

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### Mass Intentions

**Saturday, May 28**

5:30pm Dolores & Norman Iacuele  
*Requested by family*

**Sunday, May 29**

8:00am Dorothy M. Feipel  
*Req. by Mary Ann's co-workers*

10:00am Luke Joseph Clossick  
*Requested by family*

12:00NN For the Parish

**Monday, May 30**

7:00am Thomas Hepburn  
*Requested by family*

**Tuesday, May 31**

7:00am Emma Cole  
*Requested by friend*

**Wednesday, June 1**

7:00am Douglas Kirwin  
*Req. by Fred & Arlene Robinson*

**ASCENSION Thursday, June 2**

7:00am Msgr. Cornelius J. Holland  
*55th Anniv.—5th Pastor of St. Francis*

12:00pm Charles & Adeline McLaughlin  
*Requested by Joan Cavanaugh*

5:30pm Dr. Vincent Turco  
*Requested by family*

**First Friday, June 3**

7:00am Dr. Leonard Staudinger  
*Requested by wife*

**First Saturday, June 4**

8:00am First Saturday Mass—BVM  
5:30pm James DeLuca, Sr.

*Requested by family*

**Sunday, June 5**

8:00am Walter DiPrete  
*Requested by family*

10:00am Brad and Holly Friel  
*Requested by family*

12:00NN Bernard Toth  
*Requested by family*



### St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

**Saturday, May 28**

5:30pm William & Genevieve Wajda  
*Requested by family*

**Sunday, May 29**

8:00am John and Grace Carpinelli  
*Requested by family*

10:00am Mary Laffey  
*Requested by family*

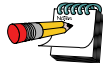
**Saturday, June 4**

5:30pm Frank Goodwin  
*Requested by family*

**Sunday, June 5**

8:00am Marchand & Marsocci families  
*Requested by Gerri Marsocci*

10:00am Margaret and Francis Dwyer  
*Requested by family*



### For Your Information

**PARISH SUPPORT** for May 22nd was Budget—\$8,516.50; Ongoing Maintenance—\$2,486. Next weekend's second offering will be the Monthly Offering for June. The Ascension Thursday offering is for the parish. Thank you for your continued generosity!

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Sally Gallo. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of all those who served in our nation's armed forces.

**SAVE THE DATES!!!**

As we all know, Father Nick is leaving us at the end of June. Be sure to catch him at one of the special receptions held in his honor the last two weekends of June: June 18/19th at St. Romuald Chapel following ALL Masses at the Matunuck Community Field House and on June 26th at St. Francis Church following the 12Noon Mass at Father Greenan Parish Center from 1-4:00pm. All are invited and encouraged to come and wish Father Nick all the best in his retirement.

**CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL**

Where we stand to date: Received: \$85,291 Goal: \$104,000. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**GREEN THUMB (OR TWO) NEEDED!**

Do you have an interest in gardening? Do you have a green thumb or a knack for maintaining plants? We need your help! We want our Easter greens to last as long as possible! They need to be re-potted and cared for with proper amounts of water throughout the year. They also need some occasional sunshine. Might you be willing to help us? Please call the rectory if you're interested in keeping our beautiful church adorned with vibrant, living plants throughout the year!

**TAIZE WRAP-UP: THANKS TO ALL**

Many thanks to Mimi Battey for organizing our recent Taize Prayer Service. The St. Francis Choir is to be commended for yet another outstanding job! In the wake of a busy Holy Week and May Crowning, the choir was generous with their time and talent in preparing the new Taize pieces. We are also grateful to our guest cellist and flautist who worked so well with Mimi and the choir in providing yet another inspiring and uplifting evening of prayer and song. Many thanks to Sr. Barbara for participating, and to Deacon Paul for the use of his original iconography.

**CALLING ALL ARTISTS**

If you are a painter, photographer, poet, writer, quilter, musician, sculptor, etc. - please join a new St. Francis Parish organization called The Fra Angelico Institute. The Institute will be a fraternity and guild of artists that are interested in creating artistic works that give glory to God, and who are willing to learn, share, create, and pray together so that we may, as Beato John Paul II has said, "contribute to creating a culture of beauty." High school students through senior citizens are welcome.

