"So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect." MT 5:48

MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 18
5:00pm (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
Sunday, February 19
8:00am (S) St. Lucy's Parishioners
10:30am (O) Louise F. Alves (1st Anniversary)
5:00pm (O) Bennie Youngblood, Jr.
Bennie Youngblood, Sr.
Jose Pangilinan
Monday, February 20 **Presidents Day**
9:00am Sarah Litch
Tuesday, February 21
9:00am Maria Carroll (Birthday Remembrance)
Wednesday February 22
9:00am Carl McClanahan, Jr.
(Birthday Remembrance
Thursday, February 23
9:00am Communion Service
Friday, February 24
9:00am (S) St. Lucy's Parishioners
5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm Devotions
8:00pm Benediction
Saturday, February 25
5:00pm (O) Frank P. "Mickey" Mello
Joseph F. Casey
William Nash (4th Anniversary)
Sunday, February 26
8:00am (O) Domingos Botelho
10:30am (O) Joan Arnold (6th Anniversary)
5:00pm (O'N) Bob Mello

In the above celebrations:
O = Rev. John O'Brien
O'N = Rev. Tom O'Neill
S = Rev. Joseph Saji

The Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents Day.

Children's Liturgy of the Word continues at the 10:30am Masses on February 19 and 26.

Bible Study is held every Tuesday morning beginning at 9:45am in the Family Room led by Jane Parrillo.

LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)
Did you know that it was Random Acts of Kindness Week February 12-18? In an article written by Paula Spencer Scott in Parade (newpaper magazine, Jan 1, 2017) entitled "Let's Make 2017 the Year of Being Kind" she noted that "only 25% of Americans believe we're living in a kind society (poll by Kindness USA). More than half of those polled said that kindness has deteriorated in the past 10 years." Scott also said that "kids are bummed too: in a Making Caring Common survey of 10,000 teens, 4 in 5 said their parents are more concerned with achievement or happiness than caring for others." Such a sad reflection of what we as individuals and a society have moved into, as children live what they learn. Well, how about we take on those survey statistics and begin to change them in our corner of our world??? As the saying goes, it's better late than never – let's have an EXTENDED Random Acts of Kindness Week (yes, there is a Random Acts of Kindness Organization)! Kindness is contagious you know! It only takes one person – YOU – to perform a kind act for another person. Then, that person who has been touched by your loving act will "feel the love" and hopefully, that person will also be moved (as the movie Pay It Forward points out) enough to perform a random act of kindness for another person. As an aside, the kind act not only affects those who are the giver and receiver, but also has an affect on those who may witness the random act of kindness. Kindness is an incredible gift that we can give to another, it's something that's not necessarily planned and often times takes only a moment – it is blind to race, faith, age, economics, etc. Isn't THIS a value that we'd like to leave our children and our world with? If you've got an extra 5 minutes, in between your extended random acts of kindness week, check out the youtube video "Life Vest – Kindness Boomerang – One Day". It may be found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwAYpLVyeFU). Have a great week!

Written by: Colette Savaria, **LIFE** Coordinator

First Eucharist classes continue on Thursday, March 2 from 3:30-4:45pm in the Parish Center. There will not be a class on 2/23 due to School Vacation.

Soup Kitchen Needs
Tuesday, February 21

4 bags oranges 6 shaker bottles of Parmesan Cheese
4 large loaves bread 100 paper plates (6")
Assorted finger desserts (cupcakes, cookies, brownies)

If you would like to help with any of the above items, please call Sylvia Bunker at 683-0320. You may drop off your donations at the Rectory anytime before 3pm on Tuesday, February 21. We served 67 meals in January. We were also able to provide additional meals to the McKinney Shelter. Thank you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday:	1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
Thursday:	Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50
Friday:	Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:	Sir 17:1-15/Mk 10:13-16
Sunday:	Is 49:14-15/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34

The Community Action Committee is asking for your help in providing support for a family that was displaced from their home on Smythe Street due to a fire recently. Donations of gift cards (food, clothing) may be brought to the East Bay Met School, 115 Girard Ave., Newport. Donations can also be made through gofundme.com/family-misplaced-by-house-fire. For more information, contact the School at 374-3761.

CHURCH SUPPORT – February 11/12, 2017

Weekly Collection	**$6488.00**
January Total for Electronic Giving	**$4947.30**

The Second Collection this weekend will be for the reduction of the Parish Debt.

Thank you for your continuing generosity.

The Rosary Sodality of Jesus Saviour Church will host the **Marian Theatre Project** on Sunday, March 5 after the 10:00 Mass. Elizabeth Montigny will present "Walking With Our Mother" which is a scripture based presentation of the Passion of Jesus through the eyes of the Blessed Mother. The performance is about 20 minutes long and appropriate for ages 13 and older. Refreshments will follow. All are invited!

FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION: For individuals and families making $55,000 or less, Project Hope is sponsoring free income tax preparation by IRS-certified volunteers at St. Patrick Academy, 244 Smith St., Providence on Mondays 4:30-8:00pm from Feb. 6th through April 17 **by appointment only.** For more information, please call Loraine at 401-421-7070.

Sing of Mary, a concert to honor Our Lady, in celebration of "A Year With Mary" in the Diocese of Providence will be held at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul on Saturday, March 18 at 7pm. Tickets ($10) are available at the Cathedral Office (331-2434) or at the door on the evening of the concert.

Save the dates for our Parish *Lenten Journey*. This Lent, in honor of the Diocesan "Year of Mary," rather than sponsoring a Parish Mission, we will host a "Biblical Walk With the Blessed Mother." This ***Lenten Journey*** consists of a presentation of a 4-part DVD series (by Edward Sri) through which, each week, we will learn a little more about Mary through the Scriptures and in visits to the places where she lived and traveled. We will also share in some quiet reflection and prayer. The dates of each of these ***Journeys with Mary*** are on the following **Tuesdays: March 14, 21, 28, and April 4.** A morning session will be offered, starting immediately following the 9:00am Mass and an evening session will begin at 7:00pm. Each ***Journey With Mary*** will be approximately one hour in length, and will be held in the Parish Center. All are welcome! Watch the bulletin for more information.

Visiting the Sick: Please notify Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 (x205) when a family member is in the hospital.

Please ***pray*** for all the men and women who have served and who currently serve in the armed forces, and the military commanders who lead them. ***Pray*** for our homebound Parishioners and the sick of the Parish (including those in hospitals and nursing homes). ***Pray*** for the unborn, the premature, and the fragile among us so that we may deepen our respect for life at all stages.

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Newport Council for International Visitors invites you to its **Great Decisions & Education Series 2017** (key world events and issues) presentation by: Rizwan Saeed Sheikh, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Pakistan, Washington, DC on **Prospects of Afghanistan and Pakistan.** This event is free and open to the public and will be held on February 23, 6:30 to 8:00pm at Portofino/Ramada Conference Center, 425 East Main Rd., Middletown. Come at 6pm to mingle with others who share your global interests. Stay afterwards and swap ideas with guests and speaker. **Upcoming Events:** March 2, US Foreign Policy and Petroleum, Prof. Anand Toprani, PhD and March 9, Russian Security Policy, Prof. Thomas Fedyszyn, PhD. For more information, call Doy Heredia at 848-0622 or Peter Tarpgaard at 848-5142 or go to www.newportciv.org.