

OCTOBER 18, 2009
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

4:00 PM Jack Lyons & Clement Levell by Katherine Lyons

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:00 AM Emil & Marie Anne Ouellette by their family
 John Lasecki by the Storey family

9:30 AM Mary & Walter Cummings by the Annarummo family

11:00 AM Kelly Landry by Tom & Margaret Landry (2nd anniv)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:00 AM Maria Theresa Lilly by her mother, Mabel Medeiros
 (birthday remembrance)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:00 AM Edmond Girouard by Jacqueline & Charles Herzig

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00 AM Philomena Fonseca by Mr. & Mrs. William Fonseca

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00 AM Ernest Rebello by his wife and children

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

4:00 PM Margaret & John Burke by Claire

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:00 AM Hilda S. Krawczyk by Walter & Alice

9:30 AM Ernest Lebreux by family (birthday remembrance)

11:00 AM John Carvalho by his family

October Memorial Candles

Sanctuary Lamp in memory of Robert Peloquin
 by his wife, Wanda

Altar Candles in memory of Gregory Sowa by his parents

Tabernacle Candles in memory of the Burke
 Family by Claire Thompson

October 11th Collection

Budget \$ 3,685.64
 I.M.E. \$ 1,489.88

***“Thank You” to all who continue to
 generously support our parish!***

Gift Bearers - If you are a family member or friend
 who would like to bring the gifts to the altar at a loved
 one’s Mass, we would be happy to have you do so. Just
 stop by the Sacristy before Mass and tell Father Michael
 you will be the gift bearer that day. Thank you.

50 Week Club – Congratulations to the October 11th
 winner, Shirley Dibiasio and to the October 18th winner,
 Linda Miranda



The next meeting will
 be **tonight Sunday,**
October 18th at 6:00
 p.m. in the church hall.

Please contact Monica Valenti if you have any
 questions. Bring a friend!!



STEVE ANGRISANO

**2009 High School Youth
 Convention featuring keynote
 speaker Steve Angrisano**
 Sunday, October 25th at Bishop
 Stang High School, Dartmouth from
 11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. closing with
 Mass at St. Julie’s Church with
 Bishop George Coleman.

Jr. High Parish Program Rally
(Grades 6, 7, 8) Monday, October 26th at Coyle &
 Cassidy High, Taunton from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

For registration information or forms, please contact
 Nancy at the parish office (508-673-2808)

LAY FAST FOR PRIESTS 2009 – On Saturday,
 October 24, 2009 people from across our Diocese and
 around the world will participate in the fourth global Lay
 Fast Day for Priests. The fast will last from dawn until
 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 24th. For details please
 go to www.annaprae.com/layfast2009 or email Anna
 Ray-Kelly @ admin@annaprae.com

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY is Sunday, October 25,
 2009, a special day set aside to honor the priesthood in
 the U.S.A. God blesses the universal church with priests
 who give of themselves for Christ’s people. Their
 preaching, teaching, and witness calls them to be loving,
 just and compassionate. Please remember your priests
 today, especially the priests of our Parish that they may
 continue to bring the love of God to others.

**A PILGRIMAGE WITH BISHOP GEORGE W.
 COLEMAN** to Washington, D.C. for the Annual
 March for Life is being organized by the Diocesan Pro-
 Life Apostolate for January 21-23, 2010. The Pilgrimage
 will include the Vigil Mass at the National Shrine of the
 Immaculate Conception, participation in the March for
 Life events, and a private Mass for diocesan pilgrims
 celebrated by Bishop Coleman at St. Matthew’s
 Cathedral. For details, call the Pro-Life Apostolate at
 508-997-2290. Deadline to register is October 30th.

Parish Prayer Shawl Ministry - next workshop will be held Tuesday, October 20th at 1:30 p.m. in the church hall. If you, or anyone you know, is in need of either prayer shawls, lap robes or chemo hats, please contact Claire Morissette at 508-672-0104.

OPEN HOUSE - Bishop Connolly High School, 373 Elsbree Street, Fall River, MA on Sunday, October 18th at 1:00 p.m. Prospective students and their parents are invited to tour the school, meet faculty and students, and learn about all Bishop Connolly has to offer. Please contact Anthony Ciampanelli at 508-676-1071 X333 for more information.

St. Vincent de Paul

In Need of Assistance? Are you facing utility shutoffs and or high food bills? If you are a family in need of assistance, please contact the Saint Vincent de Paul Society at 508-673-2808



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul **Second Annual Friends of the Poor Walk** held at BCC on Saturday, Sept. 26th, was a great success. \$1,756.21 was raised by the members of our St. Vincent de Paul, once again, making us the top conference in the Diocese of Fall River for the second year. Thanks to all who donated / walked for this worthy cause.



