



**Saturday, January 7**  
5:15 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of The Holy Rosary Sodality

**Sunday, January 8**  
10:00 a.m. Manuel V Pimental Jr 13th Anniversary

**Monday, January 9**  
7:00 a.m. Antonetta Santoro 9th Anniversary (Paula King)

**Tuesday, January 10**  
8:00 a.m. Holy Mass at Good Shepherd

**Wednesday, January 11**  
7:00 a.m. John & Sally Grygiel (Family)

**Thursday, January 12**  
No Holy Mass

**Friday, January 13**  
7:00 a.m. Joseph, Lena, & Helen Duarte

**Saturday, January 14**  
5:15 p.m. Joan Winiarski (Dr Jeremiah & Virginia Lowney)

**Sunday, January 15**  
10:00 a.m. Pro Populo

### Holy Rosary Sodality

*Intention:*

That all prisoners of the world will receive our Lord’s peace and strength to endure their hardships, and for the return of lapsed Catholics.

### Memorial Candles

**Sanctuary:** Healing & Blessings Jose Sousa;  
**Divine Mercy:** George Pereira; **O.L.C.:** Charlotte Czepiel Birthday Blessings; **St. Pope John Paul II:** Special Intention

### Financial Blessings

1/1  
Weekly Collection \$ 1,999.00  
Mother of God \$ 644.00  
Initial Offering \$ 430.00  
Etc. \$ 748.00  
Thank You!

Any time anyone wants to give a gift that will not be subject to the diocesan assessment, please just put your donation in an envelope and mark it “Maintenance and Repairs.” It will be used entirely by the parish.

## From Father Johnson

### HOLY MASS

**The Preface:** The dialogue before the Preface had ended with the people solemnly saying that it is “right and just to give thanks to the Lord our God.” This gives the Preface of the Mass its main subject, no matter what season or saint is being celebrated: Thanksgiving. Eucharist is from the Greek word, eucharistia, that means just that, “thanksgiving.” Whatever season or saint is being celebrated, the Preface gives thanks to God for the mystery of our salvation, the source and summit of which is the Eucharist we are celebrating. In the Preface, we are caught up in a never-ending circle of praise and thanksgiving. Here is a sample of one of the oldest Prefaces in our liturgy: “It is right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, Holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him the angels praise your Majesty, Dominions worship it, and Powers stand in awe. Heaven and the Virtues of Heaven, with the Blessed Seraphim, rejoice to sing their joy. With them, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim: Holy, holy, holy.” The great message of the Preface is that we at Mass are participating in the heavenly liturgy, that we are one with the angels in heaven as we worship. Therefore, all our liturgy must be done with awe and reverence.

*Next Week: A Liturgy worthy of God!*

### Saint of the Week

**12 January Saint Anthony Mary Pucci**

He was born in 1819 to a pious peasant family in a village about 20 miles north of Florence, Italy. When he was eighteen, he entered a Servite monastery in Florence, and was ordained a priest in 1843. He was immediately assigned as an assistant at Saint Andrew’s parish in the coastal town of Viareggio, becoming pastor there in 1847. Anthony was to spend the remaining 45 years of his life in that same parish, fulfilling all his pastoral duties with the deepest love and humility. He was quiet, reserved even, but made an effort to know each of his parishioners individually. He especially devoted himself to hearing confessions and instructing children. Anthony promoted the work of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, and worked tirelessly visiting the sick during two separate cholera epidemics. But his heart was most especially given to the poor. They, in turn, grew to have a great love for the man they called “il curation” the “little parish priest.” Though he served for a time as superior of his Order, he remained faithful to his work in the parish. At the age of 73, he caught pneumonia after having given his coat to a poor man he met on the street. He died soon after in 1892 and was canonized by Pope John XXIII in 1962. *Saint Anthony Mary Pucci, pray for us.*

### Respect Life Prayer Intention

For our national and local leaders; may they follow the example of the Three Kings by seeking God and serving him and his people, especially the unborn, the poor, and the outcast.



# Respect Life Ministry

My brothers and sisters in Christ, like the Magi and the shepherds before us, we are making our Christmas journey to see the new born savior. Centuries ago, gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh greeted the infant Jesus. People in need of God's love rejoiced in the news of his birth and offered gifts of gratitude. This Christmas, let us also visit the manger and give the gift of ourselves... We discover the fragile innocence of hope in the eyes of a new born baby, wrapped in swaddling clothes. Mary and Joseph welcomed this young hope, for Jesus made known, in his very Person, the promise of "great joy that will be for all people." We can nurture that same hope today. We do this by greeting one another in love and charity, embracing civility and not letting our differences hide the dignity and beauty of God has given each of us as his children.

Cardinal DiNardo, President USCCB, Christmas Message 2016, The Gift of Ourselves

The next Respect Life Prayer Service will be on Saturday, February 4th at 8:45am.

## Seniors' News

**Mohegan Sun Casino**, Thursday February 2. \$16 per person includes bus fare, gratuity for driver, wheel and \$15 food voucher. This trip is open to the public. Bus leaves at 8:30am from Good Shepherd Parish parking lot on South Main St. For more information or reservations call Phyllis 508-676-8378, Adele 508-672-0030, or Ann 508-674-7355.

## Parish Prayer Intentions

*Priscilla Barton, MaryJane W., Bill Larson, Mary B., Matt & Cindy Greaney, Alice Gauthier, Crystal Bedal, Debbie Reid, Ricky Nobrega, Steve Marchand, Rita Cabral, Rebekah Ponte, Kim & Anne Fischer, Beatrice Moniz, Michael Facchini, Rose Facchini, Lois K, Marc, Patricia O'Brien, Anne Marie Hallisey, Kathleen Correia, Pat Cabral, Barbara Howard, Ann & Paul Zygiel, Denny & Joe Bucko, Donald Vezina, Marie Gsgnon, Rita Littlefield & Family.* In thanksgiving for all graces and blessings received. To request prayers for a loved one or friend, contact Father Johnson or Leanne Nelson at 508-678-7412.

## STORM HEAVEN WITH PRAYER!



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.

Citizens For Citizens Fuel Assistance Program  
Are you having trouble paying your fuel bill?

In the Fall River area call: 508-676-7397 or 508-679-0041

In the Taunton area call: 508-823-6346

## BIBLE STUDY

January 14th at 6:30pm in Good Shepherd Hall. Join us as we pray and study the Sunday Mass readings. It will be The Second Sunday in Ordinary time. Is 49:3,5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34 (64)

**FROM THE PASTOR:** In order to save money, we have changed our contract with the Waltz Company, the budget envelope people. Along with other changes, they will no longer be sending out a yearly record of your donations for tax purposes. If you wish to receive an official letter from the parish that will serve as an official document for the IRS, please call the parish office and make a request soon after the New Year. Only if you ask for this will you receive it. To repeat, Waltz will no longer be sending out your record of yearly contributions. The parish will issue such a document, but only if you request it.

## 2016-2017 SAINT STANISLAUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

All at 6:30 p.m.

2/14/17 Parish Council

2/28/17 Finance Council

5/16/17 Parish Council

5/30/17 Finance Council