



But he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." Lk 7-50



LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)

Continuing with *Jubilee Year of Mercy* thoughts, the following is a witness story of Priscilla La Porte that I came across and would like to share with you. "As Catholics, we believe God's greatest attribute is mercy. When my twenty-year old brother was murdered in 2007 on the campus of Virginia Tech, I greatly struggled with this tenet of our faith. I felt abandoned by God who lied to me about his goodness. A year after Matthew died, my family received a letter from the mother of a student who had survived the ordeal. She thanked us for our son and brother's sacrifice, which she believed saved her daughter's life. Cadet Matthew La Porte had barred the classroom door with a desk. When the shooter forced his way in, Matthew charged him and sustained seven gunshot wounds. I prayed for healing. God said, 'Forgive the shooter. Tell your story.' A giant leap of faith and trust in him enabled me to do the impossible – to forgive my brother's killer and share with others what I'd experienced. It was then that my life changed a second time. Peace came to me when I put my energy into loving others rather than seeking revenge. Joy came when I saw how sharing my story helped others face their own personal struggles. Mercy does not allow those who wrong us to get away with injustice. Mercy repairs what is broken, restores hope, and molds us into holy souls who emulate more closely the heart of Jesus Christ. Mercy is everything." Can I get an Amen and a giant Thank You for Ms. La Porte?!

(Written by Colette Savaria, LIFE Coordinator)

MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

- Saturday, June 11
 - 5:00pm (O) Catherine "Kay" Gray
- Sunday, June 12
 - 8:00am (O) Roscoe Mace
 - 10:30am (O) Arthur Hines
 - 7:00pm (O'N) Karen Sola-Mendez (living, 15th Birthday)
- Monday, June 13
 - 9:00am (R) Zelia Medeiros
- Tuesday, June 14
 - 9:00am Maura Kehew
- Wednesday, June 15
 - 9:00am Louis Arena
- Thursday, June 16
 - 9:00am Communion Service
- Friday, June 17
 - 9:00am (S) Mary Wicks
 - 5:00pm Guy and Gail Allen (38th Wedding Anniversary Mass)
 - 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 - 7:00pm Devotions
 - 7:50pm Benediction
- Saturday, June 18
 - 1:30pm Mass at Forest Farm
 - 5:00pm (O) James E. Moniz (2nd Anniversary) John Walsh
- Sunday, June 19 **Father's Day**
 - 8:00am (O) Amelia Edward-Corbett
 - 10:30am (O) George and Helen Leeber
 - 7:00pm** (O'N) Jaime DeFreitas

In the above celebrations:

- O = Rev. John O'Brien
- O'N = Rev. Tom O'Neill
- S = Rev. Joseph Saji
- R = Rev. Jose dos Reis

SOUP KITCHEN NEEDS
Tuesday, June 21

4 bags oranges 2 bottles Italian Salad Dressing
 2 cans powdered Juice mix (lemonade)
 Assorted finger desserts (cupcakes, brownies, cookies)
 If you would like to help with any of the above items, please call Sylvia Bunker at 683-0320. Food items may be dropped off at the Rectory anytime before 3pm on Tuesday, June 21. We served 87 meals in May. Thank you all for your generosity.

CHURCH SUPPORT – June 4/5, 2016
Weekly Collection \$6714.00

Friendly Reminder: For your convenience donations may be made electronically. It is simple, secure, and convenient! Detailed instructions are on our web site (www.stlucy.org).
****If you have been making your donation by EFT and no longer wish to receive bi-monthly envelopes, please contact the office 847-6153 ext. 201. (You would still receive special mailings from St. Lucy's if you opt out of having the collection envelopes mailed to you.)**

Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Community Action Reminder: You have the power to donate life! Register as an organ, eye, and tissue donor today!! You can log onto the following site for more info: <http://donatelife.net>

The 2016 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL is near its completion. To date St. Lucy's has raised 58,317 toward our goal of \$63,000. It's not too late to help us reach this goal, envelopes are still available in the entrance to the Church for your donations. **Thank you for your generosity!!**

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Mt 5:38-42
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Mt 5:43-48
 Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Mt 6:7-15
 Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Mt 6:19-23
 Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Mt 6:24-34
 Sunday: Zec 12:10-11, 13:1/Gal 3:26-29/Lk 9:18-24

