

# PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 22/23, 2010



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>22,</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Herbert Isherwood</b> By the Choir
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>23,</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Brian &amp; Michael Smith</b> By Joan & David Pepin
			<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Odilia Carreiro &amp; Irene Pimental</b> By Family
			<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Community Mass:</b> Manuel Magalhaes (2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann.), Charles Goddu, Mary Ellen Cronin, Fr. Clarence Murphy
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>24,</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Irene Drolet</b> By Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>25,</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Eric &amp; Albert Vaile</b> By Jerry & Marcia Vaile
			<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Mass at The Oaks</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>26,</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Joseph S. Correia</b> By Ann & Gene Rymaszewicz
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>28,</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>John J. Teixeira</b> By Family
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>29,</b>	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. James Emerson</b> By daughter, Elaine Rousseau
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>30,</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Kay &amp; Franklin Whitehead</b> By Joan & David Pepin
			<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel (14<sup>th</sup> Ann.), Maria, Emanuel &amp; Luduina Furtado</b> By Family
			<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Community Mass:</b> Manuel Magalhaes, Mary Ellen Cronin, Fr. Clarence Murphy

**SANCTUARY LAMP: Special intention**  
**SAINT JOSEPH: For employment for all who have lost their jobs**  
**OUR LADY OF FATIMA: In memory of Joseph S. Correia**  
**SAINT THERESE: Special intention**

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

**Collection:** \$2,596.75 Thank You!  
**Last Year:** \$2,511.16  
**Holy Day:** \$515.75 Thank you!  
**Expenses:** \$2,666.33 (\$1,006.06 contract services, \$695.98 weekly budget for clergy pension, medical and property insurance, \$200.00 Anchor, \$440.30 Liturgical/office/rectory supplies, \$135.67 Verizon, \$188.32 Commonwealth State tax.)

## MASS INTENTIONS are available for June and July

The Sanctuary Lamp as well as the Saint Joseph Lamp, Our Lady of Fatima Lamp, and Saint Therese Lamp are available. Mass intentions can be scheduled on Wednesdays and Fridays during office hours.

**ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** Please join us for Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. There is so much to pray for. Please email any prayer requests at [olofnb@comcast.net](mailto:olofnb@comcast.net).



**OUR MILITARY** that God may watch over our loved ones, protect them and bring them home safely. **THE SICK** who have asked for our prayers. May they be strengthened by God in health, mind, body and spirit and be comforted by our prayer.

**CENACLE OF DIVINE MERCY** will meet this Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> after the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.



*“Whenever you do open the door of your heart, whenever you come close enough, you will hear Me say to you again and again, not in mere human words but in spirit: “No matter what you have done, I love you for your own sake. Come to me with your misery and your sins, with your troubles and needs, and with all your longing to be loved. I stand at the door of your heart and knock.....Open to Me, for I THIRST FOR YOU!”*

*“ Jesus is God, therefore His love, His Thirst, is infinite. He the Creator of the universe, asked for the love of His creatures. He thirsts for our love..... These words: “I thirst” – do they echo in our souls?” Mother Theresa*

Please join us for prayer every Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M. Set some time aside for Jesus and experience His peace.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**  
**Be set apart for God’s use not the worlds.**



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL**

This year's Diocesan Catholic Charities Appeal began Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. To date we have received \$11,573.00 with 119 households contributing out of 780 households registered. The annual Catholic

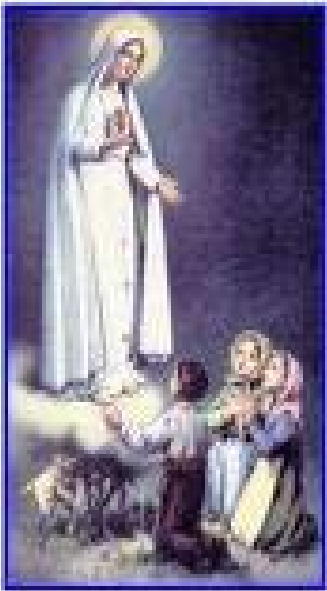
Charities Appeal helps thousands of people in our Diocese and 94 cents of every dollar is directed solely to the agencies and apostolates funded by the Appeal. Bishop George Coleman invites us all to pray about how we can help to continue our 69 years of reaching out compassionately to those in need of assistance, without regard to race, creed, nationality, gender or economic status. If you have never supported the CCA in the past, won't you consider this year a contribution of 4 gallons of gasoline. Thank You!

