asking parents to exercise their role in the development of that faith by working with their child on their prayers and the Grade 1 curriculum at home. Our sacramental program for First Penance and First Communion is a 2-year program. Students must complete the Grade 1 program in order to be registered for Grade 2.

**GRADE 7:** Classes will meet on **TUESDAY'S** from **5:30-6:30pm.**

**GRADE 8:** Classes will meet on **TUESDAY'S** from **7:00-8:00pm.**

### **PRAYER PARTNERS**

Our Confirmation Program is still in need of Prayer Partners for this year's Confirmation candidates. If you would like to become a Prayer Partner please complete the form available at the back of the church and return to the Religious Education Office or call Pat Evans at the Rectory.



II Joseph Lombardi and Samantha Maguire  
III Michael Pollak and Meaghan Thomas



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, Army Pvt. Daniel A. Cintolo, GM2 Paul J. Bergman and USMC Eric Kelly. 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.

**LIFT:** An exciting monthly worship event which includes vibrant praise and worship music, challenging speakers and Eucharistic Adoration. LIFT is for all ages. The next LIFT will be on August 10<sup>th</sup> from 7-9:00pm at Fontbonne Academy in Milton. Guest speaker will be Jackie Francois. For more information visit [www.liftedhigher.com](http://www.liftedhigher.com)

### **JOE ANDRUZZI FOUNDATION** **BLOOD/BONE MARROW DRIVE**

Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – 11:00am-7:00pm

YMCA Invensys Branch – Foxboro

For more information about donating, including eligibility visit [www.joeandruzzifoundation.org](http://www.joeandruzzifoundation.org) or call the Rectory.

## From the Pastor's Desk

"Thank you Father Jay for everything!! You will be missed."

This weekend we have the chance to say good-bye and best of luck to Father Jay as he leaves his assignment here at St. Mary's and begins a new chapter in his priestly ministry at Holy Family in Amesbury. Father Jay will be the celebrant of all the Masses this weekend, at his request, so that he can personally thank you for your prayers and support. The 11:00am Liturgy will be a special concelebrated Mass with a luncheon downstairs after. Everyone is invited to be with us and to personally thank Father Jay and to wish him well.

Leaving an assignment as a priest, especially your first assignment, is not an easy thing to do. Having done so myself a few times I know it is emotionally draining. I remember how I felt leaving St. Mary's 10 years ago. (What is that old saying about a bad penny?) It is hard to leave a place you love. It is however part of our life as a Diocesan Priest. We all understand that we live and serve where we are sent by the Archbishop. I received two phone calls this week that have me wanting to explain that. One angry person was yelling at me "because I put Father Jay out." Another could not understand why Father Jay "demanded a change because he was so unhappy." Please know that neither of those is correct. Father Jay is needed somewhere else and was asked to accept this new challenge. The folks at Holy Family in Amesbury will soon realize how blessed they are. They are getting and we are losing "one of the best."

Father Jay, on behalf of all of us here at St. Mary's *THANK YOU!* You have changed St. Mary's and leave us with fond and wonderful memories of you and your priestly ministry. Be assured that those memories fill us with gratitude. As we celebrate with you this weekend and you pack for Amesbury, save some room in your bags for our prayers of gratitude and all our love and affection.

"Thank you Father Jay for everything!" You will be missed!

Father Steve

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** A special collection will be taken at all the Masses this weekend, August 7-8<sup>th</sup>, for Catholic Relief Services. As always your support will be greatly appreciated.



*"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them." - Lk 12:37*

Mass  for the  
Intentions Week

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

9:00 John Ares 20<sup>th</sup> Ann  
4:00 Frederick Conroy 7<sup>th</sup> Ann

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

7:00 Raymond E. Smith & Family Memorial  
The James D. Sullivan Family  
9:00 Margaret G. Lynch 21<sup>st</sup> Ann  
11:00 Arthur Bergquist Memorial

### MONDAY, AUGUST 9

9:00 Edward McGuirk 1<sup>st</sup> Ann

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

4:00 Thomas M. Casey Memorial

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 15**

7:00	Frank Berg Patty Flaherty	Memorial
9:00	Rudolph Sawyer	Memorial
11:00	Barbara McCauley	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 Donald Nadeau and Jack Norton whose Funeral Mass was celebrated this past week.*



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

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Foxboro Council of Knights of Columbus extends their sincere thanks to the 84 donors who donated to their Summer Blood Drive held July 17<sup>th</sup>. In all 81 pints of blood were collected. This blood can be used 3-ways so that 243 people benefit from your acts of kindness. The next Blood Drive will be held December 18<sup>th</sup>.