



**LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)**

Last Saturday I had the pleasure of attending the wedding ceremony of a couple that some of our LIFE'ers got to meet during the February "Sacrament of Marriage" panel for the grades 6-8 Sunday group. Dawn Lachapelle and Zach Corbeil, an engaged couple, were with us to share their story of how they met, grew together as a couple, and how their faith led them the altar to be joined together in the Sacrament of Matrimony. If ONLY our young LIFE'ers could have been at this wedding to witness Zach and Dawn as the primary ministers of the sacrament, assuring each other of their love and faithfulness and asking God to sustain and nourish them forever in the bond of holy matrimony. The priest, in his homily, spoke about how Jesus took normal, everyday, common items to use in celebrating sacraments, and then emphasized how the sacraments empower the person(s) receiving the sacrament with the grace to live bringing God's love into their segments of the world: hence, our 2016-17 LIFE themes: "Sacraments...transforming everyday life." (I was experiencing deja-vu!) Thank you for sharing yourselves with us at St. Lucy's, and *Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Corbeil!*

On to my next thought, which occurred to me last Sunday while sitting at mass: I was negligent in offering my gratitude and wishes to all the Mom's on Mother's Day! In case you're wondering, I did NOT forget my Mom on Mother's Day. I'd like to offer a few "belated" thoughts. Not being a mother myself, the only personal "experience" I bring to this column about motherhood comes from the fact that I have a Mom. I have (admittedly so) begun to act like and actually hear some of her profound sayings come out of my mouth (thanks Mom!). I am a Godmother and Aunt, and lastly, I am surrounded by many lovely women who are great Mom's (which include you St. Lucy Mom's!). These women readily point out their faults and weaknesses as Mom's, but in my estimation, that's what makes them the best ones! When I talk on the phone with my sisters and listen to what their schedules are with their children, I hang up from our conversations exhausted, and oftentimes am reminded of a quote of Roseanne Barr's: "I know how to do anything - I'm a Mom." Not only is a Mom's "job" seemingly endless, but sometimes, I'm sure, seemingly thankless. With this in mind, I'd like to thank my own Mom for some of my most-loved qualities in her. These qualities are (but not limited to) **patience** (with me, mostly!); her joy for life, even the smallest things; her flexibility - adjusting to anything at a moment's notice, and mostly this as a child: whatever we were doing, Mom made it fun. Thanks, Mom! (And thanks to all Mom's out there!)

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**In honor of Our Blessed Mother Mary**, during the Marian month of May, **The Rosary** for all intentions will be prayed immediately 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.

"If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you forever" John 14:15-16.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE**

- Saturday, May 20  
 5:00pm (O) Julia Finn (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)  
 Ronald M. Janior (1<sup>st</sup> 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)
- Monday, May 22  
 9:00am (O) Mary Galkowski (Deceased)  
 Eva Warburg (living)
- Tuesday, May 23  
 9:00am (O) William C. Cella
- Wednesday May 24  
 9:00am (O) Peter Galkowski and Sheila Randall (living)  
 5:00pm (O) **Ascension Vigil Mass**  
 Jim McCullough (living)
- Thursday, May 25, **Ascension of the Lord**  
 9:00am (S) Miriam Finnerty  
**No 7:00pm Mass**
- Friday, May 26  
 9:00am (S) Frank P. "Mickey" Mello  
 Dorothy Walker and Del Wilkins  
 Deceased members of the McMahon family  
 Nicholas Gavalakis (20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
 7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet,  
 Litany to Mary  
 7:50pm Benediction
- Saturday, May 27  
 2:30pm Wedding: Sarah Vignati and Timothy Johnson  
 5:00pm (O) Mary Young (Anniversary)
- Sunday, May 28, **Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
 8:00am (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners  
 10:30am (O) Henry "Hank" Lombardi  
 5:00pm (O'N) St. Lucy's Parishioners

In the above celebrations:

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

**CHURCH SUPPORT – May 13/14, 2017**

**Weekly Collection \$5602.00**

The Second Collection this weekend will be for the reduction of the Parish debt. The Second Collection next weekend will be the Trinity Dome National Collection. This is a one-time collection to support the completion of the mosaic adorning the central Trinity Dome of the Great Upper Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

*Thank you for your continuing generosity.*

**FORMED: Catholic Faith On Demand.** We have been getting wonderful feedback on FORMED from Parishioners, young and old. Register today at [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and use the parish code **B84KHM** to see what everyone is talking about and experience the excitement through movies, study programs, audio presentations, books, and more. It's FREE! **Recommendations for the Feast of the Ascension (May 25):** Programs: *Catholicism, Session 1: Amazed and Afraid; Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 6: The Paschal Mystery*; for youth-Program: *Disciple: Who is God?, Session 3: Is Jesus Really Divine? Recommendations for the Feast of the Visitation of the BVM (May 31):* Program: *The Bible and the Virgin Mary; Catholicism, Session 4: Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast*; Book: *Mary: The Church at the Source*; for children-*Bible Stories for Little Children*. ENJOY!

**Catholic Charity Fund Appeal (CCFA)**

Thank you for your generous donations that help 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 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a
- Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
- Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday: Acts 1:12-14/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

**Become a Hospice Volunteer:** Hospice Volunteers offer comfort and companionship to patients and families; provide much-needed respite for caregivers; shop, run errands, help prepare a meal, work on special events and fundraising programs, and support Hospice behind the scenes in our office. No health care experience is necessary and training/support is provided. The commitment is two hours per week for one-year. Please call Joy Benson, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, 682-2100, ext. 1616 or 256-3372 to learn more or to schedule an interview. The next Hospice Volunteer Training begins on Thurs., May 25<sup>th</sup> and runs for 5 consecutive Thursdays ending on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Classes are from 9am to 12pm in Portsmouth.

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 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](http://aohnewport.org). Deadline is Friday, August 1, 2017.

**Camp St. Dorothy** is accepting registrations NOW for its 50<sup>th</sup> 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.

**St. Stanislaus Family Festival** will be held on Friday, June 2 through Sunday, June 4. The Festival includes Polish and American food, entertainment, dancing, and children's activities. For more information visit [SaintStansFestival.com](http://SaintStansFestival.com).

**Jesus Saviour Church Holy Ghost Feast** will be held on June 11 with Mass at 10am with procession to the Vasco da Gama Hall at 15 Fenner Avenue. Food will be served all day with an auction in the afternoon.

**St. Barnabas Festival** will begin with a **Country and Western Hoedown** on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Church Hall. Doors open 6pm - dinner served 6:30pm followed by dancing to the music of Cindy Lane & the True Country Band. The Buffet dinner will be catered by Becky's Barbeque. Costume contest: Children: Boys as Billy the Kid; Girls as Belle Star; Adults: Men as Jesse James, Women as Pearl Hart. Great prizes for all age groups. Tickets: Adults \$17; Children 6-12 \$7; 5 and under free. Family cap is \$60. For tickets call Mary Silveria at 683-0752 or the Parish Office at 683-1343. Tickets must be purchased by May 31. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

**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.

**Holy Hour for Vocations:** Please join with 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 Pippin Orchard Rd., Cranston.