



## Mass Intentions

### **Saturday, March 26**

7:00 p.m. People of the Parish

### **Sunday, March 27**

7:00 a.m. Intentions of Kurt, Matthew, Sean & Michael Hadfield

10:00 a.m. Those remembered with Easter Flowers

### **Monday, March 28**

7:00 a.m. Stanley Pruchnik (Wife, Felicia)

### **Tuesday, March 29**

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

### **Wednesday, March 30**

7:00 a.m. Joseph Minior (Wife, Esther)

### **Thursday, March 31**

No Holy Mass celebrated today

### **Friday, April 1**

7:00 a.m. Frederick & Jean Vitullo

### **Saturday, April 2**

5:15 p.m. In thanksgiving for graces and blessings (Valerie A. Butler)

### **Sunday, April 3**

10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Holy Rosary Sodality (Sodality)

**A Joyous & Blessed Easter to All!  
Wesolego Alleluja!**

**Christ is Risen! Alleluia!  
Christ is Truly Risen! Alleluia!**

### **HOLY ROSARY SODALITY**

**Prayer Intention:** In thanksgiving for the Sacraments of Initiation and for all who received these sacraments in our Parish this past year.

**Meeting:** Saturday, April 2. The Sodality will meet in the Church at 9:15 a.m. for the Rosary, with the meeting following.

### **COLLECTION REPORT**

Weekly, \$2,869; Jasna Gora, \$810; Etc., \$666. Thank you!

### **THIS YEAR'S PASCHAL CANDLE**

is donated in memory of David C. Dyer by Dolores Dyer.

## **Easter Vespers**

**Sunday, March 27, at 4:00 p.m.**

We will sing the official prayer of the Catholic Church, the Liturgy of the Hours, or the Divine Office.

**Come and experience the beauty of singing Evening Prayer with the Universal Church!**

## *From Father Johnson*

### **THE SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY**

The third spiritual work of mercy is to admonish sinners. How do we understand this? How can I set myself on a higher plane to preach to others, when I too am a sinner? The great preacher Father George Rutler tells us: "To admonish is not to accuse. Our Lord did not accuse the woman taken in adultery, but his merciful voice and consoling voice were a sufficient command for her correction. Jesus was bound and gagged when Peter denied him, unable to move or speak, but his mere glance was more powerful than a soldier's lance, piercing Peter's soul so that he wept." When love is the reason for our concern for the sinner, we can have an effect for the good. Another point to consider: what is sometimes called tough love is real love. When we exercise tough love, we are exercising true love, perhaps the truest love there is. We are admonishing the sinner because we love him.

### **SAINT OF THE WEEK**

**1 April ~ Saint Nuno Alvares Pereira.** Nuno was born in 1360, the illegitimate son of Don Alvaro Pereira, a Knight of Saint John of Jerusalem. After receiving the rights of the nobility, young Nuno was sent to court and went to battle for the first time at age thirteen. He married a noblewoman, Leonor de Alvim, and together they had three children. Their daughter married the future King of Portugal. At age 23, Nuno was placed in charge of the army of Portugal. He committed himself to intense prayer and fasted three times a week in honor of Mary. Nuno was sometimes seen on his knees in the midst of battle. He even consecrated his sword to the Blessed Virgin. On 14 August 1385, his army defeated the Castilians at Aljubarrota, giving Portugal full independence from Spain. After the battle, Nuno retired to his castle overlooking the town of Fatima. He gave away vast amounts of his wealth to veterans, children and orphans, and fostered devotion to the rosary and the scapular. He built churches and a Carmelite friary in Lisbon. In 1422, he entered that same house as a lay brother. He spent the rest of his years in prayer and humble service of the poor. Brother Nuno of Saint Mary died on Easter Sunday, April 1, 1431. He was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2009. He is patron saint of those who suffer from arthritis. Saint Nuno, pray for us!

### **RESPECT LIFE PRAYER INTENTION**

Pray that those who feel too ashamed to go to Confession will put aside their fears and trust in God's mercy.

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Monday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please use the school entrance.

### **MEMORIAL CANDLES**

**Sanctuary:** Deceased Members of the Mazurek Family (Mary Ann & Sean Portley); **Divine Mercy:** George Pereira; **O.L.C.:** Kathryn Proulx; **St. Pope John Paul II:** In Thanksgiving (John & Mary Lou)

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## 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*

**The next Respect Life Prayer Service:**  
Easter Saturday, April 2, at 8:45 a.m.

### RICE BOWLS

Please return your Rice Bowls by Sunday, April 3.  
Thank you for your generosity!

