



LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)

Today's Gospel is one that we may hear at funerals; one that I find consolation in. First off, Jesus comes right out and tells the disciples to not be worried. I wish that worrying could burn calories; wouldn't that be awesome? For me, worrying does the opposite. (Sorry for the aside!) Jesus goes on to tell his friends to have faith in Him and that his Father's house is big enough for everyone. Jesus even tells them that after He leaves He will come back for them! How often does Jesus need to tell the disciples to trust him? They already do; they're hanging on his every word and deed; they've given everything up because of their trust in Him, yet...Jesus knows best and patiently repeats his message. Then, we see reflected in Philip, how *slow* that we are to catch on. Sometimes we can't see things that are clearly in front of our faces. Jesus goes on (and on, it seems) about how he is in the Father; the Father is in Him; we know Him; we've seen the Father because we've seen Him. The ways that Jesus tells us of how we see the Father because of the Son reminds me of this experience that, I hate to say, I'm old enough to have experienced. Have you ever had this first-time occurrence where you did/said something and you may have immediately stopped short saying (aloud or to yourself): "Oh no, I just turned into my Mother/Father!" You may have said or done something in the **exact** way that your parent has many times before. In that very moment, who do you see? Your mother/father reflected in you! A reflection isn't just something physical, but also innate. We know the Father by our being in a relationship with Jesus – who reflects, embodies, and at the same time is separate from the Father. We're left with this wonderful teaching by Jesus: "*If you have faith in me, you'll do the same things that I am and when I am with my Father, you'll do even greater things.*"

Written by: Colette, LIFE Coordinator

In honor of Our Blessed Mother Mary, during the Marian month of May, **The Rosary** for all intentions will be said directly after the Sunday morning Masses. Cindy Killavey will lead the Rosary after the 8am Mass and Denise Betz will lead the Rosary after the 10:30am Mass. Please join with them to lift your intentions and prayers to God, through the intercession of our Mother, Mary.

Many thanks to all St. Lucy Saints who supported our All Saints STEAM Academy Spring Scholarship Tea with their time, talents and treasure. Over \$4,000 was raised to help our families. God Bless you, Anita Brouse, Principal

CHURCH SUPPORT – May 6/7, 2017
Weekly Collection \$6238.00
 The Second Collection next weekend will be for the reduction of the Parish debt.
Thank you for your continuing generosity.

"Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father."

MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

- Saturday, May 13
 - 5:00pm (O) Michael F. Gallagher (4th Anniversary)
Claire Canning
- Sunday, May 14, **Fifth Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day)**
 - 8:00am (O) Catherine Gray (1st Anniversary)
 - 10:30am (O) George and Helen Leeber
May Crowning/Procession
 - 5:00pm (O'N) Mary K. Connerton and Eva B. Mello
(Mothers' Day Remembrance)
- Monday, May 15
 - 9:00am (O) In thanksgiving in honor of St. Anne for the souls in Purgatory
- Tuesday, May 16
 - 9:00am (O) Rita Kelly and family (living)
- Wednesday May 17
 - 9:00am Harold and Bernice Mullen
(70th Wedding Anniversary)
- Thursday, May 18
 - 9:00am Communion Service
- Friday, May 19
 - 9:00am (S) Marge Heller
In thanksgiving to God
 - 6:00pm Devotions
 - 7:00pm Closing
 - 7:30pm Navy Choristers Concert
- Saturday, May 20
 - 2:00pm Mass at Forest Farm (Royal Middletown)
 - 5:00pm (O) Julia Finn (2nd Anniversary)
Ronald M. Janior (1st Anniversary)
Claire Canning
- Sunday, May 21, **Sixth Sunday of Easter**
 - 8:00am (O) Catherine Edward
 - 10:30am (O) Pat Maida
 - 12:00 Baptisms
 - 5:00pm (O'N) Julia and Angelo DiMattia
(Birthday and Anniversary Remembrance)

In the above celebrations:

