

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 20

4:30pm Anna & Andrew Sebastian

Requested by family

Sunday, April 21

8:00am George Dumas

Requested by Donald & Celia Deni

10:00am Raymond F. Kells, Jr.

Requested by brothers Robert & Richard

12:00NN Nicholas Ponanski, Joseph

DiColella and Robert Brouillette

Requested by family

Monday, April 22

7:00am Anthony Ramieri

Requested by Soltysiak family

Tuesday, April 23

7:00am George Dumas

Requested by Friel family

Wednesday, April 24

7:00am Anthony Ramieri

Requested by Friel family

Thursday, April 25

7:00am John Champion

Requested by family

Friday, April 26

7:00am Timothy E. McNulty

3rd Anniversary

Saturday, April 27

4:30pm *Mass for the People*

Sunday, April 28

8:00am Norbert J. Jarbeau

Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon

10:00am Lorraine Sedlock

Requested by parish family

12:00NN Karen (DeGrasse) Davis

Requested by MS of Divine Mercy



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 21

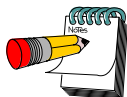
10:00am Gloria Jobin

Requested by Festival Committee

Sunday, April 28

10:00am Gloria Jobin

Requested by Hood family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of John Champion.

OLIVER!

The Prout School Theatre Department presents, OLIVER! April 26 & 27 at 7pm and again on April 28th at 2pm. General Admission: \$15.00; students & seniors: \$12.00. Tickets available at Prout, at the door of the performance or by calling 789-9262 Ext. 548.

MONSIGNOR CLARKE PRE-SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, May 5th 11 am – 1 pm

Offering 3 and 5 day programs (must be 3 yrs. old by 9/1/2013)
NEASC accreditation, Certified Teachers

SUMMER PROGRAM AT

COLLEGE OF SAINT MARY MAGDALEN

The College of Saint Mary Magdalen in Warner, NH is pleased to announce the dates for its Summer Program for high school students. The Collegiate Summer Program offers participants the opportunity to study theology, philosophy, literature and political science. During the summer program, students also attend daily Mass and enjoy sports, socials and day trips including hiking and canoeing. The program is for students who will be entering their sophomore, junior or senior year of high school in the fall of 2013. It is also open to students who have just graduated high school. The Collegiate Summer Program is a two-week session that runs from Sunday, July 28 – Saturday, August 10, 2013. Register today at www.magdalen.edu! For more information, contact the admissions office at admissions@magdalen.edu or 603.456.2656 x 119.

2013 PARISH GOAL

\$103,000

Donations received as of Week 9:

\$75,106.00



CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

73% of goal from 353 donors

PARISH SUPPORT— April 14

Weekly Support

		<u>April 14</u>
Budget envelopes used (307)	-	\$5,840.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 1,182.00
Online Giving (23 donors)	-	<u>\$ 470.00</u>
Total Budget	-	\$7,492.00

This weekend's second offering is the Monthly Offering for April. Next weekend's second offering will be the Ongoing Maintenance Fund Offering.

Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

APRIL 21, 2013

From the Pastor...

This weekend we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Easter which is known as **Good Shepherd Sunday** and is traditionally designated as **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. We are blessed to have a diocesan seminarian, Stephen Battey, from our parish. While we should always pray for vocations, particularly on this weekend I ask you to offer a prayer that more young men and women will consider the call to priesthood or religious life. It would be wonderful to see more of our parishioners consider a religious vocation.

Spring seems to have sprung and it is again time to begin our **20 Week Club!!** Tickets go on sale after all the Masses next weekend and will also be available from the parish office during the week. I have been a member of quite a few of these clubs over the years and I can assure you that the **St. Francis 20 Week Club has some of the most generous prizes and a fantastic social event at the end**. Anyone who attended last year's event would certainly attest to the great meal that Ginger from Belmont's prepared for us. It was a great evening. The **Club is \$5.00 per week for 20 weeks for a total of \$100**. That qualifies you for weekly prizes as well as the grand prizes to be drawn in October. Additionally, if you pay the full \$100 up front, you qualify for other special prizes. Who knows?? You could be a lucky winner – but only if you buy a ticket! Thanks for supporting our parish by joining the **20 Week Club and good luck!**

Finally, have you made a donation to the **2013 Catholic Charity Appeal** yet? We are gradually moving toward our goal of \$103,000. But we still have a ways to go and we are counting on your participation. I am grateful to those who have already contributed generously and I would like to see us meet or even exceed our goal very soon. The yellow Appeal envelopes are still available at the entrances of the church. You may drop it in the collection basket, mail it to the rectory or even go on line and make a credit card contribution directly. Every gift is important!

