



Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 13th

Vigil: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

4:00 PM Parishioners of St. Anthony

Sunday, June 14th

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:00 AM Paul & Grace Antocci
Requested by Lucy & Mary

10:30 AM Franklin Alario (Anniversary)
Requested by his wife & family

Monday, June 15th

7:00 AM Mary Celona
Requested by Sally Westbrooks

Tuesday, June 16th

7:00 AM Alexander Nano
Requested by Palma Russo

Wednesday, June 17th

**5:30 PM Virginia (Ginger) Sacino
& Robert Saccone**
Requested by their families

Thursday, June 18th

7:00 AM Lucy Carfaro
Requested by her family

Friday, June 19th

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 AM Jonathan Roberge
Requested by Betty & Denis Anderson

Saturday, June 20th

Vigil: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM Eva DiNardo
Requested by her family

Sunday, June 21st

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Paul & Grace Antocci
Requested by Lucy & Mary

10:30 AM Franklin Alario (Anniversary)
Requested by his wife & family

This week's St. Anthony Devotional Candle:
MaryAnn Michaelian
for the sick and dying.

June 13 - 14, 2009

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The disciples went off, entered the city, and found it just as HE had told them; and they prepared for the Passover.

READ AND PREPARE

Next week's Scripture readings:

First Reading: Job 38:1 8 - 11

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14 - 17

Gospel: Mark 4:35 - 41

PREVIOUS WEEK OFFERINGS

Needed to Meet Budget	\$4,889.00
Sunday Offering	\$3,740.50
Children's Collection (\$6.00)	\$6.00
DEFICIT this week	\$1,142.50
DEFICIT Year to Date	\$3,845.50

OUR PARTNERS IN CHARITY HAS GONE OVER GOAL!

Our diocesan goal was submitted at \$38,000 but recorded as \$36,000. **Grand Total to date is \$41,840!** We received four additional donations for a total of \$295. We will wait several weeks for those of you who may still wish to make a donation and after that time we will officially close this campaign and report a final total. Thank you again to all who have contributed.

Centennial History/Picture Book - We have stopped taking orders for the History/Picture Book. Please check the bulletin for announcements on how and where to pick yours up when they arrive. We expect them some time at the end of July. More information will come when we have a firm date.

Madonna della Cava - There will be a meeting on **Monday, June 15th at 7:00 PM in the church hall** for parishioners, friends and committee members who would like to join in with the planning of the feast which is to be held on **Sunday, August 16th at the 10:30 Mass.** Please come and see what this feast is all about. More volunteers are needed to help the day of the feast or if you prefer donations of pastries or monetary gifts (to help defray the cost) are much appreciated. For information you may call Joe Albert @ 978-343-7744; Elena Valeri @ 978-343-3578 or Patty Vacca-Martin @ 978-345-5936.

Centennial Videos - If you pre-ordered and did not pick yours up last weekend you may do so at the church office during regular office hours. Due to the cost of postage we will not be mailing them out to you. Remember that the office is closed all day on Tuesdays.

GOLF OUTING - If you plan to be a part of the St. Anthony School and Parish Golf Outing please contact Kristine Caravella @ 978-453-0842 or kcaravella@comcast.net **TODAY.** The deadline is past but we have a few spaces left. **Tee time is 9:00 AM on Thursday, June 25th.** Entry fee is \$85 per person and includes greens fees, cart, buffet dinner and prizes. The outing will be held at the Townsend Ridge Country Club. Scramble Format. Beginners welcome. We hope to see many of you there!

A Special Thank You to Mary Morizzo for the Baptismal garments she has sewn, to be worn by the newly baptized of our parish. We appreciate your time and talent!

Dear Friends,

The Eucharist is the summit and the heart of the Christian life. To share in the Lord's Supper on a frequent basis is central to our understanding of Catholic Christianity. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, is fully present to us under the forms of bread and wine. This is not a symbolic presence. This is not a liturgy of reminiscence. This is Calvary renewed. Time and space cease at the moment of Consecration and we transcend all human boundaries and enter for a moment into God's time and God's space, i.e., *Eternity*.

Pause a moment and then reread the paragraph above.

Now think again. Is that your understanding of Holy Communion? Is that the heavenly gift for which you give thanks when you receive the Eucharist? What do you believe? Or have we been taking this gift for granted for too long?

