THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 29 4:30pm Vincent Joyce, Sr. Requested by family Sunday, June 30 8:00am Dagmar Pucella Pignataro *Requested by family* 10:00am Marjorie Meehan Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan 12:00NN Austin Grimes Requested by family Monday, July 1 7:00am Steven Schmidt Requested by John & Regina Blair Tuesday, July 2 7:00am Edward Cooney *Requested* by a friend Wednesday, July 3 7:00am John "Jack" Cain Requested by Anne Cooney Thursday, July 4 7:00am Mass for the People Friday, July 5 7:00am Dr. Leonard Staudinger *Requested by family* Saturday, July 6 8:00am First Saturday Mass 4:30pm Marguerite Jarbeau Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon Sunday, July 7 8:00am Nicholas Duckworth Requested by family 10am Dr. Charles Farrell & Susan Marie Hogan *Requested by family* 12:00NN Mass for the People



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 29 5:30pm John Simpson Requested by Renny and family Sunday, June 30 8:00am Geraldine DePersia *Requested by Henry family* 10:00am Jeanne Dorie Marvin Requested by Kathleen Dwyer Saturday, July 6 5:30pm Cecelia V. Driscoll Requested by family Sunday, July 7 8:00am Grace & John Carpinelli *Requested by family* Helen & Mary Coffey 10:00am Requested by family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Jack, Rusty & Bruce.

FOOD OF THE MONTH

Peanut butter and jelly and lunch snacks.



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS will be held on Friday, July 5th at 6:30PM in St. Francis Church. One of our parish priests will be available from 6:30-7:15pm for confession. *Simply use the door to the Reconciliation Room right by the elevator, so as to avoid walking through the sanctuary.* We hope that this additional time for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be convenient for those who

are unable to go on Saturdays. If you have never participated in devotions before, consider joining us for this special time of prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Eucharistic Adoration, readings, prayers and hymns constitute the devotions, which conclude with Benediction. We hope you can join us!



2013 PARISH CATHOLIC CHARITY GOAL **\$103,000** Donations received to date: **\$97,731.00** 95% of goal

PARISH SUPPORT— June 23rd

<u>Weekly Support</u> Budget envelopes used (329) Loose Donations Online Giving (# of donors 25) Total Budget	- - -	June 23rd \$5,006.00 \$2,272.00 <u>\$575.00</u> \$7,853.00
<u>Mission Co-op</u> Budget Envelopes used (37) Other donations Total Mission Co-op Offering	- -	\$ 715.00 <u>\$3,668.00</u> \$4,383.00

This weekend's second offering is for the devastated tornado victims in Oklahoma. Next weekend's second offering will be the monthly offering for July.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

JUNE 30, 2013



Like last year, this summer's Fortnight for Freedom began on June 21st and will again continue through July 4th. Below is an excerpt from Cardinal Wuerl's homily from the opening Mass on June 21st, 2013.

At a time when religious freedom is threatened in our nation and around the world, the U.S. Catholic bishops first proposed and commemorated the Fortnight for Freedom last year to highlight the importance of religious liberty, the First Freedom in our Constitution's Bill of Rights. Dioceses across the country celebrated two special weeks of prayer, study, catechesis and public action, culminating in a Mass that I celebrated on July 4 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception where we offered prayers of thanks to God for the blessing of our nation's heritage of religious freedom.

The need for prayer, education and action in defense of religious freedom is all the more urgent this summer. In the coming days, the Supreme Court is expected to issue its rulings in cases involving the possible redefinition of marriage, and on Aug. 1, the Obama administration's "HHS mandate" is scheduled to go into effect for most religious non-profits, a measure that first of all gives the government the power to define religious ministries and also would force Catholic institutions to violate Church teaching on the dignity of all human life in order to provide health insurance coverage for their employees.

In early 2012, I joined other American bishops at an audience with Pope Benedict XVI in Rome, when he warned of "certain attempts being made to limit that most cherished of American freedoms, the freedom of religion." He said that U.S. bishops had told him of a troubling pattern by some civil leaders, "to reduce religious freedom to mere freedom of worship without guarantees of respect for freedom of conscience."

Those prophetic words show what is at stake with the HHS mandate and other measures and trends in our culture.

Our religious freedom is part of our DNA as Americans and as Catholics. During this Fortnight for Freedom, let us pray together, let us learn about our religious freedom and let us act to defend our First Freedom, our "most cherished liberty." As our nation's bishops have noted, we are Americans and Catholics, proud to be both, "grateful for the gift of faith which is ours as Christian disciples, and grateful for the gift of liberty which is ours as American citizens." $\sim Donald Cardinal Wuerl 6/21/2013$



The Religious Education Office is closed for the month of July.



Sunday, June 30 5:30-7pm PRAISE! Rehearsal (FGC) 7:00pm AA (HBH) First Friday, July 5

6:30pm Holy Hour at St. Francis with confessions from 6:30-7:15.

First Saturday, July 6 8:00am 1st Saturday Mass

Independence Day Prayer God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being. Help us to continue a good work begun long ago.

Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth.

Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in the common good of all.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.





Calling high school teens who sing or play an instrument~

- S Are you looking to worship in a special way?
- Do you desire to deepen your faith with other teens in our parish?

Our Praise! ensemble continues to rehearse throughout the summer.

Come give us a try! Our rehearsals are very relaxed and we have lots of fun (and pizza).

We rehearse in Fr. Greenan Center on Sundays in June 5:30-7pm; in July & August on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm.

Questions? Feel free to give me, Mimi Battey, a call at 792-8301 or chat with me after Mass or talk to any of our Praise! members.

Looking forward to welcoming YOU to our Praise! and joyful music to the Lord!



The Social Outreach Committee (SOC) would like to offer thanks to our parish community who responded so generously to our recent food drive for The Jonnycake Center of Peace Dale (JCC). As a parish, we donated 309 pounds of food to The JCC to be used for their Vacation Breakfast and Lunch Program. Thank you again for your continued generosity.



ALL PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED. HAVE A HAPPY & SAFE FOURTH OF JULY!

20 WEEK CLUB WINNERS:

WINNERS OF THE TWO WEEK 6 DRAWINGS OF \$25.00: #114—KAY BOUDREAU #136—JEAN KRUL CONGRATULATIONS!



Come and enjoy!!! Great music, exciting games, creative crafts, yummy snacks, action songs, skits and more! Our Cool Kingdom Party will have you excited about your faith and teach you about our blessed Mother Mary, the Queen of Heaven and her Son Jesus, the King of our lives!

Vacation Bible School is for children entering Grades K-4 in the fall.

When: August 5-9 from 8:30-11:30am

<u>Where</u>: St. Francis Church and Fr. Greenan Parish Center

<u>Cost</u> is \$45.00 per child. Please register by July 19th.

Registration forms may be found outside the Religious Ed Office in the lower church and on our website <u>www.stfranciswakefield.com</u> or we can email them to you just ask by calling 792-8684. For more information you can visit: www.catchat.ca/vacation-bible-school