

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 31

4:30pm Joseph Racca

Requested by family

Sunday, June 1

8:00am Mass for the People

10:00am Mary and Timothy Laffey and

Maureen Laffey Barratt—*Req. by family*

12:00NN MaryAnne Maciocio

Requested by family

Monday, June 2

7:00am Msgr. Cornelius J. Holland

5th Pastor—58 years

Tuesday, June 3

7:00am Rosemary Walsh

Requested by Kathleen and Jeff

Wednesday, June 4

7:00am Walter DiPrete

Requested by Dolores DiPrete

Thursday, June 5

7:00am Brian Fay

Requested by Greg and Jeanne Behie

Friday, June 6

7:00am Angelina Vieira

Requested by Greg and Jeanne Behie

Saturday, June 7

4:30pm Robert Wilson

Requested by Concetta

Sunday, June 8

8am Chi Thi Anna Tran & Thanh John Ha

Requested by family

10:00am Edward G. Haslam, Jr.

Requested by Cindy, Trish and Meredith

12:00NN Irving P. Mason, Jr.

Birthday Remembrance



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 31

5:30pm William & Genevieve Wajda

Requested by family

Sunday, June 1

8:00am Marsocci & Marchand families

Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci

10:00am Paul & Cecile Perreault-52 Anniv.

Requested by family

Saturday, June 7

5:30pm Salvatore and Mary Rossi

Requested by James Rossi

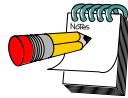
Sunday, June 8

8:00am Holly and Brad Friel

Requested by family

10:00am Constance Andrews

Requested by Jerry and Karen Shepherd



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Rosemary Walsh. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of Michael Cooney.

WHEELCHAIR DONATION

A wheelchair was recently donated to St. Romuald Chapel by Martha Riley, parishioner and former rectory housekeeper. We thank you, Martha, for your generosity and assure you of our continued prayers!

FLOWER BOXES

Have you been admiring the gorgeous flower boxes on your way into the chapel? We have those beautiful boxes thanks to the generosity and talents of Joe and Myrna Cesario. You really know how to give greater glory to God. Thank you for sharing your gifts with all of us!

EVENT COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR NEW FACES!

The next Event Committee Meeting is Monday, June 2nd in Helen Bouchard Hall. An event is being planned for the fall and we encourage and invite anyone who is interested in joining the committee to come to this meeting. New ideas and suggestions are encouraged. We hope to see you there!

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. Can you name the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit? Go to page 3 for the answer.



Please don't forget to return your Catholic Charity Appeal envelope with your donation.

Every gift helps us toward our goal of \$103,070.

Received to date:
\$91,582



PARISH SUPPORT— May 25, 2014

Weekly Support

		May 25
Budget envelopes used (309)	-	\$ 6,446.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 2,272.00
Online Giving (# of donors 40)	-	\$ 952.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,670.00

This weekend's second offering will be the Monthly offering for June. Next weekend's second offering will be for Catholic Communications.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

JUNE 1, 2014

THE LITTLE ORATORY:

A Beginner's Guide to Praying in the Home

Friend and fellow sacred artist David Clayton, in association with Leila Marie Lawler, has written a wonderful book entitled *The Little Oratory: A Beginner's Guide to Praying in the Home*. Sophia Institute Press published this book in the spring of 2014.

In a beautiful writing style that is truly accessible to all readers, Clayton and Lawler explain the purpose of a home oratory, the role that prayer, chant, and sacred art can play in the life of an individual or family, and the significance of maintaining a faith filled prayer life with young and adolescent children.

The word oratory derives from the Latin *oratorium*, and *orare*, which means *to pray*. An oratory is a sacred space set aside for prayer and meditation. A little oratory refers to a space within a home that is recognized as the home's sacred space, and which is used as a focal point for individual and family prayer. It may be small as a simple shelf containing a crucifix and sacred art, or it could be a larger corner table space. The authors perform a marvelous service in reviewing all the questions that a family, single parent, or individual, will face in designing their home's sacred space.

I was happy to read chapters and sections that describe how to keep children on track during prayer, the length of a daily prayer time, leadership of the family prayer group, praying with a breviary (*The Divine Office*) and Holy Scripture. There are also sections on how to introduce the rosary into family life, and many other valuable and pertinent issues such as the role that chant and sacred art plays in the life of today's Roman Catholic.

The Little Oratory is divided into twelve chapters and eight appendices. It contains lovely in-text illustrations by Deirdre M. Folley, and eight sacred images drawn and painted by David Clayton. These sacred images by Mr. Clayton may be separated from the binding of the book so that they can be framed and prayed with during each liturgical season of the year. They also provide for you a publisher's website through which you can download additional images and line drawings that may be used for children's activities.

