



Saturday, May 23

5:15 p.m. Manuel & Maria Sousa (Maria D'Alu)

Sunday, May 24

7:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. Joe Minior (Family)

Monday, May 25

7:00 a.m. In Honor of All Service Men & Women
(S.S.G. Valerie A. Butler - Retired)

Tuesday, May 26

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass at Good Shepherd

Wednesday, May 27

7:00 a.m. Stanley Rak (Saint Stan's Seniors)

Thursday, May 28

No Holy Mass celebrated today

Friday, May 29

7:00 a.m. Deceased of the Dawicki Family

Saturday, May 30

5:15 p.m. Living & Deceased of the Cichon & Piszcz Families (Family)

Sunday, May 31

7:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. Edward P. Niewola (Boyko Memorial Funeral Home)

NO ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

this Monday due to the holiday. See you next week!

HOLY ROSARY SODALITY

Prayer Intention: For all mothers and women, that they embrace the loving example of Mary, the Mother of God, and for the young people in our parish who recently received the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Priscilla Barton, Dorothy L., MaryJane W., Bill Larson, Matt & Cindy Greaney, and Edward Couto

To request prayers for a loved one or friend, contact Father Johnson or Eileen Hadfield at 401-662-7694.

NO BIBLE STUDY ON SAT., MAY 23

We resume on Sat., May 30 at 6:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Hall.

SAINT STAN'S SEMINARIAN

at St. John's in Brighton is Larry Valliere. Let's keep him in our prayers and support him with a note of encouragement every now and then.

Mr. Larry Valliere
St. John's Seminary
127 Lake Street
Brighton, MA 02135

MEMORIAL CANDLES

Sanctuary: Sally Grygiel & Ruth Tremblay; *O.L.C.:* Manuel & Maria Sousa (Daughter, Maria D'Alu); *Divine Mercy:* In Thanksgiving for Mothers Living & Deceased; *St. John Paul II:* Rose Dawicki

From Father Johnson

HOLY ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This Sacrament is known by several names. Those of riper years will remember when it was called Extreme Unction, because it was the last (extreme) anointing (unction) before a Catholic died. It can still be called this when it is given at the point of death. Sometimes it is called the Last Rites, but that really means the Sacrament of Holy Anointing or Extreme Unction with the added prayers for the dying that accompany it. Thus, "Last Rites" really means the Liturgy for the Dying that has the Sacrament as its central and most important element. Perhaps most properly it is called Holy Anointing, since that is the sacred act that constitutes the Sacrament. Finally, it is called the Sacrament of the Sick, since that name points to its scriptural basis in the Letter of Saint James. Why do we Catholics consider this to be a true Sacrament? Here is the text from Saint James: "Are there people sick among you? Let them send for the priests of the church, and let the priests pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick persons and the Lord will raise them up. If they have committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven them." (James 5:14).

SAINT OF THE WEEK

26 May ~ Saint Philip Neri. Philip was born in Florence in 1515 and educated in the Dominican Friary of San Marco, renowned for its paintings by the Blessed Angelico. As a young man he moved to Rome where he took a room, living simply and studying the theology of Saint Thomas Aquinas. Little by little, his desire to study gave way to a desire to pray. In 1544, as he was praying, he had a profound mystical experience in which he saw a ball of fire enter his mouth and felt his heart expand with the burning love of the Holy Spirit. He had resisted ordination but finally was convinced by his friends that he could do more good as a priest; once ordained, his great loves were preaching and hearing confessions. His friends said that he was filled with such joy, he was constantly laughing. All those under his spiritual direction would meet together, read a book, discuss it, pray together, and then make a pilgrimage to one of Rome's churches or end the evening with music and song. All this was unconventional in the Rome of that day, and Saint Philip attracted much negative publicity from those who didn't understand what he was trying to do. At one point the Pope stopped him from hearing confessions, so great was the criticism. Philip immediately obeyed but was finally exonerated. His acquaintances in Rome were some of the greatest figures of the day: Ignatius Loyola, Charles Borromeo, Francis de Sales, Camillus de Lellis, and Felix of Cantalice, all saints. In 1575 in Rome he founded the Oratory, a religious order which continues today as a congregation for priests and lay brothers. Saint Philip is called the saint of joy and is the holy patron of comedians. Saint Philip Neri, pray for us!

SPECIAL THANKS to Donna Lapointe and the members of the Respect Life Ministry for the Baby Shower last Sunday in anticipation of the upcoming birth of our spiritually adopted babies. What a beautiful celebration of life, especially in this month dedicated to Mary, Our Blessed Mother!



Respect Life Ministry

It is this [merciful] love which must inspire humanity today, if it is to face the crisis of the meaning of life . . . and, especially, the duty to defend the dignity of every human person. Thus, the message of divine mercy is also implicitly a message about the value of every human being. Each person is precious in God's eyes; Christ gave his life for each one. ~ *St. Pope John Paul II, homily at canonization of St. Faustina, April 30, 2000*

Next Prayer Service for Life: Sat., June 6, at 8:45 a.m.



