



# Mass Intentions

August 29, 2010  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled  
 but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."*

### READ AND PREPARE

Next week's Scripture readings:  
 First Reading: Wisdom 9:13 – 18b  
 Second Reading: Philemon 9:10, 12 – 17  
 Gospel: Luke 14:25 – 33

#### Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

##### Vigil: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Kenneth Paul (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)**  
 Requested by his wife & children

6:00 PM **Deceased Members of the Bianchini  
 & DiBenedetto Families**  
 Requested by Mary DiBenedetto

#### Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

##### 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **Deceased of the Parisi  
 & Perenzin Families**  
 Requested by Ann & Tony Parisi

10:30 AM **James & Mary DiConza &  
 son Nicholas & Elaine**  
 Requested by Connie & Tony Tessi

#### Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup>

7:00 AM **Teresa Liberatore**  
 Requested by Liberatore & Gerante families

#### Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>

7:00 AM **NO MASS**

#### Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>

5:30 PM **Dorothy T. Kelleher**  
 Requested by her children

#### Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:00 AM **Parishioners of St. Anthony Parish**

#### Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>

##### St. Gregory the Great, pope and doctor of the Church

7:00 AM **Rev. Michael Ryan**  
 Requested by a parishioner

#### Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>

##### Vigil: 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM **Sylvia Pagnotto (15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)**  
 Requested by Linda & Peter Allaire

6:00 PM **Liana Kolb**  
 Requested by Rose Anne Addorisio  
 & Betty Maney

#### Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>

##### 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **Jeannette Mercadante (Anniversary)**  
 Requested by Nick & Frances Mercadante

10:30 AM **Peter & Stephen Celona**  
 Requested by Grace & Mario Zarrella

### August 15<sup>th</sup> Offerings

<b>Needed to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$4,889.00</b>
<b>Sunday Offerings</b>	<b>\$5,006.00</b>
<b>Children's Collection (\$10.00)</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>SURPLUS this week</b>	<b>\$127.00</b>

### August 22<sup>nd</sup> Offerings

<b>Sunday Offerings</b>	<b>\$4,483.50</b>
<b>Children's Collection (\$4.50)</b>	<b>\$4.50</b>
<b>DEFICIT this week</b>	<b>\$401.00</b>
<b>TOTAL DEFICIT Year to Date</b>	<b>\$9,872.00</b>

**Collection for the Church in Eastern Europe totaled \$932.00**

**THE FALL WILL BE HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW IT** - We are looking for more Eucharistic ministers, more lectors, and more altar servers and will begin training right after Labor Day. Please consider one of these opportunities to become more actively involved in the life of our faith community by serving in one of the various ministries, either at the Mass or serving the homebound. When the invitation to serve is made, will you be ready to say "Yes"? Call the office if interested at 978-342-4706.

**Red Sox Raffle Ticket - Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network (MIHN)** will again be holding a raffle for tickets to a **Red Sox vs. Orioles game**. The prize includes 4 tickets for the September 20<sup>th</sup> game as well as \$100 spending money! Tickets are \$5 each or a book of 5 for \$20. This is a very affordable way for you to enjoy Fenway Park! If you wish to purchase tickets, call Kathy Cullinan at 978-342-3363. **The drawing will be held on September 13<sup>th</sup>**. Why not take a chance? All proceeds will benefit MIHN in its ongoing mission to assist homeless families.

A note from Jim Boland:

"Dear Parishioners of St. Anthony's, Thank you for the extraordinary gift that I received from the Parish. When I opened the card addressed to me as a gift from all of you, I was completely humbled. As I said at each of the Masses as I concluded my assignment, it was privilege to serve you and I can't thank you enough for the gift of welcoming me into the community and making me feel a part of your wonderful community. Know that you are all in my prayers and please keep me in your continued prayers. Again, thank you and God bless."

In Christ, James Boland  
 Seminarian, Diocese of Worcester

For those parishioners who wish to keep in contact with Jim his school address is St. John's Seminary, 127 Lake Street, Brighton, MA 02135

This week's St. Anthony Devotional Candle by:  
 The Patrick Kelleher Family IMO of Dorothy T. Kelleher

Dear Friends,

Humility comes from the Greek word *humus*, the earth or the soil. To be humble is to be grounded. To be humble does not mean to despise oneself, but to be realistic and honest about oneself.

Humility is the starting place for wisdom. Without humility, we cannot even admit what we do not know or what we cannot do. Without humility, we are bound to make a fool of ourselves.

Humility sometimes gets a bad rap because we associate it, wrongly, as a virtue only for those with nothing much to offer. In fact, with true humility comes enormous freedom. When we acknowledge our limitations, we know what we can and cannot do and we are free to do what we can do well and we are able to admit the things we cannot do.

Humility begins in our relationship with God. God is God and we are not. That is the first humility: allowing God to take charge of our lives (God does anyway, you know!) so that we can do what we can and still trust in God's plan.