You may ask why does each Catholic home need a little oratory? Good question, for the answer reaches to the heart of who we are as 21st century Catholics. It is obvious that we are surrounded by a secular society that bombards us with continuous messages that can easily distract and exhaust us. In response to this onslaught we need to make a space within our homes that is a quiet and reflective corner that focuses on God and will allow us to recharge our minds and rest our souls. This sacred space will be a visual reminder of the holy presence of God, the Blessed Mother, the angels and saints in our lives. So our little oratory acts as a bridge between our homes, our parish church, and the Lord Himself. It is a link that connects us with Divine Word, Song, and Image during the course of our week. Through the authors' efforts families and individuals relearn, or learn for the first time, the necessity of understanding and respecting the idea of a sacred prayer space in the home.

The Little Oratory - A Beginner's Guide to Praying in the Home is a valuable and resource filled book. Every Catholic that reads it will come away refreshed and filled with ideas on how to bring the life of the Church into their home. It can be purchased on-line or through any major bookstore. This paperback's cover price is \$19.95.

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Religious Education

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

Religious Ed classes have ended for the year.

Catechists: If you have not returned your teacher's manual please bring them to the Rel. Ed. Office.



This Week

Sunday, June 1

5:30-7pm PRAISE! Rehearsal

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, June 2

5:00pm Vacation Bible School Mtg.
(FGC)

6:30pm Event Committee Mtg. (HBH)

Tuesday, June 3

7:45am Finance Council Mtg. (MCCR)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Thursday, June 5

2:00pm Mass at Scallop Shell N&R

6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.

Friday, June 6

6:30pm Stations of the Cross (SRC)

7:00pm Holy Rosary (SRC)

7:00pm Parenting Group (Upper Room)

ATTENTION

all families with 8th grade students at Msgr. Clarke

Registration for our Confirmation program is required for Catholic Middle School students who are currently in grade 8. Please call the Religious Ed. Office at 792-8684 to register.

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Memorial Day — Labor Day

We'll be closing the office
on Fridays at 12Noon.

SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



GIFT OF COUNSEL: This gift frees us from the agony of making hard decisions all by ourselves. We can turn to the Holy Spirit for help and guidance. Sometimes this takes place in the sacrament of penance. At other times the gift of counsel reaches us through our fellow Christians who are ready to listen to our problems and help us.

GIFT OF WISDOM: This gift helps us see that there is another viewpoint or vision of the world—God's. The Christian becomes aware through the gift of wisdom that life is open to many possibilities of God's saving grace and presence.

GIFT OF KNOWLEDGE: This gift broadens the minds and hearts of Christians so that when they come together they can learn and share with one another. We know who we are as Catholics by sharing together in worship, instruction and prayer.

GIFT OF UNDERSTANDING: This gift enables us to "stand under" or gain deeper insight into what we believe by faith. As an understanding community, the Catholic Church respects and encourages individual ways of expressing the one faith, shared in the Lord.

GIFT OF THE FEAR OF THE LORD: This gift fills us with the right kind of fear, namely, fear of separating ourselves from God our loving Father and from those we call brothers and sisters in Christ.

GIFT OF PIETY: The gift frees us to reverence and praise God in the worship and prayer life of the Catholic Church. It also helps Christians to see God's holiness reflected in other people and in nature itself.

GIFT OF FORTITUDE: The gift frees us to live firmly by faith instead of by fear. It helps Christians choose consistently the right way to live in spite of disappointments and difficulties. From this gift, the community of believers grows stronger and surer in the Spirit.



Food/Commodity FOR THE MONTH of June is: fruit juices, snacks, crackers, P&J. As always thank you for your continued generosity to those in need.

Please join us for:

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS AT 6:30PM

FOLLOWED BY

holy ROSARY AT 7:00PM
AT SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL

FOOD DRIVE

The Social Outreach Committee is again sponsoring a food drive to benefit The Jonnycake Center of Peace Dale's Vacation Breakfast and Lunch Program. This program benefits clients' children who participate in school nutrition assistance programs. Your generous donations will go toward helping these children enjoy healthy meals and snacks throughout their entire summer break. Foods being requested are juice boxes, fruit/granola snack bars, peanut butter and jelly. Please place donations in receptacles by the St. Francis statue in the church and by the front entrance at St. Romuald Chapel. Our St. Francis of Assisi parish family has always been generous when called upon to help those in need and we thank you for your continued generosity.



MARVELOUS MYSTERY
The Mass Comes Alive

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

will be held June 26th, 27th 30th and July 1st and 2nd from 8:30-11:30.

We will spend a week discovering more about the Mass and deepening our love for Jesus in the Eucharist through faith teachings, music, games, crafts, snacks and more!

Register by June 13th. Forms are at the entrance to the church.

Meeting for VBS adult volunteers on June 2nd at 5pm in Fr. Greenan Parish Center.