## *From Father Johnson*

### FROM THE YOUTH GROUP

**Why We Love Easter.** We love Easter because it is a time of joy and new life for us and the whole Church. Easter celebrates Christ's resurrection from the dead and is Christianity's most important holiday. We just journeyed through Lent as a time of penance and reflection looking forward to Easter, and remembered Jesus's suffering and death in Holy Week. We are a people of faith, hope, and love. We are Easter people, and Alleluia is our song! Easter is really an entire season of the Christian church year, as opposed to a single-day observance. The 50-day period following Easter Sunday is called Eastertide and includes a celebration of Jesus' ascension into heaven and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Easter time is when the flowers begin to blossom and the birds are chirping; even nature is celebrating resurrection! It's a time to be truly thankful because through the Paschal Mystery, Jesus saved us from our sins and gave us eternal life with Him.

### NO BIBLE STUDY THIS SATURDAY, MARCH 26.

We resume next Sat., Apr. 2, at 6:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Hall.



### CCD CLASSES resume

Next Sunday, April 3.

Divine Mercy Sunday & Easter Egg Hunt!

### YOUTH GROUP

- Sat., 4/2** 8:45 a.m. ~ Respect Life Prayer Service then CCD Easter Egg Hunt @ SS
- Sun., 4/3** 3:00 p.m. ~ Divine Mercy Prayer Service @ SS
- Mon., 4/4** 4:45-6:15 p.m. ~ Soup Kitchen
- Fri., 4/8** 6-9pm ~ Movie Night @ GS: "The Letters"
- Mon., 4/11** 5:00-7:30pm ~ "Learn Your Options" pro-life clinic
- Tues., 4/12** Int'l Pilgrimage Statue of Our Lady of Fatima & relics of Bl. Francisco & Bl. Jacinta Marto (St. Bernard, Assonet)
- Fri., 4/15** 6-8pm ~ Teamworks (\$10pp)
- Mon., 4/18** Shrine of Divine Mercy day trip. Leave & return to GS (food \$)
- Fri., 4/22** 6-9pm ~ "Minute to Win it" Game Night @ GS
- Sat., 4/23** Relics of St. Sharbel @ St. Anthony of the Desert, FR
- Mon, 4/25** 5:30-8:30pm ~ Adoration and meeting

Contact Leanne Nelson: [lnelsony@gmail.com](mailto:lnelsony@gmail.com) or 508-989-5868

## STORM HEAVEN WITH PRAYER!

### CONVOCATION TO ALL SOLDIERS OF CHRIST

Join the Spiritual Crusade to storm Heaven with prayers, particularly the Holy Rosary, *on the first day of each month*. You will be uniting your prayers and intentions to every Rosary Warrior in the world. Join us in forming a Spiritual Army of Rosary Warriors to besiege Heaven with prayer, and to spread the Light of Truth throughout America and the world.

### SAINT STAN'S SENIORS

Bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino. Thursday, April 7. \$16.00 includes bus fare, gratuity for driver, wheel, and \$15.00 food voucher. Open to the public. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. from Good Shepherd. Adele (508) 672-0030, Phyllis (508) 676-8378 or Ann at (508) 674-7355.

### CELEBRATE DIVINE MERCY IN THE YEAR OF MERCY!

Join EWTN on Sunday, April 3, for a full day of programming and live events devoted to Divine Mercy. Find EWTN in your area by visiting [www.ewtn.com/channelfinder](http://www.ewtn.com/channelfinder).

### THE 7 GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Fall River Diocesan Council of Catholic Nurses everyone to presentation on the "7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit," at St. Anne's Hospital on **Saturday, April 23**, from 8:30am to 11:15am. Presented by Rev. Patrick Magee, a Franciscan Hermit and a hospital Chaplain. Registration deadline: April 15. Fee: \$25.00. Contact Betty at (508) 678-2373.

## *Divine Mercy Sunday*



**Service of Prayer & Song**  
**Veneration of the Relic of St. Faustina**  
**St. Stanislaus Church**  
**Sunday, April 3**  
**3:00 p.m.**

### PROCLAIM & MAGNIFY 2016

Saturday, April 9, 9:00am to 3:00pm. Presented by Radio CorMariae (88.5 WPMW - [www.pmw.org](http://www.pmw.org)). This year's conference, "Light in the Darkness," is on living the faith in our troubled times. Join Zachary King, a former Satanic priest, and Charlie Johnston, a private visionary, as they illuminate the storm of "our culture of darkness" with clarity and reveal Our Lady's Plan of Triumph. Bishop Stang High School, 500 Slocum Road in Dartmouth, MA. Register online at <http://bpt.me/2517459> or call (508) 996-8274. Seating is limited. Register now!

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

*Mary (Dube) Seagrave, Priscilla Barton, MaryJane W., Bill Larson, Mary B., Matt & Cindy Greaney, Edward Couto, Alice Gauthier, Crystal Bedal, Debbie Reid, Ricky Nobrega & Steve Marchand.*

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