Contact Deacon Paul Iacono at [deaconiacono@cox.net](mailto:deaconiacono@cox.net) if you are interested. Many more details can be found on our new parish website under the Adult Education banner at:

[stfranciswakefield.com/fra-angelico-institute-for-the-sacred-arts/](http://stfranciswakefield.com/fra-angelico-institute-for-the-sacred-arts/).

**NEW TRANSLATION COUNTDOWN 26** weeks remain until the new translation of the Mass is implemented on November 27, 2011, the First Sunday of Advent.

MAY 29, 2011



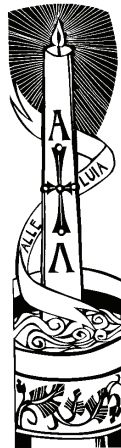
**NEW TRANSLATION PREVIEW:  
"AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT"**

In the new translation of The Roman Missal, one of the most noticeable changes comes in the short dialogue repeated four times during Mass: "The Lord be with you. / And with your spirit." The people's response is a more accurate translation of the Latin *Et cum spiritu tuo*. This translation also help us

to see the dialogue's roots in scripture. For example, in the letter to the Galatians, Saint Paul writes, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters" (6:18, NRSV; see also Philippians 4:23 and Philemon 25). Saint Paul is speaking of the special gifts of the Holy Spirit poured out upon them. In the liturgy, this dialogue is only used when an ordained minister presides. Some of the early Church Fathers interpreted this as an allusion to the gift of the Spirit given by Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Orders. At the beginning of Mass, at the reading of the Gospel, at the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer, and just before the blessing and dismissal, priest and people exchange this dialogue of prayer, seeking the Lord's presence in our midst.

**WHY DO WE NEED THE NEW TRANSLATION?**

Consider the opening prayer from last Saturday's Mass: "Father, may we whom you renew in baptism bear witness to our faith by the way we live. By the suffering, death and resurrection of your Son may we come to eternal joy." No doubt a nice prayer, but here is what the prayer actually says: "Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal." The words we use really matter and the new translation of the Mass texts constitutes a more precise and poetic articulation of our faith.



**NEW TRANSLATION NEWS:  
WHAT IS THE ROMAN MISSAL?**

The Roman Missal is the book that contains the prayers of the Mass. The English prayers we use at Mass are translated from the Latin originals, some of which date back more than a thousand years. When the first English translations were prepared following the Second Vatican Council, they were based on



a translation principle known as *dynamic equivalence*: the goal was to capture the spirit of each text, not to translate each word literally. In 2001, the Vatican published new guidelines for liturgical translation, calling for *formal equivalence*, that is, a literal rendering of the Latin originals. In order to adhere to these new guidelines, a new English translation was needed. In the United States, we will begin to use the new translation on November 27, 2011. There is an old axiom, *lex orandi, lex credendi*: the law of prayer is the law of faith. In other words, the way we pray shapes what we believe. The Roman Missal affects us all, because the words of our prayers express what we believe as a Church, and form us as the Body of Christ.



**This Week**

**Sunday, May 29**

6-7:30pm Praise Rehearsal (FGC)

7:00pm AA (HBH)

**Monday, May 30 MEMORIAL DAY**

ALL PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

**Tuesday, May 31**

7pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (loft)

**Wednesday, June 1**

7-8:30pm Praise Rehearsal (FGC)

**Thursday, June 2**

7pm Men of St. Joseph Prayer Mtg.

7pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (MCCR)

**First Friday, June 3**

NO FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

**Ascension  
Thursday**

THIS Thursday is The ASCENSION OF THE LORD, a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at St. Francis Church at 7:00am, 12:00NN and 5:30PM.

