

"Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lamp stand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." -Mt 5:15-16



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for *Laddie Sylvia* as requested by his loved ones.

Weekly – Hosts Offering Our Parish Family!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 5, 2011

4:30PM Alice St. Pierre (4th)

Sunday, February 6, 2011

9:00 AM Maria Macedo Gomes

11:00AM Johannes & Alice Bjornson

5:00PM Our Parish Family

Monday, February 7, 2011

9:00AM Alfred Simoes

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

9:00 AM Mariana Raposo

Wednesday, February 9, 2011

9:00 AM Frank Linhares

Thursday, February 10, 2011

9:00AM Laddie Sylvia

Friday, February 11, 2011

9:00AM D. Dennis Moniz

Saturday, February 12, 2011

4:30 PM Joseph Marques

Sunday, February 13, 2011

9:00 AM Our Parish Family

11:00 AM Mario Travassos

5:00 PM Aurelio Mello

COLLECTIONS:

Sunday, January 30th Regular 6,149.00

Maintenance 1,001.00

Anchor 172.00

2010 Contribution Tax Forms are available in the parish office.

HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Tuesday evening – 7pm

Confessions available during Adoration.

ST. JULIE'S LADIES' GUILD



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

The volunteer for the week of February 6 through February 12 is *Anne Fraga (508-999-6519)*.

Jewelry Sale

The Ladies Guild will be holding a Jewelry Sale in April.

Please save your lightly used Costume and Fine Jewelry. You may call Isabel at 508/992-5464 for pickup... or drop off your "treasures" at the parish office.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Today we welcome our second grade students who are preparing to make their Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Please continue to keep them in your prayers. We also welcome their parents. There are classes today at Bishop Stang High School for grades 1-5 (10:15-11:30am).

Thank you and God bless, Peter Healy

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS –

Our next meeting will be held on Thurs., February 10th at 7-8pm sharp. Please join us for this important meeting to discuss some upcoming important events and also how we can become more involved with helping our Pastor and Parish as a whole. "By their deeds you shall know them." The Knights of Columbus is very much a grassroots organization. The *International Busy does not dictate* the charitable programs and activities of local councils. Rather, local councils develop the programs they believe will best serve the needs of other communities and especially the needs of the parish. So please make every effort to attend this important meeting. Presently we number over 50 members but attendance at meetings is about 15 members. Mary Queen of the Rosary and Queen of the Knights, pray for us. God bless, Vivat Jesus. Peter Healy, P.G.K.



St. Vincent DePaul Society

There will be NO Monthly Meeting in February. Please remember to bring in non-perishable food items to stock our cupboard. You have helped so many parish families. Please leave the items in the basket provided at the main entrance to church. *Thank you.*

Prayer Corner: The Prayer Corner has brought comfort, prayer and grace to so many. *God* knows our heart and *He* hears our prayers. Your intention for prayer is welcome. Please call the parish office (508-993-2351).

Please remember in your prayers: *Mel Marmello & baby, Julie Deterra, Jane, Carol, Eleanor Hassell, Cloe, John F. Pimentel J., Caleb Vezina, Annemarie Anderson, George, Lydia Ramalho, Alison, Ernie Carreiro, baby Charlotte, Cecelia Gonsalves, Melissa M., Marie Alves, June Collins, Mary Gaughan, Kathy Gardner, Nancy Gomes, Janice Santos, Lydia Rodrigues, Yvette Thompson, Teri Gifford, Priscilla Sprague, Alice Pfeninger, Melissa Lambert, John Carvalho, Joseph C. Bence, Jane, Kathy, Janet Pictou, Paula Murphy, Ann Barboza, Lauren Ladiou-Saunders, Frank Sylvia, Adeline Levesque, Annie, Annette, Lori, Mabel Janusz, Jenny Andre, Cindy Azevedo, Mary, Elaine, Jeff, Jay, Arlene, Delores, Mary Ann Dupere, Deane Freitas, Baby Sarah, Baby Violet, Lucille, Irene, Manny, Stephen Canto, Debbie, Genevieve, Bobby Belliveau, Rose, Steve, Logan, Mary O'Neil, John Jr., Vanessa, Susan McHugh, Coty, Adam Alfonso, and those intentions that have been spoken and unspoken in our hearts.*

K.I.C./EDGE Thank you to those of you who have filled out the prayer cards. Please know that the KIC/EDGE youth have been praying for you daily. We will continue to pray the rosary for you at Eucharistic Adoration. This will continue every other Tuesday.

