



Saturday, February 11
5:15 p.m. Joan Winiarski (Dr Jeremiah & Virginia Lowney)

Sunday, February 12
10:00 a.m. Father Kaszynski 2nd Anniversary (Family)

Monday, February 13
7:00 a.m. Jennie Kostka (Son)

Tuesday, February 14
8:00 a.m. Holy Mass at Good Shepherd

Wednesday, February 15
7:00 a.m. Michael & Wanda Zwolinski

Thursday, February 16
No Holy Mass

Friday, February 17
7:00 a.m. Walenty & Apolonia Nowacki

Saturday, February 18
5:15 p.m. Mr & Mrs Fernando Pereira

Sunday, February 19
10:00 a.m. Nora Torres (Jan)

Holy Rosary Sodality

Intention:

That Christian refugees will find the assistance and acceptance they need, and for the return of lapsed Catholics.

Memorial Candles

Sanctuary: Birthday Blessings Maria D’alu;
Divine Mercy: Birthday Intentions of Denis Butler (Teri & Val); **O.L.C:** Fern & Seff Anniversary Blessings -56 years; **St. Pope John Paul II:** Father Kaszynski

Financial Blessings

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First Collection: \$ 3,033.50
Black & Indian Mission: \$ 704.00
Etc: \$ 506.00

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. Please do NOT use budget envelopes for this, by crossing out the collection name. Use a fresh envelope. Thanks!

From Father Johnson

HOLY MASS

Clouds of Witness: The Catholic is never alone in worshipping God. Besides the priest and other ministers, besides all the other faithful who are present at Mass, there is a host of saints and angels, a cloud of witnesses, who are adoring God with us. We have already said that the Mass is an earthly image of the liturgy of heaven; now we name some of the saints who are at that liturgy in heaven and are also with us on earth as we near the Consecration. First, of course, we name the greatest saint of all, Mary the Mother of God, and her spouse, Saint Joseph. Then we name 12 apostles (Saint Paul included, Mathias left out for now) and 12 martyrs, mostly of ancient Rome (but Cyprian and Cosmos and Damian are not). The prayer says that we are “in communion” with them: that means we have a sacred fellowship and sharing with them, which will soon be renewed sacramentally when we receive Holy Communion. This Holy Communion of the Mass makes the Communion of Saints a reality, a reality that will be perfected when we (please God) join them in perfect heavenly communion. Knowing this to be true, we call upon the Lord to let the aid and merits and prayers of all the saints preserve us: “We ask that through their merits and prayers, in all things we may be defended by your protecting help.”
Next Week: What we really need!

Saint of the Week

14 February Saint Abraham of Carrhae

Abraham lived in the fourth century, a hermit and disciple of Saint Maron, the great Syrian ascetic (from whom we get the name for the Maronite Catholic Church). Abraham was on fire with love for Christ so he went to Mount Lebanon and began to preach the gospel to the locals, but his efforts were in vain. At best, they wanted to have nothing to do with him. At worst, they wanted to kill him. Once, when he and some other Christians were praying in a hut, the villagers climbed onto the flat roof and began to dump sand into the hut as quickly as they could, hoping to bury them alive. Fortunately, the village elders intervened and saved them. Nothing went right for Abraham until he realized what was making the villagers act so badly. They lived in constant fear of their lives because they were unable to pay the Roman taxes. Abraham and his Christian friends were able to raise money and pay the tax bill. The villagers then opened their hearts to the Christians, and from that time on they hearkened to Abraham’s words. Eventually, he was appointed bishop in Carrhae (today in southeastern Turkey), then a mission territory. After years of successful preaching, Abraham died in Constantinople in 422 while visiting the emperor. He is remembered as one of the apostles of Lebanon. Saint Abraham of Carrhae, pray for us!



Respect Life Ministry

“Whether it lasts for a brief moment or for a hundred years, each of our lives is a good and perfect gift. At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God’s love. ... Every life is worth living.”

~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Respect Life Program Flyer, 2015

The next Respect Life Prayer Service will be on Saturday, March 4th at 8:45am at Saint Stan’s.

Respect Life Prayer Intention:

For Christians worldwide; may Christ’s Resurrection daily inspire us to bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.

School News

Bag to School Clothing Drive: Saturday April 8th 9:00am-4:00pm.

A no-cost fundraiser! Clean out your closets and help keep tuition costs down! Bag to School will pay us for every pound of used clothing we collect. These items can include adults’ and children’s clothes, shoes, boots (tied together if possible), hats, belts, purses, backpacks and blankets, sheets, and towels. Spread the word! Please note: We do not have space to accept bags ahead of time.

Family Night Skating Party: Thursday March 2nd 6:00pm-8:30pm.

Where: United Skates of America 75 New Rd. Rumford, RI. (20 minutes from school). There are lots of things to do in addition to roller skating. Check out their web site: <http://www.unitedskatesri.com> Cost: \$2 per person, Non-skating parent are admitted free. Pay at the door that night. Skate rental is additional. \$4 for regular skates; \$4.50 for roller blades. Concession stand will be open for purchases. Free ice cream! There will be no homework assignments on Thursday, March 2.

Contracts for the 2017-2018 school year were sent home during Catholic Schools Week. They are due back on March 1, 2017

Seniors’ News

Mohegan Sun Casino, Thursday March 2nd. \$16 per person includes bus fare, gratuity for driver, free play and buffet. 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.

BIBLE STUDY

February 18th at 6:30pm in Good Shepherd Hall. Join us as we pray and study the Sunday Mass readings. It will be The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time. Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48 (79)

Parish Prayer Intentions

Priscilla Barton, MaryJane W., Bill Larson, Mary B., Matt & Cindy Greaney, Alice Gauthier, Crystal Bedal, Ricky Nobrega, 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, Kim Dias, Fernanda Dias, Floyd Fischer. 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-

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

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 6/6/17 Finance Council