Emmaus Retreat Weekend – November 6-8 Cathedral Camp, E. Freetown, MA

A heartfelt invitation is open to join us on our next Emmaus weekend! Emmaus is a weekend retreat program for people who are seeking to grow in their relationship with Christ, regardless of their present level of faith and practice. The purpose of the weekend is to give participants an opportunity to reflect upon themselves and their relationship with God and their community. You will build valuable relationships through friendship, encouragement, prayer and the awesome power of God. Emmaus is a Catholic retreat program that is open to people of all Christian faiths. For more information please contact Debbie Sousa at 508-646-3902 or visit our website at www.emmausretreats.com

Family Life

The Family Life Committee is looking for faith-filled, generous people who are willing to share ideas, talents and faith to enrich St. Francis of Assisi parish. Our goal is to transform our parish community into a vibrant, active and welcoming home, where we all feel treasured and loved. To do this, ***we need you!*** Our membership is growing, but we still need more people to continue to do things which make our parish awesome. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. **Our next meeting will be held on Nov.10th.** Please join us for some fun and fellowship.



“UPCOMING FAMILY LIFE EVENTS”

Next Sunday October 25th

Family Halloween Party, from 2-4 pm in our parish hall. All ages are welcome to attend. There will be make-your-own sundaes, games, music, crafts and much more. Come join us for an enjoyable afternoon. Contact Christine Patota @ (508)677-0804 for more information or to volunteer.

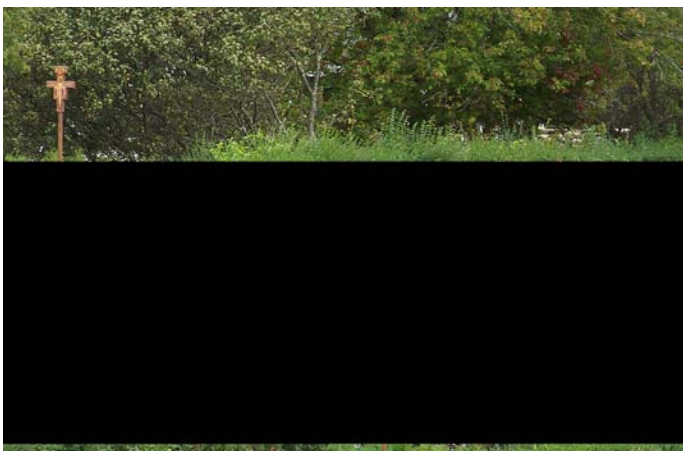
Friday November 13th

Family Game Night and Pizza Party, come and get to know fellow parishioners for a fun and competitive evening of fun and games!

Sunday November 29th

Advent Wreath making & Pasta Luncheon, come join us for our ever-popular annual event on the first Sunday of Advent. There will be a sign up sheet when the date draws near so we can make sure we have enough supplies. Each family will be given the supplies to decorate an advent wreath and we always enjoy a delicious pasta luncheon.

Feast of St. Francis Blessing of Animals - October 10, 2009



PARISH REGISTRATIONS

In order to keep our records up-to-date, please call Nancy at the Parish Office (508-673-2808) to register, or re-register, as a parishioner if you are:

- 1) new to the parish.
- 2) have been attending mass at St. Francis, but have not yet registered.
- 3) not receiving monthly budget envelopes, an indication you are not registered, or that your registration card needs to be updated.

Thank you for your cooperation in updating our records.

MARRIED COUPLES: Scripture says about married people that “**Two shall live as one**”. How often do you find yourselves living as two? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you get back to basics in this complicated day and age. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are October 23-25, November 6-8 and December 4-6. For more information call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwmeMA.org

Altar Servers, Lectors, Special Ministers of the Eucharist – If you have any scheduling issues for the upcoming months (i.e. vacations plans), please contact Judy Roderigues at 508-679-8212.

The Divorced-Separated Support Group meets on the second and last Wednesdays of each month. Meetings feature guest speakers, discussion, and refreshments. New attendees welcome. Call Bob Menard for details: 508-673-2997.

The New Bedford Symphony Orchestra will perform two well-known choral masterpieces: Faure's *Requiem* and Poulenc's *Gloria* in the magnificent St. Anthony Church, 1359 Acushnet Ave., New Bedford. Singers will number some 120 drawn from several choruses like the Chatham Chorale and Mastersingers by the Sea. General admission tickets are \$28; children/students, \$10. Contact the Zeiterion Box Office: online at www.zeiterion.org or by telephone 508-994-2900.