From Father's Desk.....

Principled Decisions/Ambiguous Results

In my mind, the scourge of the Church today is a combination of lethargy and apathy. Aside from the many modern pressures of life, (with which we are all too familiar), I attribute this problem to our inheritance of some very bad practices and attitudes.

One example of what I am getting at is the scheduling of parish Masses: We have cultivated a culture of convenience which has dictated as many as six celebrations of Mass on the weekend in some parishes: On Sunday mornings there may be no more than one-half-hour separating one Mass from another . . . leading to a "get-em-in, get-em-out" mentality. Even at St. Julie's, with a Church accommodating in excess of 700 people, we had such a schedule! When it became clear that I would be the lone priest in the parish, I took the opportunity to change the schedule. With advice from the parish council, and staff, I came up with the current schedule of Masses in order to attend to a number of values: **Firstly**, I was convinced that we must attempt to break away from the 'minimalist' attitude of "getting-them-in, and getting-them-out." **Secondly**, the shift to an evening Mass geared more toward the youth, and in connection to the youth program seemed like a reasonable way of encouraging greater connection of the youth with the Mass and the Church. **Thirdly**, we have ample space within our Church to facilitate a reduced morning schedule. And **finally**, the change seemed to me an important sign of things to come when, not only will this be a one priest parish, but it may be that the pastor has oversight of this and one other parish!

You see, the change was not done for my convenience, or arbitrarily. It was based on sound principles, with an eye to changing bad attitudes, and preparing us for the future. Nevertheless, there are those who were very angry with the change, (principled or not), and they voted with their feet.

Likewise, perhaps it would have been much more convenient for me to leave the Religious Education program alone, in its conventional CCD format. It would have been much easier on the budget, and on my nerves, than attempting to come up with a solution to the ineffectiveness of slapping kids in a classroom, with a teacher and attempting to stuff them with information on a Sunday morning. Does anybody think that CCD did much of anything besides sowing resentment with our youth toward the Church? After all, Confirmation was treated as nothing more than "graduation from Church!"

And so, we embraced the form of comprehensive youth ministry called "Life Teen," and its middle school version, called "Edge." Is it the answer? I don't know! I'll be the first to admit that it's an experiment. Some have welcomed it with joy; others have bristled with resentment, and wish I had just left things alone.

These are just two items on a list of things which represent my "groping" response to the condition of the Church in the 21st century. The best I can say is that the attempts have been based on important principles, and—well—-the results are, at the moment, ambiguous.

This is not put forth to be defensive, but as an explanation of what goes on with my decision making. The climate is tough, and the answers to it are few and far between. Essentially, we are on our own (with the Holy Spirit, of course): Come Holy Spirit!

Fr. Greg

NOTICE: The Anchor Offering was misprinted on the Budget Envelopes. The fee is \$20.00 per year subscription. Thank You for your support in defraying the cost to the parish.

Of Musicians & Budget Cuts

I would like to *thank* Mrs. Theresa Deneault as well as Paul & Marianna Pina for their service to our parish as the music ministers of our Saturday Vigil Mass. It is also with fond memories of Mr. "Pete" Deneault, Theresa's late husband, who served as our cantor.

As the first in a series of belt-tightening measures, it was necessary for me to dismiss this wonderful team, and replace them with our full-time music director, Mike Tellier. In truth, the Deneaults and Pinas served our parish very well over the years, and I am saddened by the necessity to dismiss them from the ministry. They were very gracious in accepting this situation, and I thank them for their understanding.