**Fatima—Signs of the Times  
What is Heaven Saying?**

**Saturday, June 4th,**

Starting at 1:00pm at

St. James Chapel, Charlestown, RI

Speakers:

Fr. Bob Bailey and Fr. Paul Desmarais

Come hear the significant and historical events surrounding the Fatima message. Seminar will conclude with

First Saturday Devotion of

**4:00pm Rosary, Adoration &  
Confession**

**5:15pm Mass**

The International Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the Chapel. This statue has traveled the world; blessed by several popes since 1947. In 2010, the current Bishop of Fatima blessed and rededicated this statue as a reminder of the message of peace and hope for the world.

Light refreshments will be served.

**For more information please call  
Judy at 934-0905 or  
Rosemarie at 932-6102**

## IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH: THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Today's readings witness to the cohesion that should exist between our lives of prayer and our everyday lives. In the First Reading, Philip invokes the Holy Spirit as a second stage of initiation into the Christian faith on those who had already been baptized. In this act, we see the roots of the Sacrament of Confirmation, that great sacrament of the Holy Spirit, which empowers us to witness to others about our faith in Christ and the Church. The Holy Spirit is required for us to live out the richness of baptismal grace. It is not enough to merely be a Christian, one must bring others to Christ as well! The power to do so comes to us in the context of the liturgy. In the Second Reading, Saint Peter speaks of the "life of the Spirit," a way of being in relationship with God that is fostered by prayer and the sacraments. And in the Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that our love for him (which is best expressed in prayer and liturgy) must also be a *lived* reality. *If you love me, then keep my commandments.* If we love Christ and unite ourselves to him through prayer and liturgy, then our lives must be transformed. Our liturgical experience as disciples must shape and inform our daily lives! If we cooperate with the abundant grace available to us in the sacraments and take advantage of liturgical prayer, then we will be transformed, more and more into the image of Christ our Savior.



Year of Liturgical  
and Spiritual Renewal



## CONGRATULATIONS

This past Tuesday, our parishioner John Dowd was instituted to the Ministry of Reader by Bishop Evans at St. Veronica's Chapel in Narragansett. John is preparing to be ordained a permanent deacon in 2013. We are blessed that John and his wife Cathy are a part of our parish family, and we are eager to make this journey toward ordination with him and his family. Receiving the Ministry of Reader constitutes a closer step toward ordination. The reader proclaims the readings from Sacred Scripture and is entrusted with the special office of instructing children and adults in the faith and of preparing them to receive the sacraments worthily. The Ministry of Reader precedes the Ministry of Acolyte, both of which are the modern adaptation of what were once known as "Minor Orders," various blessings one would receive in preparation for ordination. Please keep John and Cathy in your prayers and offer your congratulations the next time you see them!

## HONORING OUR BLESSED MOTHER

First Saturdays have traditionally been set aside by the Church as special days to honor our Blessed Mother. Please join us on Saturday, June 4th in Saint Francis Church at 8:00AM for a



simple Mass in honor of Mary. Those who are members of the parish Militia Immaculata or who would like to join the MI are especially welcome, but this Mass is open to everyone! Join us as we invoke Mary's powerful intercession for our world and our parish. Bring a friend or two or three...

## YOUTH CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (YCLI)

YCLI is an outstanding opportunity for youth between the ages of 14 and 19 who are now or will be in parish or school leadership roles. The Institute offers an opportunity for leadership development through an intense period of learning and community living. The goals of YCLI are to foster the leadership potential of each individual and to heighten his/her awareness of the responsibilities and need for youth leadership in a high school or parish community and in the larger Catholic community. YCLI 2011 will be held from Monday, June 27 to Friday, July 1 and is staffed by a team of diocesan, school and parish leaders specially trained by the Office of Catholic Youth Ministry. Our own Fr. Joe will be a part of the YCLI team this coming year. The program is held at the Father Marot Youth Center in Woonsocket which boasts a full size gym, a beautiful chapel, air conditioning and accessibility to the local YMCA pool. Please speak with Fr. Joe ASAP if you or your child might be interested in participating in this unique opportunity Catholic youth!

Don't forget to check out our  
NEW parish website:

<http://stfranciswakefield.com>