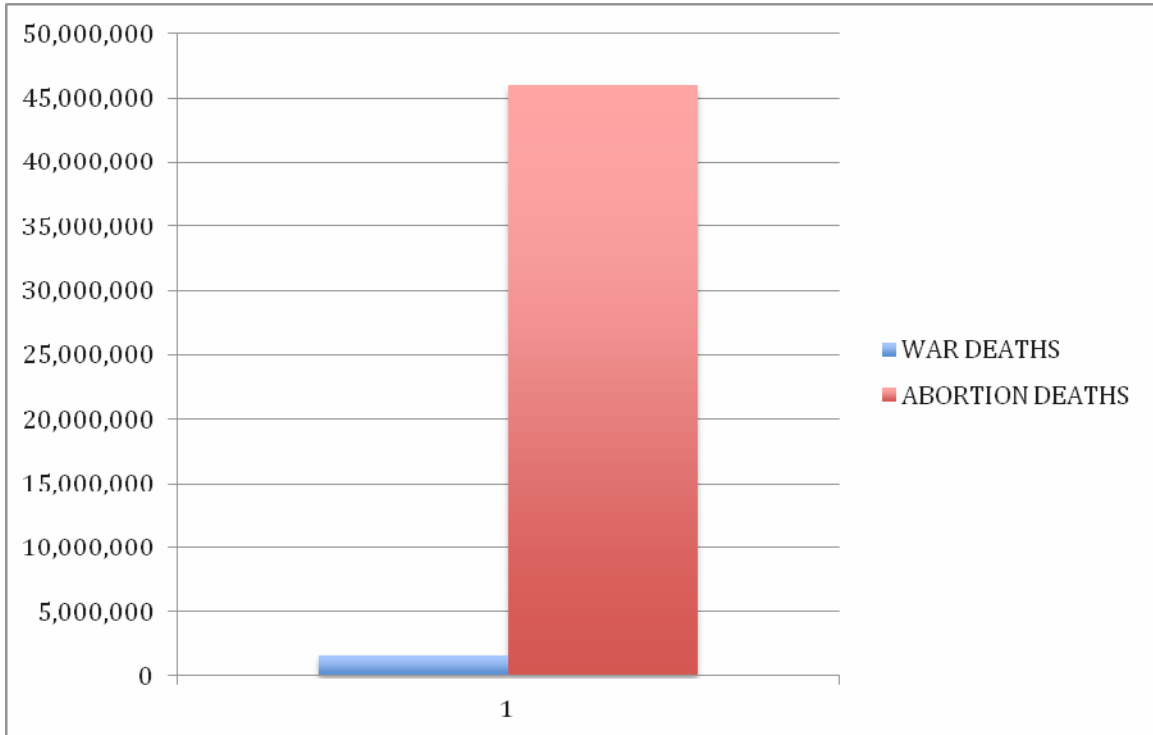


St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~ Swansea, MA  
 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 January 29, 2012



**American Deaths** (each cross represents 5,000 American deaths or fraction thereof) (1) (2) A visual comparison of the number of American deaths attributed to war vs. to abortion (as of 11-8-05)

**American Revolution** (25,324) +++++

**War of 1812** (2,260) +

**Mexican War** (13,283) +++

**Civil War** (498,332 Union, 364,821 Confederacy = 863,153 (total)

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**Spanish-American War** (2,446) +

**World War I** (116,516) +++++

**World War** (405,399)

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**Korean War** (54,246) +++++

**Vietnam War** (56,244) +++++

**Panama Invasion** (23) +

**1991 Gulf War** (148) +

**2003 Iraq War** (2,000+)



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SOURCE: <http://buchholzins.com/cir/deaths.by.War.vs.Abortion.html>

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
**01/28/12 - 02/05/12**

**SATURDAY, January 28**

4:00 PM John Carvalho by his family

**SUNDAY, January 29**

8:00 AM Manuel S. Medeiros by his wife, Mabel  
(birthday remembrance)

