



LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)

I have a number of friends who have turned in their final grades and closed up their classrooms and, right in front of my face have performed their “end of the school year” improvisational dances while singing the ever-popular make-up-the-words-as-you-go-along-song that goes with it! Believe me when I say that I am very happy for them and share in their joy, but inwardly I am a little bit jealous as thoughts fill my mind of having an entire summer of vacation = no work = going to the beach, hanging with friends, day trips, (of course, in between there would be some grown-up adult responsibilities that occur). I know, parents, I’m not painting an accurate or true picture of summer, as we know it’s not all rosy and fun times! The *freedom of summer days* that I knew as a child had bouts (maybe even droughts) of the summer doldrums that were literally filled with cries of “Mom, I’m sooo bored!” I’m sure you’d like to know where I’m going with these thoughts. A friend of mine posted a photo of her family’s *Summer Bucket List* on FaceBook; what a great idea! So great, in fact, it led me to think about some *Catholic Activities* that can be done together as household families or as Catholic Community families. Please make use of and enjoy all or some of these activities for the month of July, or create your own (thank you pinterest and [10 July Activities for Catholic Families c2014 – RealLifeAtHome.com](http://10JulyActivitiesforCatholicFamilies.c2014-RealLifeAtHome.com))! *Grab blocks or LEGO bricks and create unique buildings and other creations for St. Thomas the Apostle’s feast day [patron saint of architects, July 2]. *Visit Eucharistic Adoration (even if only briefly – on Friday evenings at St. Lucy’s) in honor of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, who had a great devotion to the Eucharist (July 14). *Pick a service project, large or small, to enjoy working on as a group. *Prepare your favorite apple recipe on July 15, as apples (and rain drops) are symbols of St. Swithun. *Make empty tomb rolls as a reminder of St. Mary Magdalene (July 22) being present to see both the empty tomb and Christ resurrected. *Go fishing or just play a game of the card game *Go Fish!* in honor of St. James the Apostle who was a fisherman (July 25). *Plan a visit (or video chat) with grandparents to celebrate the feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, grandparents of Jesus (July 26). *St. Martha used hospitality as a way to serve Jesus and others. Prepare a meal or treat for someone special (July 29). *Schedule some special prayer time asking for God’s guidance for our country and its people!

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MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 24
 5:00pm (O) Francis E. Carroll and Katherine L. Carroll
 Sunday, June 25
 8:00am (O) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
 10:30am (O) Henry “Hank” Lombardi
 7:00pm (O’N) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
 Monday, June 26
 9:00am Frank P. “Mickey” Mello
 Tuesday, June 27
 9:00am Katherine I. (Bell) Croy
 Wednesday June 28
 9:00am William C. Cella
 Thursday, June 29
 9:00am Communion Service
 Friday, June 30
 9:00am (S) Deceased Members of the McMahon family
 Timothy Murphy
 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany to Mary
 7:50pm Benediction
 Saturday, July 1
 5:00pm (O) Mary K. Connerton
 Mary E. King
 Sunday, July 2
 8:00am (O) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
 10:30am (O) The Betty and Spooner Families
 Judy Doyle (14th Anniversary)
 7:00pm (O’N) St. Lucy’s Parishioners

In the above celebrations:

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

Catholic Charity Fund Appeal (CCFA)

The 2017 Catholic Charity Appeal will conclude on June 30. We have collected over \$59,000 toward our goal of \$63,000. Thank you to all who have donated! CCFA envelopes are still available at the Church entrance for your donations.

CHURCH SUPPORT – June 17/18, 2017

Weekly Collection	\$5166.00
Reduction of the Parish Debt	\$3743.00
Thank you for your continuing generosity.	

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Mt 7:1-5
 Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14
 Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20
 Thursday: Acts 12:1-11/2Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/
 Mt 16:13-19
 Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Mt 8:1-4
 Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Mt 8:5-17
 Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/
 Mt 10:37-42

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.