Msgr. Theroux



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, April 21

8:50-9:50am GRADES 1 & 2 (FGC)
GRADE 7 (FGC)

9:50-10:50am GRADE K (HBH)

10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-5 (FGC)
GRADE 6 (HBH)
GRADE 8 (HBH)

Monday, April 22

7:00pm Confirmation I Class (FGC)
Last Class

Thursday, April 25

First Communion Families begin
Family Novena for First Holy
Communion



This Week

Sunday, April 21

See Rel. Ed. Class schedule above
5:30-7:00pm PRAISE! Rehearsal
(FGC)

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, April 22

7:00pm Confirmation I LAST CLASS

Tuesday, April 23

7-9:00pm Bible Study - (FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Thursday, April 25

2pm Mass at Brightview Commons

4-7:30pm Jonnycake Center

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner (FGC)

6:30pm 20 Week Club Mtg. (HBH)

Grill the Priests

Friday, April 26th, 7pm at Dave & Buster's, Providence Place, Providence

Have questions about the Catholic faith or know someone who does? All young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to Grill the Priests, a chance to grill a panel of seven priests about any aspect of Catholicism. Tickets are \$15 each and include a full buffet; cash bar available. Buy one for yourself, a friend or the young adult in your life!

Tickets may be purchased at <http://tinyurl.com/grillthepriests>

For more information, please contact Lisa Gulino at lgulino@dioceseofprovidence.org or visit the Young Adult Ministry page at www.discovercatholicfaith.org or call 401-278-4646.



H.S. YOUTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS!

April 28th Youth Group
7-9pm in the Upper Room
Saturday, May 18th
Day Trip to St. Therese Shrine
Sunday, May 26th
Memorial Day Cookout, Time TBD

We would also like to thank all of the youth who showed up at the Lock-in! We had a fantastic time and look forward to seeing you at upcoming events.

The Good Shepherd—A Reflection

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

"I give them eternal life." Shepherds want their sheep to thrive. They want their sheep to stay safe, to eat well, to be healthy and happy—the shepherd's livelihood depends on it. Christ is our shepherd.

Lord, You and the Father are one, and you invite me to be one with you. I can't get over how strange it is that you, Creator of all things, deign to come into my life and address me, guide me, and patiently invite me to follow you and assume responsibility in your Kingdom. You and I both know that I don't deserve this kind of attention. It flows from your abundant goodness, which will never dry ...

Only you know how hot the desire for meaning and fruitfulness burns in my heart. How strange this life is! It is so full of joys and sorrows and yet so incomplete. You are the bread of life. Keep guiding me, Lord; keep leading me. You know what I need and hope for—you are my hope. Never let me slow down or be satisfied when you still have more in store for me...

20 WEEK CLUB

Don't miss out on a great opportunity to help your parish and chances to win some great prizes culminating with an enjoyable evening catered by Ginger of Belmont's Catering and live entertainment.

TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES NEXT WEEKEND APRIL 27/28 and will be available through the parish office, Monday through Friday, 9am—4pm.

Please consider being a "Captain" by selling tickets to family, friends and parishioners. If interested, please call Jean McGair at 783-1633, Ellen Schwab at 789-7707 or Kelli in the parish office at 783-4411.



Food
Pantry
Needs

FOOD OF THE MONTH

The food and commodities needs for the month of April are: cereal, canned tuna and meats and toilet tissue. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

HOLD THIS DATE!

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

This year's Strawberry Festival will be held at the Wakefield Baptist Church on Main Street on Thursday, June 27th. It is a silent auction with music and strawberry shortcake. All revenue raised to benefit Welcome House. Need donations for items for auction. Please contact Anne Cooney, 783-7034, annie19@cox.net.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Parents & guardians, now is the time to get your Tuition Assistance forms from your child's Catholic Elementary School. Stop into the school's office sometime in the next couple of weeks and pick up that form. Turn the completed form into the parish office no later than April 30th so that we can complete our budget. Parish Assistance is awarded on a need basis for children in Grades K-8. Grades 9-12 may apply for assistance through the school office to the diocesan Francis Ward Fund. Contact the school office for details.