



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, April 2

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

### Sunday, April 3

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

### Monday, April 4

7:00 a.m. Vincenza Perrotti (Paula King)

### Tuesday, April 5

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

### Wednesday, April 6

7:00 a.m. Olivia Moura - Birthday Remembrance  
(Tom & Elaine Skibinski)

### Thursday, April 7

No Holy Mass celebrated today

### Friday, April 8

7:00 a.m. Joseph Murphy (Daughter, Pat Galkowski)

### Saturday, April 9

5:15 p.m. Valerie Polka - Birthday Blessings (Paula King)

### Sunday, April 10

10:00 a.m. Valerie Polka - Birthday Blessings (Senior  
Choir)

### HOLY ROSARY SODALITY

**Prayer Intention:** For the safety of all who perform corporal works of mercy; for our diocesan priests, seminarians and religious; and for an increase in vocations.

### MEMORIAL CANDLES

**Sanctuary:** Joyce Freitas (Birthday Intention); **Divine Mercy:** George & Olivia Moura (Tom & Elaine Skibinski); **O.L.C.:** Carole Boruch; **St. Pope John Paul II:** In Thanksgiving for all graces and blessings (Valerie A. Butler)

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

### AVAILABLE MASS INTENTIONS

May 13 & 23, and June 24, 27 & 29 at 7:00am.

## Divine Mercy Sunday



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

## From Father Johnson

### THE SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

The fourth spiritual work of mercy is to comfort the afflicted or the sorrowful. This is an easy one! Human nature seems to contain an inborn capacity to reach out to comfort those who are suffering. What makes it specifically Christian is our understanding of Jesus, the Man of Sorrows, who though he was so afflicted in his Passion and Death, was filled with an infinite empathy for us sinners. In his agony, he still prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." How do we best comfort the sorrowing, aside from the assurance of our presence and aid? By reminding them that there is an eternal life waiting for all who do God's will and keep his commands, where all sorrow, all affliction will be blotted out by unending joy.

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

**8 April ~ Saint Julie Billiart.** Julie was born in 1751, the child of well-off parents in Cuvilly, in the north of France. As a teen she was already very involved in the parish, teaching the younger children their catechism. When she was 22, she was sitting at home with her father when an unknown person shot at him through an open window. He was unhurt, but Julie suffered a severe nervous shock. By the age of 30, she was bedridden. Still, the neighborhood children flocked to her bedside to learn about Jesus. In 1789, at the height of the French Revolution, Julie was carried from her bed into hiding for three years. Afterwards, after meeting another saintly lady named Frances de Bourdon, the two founded the Sisters of Notre Dame, for the education of children, especially the poor. That same year, Julie experienced a miraculous recovery while praying a novena to the Sacred Heart. Her legs, now healed, would carry her on over 100 journeys to establish the Order. Julie centered the spiritual life of her sisters on their preparation for the classroom, so that they "might live alone with God, even in the midst of a large class of children." Since her death in 1816, her Order has spread to five continents. Saint Julie Billiart, pray for us!

### RESPECT LIFE PRAYER INTENTION

For those who are poor, sick, unborn, and elderly; may they know the Father's great love and find acceptance and help through the care of our Christian community.



### BIBLE STUDY

Come and be refreshed by the Word. Join Father Johnson as we study the Sunday readings on Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Hall. Everyone is welcome!

[Facebook.com/stanislausfallriver](https://www.facebook.com/stanislausfallriver)

Twitter and Instagram: Search for @saintstans

# Respect Life Ministry

**Help me, O Lord,** that my eyes may be merciful, so that I will never be suspicious or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbors' souls and come to their rescue.

**Help me,** that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbors' needs, and not be indifferent to their pains and moanings.

**Help me, O Lord,** that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak negatively of my neighbor, but have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all.

**Help me, O Lord,** that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbors and take upon myself the more difficult and toilsome tasks.

**Help me,** that my feet may be merciful, so that I will hurry to assist my neighbor, overcoming my own fatigue and weariness. My true rest is in the service of my neighbor.

**Help me, O Lord,** that my heart may be merciful, so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor. I will refuse my heart to no one.

~ St. Faustina (Diary, 163)

**The Lord is alive and wants to be sought among the living. After having found him, each person is sent out by him to announce the Easter message, to awaken and resurrect hope in hearts burdened by sadness, in those who struggle to find meaning in life...as joyful servants of hope, we must announce the Risen One by our lives and by our love; otherwise we will be only an international organization full of followers and good rules, yet incapable of offering the hope for which the world longs. ~ Pope Francis' Homily, Easter Vigil, Holy Saturday, Mar. 26, 2016**

## COLLECTION REPORT

Weekly, \$2,506; Retired Priests, \$1,152; Holy Thursday, \$747; Good Friday, \$912; Dioc. Assessment, \$258; Easter Food sale, \$1,587; Etc., \$660. Thank you!



## CCD CLASSES FOR APRIL:

April 3, 10 & 24

### YOUTH GROUP

**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

## 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).

## DINE TO DONATE NIGHT

Help raise funds for the school! Saint Stanislaus School: Thursday, April 14, at the Taphouse Grille, 159 South Main Street, Fall River. Taphouse Grille will donate 35% of both eat-in and take-out purchases from 5-7pm. Please bring the flyer inserted in the bulletin with you. For information, visit [www.taphousegrille.com](http://www.taphousegrille.com).

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.