The forthcoming Annual Appeal Letter will give you greater insight into our current budget challenges and in the coming months other cuts will be announced so as to stabilize our financial situation. *Fr. Greg*

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Protect Marriage - The Church teaches that marriage is between one man and one woman. Each year a week is set aside to celebrate marriage. National Marriage Week will be held from February 7th through February 14th. To show our support for marriage throughout the month of February, parishioners may: 1. Pray to affirm marriage as between one man and one woman and support actions that uphold it. 2. Pray for our legislators, that they will enact laws to uphold traditional marriage. 3. Support engaged couples and help them understand the self-giving nature of this institution. 4. Offer support to married couples wherever they are in their journey together. Please visit Catholic Citizenship's website: www.Catholic-Citizenship.org

Bible Study

Bible Study continues Tuesday mornings at 10AM and Wednesday evenings at 7PM...(if it stops snowing!) This week we will delve into and reflect upon the readings for Mass from the **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Corinthians 2:6:10 and Matthew 5:17-37.** Can't make it to Bible Study this week? Visit your parish website for a synopsis of the readings and reflection questions.

Faith Filled Adults

This week let us reflect on the dignity of the human person. This dignity is rooted in the book of Genesis, where we read that when God created the human person, that "God saw that it was good." The human person is the essence of good, because our creator is all goodness. In this week's bulletin you will read several pieces that point to and uphold the dignity of the human person, in essence our innate goodness. The Church upholds certain "causes" such as the protection of all life, the sanctity of marriage between one man and one woman, as well as the sacredness of the marital act because each of these things properly understood and properly lived out uphold the dignity of the human person. In living this way we live in accord with the wisdom of our Creator. The Church through her teaching does not repress human freedom. In fact the opposite is true. By living in a way that reflects the dignity of the human person, we open ourselves to an immense freedom, the freedom that our creator intended all along.

Paula Raposo, Adult Faith Formation

Awakening Faith.... Tuesday evenings through Feb 15 @ 7PM

So far 18 people have attended Awakening Faith. This program will be repeated from time to time throughout the year. Please continue to pray. For more info email paula@saintjulies.org

Loving God, create in us an ever-growing faith, with hearts open and centered in you. Awaken within us the fire of your Spirit, so that your love may fill us more fully, and flow throughout our lives. Increase within us a desire to reach out, to invite and to share, to welcome and accept. Awaken the faith of all your children, especially those who have grown distant from you, those ready to hear an invitation to the love you alone can bring. Awaken us, loving God, to see the fullness of your grace and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pro-Life and Black History Month

February is Black History Month- Lets Change Our History. Blacks make up 12% of the population, but 35 % of the abortions in America. Black women are more than 3 times as likely as white women to have an abortion. On average, 1,452 black babies are aborted every day in the United States. Let us pray that abortion will become history in the black community and throughout the whole world. Statistics obtained from <http://www.priestsforlife.org/africanamerican/index.htm>

Pro-Life Committee Rose Drive Fundraiser Feb 13th is World Marriage Day. It is a day that honors husbands and wives and celebrates the beauty of faithfulness, sacrifice and joy of married life. Please join us in a rose drive to support engaged couples in learning the marriage enriching benefits of Natural Family Planning. We will be selling roses for \$5 after all Masses. All money raised will finance scholarships for couples enrolled in marriage preparation study to complete a Natural Family Planning course.

Meditation: Learning to accept each others faults and choosing to celebrate each other differences.

FEBRUARY 6, 2011

St. Julie Pro-Life Committee
Presents

Movie Night



Demographic Winter The Decline of the Human Family

“a ground breaking film that will change the way you think
about economics and children”

Please join us in person or in prayer next Monday
evening, **February 7 at 7PM** in the conference room.
Popcorn will be served. We look forward to seeing you
there!

St. Julie Pro-Life Committee



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