Dear Parishioners:
"How I wish all marriage proceedings were free of charge."
 Pope Francis' Address to the Roman Rota
 January 23, 2015

As a response to Pope Francis' expressed wish, I am pleased to announce the elimination of all fees formerly charged for defraying the cost of the marriage annulment procedure in the Diocese of Providence effective, July 1, 2016. His Excellency, Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, inspired by the Holy Father's pastoral concern and following the practice of many other dioceses, in accordance with Canon 1649 §1,1, has decreed the removal of the "requirement of the parties to pay or compensate for judicial expenses." Thus, the fee once charged for a formal annulment procedure will be completely eliminated. As always, the expected donation was never a pre-condition or requirement to receive a declaration of nullity. No one has ever been turned away and no case has been delayed because of an inability to defray the costs associated with operating the diocesan marriage tribunal.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
 Msgr. Albert A. Kenney
 Vicar General/Moderator of the Curia

New or Used Air Conditioner Needed: A woman with COPD and living in the local community is in need of a window style air conditioner. Please contact Colleen Earnshaw 847-6153 ext. 206 if you are able to help.

BIBLE STUDY will be held every Tuesday morning from 9:45-10:30 in the Family Room of the Church. We will focus on the upcoming Sunday readings. All are welcome.

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.

Intarsia is a woodworking technique that crafts a mosaic-like picture. It is created through the selection of different types of wood, using their natural grain pattern and color, not stain, to form the variations in the design. Each piece is cut to a pattern, then sculptured and fitted like a jigsaw puzzle. Pieces are then glued to a wood backing with some pieces raised to achieve an illusion of depth. **You will find a beautiful example of this technique on the wall in the Narthex.** The image of the Madona and child along with the angels reminds us that it was their individual obedience to the Father, personal sacrifice, and humble service that changed the course of human history. We extend deep gratitude to Paul and Sue Boudreau for this artistic rendering.

Holy Hour For Vocations and Priesthood Ordinations

On the eve of Ordinations to the Priesthood, please join the ordinandi for a Holy Hour for Vocations on Friday, June 24, at 7pm at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 65 Third St., East Greenwich. The Most Rev. Robert C. Evans, D.D., J.C.L., Auxiliary Bishop of Providence, will preside and Rev. Joseph R. Upton, Chaplain of The Prout School and URI, will be the homilist. Please join them in prayer for priestly vocations.

On Saturday, June 25 please join them for the **Priesthood Ordination of Rev. Mr. Nathan J. Ricci and Rev. Mr. Jorge V. Rocha** at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence at 10am with the Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D. Bishop of Providence, presiding.

All are invited to join in these celebrations.

Save the Date: On Friday, June 24, at 7pm Ryan and Liz Tremblay will perform a free-will concert to benefit "Trust: An EP (extended play) for Erica" at St. Lucy's Church. Erica is Ryan's sister who passed away on June 23, 2015 from breast cancer. She was diagnosed in December of 2014 and was fourteen weeks pregnant when she received the news. Despite many risks, she chose to continue her pregnancy and against all medical odds, gave birth to a beautiful, healthy baby girl on April 29, 2015, named Eleanor "Ella" Gianna Shea. In honor of Erica, Ryan would like to record a 6 song Christian album ("TRUST: An EP for Erica) to share her story and give glory to God as she always did. Several A-list musicians have agreed to be a part of this project including legendary drummer, Steve Gadd (drummer for James Taylor and Eric Clapton)! Proceeds from this free-will offering event will go towards the recording project and Cade and Ella's College Fund (Erica's two children). Please join us for this memorable evening of music and witness during this Jubilee Year of Mercy!

Holy Ghost Church on 316 Judson St. in Tiverton is proud to be hosting Bishop Athanasius Schneider, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Mary Most Holy in Kazakhstan. On June 28 Bishop Schneider will give a talk followed by Solemn Pontifical Vespers and a reception (ticket required). On June 29 a Solemn Pontifical Mass will be celebrated. Clergy and seminarians are invited to attend Vespers and Mass in choir dress. For tickets and information, visit HolyGhostCC.org or call 624-8131.