Spiritual Adoption Program

Thank you to all who attended the Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower, and thanks to those who were unable to attend in person but were there in spirit! Your prayers, well wishes, and generosity are very much appreciated. Keep praying for your little ones and their parents during this last month of pregnancy.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
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CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL: IT'S WHAT WE DO.

There is no such thing as a gift too small! Every contribution to the Catholic Charities Appeal is greatly appreciated and is an affirmation of the programs that concretely express the belief in the inherent value of every human life and the dignity of every individual. Please give as generously as you can to the 2015 Catholic Charities Appeal. Tens of thousands of people in southeastern Massachusetts are ministered to by the programs supported by the Appeal. 93 cents of every dollar donated go directly to the agencies and apostolates funded by the Annual Appeal.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

on Monday, May 25.

MASS INTENTIONS

On **Monday, June 1**, the Mass Book will be available for intentions from July through December, 2015. The 10:00 a.m. Mass on the following Sundays will be our community Masses (multiple intentions), **July 26 @ 10:00** at St. Stanislaus, **August 30** at Good Shepherd, **September 27** at St. Stanislaus, **October 25** at Good Shepherd, **November 29** at St. Stanislaus, and **December 27** at Good Shepherd. Out of fairness to all parishioners, there will be a limit of three Sunday and three Saturday intentions during the six month period. To schedule intentions, you may call the parish office at (508) 672-0423, email Paul at gfallriver@gmail.com, or visit the parish office Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

POLISH FOOD MAKING

Wednesday mornings following the 7:00 a.m. Mass. Please join us! Many hands are needed. No experience is necessary!

COLLECTION

Weekly, \$2,833.40; Monthly, \$1,277.40; Ascension, \$457; Nepal, \$231.25; Etc., \$299. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have 2 hours each week to play with young homeless children in one of our shelter-based Playspaces in New Bedford or Fall River? Call (508) 510-3250.

CHECK OUT OUR PARISH LIBRARY NOOK

Borrow or keep any book you find interesting and leave any spiritual books you'd like to share. Thanks to the Holy Rosary Sodality for sponsoring this great resource located in the narthex.

YOUTH GROUP

Meetings: 6/1 & 6/15, 6:30-8:30 / St. Stan's Festival: 6/4-6/7
Revolution Soccer game: 6/13 (leaving GS at 5pm) / CLI, 6/27-7/2

Contact: Deb Jezak: dmj10@live.com or 508-679-4348 or
Leanne Nelson: lnelsonyg@gmail.com or 508-989-5868

THE FESTIVAL JEWELRY BOOTH

needs good costume jewelry, as well as small and/or medium jewelry boxes. Donations can be left in the jewelry booth box in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your help!

SAINT STAN'S SENIORS

All buses leave from the Good Shepherd parking lot

Adele (508) 672-0030, Phyllis (508) 676-8378, Ann (508) 674-7355

Bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino: Thurs., June 4. \$16.00 includes bus fare, gratuity for driver, wheel & \$15.00 food voucher. Open to the public. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. Call Adele, Ann or Phyllis.

Bus Trip to Captain Jack's Lobster Bake & Foxwoods Casino: Wed., June 17. Captain Jack's famous full course lobster bake or prime rib and then on to Foxwoods Casino. Bonus free buffet or \$10.00 food voucher & \$10.00 free play. Luxury motor coach leaves at 9:30 a.m., returning at approximately 7:30 p.m. \$69.00 includes gratuity for driver. Open to the public. Call Phyllis.

Day trip to Ogunquit Playhouse, Ogunquit, ME: Thurs., July 30, for a performance of "Nice Work if You Can Get It," a Tony Award winning musical comedy starring Sally Struthers and set in the Roaring '20's to music by Gershwin. Lunch at Clay Hill Farms. Menu choices: Roast Pork Loin or Broiled Lemon Haddock. \$115.00/pp includes transportation, gratuity for driver, reserved seating at playhouse, dining room gratuities & taxes. Bus leaves at 9:30 a.m. and returns approximately 7:30 p.m. Call Phyllis.

QUO VADIS DAYS

The Diocese of Fall River is offering a five-day retreat for young men ages 14-18 to help young men deepen their faith and discern their vocation. Priests and seminarians of our diocese will provide conferences, spiritual guidance and fraternity. We will join together in prayer (Holy Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Liturgy of the Hours, and the Rosary), as well as enjoy hiking, swimming, flag football, soccer, ultimate Frisbee, and great food. July 6-10 at Betannia II Retreat Center in Medway, MA. See Father Johnson.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

In remembrance of our beloved deceased, Bishop da Cunha will celebrate Holy Mass in the original Mausoleum Chapel of Notre Dame Cemetery in Fall River on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, at 10:00 a.m.



FREE TICKETS!

Section 6, Row A

Call or visit the Parish Office.

Mon. May 26 7:05 p.m. vs. Scranton/Wilkes Barre
Tues. May 27 12:05 p.m. vs. Scranton/Wilkes Barre