Peace and Good Will,



**Please Continue to Help the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry**

**New items added to the food pantry wish list are:** cereal, canned meat, Ramen Noodles, Pasta Roni, bathroom tissues, baked beans, tuna fish, and spaghetti sauce, peanut butter & jelly. **Please try to bring one item a week.** Remember, only canned items – no fresh as it may spoil. Thank you!

**Item of the Month** – The Youth Group is accepting donations for Our Father's House and the Veterans' Homestead. **This month's item is men's shaving lotion.** Items can be placed in the marked boxes at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your support.

**The Serra Club** invites you to include the following in your daily prayers and continue to pray for new vocations: Deacon Benjamin Nogueira, Fr. Dennis O'Brien, Fr. Emerito Ortiz, Fr. Brian O'Toole, Fr. Miguel Pagan, Bishop Reilly, Retired Priests and Religious.

**VOLUNTEER!** – Do you have some time to help an elder of disabled adult in your community? Are you looking for a genuine volunteer opportunity – one where your life experience and caring heart can really serve people? If you answered "yes", Montachusett Home Care's volunteer programs are in need of individuals who can help by: serving as an advocate for nursing and rest home residents; assist elders in organizing finances and paying monthly bills; providing companionship as a friendly visitor; assist with shopping and other errands; escorting elders to medical appointments. If these activities seem interesting to you, please join us for an informal open house at **Montachusett Home Care Corporation, 680 Mechanic Street, Leominster, upstairs conference room, on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 4:00 PM or 6:00 – 7:00 PM.** Refreshments will be served. Join us!

**13<sup>th</sup> Annual Yard Sale for Franciscan Missionaries in Haiti** will be on **September 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 – 3:00 PM**, 25 Pierce St., off Route 13, Leominster. Proceeds benefit the Nutrition Center for children with severe malnutrition and medical clinic. Sponsored by Catholic Financial Life, Council 93 of Fitchburg. Call Emery & Jeannita at 978-537-1907 for more information. Rain date 9/26.

**Project Rachel** Know someone hurting from a past abortion? We can help. Our services are free and strictly confidential. Call project Rachel at (508) 791-HOPE. Come home to God's mercy!

**Mass Schedule & Office Hour Change:**

There are no Tuesday morning Masses. The office has switched to summer hours of 8:00 – 1:00 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The office remains closed all day on Tuesday. These office hours are in effect until after Labor Day.

**Area Parish Festivals & Bazaars**

**St. Francis Festival, 63 Sheridan Street, Fitchburg – Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>** from noon to 8:00 PM. International food, chicken BBQ. Round trip raffle to the Dominican Republic plus \$500 cash (or \$3,000 if you don't want to travel).

**Our Lady of the Lake, 1400 Main Street, Leominster – Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00 – 10:00 PM and Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> from noon – 10:00 PM. A special free show by Animal Adventures at 3:00 PM and meet Blinkee the Clown from 1:00 – 4:00 PM on Saturday.

If you know of any parishioner who is homebound or in a nursing home and would like to receive the Eucharist, please notify Jo Belli at 978-537-4802 or Fr. Bob at the rectory.

**New Parishioners** – We are happy to welcome new members to our parish family. Please introduce yourself after Mass to Fr. Bob. We invite you to stop by the parish office to register or to take a blue registration form from the back of the church (one for each member of your family) and return it/them in the collection basket or to the church office. If you have access to a computer please visit our parish web site **www.stanthonyfitchburg.net** where you will find useful information as well as current events and Mass listings. Welcome!

**La Madonna della Cava Sodality** would like express our sincere thanks to all who came and in any way helped to make this years festa such a wonderful success. Just being in the church for Mass or if you came downstairs for the meal your presence is appreciated and made this a special day. A special thanks to the boy angels Anthony and Massimo Mitchell who are Connie and Anthony Tessi's grandchildren, guest speaker Steve DiNatale, greeters, all of the people who donated pastry and or monetary gifts, the Roma band, photographer, the hard working committee members and anyone who helped in honoring the Madonna especially Fr. Bob and Deacon Sal. The committee will continue in this tradition and the planning for next year will begin in May 2011. New members are always welcomed and are encouraged to come to see what this festa is all about. Mille grazie a tutti. Viva Madonna della Cava!

**SHARING OUR BLESSINGS** – An Opportunity for Growth –

This fall you will hear and read about an exciting new program taking place in parishes throughout the diocese. This program, Sharing Our Blessings, is an opportunity for all of us to work together to address the most pressing needs in our parish through an increased giving campaign. Our hope is to increase our weekly offertory collections by at least 25%. Sharing Our Blessings is a program about sacrifice, about giving back to God, and about strengthening the future of our faith community. Please be on the lookout for more information about this initiative, which will begin shortly after Labor Day.