A Belgian nun, Blessed Juliana of Mont Cornillon, saw that many people of her time were also receiving the Eucharist without sufficient forethought or gratitude and she instituted a feast to celebrate the real presence of Our Savior in the Blessed Sacrament in her convent in 1230. She died in 1258 but another nun, Blessed Eva of Liege, continued the devotion until Pope Urban IV decreed in 1264 the feast should be observed throughout the Universal Church.

The "Festum Corporis et Sanguinis Christi," the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, has been celebrated in the Church for 744 years. It invites us to stop and think and take a moment to thank God for the gift of His Son, who died for our salvation, rose, and ascended to His Father in glory. Today, and every day we receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, may we partake of this pledge of our redemption with hearts filled with gratitude, reflection and love.

Pace e Bene,

The Serra Club invites you to pray for the following priests and deacons during the week of: June 14th through June 20th: Rev. Francis Goguen; Deacon Ronald Aubuchon; Rev. James Mazzone; Msgr. Thomas Sullivan; the Seminarians; the Missionaries of LaSalette; the Trappists.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Items

Please don't forget about the pantry! Items needed are: canned vegetables, canned soups, Spaghetti O's, jam or jelly, Hamburger Helper, Ramen noodles, pasta sides, mustard, relish, ketchup, mayonnaise. Many people rely on this weekly service that St. Francis provides. Continue to do what you can. 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 lotion.** Items can be placed in the marked boxes at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your support.

VOLUNTEER COOK NEEDED!

Our Father's Table, located at 40 Boutelle Street, Fitchburg, is praying for someone who can cook, willing to volunteer once a week, either on a Tuesday or Thursday. The time commitment would be from noon to 6:00 PM. We have many helpers who can assist the cook in preparing the meal. You will meet many other committed volunteers and your payment will be in the great joy that will come to you from helping others who are in need of a good meal. To volunteer, please contact David Sciabarrasi @ 978-874-5270 or call Our Father's Table @ 978-345-6950.

RED SOX RAFFLE – MIHN will again be raffling off Red Sox Tickets. **This years' winner will receive four (4) third base grandstand tickets vs. Tampa Bay on Sunday, September 13th along with \$100 spending money!** The drawing will be held on September 8th but it's not too early to buy your chances now. Chances are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and can be obtained by calling Kathy Cullinan at 978-342-3363. Chances will also be on sale at all Masses at a later date this summer. Buy your chances now and "Go Sox"!

The Mass Intention Book for July – December has been open for one week now. All of our weekend (Saturday & Sunday) Masses have been filled as well as all of our Wednesday, 5:30 PM Masses. There are still many 7:00 AM Masses during the week available. Our book will open again sometime in November for the January – June 2010 year.

FREE Italian Conversation Classes will be held at the Center for Italian Culture Library at Fitchburg State College, on **Thursday evenings, June 18, 25, (no class July 2), July 9, 16, 23, 30, from 6:15 to 7:45 PM.** The Library's collection consists of hundreds of books, CDs, DVDs, all relating to Italian language and culture, and provides access to RAI Italia TV programs. The sessions will provide an opportunity to converse in the Italian language and learn from one another. There is no fee. For more information, call Anna Mazzaferro at 978-537-2172.

St. Joseph Church, Fitchburg invites you to a fundraiser to help defray church fuel bills and outreach to the local community. **"The Roys"** – a very popular sister and brother duo will perform at **Fitchburg High School on Friday, June 26th at 7:30 PM.** Elaine and Lee Roy play Bluegrass, traditional country and contemporary music. They sang for President Bush at his farewell party in January 2009, on Inauguration Day. They are originally from Fitchburg and now reside in Nashville, TN. The Maverick Street Band will open the evening. Tickets are \$20 each. Please call Leo Roy @ 508-423-8600 or Phyllis Maston @ 978-798-1041 to reserve tickets. Doors will open at 6:30 PM. There will be raffle tickets for various items as well. It will be a great evening, so bring a friend!

Married Couples: Are you exercising and dieting, jogging, swimming, and playing tennis to stay fit and trim? What are you doing to keep your marriage in good shape? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in New England are July 17-19 and September 25-27. For more information call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-9963 or visit our webpage at www.wwmeMA.org.