**MASS IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR BELOVED DECEASED**

There will be a Mass at the original Mausoleum Chapel of Notre Dame Cemetery in Fall River, on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31<sup>ST</sup> at 10 A.M. Bishop Coleman will be the celebrant of the Mass. Please plan to join us in prayer for those we remember and love.

**MARY'S KITCHEN—COOKING WITH CHRIST**--a

series of spiritual discovery through cooking classes. Laugh, learn and look deep into your soul with inspirational speaker and author Michelle Yozzo Drake. Join Michelle Yozzo Drake Friday June 25, 2010 9AM-3PM at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center—226 Great Neck Road—Wareham, MA 02571 as she guides you through an exploration of non-traditional prayers that are expressed through cooking in the kitchen. Cost-\$55 if you register before May 30th.....\$65 before June 15<sup>th</sup>. Optional: Come stay over the Thursday night arriving at 6:30 for evening meditation, breakfast and morning Mass before starting to cook for an additional cost of \$40. Call Sr. Claire at 508-295-0100 to register or if you have questions. Register early - space limited.



**The month of May is traditionally a month dedicated to the Blessed Mother.**

**Please join us during this Marian month in honoring Our Lady through the recitation of the rosary Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.**

*Our Lady promised us at Fatima that in the end, her Immaculate Heart would triumph and there will be a time of peace. Let us earnestly seek this gift of peace from our loving mother.*

**LAKESIDE FAMILY Festival**

**AT ST. JOHN NEUMANN PARISH**

Friday May 28th: 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Sat and Sun from noon to 11 p.m.

Monday May 31<sup>st</sup> from noon to 5 p.m.

Come to the Festival. FREE ADMISSION!!

**HOLY CROSS FAMILY MINISTRIES** invites you to join us in a celebration of the Eucharist to commemorate the 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of our founder, Servant of God Father Patrick Peyton, CSC, and the 68<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Family Rosary on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Rosary at 4:00 p.m. at the Rosary Walk, Celebration of Mass at 5:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Chapel, and a light reception to follow in the Father Peyton Center.

**THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI** will be celebrated on June 6<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady's Chapel, New Bedford with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament. It will start at 2:00 pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be processed to three church stations: Our Lady of Purgatory, St. Lawrence Church, and St. John the Baptist Church. At each church Benediction will be held. During the procession participants will be reciting the rosary in English and Portuguese. Children dressed as angels will be strewing flower pedals in front of the Blessed Sacrament while processing. All priests, solidarities, religious organizations, youth groups etc. are invited. For more information, please call (508) 994-5035.

**FAMILY ROSARY CONFERENCE: AS WE FORGIVE**

Mark your calendar, plan to gather your family on Saturday, July 17, to learn how to communicate within the family, how to forgive each other and how to receive God's graces. With workshops for adults, teens and youth, a Mission Rosary, Vigil Mass, Reconciliation, and a dynamic keynote speaker, your family will enjoy an inspiring and uplifting day; and all for \$10 per person, up to a \$50 max for families ... and it includes Lunch. So register and simply join us on the grounds of Stonehill College on July 17. Go to [HCFM.org](http://HCFM.org) or call 508-238-4095 or 800-299-7729 for more information.



*God of mercy, we desire so much to work together and to serve you with all our hearts. We strive to be united as one but there are times that people and projects prohibit us from achieving this goal of unity. During these moments, we turn to you for guidance and strength to have the courage to speak against those who bring negativity into our world. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**ANNUAL POLISH FESTIVAL** Saint Stanislaus Parish, 36 Rockland Street, Fall River will be held on Friday, June 11th (5-9 pm); Sat., June 12th (5-9 pm); and Sun., June 13th (12-5pm). There will be live music and homemade Polish and American food, as well as fun and games for the entire family. Visit [www.SaintStansFestival.com](http://www.SaintStansFestival.com) for detailed information and directions or call 508-674-6771.

