

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls in this week's Mass intention; for Joseph O'Neill whose funeral mass was celebrated here; for the souls in Purgatory; and for the deceased of our parish.

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| Sat., May 13, | 4:00 P.M. | Community Mass for <u>Mother's Day intentions</u> recommended to our prayers |
| Sun., May 14, | 8:30 A.M. | Community Mass for <u>Mother's Day intentions</u> recommended to our prayers |
| | 10:30 A.M. | Community Mass for <u>Mother's Day intentions</u> recommended to our prayers |
| | 7:00 P.M. | Community Mass for <u>Mother's Day intentions</u> recommended to our prayers |
| Mon., May 15, | 8:00 A.M. | For parishioners of St. Mary |
| Tues., May 16, | 8:00 A.M. | Walter & Stella Jaworski by Wanda |
| Thurs., May 18, | 8:00 A.M. | Padre Pio In Thanksgiving |
| Fri., May 19, | 8:00 A.M. | Adriano Correia by family & friends |
| Sat., May 20, | 4:00 P.M. | Intentions of Msgr. Oliveira |
| Sun., May 21, | 8:30 A.M. | Lorraine & Robert DeMoranville |
| | 10:30 A.M. | Mass of Thanksgiving – Msgr. Oliveira's 50th Jubilee |
| | 7:00 P.M. | Grace Elizabeth LaCroix by family |



14-day Memorial Candles: In Memory of **Adriano Correia** by family & friends
In Memory of **William C. Thompson** by daughter, Sandra

Icon Candle: In Memory of **Joao Gaspar** by family

Hosts for May: In Memory of **Randall Villeneuve** by family

Flowers for the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima (May 13) by Resendes Family



The Roses adorning our altar this Mother's Day are a tribute to all Mothers living and deceased. All the names submitted by their loved ones are being remembered at all the Masses this weekend, and throughout the month of May, names will be placed at the tabernacle this month.

During the month of May, we recite the rosary before the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses as well as the usual 4PM Mass. Please try to come to mass a little earlier to pray the rosary together.

Budget: \$5777. **Expenses:** Monthly Insurance (church & pastoral center): \$4000.
Spring clean-up: \$3100. Roof repair (skylight – annex): \$2400.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors schedules for May & June are available in the sacristy and on-line on our parish website.

Ascension Thursday, May 25th is a Holy Day of Obligation. For your convenience, there are three masses scheduled at 8:00 A.M., 12 Noon and 7:00 P.M. Please make every effort to attend mass.

2017 Catholic Charities Appeal For so many, the Catholic Charities Appeal has served as a foundation of hope for 76 years. The Appeal is bridging lives and bringing hope by feeding the hungry, mending the broken hearts of children, aiding the elderly, providing counseling and forming many types of support groups. Please keep in mind that your contribution is on behalf of those not able to ask for your help themselves. 94 cents out of every dollar you give goes directly to assisting those who have fallen on difficult times. Through your generosity in this campaign, we all can offer a bridge to a better life and hope for the future to so many people in southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and the Islands. We are grateful to those who have contributed already. Our total to date: \$10,212.



A Blessing Prayer For All Mother's

O God the Father, Creator of all life, Lifespring of all mothers and fathers, You who chose Mary to be the Mother of your divine Son, bless now with your love and protection all Mothers, that they may treasure the lives and spiritual well being of their children; O God the Son, Jesus, our Lord and Redeemer, You who gave us Your Mother as our own Mother, bless my own Mother, she who gave me the great gift of life, that I May continue to be a loving and grateful child; O God, the Holy Spirit, poured out on Mary and on all followers of Jesus, bless all who had a mother's influence on my own life, bless all those close to me who are mothers, and especially bless all those who carry life within as expectant mothers. Amen.

Paul A. Murphy

Msgr. Oliveira will be celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of his 50th Jubilee, on May 21, 2017, at the 10:30AM Mass here at St. Mary's Church. All St. Mary's parishioners are invited to attend this Mass and an informal reception following in the Pastoral Center. This celebration will acknowledge his anniversary of priesthood and forthcoming retirement on June 28th.

We are inviting all past and present altar servers to attend this special Mass for Msgr. Oliveira. There will be a reserved section near the tabernacle for any who do attend.

This week our parish will participate in the **national collection for the Trinity Dome** to complete the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., before its 100th anniversary. Also known as America's Catholic Church, the National Shrine has been a century in the making, built by and for the faithful of our great nation in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the United States. Become a part of Mary's Shrine and help to bring to completion our church! For more information, please visit www.trinitydome.org. Thank you for your generous support of the Trinity Dome collection.

Change of Address Please notify the parish office when you are moving. Our parish has to pay the post office when the budget envelopes are returned after parishioners have moved. You can notify us by simply writing your new address on your budget envelopes one to two months ahead of your move. You can also call or email the parish office. We ask that you do the same if you are leaving the parish. Thank you for helping us not to waste this money.

The Foundation to Advance Catholic Education (FACE) and Diocese of Fall River Catholic Schools are excited to announce *The Catholic School's Hope and Opportunity Initiative*. This Initiative, sponsored by the Carney Family Fund, will provide 100 scholarships for up to \$2000 per student for the 2017-18 school year to new low-income K-8 students in the Fall River and New Bedford Deaneries. If you, or someone you know, wants to send their children to a Catholic School please contact Susan Massoud at All Saints Catholic School at 508-995-3696 or Msgr. Oliveira here at the parish office, 508-995-3593.

St. John Neumann Parish 33rd Lakeside Family Festival - Memorial Day Weekend, May 26-29, Friday, May 26th: 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Sat and Sun: Noon to 11 p.m. Monday, May 29th: Noon to 5 p.m. Rt. 18 – 157 Middleboro Rd., East Freetown. Barn Sale, Classic Car Show (on Sunday), Games–Fun–Food, Live Entertainment, Midway Rides, Raffle. FREE ADMISSION!! For more info go to sinfreetown.org/lakeside-family-festival

The Knights of Columbus Museum recently opened **World War I: Beyond the Front Lines**, an exhibition exploring America's involvement in the "Great War" including the Knights of Columbus's Catholic outreach to servicemen at home and abroad. A series of public lectures is planned throughout the show. The museum, at 1 State Street, New Haven, CT, is open 10-5 daily. Admission and parking are free. For more information go to kofcmuseum.org.

