

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30, 2017

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls in this week's Mass intention; for Rene Benoit whose funeral mass was celebrated here; for the souls in Purgatory; and for the deceased of our parish.

Sat., Jul 29,	4:00 P.M.	Butler & Lenihan families
Sun., Jul 30,	8:30 A.M.	Lorraine Marashio by husband & children
	10:30 A.M.	Community Mass: Edward W. Figueira, Lucilia Sousa, J. Arthur Ross, Rene Benoit
	7:00 P.M.	Roger Letourneau by Bob & Deb
Mon., Jul 31	8:00 A.M.	Peter Colangelo by father, Angelo (8 th anniversary)
Tues., Aug 1,	8:00 A.M.	For parishioners of St. Mary
Thurs., Aug 3,	8:00 A.M.	Jack Joaquin by niece, June
Fri., Aug 4,	8:00 A.M.	Peter Colangelo by father, Angelo
Sat., Aug 5,	4:00 P.M.	Peter Dumont by mother (6 th anniversary)
Sun., Aug 6,	8:30 A.M.	Conrad Letendre by wife
	10:30 A.M.	Community Mass: Frank & Lois Giambo, Rene Davignon
	7:00 P.M.	Diane Jacques by Bob & Deb



14-day Memorial Candles: In Memory of Thomas McKenna by wife, Norma
In Memory of A Special Intention

Icon Candle: In Memory of Manuel Barbosa by Luisa Barbosa

Hosts for July: In Memory of Nelson Fernandes by wife, Hilda (5th anniversary)

On the bulletin board at the main entrance of the church there is a priest prayer request calendar for July. Please take one and say a prayer for the priest on that day. Thank you.

The Mass Book for 2018 is now open. The offering is \$10.00 for the Sunday community mass and all weekday masses, and \$20.00 for all individual weekend masses.

Registered parishioners may reserve up to two masses on weekends and two masses on weekdays until all requests are filled. Those who are not registered or from another parish may add names to the Sunday community mass at 10:30 AM. **There are a few weekday and 7:00PM Sunday masses still available for 2017.**

*Perhaps you might want to start your day off with Mass during the week. If not every day – how about once a week? We have daily mass on **Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. at 8:00AM.***

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting will be Wednesday, August 2nd, at 6:45 PM.

St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank everyone for their continued support of our mission to help those in need. Please remember that with summer months here, children who usually get their best meals at school will now be home for breakfast and lunch.

First Friday, August 4th, will open with prayers after the 8:00 A.M. Mass, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction at 1:00PM. A sign-up sheet is available at the entrance of the church. Please remember all the sick and homebound of our parish in your prayers.



Next week, our second collection will be for **Peter's Pence**, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

Low gluten altar breads US parishes have received approval from the United States Council of Catholic Bishops to offer individuals with gluten intolerance a Low Gluten Altar Bread. Low Gluten Altar Bread is valid matter for use in the Catholic Eucharist according to the Catholic Church's canonical requirements. The gluten content of Low Gluten Altar Bread is under 20 parts per million. If you require receiving low gluten host at mass, please see Fr. Dan in the vesting sacristy before mass and a small pyx (vessel) containing the low gluten host will be prepared for you.

If anyone would like to donate to this year's **Holiday Fair Chinese Auction**, gift certificates would be most appreciated. Other items are also needed. If you can help, please call Celeste at 508-998-1295. The Holiday Fair is scheduled for November 4th and 5th.

***St. Mary's Parish Scholarship Fund** for many families it is a financial sacrifice to send their children to a parochial school. To assist in this matter, St. Mary's Parish has formed a Scholarship Fund to assist needy students who attend Catholic School. Perhaps you find yourself in circumstances that will allow you to contribute to that fund. Any and all donations will be gratefully received at any time and are tax deductible. Please help us to help others. Your contribution can be sent to St. Mary's Parish, 106 Illinois St., New Bedford, MA 02745, and designated for the Scholarship Fund. Help us to build the future.*

Embark 2017 A FREE RETREAT FOR ALL FIRST YEAR STUDENTS – GOING TO ANY COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY!

On August 1-2, 2017, the Diocese of Fall River Catholic Campus Ministry will offer an overnight program at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA. This gathering provides an opportunity for incoming first year students to meet the diocesan campus ministry team, and to meet other students who will be attending college in the fall. There is no charge for this program.

Many Catholic colleges offer secular and religious degree programs, encouraging Catholic students of all backgrounds to stay connected with their faith. However, with over 250 Catholic colleges in the country, it can be difficult for Catholic students to narrow down their decision. Our team at **TheBestColleges.org** is here to help with our 2017 guide to choosing a Catholic college. In addition to connecting students with accredited Catholic colleges, this resource provides tips on what questions students should ask to find a school that fits their needs.

Retreat for Women Summer is a good time to take a break for spiritual renewal. Sacred Hearts Retreat Center is offering a retreat for women "Choose Gratitude... the Joy of Thanks-living" guided by Sr. Claire Bouchard. The weekend retreat begins on August 4th with dinner at 6PM and ends Sunday at 11AM. The cost is \$175.00. To register please call [508-295-0100](tel:508-295-0100). Location: 226 Great Neck Rd. Wareham, MA Thank you.

A Vacation With the Lord People often ask if they can come to the retreat center for an overnight or for a few days of respite. A week, **August 7-12, 2017** has been set aside for this purpose. The house and the grounds at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center offer the perfect place for this. Cost depends on number of days and meals. To register call Sr. Claire at [508-295-0100](tel:508-295-0100). Thank you.

Good Shepherd Parish - 1598 S. Main St. in Fall River will be holding its **Annual Feast** on Aug. 11 & 12 from 5:00-10:00 P.M. & Aug. 13 from 12:00-7:00 P.M. Featuring Portuguese, Polish and American food, great music, homemade malassadas, games and activities for all ages, a Portuguese Bazaar, Chinese Auction, artisans and vendors. Car show Sunday 12:00-5:00P.M. For more information visit www.gsfallriver.com, e-mail to gsfallriver@gmail.com or call the office at (508) 678-7412.