**EMMAUS RETREAT WEEKEND JUNE 11-13<sup>TH</sup>** at Cathedral Camp, Freetown. A heartfelt invitation is open to join us on our next Emmaus Weekend! Emmaus is a weekend retreat program for people who are seeking to grow in their relationship with Christ, regardless of their present level of faith and practice. The purpose of the weekend is to give participants an opportunity to reflect upon themselves and their relationship with God and their community. You will build valuable relationships through friendship, encouragement, prayer and the awesome power of God. For more information, please contact Debbie Sousa at (508) 646-3902 or visit [emmausretreats.com](http://emmausretreats.com).

**COURAGE** is a group for people who are experiencing same-sex attraction and would like to live the Church's teachings of chastity. We gather for prayer and conversation, seeking to support each other with the support of Christ. For the next meeting date, please call Fr. Richard Wilson at 508-992-9408 for location information.

**ARE YOU MOVING?** Please notify the rectory office. Thank you.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK** Our parish healthcare professionals will be on-duty the second weekend of the month to check your blood pressure after all Masses.

**ARE YOU REGISTERED?** - To be registered means you are receiving mailings from the parish office. This does not necessarily mean you receive budget envelopes. If you have been attending our church and would like to register, please stop by the parish office or fill out the coupon on the front of the bulletin. **You must be a registered parishioner of Our Lady of Fatima Parish at least three months to be given a sponsor certificate to be a Godparent for Baptism or Sponsor for Confirmation.**

**At The Advertisers**  
**LOOK Supporting Our Church Bulletin**

**STILL HURTING FROM AN ABORTION?** Has there been an abortion experience in your past? If you are hurting and would like to reach out for help, please call Project Rachel, which is a private, confidential and sensitive Catholic outreach to women and men hurting from past abortions. Call (508) 997-3300 for a confidential referral to a priest near you and begin your move toward reconciliation: at peace with God, your unborn child, your family, your church and

yourself. Trust in the tender embrace of God's love and mercy.



**Did you forget something? Please silence your cell phone or pager. Thank you!**

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS IN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FROM OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, NEW BEDFORD**

The criteria needed in order to request financial assistance for students from Our Lady of Fatima Parish, New Bedford, attending a Catholic Elementary School is the following:

1. Must be a registered member of the Parish for at least one year;
2. Practice a stewardship way of life as their means allow financially (use the Parish Budget Envelope System with a \$5.00 per week minimum) as well as time and talent in parish activities;
3. Volunteer in Parish Fundraising Activities or any Parish Ministry;
4. Participate in weekend worship regularly at Our Lady of Fatima Church with family.
5. Requests for Financial Assistance will NOT exceed \$300.00 per child (in accord with the Diocesan Policy regarding Financial Assistance).
6. Requests for Financial Assistance should be made in person to the Pastor.

Endorsed & approved by the Parish Pastoral Council on February 7, 2005

**HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS**

Due to privacy issues the Hospital is not allowed to provide clergy with the names and Religious affiliations of their patients. If you wish to receive a pastoral visit it is up to you as a patient or family member to contact the Parish and Father Ozug

**DO YOU OFTEN ASK YOURSELF,**

“what can I give in return for all the blessings God has given to me and my loved ones?” Is there something missing in your day? Would you like to bring joy to an elder? Please consider assisting the residents to and from the chapel for



the recitation of the Rosary and attendance at Mass at the **Sacred Heart Nursing Home**, 359 Summer Street, New Bedford. Please call Sr. Dorothy Scesny, PBVM, Director of Pastoral Care at (508) 996-6751.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PARISH REGISTRATION** – For many different reasons many

parishioners are asking us to confirm that they belong to Our Lady of Fatima parish. This is sometimes difficult if the people are not registered with the parish and are in need of a Sponsor Certificate. The very minimum requirement would be that the person in question is registered as a parishioner and has been attending Mass here at Our Lady of Fatima for a few months. If you are coming to Our Lady of Fatima and have not registered, are not sure whether you are registered, you have not received any mailings from the parish, or have changed your address recently, please give the parish office a call and verify your registration. Please don't wait until you are asked to be a Sponsor for Confirmation or a godparent for a Baptism to register.

### **DAILY MASS AT OUR NEIGHBORING PARISHES**

#### **Saint John Neumann, East Freetown**

Monday-Thursday: 7:30 am

Friday: Communion Service: 7:30 am

Last Monday of the Month: Healing Service followed by Benediction 7:00P.M.