Some simple needs for replenishing St. Lucy’s Food Pantry as we go into the summer months include Peanut Butter, Jelly, (boxed) Crackers, Pasta, Campbell’s Chunky Soup – beef and chicken, Chef Boyardee (all varieties), Progresso soups, Canned Vegetables (corn, peas, green beans, carrots), and Cereal. **Thank you**, in advance, for your constant care of our neighbors.

Congratulations Graduates! As the commencement season is nearing its end, we do not want to be remiss in recognizing the accomplishments of the many students (kindergarten through college) who have graduated and who have a connection to St. Lucy’s. We join together to express our high praise and best wishes as you “commence” the next part of your journey ahead. Have a wonderful summer and stay safe!!

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

Make a Real Difference! Become a Hospice Volunteer and help provide quality end-of-life care to local terminally-ill patients. **Beacon Hospice** is looking for caring and compassionate individuals in this area to spend time with patients. Volunteers can provide much needed support to patients and their families in a number of ways including: visiting with patients on an ongoing basis; sitting vigil; knitting, crocheting, quilting blankets; creating memory posters; providing music therapy; reiki; pet therapy; bereavement volunteers; veterans visiting other veterans; and assisting in veteran’s pinning ceremonies. Contact Paul Gauthier at paul.gauthier@amedisys.com or 401-294-6204.

SAVE THE DATE: The annual Parish picnic will be held on Tuesday, August 1 from 5:30 to dusk. More details to follow.

St Vincent de Paul Society

Thank you to Rene Bressett, a Diocesan leader, and Mike Viera of Jesus Saviour Church for their presentations at the St. Vincent de Paul information night held last Tuesday evening in the Parish Center. More than 50 people attended and expressed interest in the Society and their ministry to those in need. In a few weeks St. Lucy’s will host a Formation Day for those wishing to take the next step in becoming involved in the St. Vincent de Paul Society and forming a Council here at St. Lucy’s. Please pray for the success of this outreach program. More information will be forthcoming.

United: An Evening of Hope and Remembrance. Please join RI clergy, FIRE (Faith Infused Recovery Efforts) and the Diocesan St. Matthias Ministry on June 29th from 6:30- 9pm at First Baptist Church of RI, 75 North Main St., Providence to remember the 1,250 Rhode Islanders that have died from opioid overdoses over the last 5 years. There will be a memorial service, resource information, speakers, music, food, and clergy support. Please bring names of loved ones you wish to be remembered. There is no cost to attend. To RSVP and for more information contact Diego at 201-415-7008 or send email to rhodeislandfiore@outlook.com or <http://fireri.org/index.html>.

Quo Vadis Days Camp will be held from July 30-August 2 at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence. QVD camp is led by priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Providence and is supported by the Office of Vocations. The camp will include reflections from priests and laymen from around the diocese, Mass with our Bishop, an outdoor challenge course, and a number of other fun activities. The cost of the camp is \$25. For more information, please contact Fr. Christopher Murphy at 331-1316 or email FatherCJM@gmail.com. To register online, please visit <http://qvdays.org/register/diocese-of-providence>.

Cluny families, alumni, friends, supporters and benefactors are invited to gather for a **Mass of Thanksgiving & Reception** on the grounds of Cluny School, 75 Brenton Rd., Newport on Friday, June 30 at 6:00pm. Rev. Kris von Maluski, Pastor of St. Mary’s and St. Augustin Churches, will offer Mass in celebration of the 60 year mission of the school and its founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny. The event is free and open to the public. For more information on the closing celebrations at Cluny School, call Robin Tagliaferri at 846-4826, ext. 20 or email clunyevents@hotmail.com.

The Time to Apply Has Arrived! Are you aware of the corporate tax credit program? You could now take advantage of a lucrative RI corporate tax credit while at the same time, provide aid for economically challenged families who wish to enroll their child in a Catholic School. All information about the program including the application can be found at the FACE website: www.faceofri.org.