9:30 AM Arlene White by her family (1<sup>st</sup> anniversary)

11:00 AM Deceased priest and religious of our diocese

**MONDAY, January 30**

9:00 AM Stella Penkala by her daughter  
(birthday remembrance)

**TUESDAY, January 31**

9:00 AM The souls in purgatory

**WEDNESDAY, February 1**

9:00 AM Robert Peloquin by his wife

**THURSDAY, February 2**

9:00 AM Jean & Joseph Ciryak

**SATURDAY, February 4**

4:00 PM John Carvalho by his family  
Jack Lyons by his wife Katherine (5<sup>th</sup> anniversary)  
Lucy L. Medeiros by her family  
Jerry Fontaine by Fran & Mike Kelly  
Laforge and Silvia Families by Terry & Frank Silvia

**SUNDAY, February 5**

8:00 AM Luis J. Sousa & Manuel O. Amaral by their family

9:30 AM Roger Lamonde,

11:00 AM Joao & Tereza Moreira by sister & brother-in-law

**January Memorial Candles**

**Sanctuary Lamp** in memory of Vincent and Stella Penkala by their daughter.

**Tabernacle Candles**

**Altar Candles**

**Crucifix Candles**

January 22, 2012 Collections:

Budget.....\$ 2,884.75

**REMINDER:** Second collection next weekend will be for "Home Missions" – Black and Indian Missions.

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

**HAVE YOU EVER MADE A WILL?  
ARE YOU THINKING OF MAKING ONE?**

Would you consider leaving something to your parish? Many people (even recently) have done so here and in other parishes, and their generosity has a lasting effect on many people. Just a little food for thought



**Knights of Columbus News**

*The Grand Knight's Facts*

*You Didn't Know*

**Fact:** Your GK would like to thank all the 200 plus people that attended our "Knight in Rome" Pasta Dinner. This was the largest event ever held at the church! I thank all the cooks, waiters and waitresses, and the people who helped with the cleanup. The winner of the Grand Prize is Brad Maxfield, who was able to be reached by phone right at the event, chose to receive the \$3,000.

This project raised a total of \$8000.00, less the \$3,000 to the Grand Prize winner, \$5,000 will go towards helping our church. Are you searching for a way to help your church and community? Come join us at our next gathering on Feb. 6th at 7:00 in the church hall, we may have just what you are looking for. **MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!**



**Faith  
Formation**

Classes for grades 1 thru 7 are held from 4 – 5 p.m. as follows:

Grades 4 & 5 – Tuesday

Grades 6 & 7 – Wednesday

Grades 1, 2, & 3 – Thursday

Confirmation I and II classes for January

will be held today, Sunday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>. Classes for February will be held on February 5<sup>th</sup>, and February 12<sup>th</sup>. Class times: 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon'

**CONFIRMATION DATE** - We have been informed by the Diocese that Confirmation at St. Francis will take place on Sunday, March 11, 2012 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

**FIRST COMMUNION DATE** – First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, April 15, 2012 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

**St. Francis of Assisi Youth Group**

**CALLING ALL THE KIDS IN GRADES 8-12!!** Are you looking to grow in your faith while having a "ROCKING TIME"? Then stop by our next meeting on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8pm in the church hall. **GUARANTEED YOU WILL ENJOY IT!!** If you have questions call Stephen Amaral at 508-567-1900.

**50 WEEK CLUB** – Congratulations to the winner of the January 29<sup>th</sup> drawing - Diana Bettencourt.

The 50 Week Club Banquet date is Saturday, April, 28, 2012 at Venus de Milo Restaurant. The meal choices are Prime Rib or Baked Stuffed Shrimp. Your team captain will call you the first week of April for your meal choice. **All clubs should be paid in full as soon as possible.** Thank you.

**BISHOP CONNOLLY HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT EXAM**

for High School and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade L.E.A.P. Students on Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. Call Tony Ciampantelli, Director of Admissions, at 508-676-1071 ext. 333, for more information.