#### **Saint Francis Xavier, Acushnet**

Monday - Wednesday - Friday: 9:00a.m.

#### **Saint Mary's, New Bedford**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 a.m.

#### **Saint Anthony's, New Bedford**

Monday - Thursday at 7 a.m.

Friday at 5:15 p.m.

Saturday at 8 a.m.

#### **Saint Bernard's, Assonet**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m.

First Friday: 9:00 a.m.

### **DIRECTIONS FOR OUR TIMES**

Heaven Speaks Booklet display case is located in the back of the church. These messages, now in book form, were given to Anne, a lay apostle, through a process known as interior locution. Many who read these books are discovering a renewal of faith and love that is changing their lives forever. It is a change in direct line with God's plan, implemented in one soul at a time. As you experience graces, the wisdom, and the direction in these volumes understand that God is moving us from an Age of Disobedience to an Age of indeed Obedience. Jesus is indeed returning, and in these initial stages, He returns through you and through others. This process is profound in its scope and divine in its origin. For more information and other available books from Anne, a lay apostle visit [directionforourtimes.com](http://directionforourtimes.com).

### **THE NEW BEDFORD BABY PROJECT**

St. Anthony's Church is one of the main sites of distribution every Thursday at noon. They gladly receive donations of good condition baby and children's clothing, maternity clothing, strollers, baby items, children's books etc. Please use the Nye Street entrance to bring in your donations to St. Anthony's on Thursday mornings from

9:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. For more information please call Diane Bolton at 508-994-8421. If you would like to make a cash donation, please make your check payable to The Baby Project and mail to: The Baby Project, c/o Diane Bolton, 60 Orchard Street, New Bedford, MA 02740.

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

It is not possible for one always to be in the rectory awaiting emergency calls for the anointing of the sick. For this reason, please do not wait to the "last second" to call us if you or a loved one is in danger of death due to illness or old age and needs this great and powerful sacrament. As a general rule, please call as soon as hospice arrives or before major surgery. If you are at St. Luke's hospital, please make sure, upon check in, that you list yourself as a Catholic and say that you wish to be visited by the chaplain. I would be grateful, as well, if a family member might call the rectory to let me know you're there, as, under new federal regulations, I may not learn you're there otherwise. This is also true if you are transferred to a Rehabilitation Center or Nursing Facility.

### **A Gentle Reminder!**

Think of our beautiful church building as your home. Just as you always want your home to be ready to welcome guests and visitors, please be conscious of picking up after you and your family at the end of Mass, readying the church for others. Replace the hymnals in the bookracks attached to the backs of the pews. Don't leave trash in the pews. Following these simple guidelines, we all make the church ready to welcome others for worship. Thanks for your help!

### **SPONSOR CERTIFICATES**

It is always an honor when parents ask a Catholic friend or family member to be a baptismal godparent or a young person preparing for confirmation asks someone to whom he or she looks up to be a Confirmation sponsor. To serve in this role, which is both a great honor and responsibility, the proposed godparent or sponsor must receive a certificate from his or her pastor pronouncing that that person is qualified. The sponsor certificate is the person's pastor's word to other priests that a proposed sponsor is a fully-initiated, confirmed Catholic, practices the faith each week by coming to Sunday Mass, is registered and supports his or her parish Church, and lives (as far as the priest can know) according to the moral teachings of Jesus Christ. When people come to me for such certificates, on many occasions, it is very easy for me to do so, because I see them at Mass each week, they come to greet me after Mass, they sit up front, they are involved in parish activities, etc. On other occasions, I do not recognize them, but I can quickly verify through the use of budget envelopes that they are here each week. But sometimes people come whom I do not recognize and whose

attendance I cannot verify through budget envelopes or other means. On those occasions, I cannot honestly give them sponsor certificates, in the same way that I cannot give letters of recommendation to strangers. I cannot give my word to another priest that a particular person comes to Mass each week unless I see the person present at Mass or witness the evidence of it in the budget envelopes. Therefore, I ask you to help me help you, in case you are ever given the privilege of being a godparent. Please make sure you are a registered parishioner. Please consider using budget envelopes. And please come to introduce yourself to me after Mass every once in a while. I would never want not to be able to give you a sponsor certificate!