- O = Rev. John O'Brien
- O'N = Rev. Tom O'Neill
- S = Rev. Joseph Saji

FORMED: Catholic Faith on Demand. Have you registered yet? It's FREE! Go to www.formed.org and use the Parish code: **B84KHM. Recommendations for the weekend of May 13 (the 100th anniversary of the apparitions at Fatima):** Videos – *Finding Fatima, The 13th Day, The Day the Sun Danced* (for children); Book - *Fatima For Today* Audio – *Our Lady of Fatima. Recommendations for Mother's Day:* Video – *Love is a Choice*; Books – *How to Raise Good Catholic Children, A Mother's Rule For Life*; Audios – *Marriage and Family, Green Sex, Real Womanhood, Feminine Genius.* ENJOY! Contact Jane at jjparrillo@yahoo.com with any questions.

Extraordinary Ministers are needed to bring Holy Communion to the members of our Parish who are no longer able to gather with us at St. Lucy's. If you feel a special calling to this ministry or have questions, please contact Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 ext. 205. Ideally, if enough individuals are involved in this special ministry, a rotation for nursing home visits would be once per month.

Soup Kitchen Needs
Tuesday, May 18
 4 one lb. boxes butter (sticks only) 4 rolls paper towels
 100 regular sugar packets 2 loaves bread
 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, May 18. We served 77 meals in April. Thank you.

Catholic Charity Fund Appeal (CCFA)
 Thank you for your generous donations that helped to feed, shelter and educate so many people in need. We have now collected over \$50,000, moving still closer to our parish goal of \$63,000. CCFA envelopes are still available at the Church entrance for your donations.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK
 Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8
 Thursday: Acts 15:17-21/Jn 15:9-11
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21
 Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Save the date: A **Healing Mass** with Father Pat will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at 7pm in St. Lucy's Church. Further information will follow.

THANK YOU AND FAREWELL

Colleen Earnshaw, a member of St. Lucy's Parish Staff for almost nine years, is leaving to assume another position in Providence, closer to her home. She will be working at the Mother of Life Center in Providence offering pregnancy counseling services to women in need.

Colleen has made a valuable contribution to meeting the ministerial needs of the people here at St. Lucy's Parish. In addition, her prayerful presence has been an invaluable contribution to the life of the Parish and the work in the Rectory.

She will indeed be missed. We pray that she finds joy and satisfaction in her new ministry and that God provides for all the needs of St. Lucy's Parish in her absence.

Many thanks, Colleen!!

Fr. John and St. Lucy's Parish Staff

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.

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

The Triumph: A Parish Mission. In honor of the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, Jesus Saviour Church is holding a Parish Mission from Sunday, May 14th through Wednesday, May 17th. Fr. David Gunther, MIC will give a presentation on each evening of the mission at 7pm as well as at the weekend Masses. For more information visit www.thedivinemercy.org/events or contact Fr. Francis O'Loughlin at 847-1267.

The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians (LAOH) in Newport is offering a \$1000 tuition scholarship to benefit female students who attend a Catholic High School in RI or MA.. For more information go to aohnewport.org. Deadline is Friday, August 1, 2017.

Camp St. Dorothy is accepting registrations NOW for its 50th season. It is a fun filled Christian Camp located on the beautiful grounds of the Sister of St. Dorothy at Mt. St. Joseph in Bristol, RI. Camp hours are from 9am to 3pm. The children enjoy plenty of fun in outdoor sports, games, arts & crafts, swimming and Bible stories at their age level in an atmosphere of love, and respect for all God's creatures.

Holy Hour for Vocations: Please join Rev. Mr. Stephen Battey, Rev. Mr. Jean Joseph Brice, and Rev. Mr. Brian Morris on the eve of their ordination to the priesthood as we pray for priestly vocations in the Diocese of Providence. This Holy Hour for Vocations will be held at 7pm on June 2 at Holy Apostles Church, 800 Phippen Orchard Rd., Cranston.