



LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)

In his first letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul talks about life after death with the simple phrase, “we shall be changed” (15:51-52). In the Nicene Creed, we “look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.” This is the hope of our faith: Even in death, our communion with God cannot be severed. But what will life after death be like? That’s the question that the Sadducees had trouble answering. It’s important to know that the concept of resurrection was a fairly recent development in Jesus’ time. The idea was disputed. The Sadducees did not believe in resurrection; the Pharisees did. The Sadducees were trying to trip Jesus up with their question about multiple marriages. They clung to the notion that life after death would be exactly like life on earth. Thus, the practical issues would present insurmountable problems. Jesus was not fooled; he tells them that when God raises us up, we will come fully into our identities as children of God. God has revealed much about life after death since then. We know we will stand before God when we die and face his judgment and mercy. We know we will be able to turn our backs on God (hell) or turn toward him (heaven). We know that for many, purification (purgatory) will be part of that process. Afterward, our loving union with God will remain eternally. Perhaps that truth will inspire greater faith, hope, and witness here and now.

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First Reconciliation Classes continue on Thursday, November 10 from 3:30-4:45pm in the Parish Center.

Marian Prayer Cards are available at the entrance to the Church. “The Lady of All National Prayer” is written on the card. People are encouraged to say pray this prayer for the benefit of the world.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday:	Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday:	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/I Cor 3:9c-11/Jn 2:13-22
Thursday:	Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8
Sunday:	Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

CHURCH SUPPORT – October 29/30, 2016
Weekly Collection \$5635.00
Electronic Giving (October) \$4069.00
The second collection next weekend will be for the reduction of the Parish Debt.
Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Soup Kitchen Needs
Tuesday, November 15, 2016
 4 Bags oranges
 Assorted finger desserts(cupcakes, cookies, brownies)
 3 (1 lb.) boxes butter (sticks only)
 3 rolls paper towels
 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, November 15. We served 97 meals on October. Thank you all for your generosity.

Community Action Committee (CAC)
Thanksgiving Meal at the Salvation Army: All the food which our Parish donates will be used for the meal that the Salvation Army serves on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Suggested donations include non-perishable items which may be placed in the containers in the Church entrance or monetary donations/grocery cards (clearly marked for Salvation Army Thanksgiving donation). Fresh or defrosted turkeys (10 to 12 lbs) can be brought to Parish Center on Thursday, Nov. 17 anytime before 4:30pm. All food donations will be taken to the Salvation Army on Thursday, Nov. 17 at 4:30pm. Any left over food is stored and used for the Salvation Army Christmas baskets.
Thanksgiving Baskets: St. Lucy’s will also be accepting grocery cards to assist the needs in our Parish Community. Please mark donations specifically for “St. Lucy’s Parish.”
Many thanks for your past and present generosity.

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.

National Vocation Awareness Week will be observed starting Sunday, Nov. 6. This is a time for all to join in prayer to promote, encourage, and support vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially in our Diocese.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter “But the Lord is faithful: he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one.” Let us strengthen our marriages in faithfulness by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information, call Stephen or Michelle O’Leary at 800-710-9963 or www.WWMEMA.org.

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

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word. 2 THESS 2:16-17

MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

- Saturday, November 5
 - 5:00pm (O) Sgt. Michael F. Paranzino
- Sunday, November 6
 - 8:00am (O) Harry Steele
 - 10:30am (O) **Mass of Remembrance**
Howard L. Porter (1st Anniversary)
 - 5:00pm (ON) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
- Monday, November 7
 - 9:00am (O) Frederick L. Hickey
- Tuesday, November 8
 - 9:00am (O) Mark Donald Francis (7th Anniversary)
- Wednesday November 9
 - 9:00am (O) Deacon Robert Sheeley and Michael Sheeley
- Thursday, November 10
 - 9:00am Communion Service
- Friday, November 11, **Veterans Day**
 - 9:00am (S) Maria Carroll
 - 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 - 7:00pm Devotions
 - 8:00pm Benediction
- Saturday, November 12
 - 1:30pm Mass at Grand Islander
 - 5:00pm (O) Mary K. Connerton and Nancy Moitoza
- Sunday, November 13
 - 8:00am (O) Manuel Alves (Birthday Remembrance)
 - 10:30am (O) George and Helen Leeber
 - 12:00pm Baptisms
 - 5:00pm (O’N) Robert Blass, Sr. (25th Anniversary)

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

The Rectory will be closed on Friday, Nov. 11 in honor of Veterans Day.

A Children’s Homily will be offered at the 10:30am Mass this Sunday, Nov. 6 and Sunday, Nov. 13.

ELECTION DAY
Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2016

****VOTE!** Every voice matters and every vote counts. Pray before, during, and after your vote.
****KNOW THE CANDIDATES AND THE ISSUES!** Do your homework ahead of time to really meet the candidates and to know their stance on all issues. Pray for wisdom.
****KEEP YOUR LOYALTY FOCUSED ON JESUS AND YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH!** Be aware of all issues. Pray for guidance that this great land of ours will always be “one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all (born and unborn).”
 For more information and guidance, visit websites sponsored by the National Catholic Register (NCRegister.com) and Priest for Life (PriestsForLife.org/Candidates).
Remember – Jesus does not have to be a registered voter to accompany you to the polling places!!!

Local Catholic High Schools – Open House

November 6, 1-3pm: Bishop Stang High School, 500 Slocum Road, N. Dartmouth. Admissions Office: 508-996-5602 x 424 or visit www.bishopstang.org.
November 6, 12noon-3pm: St. Raphael Academy, Pawtucket. For info visit www.saintrays.org.
November 7, 6-8pm: The Prout School at 4640 Tower Hill Road, Wakefield. Admissions Office: 789-9262 x 514 or visit www.theproutschool.org.

Tuition assistance is available to qualified applicants for students attending a **Catholic elementary school**. Please call Colleen at the Rectory for details at 847-6153 (x 206).

Jesus Saviour Rosary Solidarity is sponsoring a “**Penny Social**” at Jesus Saviour Church Hall on this Sunday, Nov. 6 from 1 to 5pm (doors open at noon) featuring many gifts and free refreshments.

Holiday Events

Family Festival and Craft Show at Immaculate Conception Church on Saturday, Nov. 12 (9 to 6) and Sunday, Nov. 13 (9 to 1) at 237 Garden Hills Drive, Cranston.
“A Christmas Pudding” will be presented by the Portsmouth Community Theater at St. Lucy’s Parish Center Nov. 30 through Dec. 4. This is a holiday sampling of seasonal stories and songs. For more information/reservations, call Cindy Killavey at 847-5148.

The Bishop’s Catholic Committee on Scouting is reminding any registered Catholic Cub Scout, Boy Scout, or Girl Scout that they can earn age appropriate religious emblems. For more information contact the Office of Catholic Youth Ministry at 278-4626 or youthministry@dioceseofprovidence.org.