

***Working Together***

Our sexton, Paul Barboza, received a very serious eye injury while working in his yard on September 30<sup>th</sup>. During his absence, we all need to work together. No one has been better than Tony Teixeira. He mowed the grass and trimmed the bushes near the sign. Mary MacDonald has offered to vacuum the church. Deacon Paul has done too many things to list. David Barboza has stepped up and is helping. He has been locking the church and has removed one air conditioner (I hope he notices the others). I am asking everyone to help keep the church as clean and orderly as possible. If some group uses downstairs, please take out your own trash and leave everything as neat and clean as possible. Keep Paul in your prayers as well as helping keep things clean.

***Weddings***

Last weekend, Deacon Paul and I did our 40<sup>th</sup> wedding of this season. We only have three remaining which unfortunately are all on the same day. Many couples desire to be married here because of the awesome beauty of the church, not to mention the niceness of the staff. I hope you take pride in what you have accomplished. I hope you marvel at the beauty of St Mary's. I pray that it lifts your hearts to God and your minds to heaven.

***Uplifting news!***

The handicapped lift should be working this weekend. I am sorry for the untimely demise of the old one and the subsequent inconvenience. We met with the lift company, Hudson Accessibility Products, on Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. At that time we were told that there were very serious problems with the old shaft for the lift. Basically, it would have to be redone. I left the meeting in a panic, not knowing where to turn, when God inspired me to contact N C D Developers. Michael Fonseca said, "Father I will be there in thirty minutes." He was and today we have an operating lift – thank you! It took his crew two full days to ready the shaft for the new lift.

***Rosary and Benediction***

This will be the last Thursday for Rosary and Benediction at 7:00PM. I hope you make a special effort to attend this last October Devotion. It might be nice to bring your children or your grand children. This is an ancient practice in the Church and should not be allowed to disappear from apathy.

***Away he goes!***

Next weekend, November 1, David will be leaving for a well-deserved one-week vacation. If you need anything from the office, please see him this week. David, have a good time and come back safe, healthy and rested.

***Our guest this weekend***

Please welcome Rev. Richard Maynard who will be speaking on behalf of the Christian Foundation For Children And Aging. Your sponsorship goes along way helping those in need.

***Dinner Dance***

The Parish Dinner Dance on November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Venus: has ***close to 150 people going!*** It is important for us to come together in a friendly relaxed social setting. ***We are drawing close to the time that we need to give a final count..*** So please consider coming to support our effort, plus the fact that **we want you there!** Tickets are \$40.00 and can be bought after every Mass or from the rectory.

***Please pray for peace and for those serving our country***

PO3 Brian Pavao, USN  
 Maj Jonathan Cameron, USA  
 SSgt Stephen Holmes, USA  
 Capt Margaret Lero Larson, USA  
 Lt Brendan Hewett, USMC  
 SA Nathaniel Patterson, USN  
 Pvt Matthew Patton, USA  
 Capt Sylvanna Waghelstein, USA  
 PO2 Michael Weaver, USN  
 Porche Bragg, USAF SCPO James Pheffer. USN  
 PO3 Thomas Camara, USN  
 May the Lord protect them and comfort their families



***to the dedication concert of our new organ*** which will take place on Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

The featured organist will be Francois Olivier who has been the resident organist at Saint-Eustache Church in Paris, France since 2004. He was awarded a Master of Musicology degree by the University of Paris-Sorbonne in 2004 and has taken part in a number of international organ competitions. Francois performs as an accompanist, soloist and in various orchestral ensembles. We are honored to have him come to St. Mary's so save the date for a magnificent evening!





Saturday, Oct. 24 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM	Virginia Dyer (birthday remembrance) requested by her family
Sunday, Oct. 25 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 AM	Frank and Maria Enos requested by John and Hilda Andrews
	10:00 AM	Eva Teixeira (birthday remembrance) requested by the Luiz family
	11:30 AM	Elvira Connery (10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by her family
Monday, Oct. 26 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	Donald McDonough (9 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by his family
Tuesday, Oct. 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	John H. Ferguson (birthday remembrance) requested by Diane Magee
Wednesday, Oct. 28 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	Rosemary Russo (23 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary) requested by her sister
Thursday, Oct. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	Helen Cirillo (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary) requested by her family
	7:00 PM	<b>Rosary &amp; Benediction</b>
Friday, Oct. 30 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	John B. Sousa requested by his wife and son
Saturday, Oct. 31 <sup>st</sup>	4:00 PM	Marvin Baker (6 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by his family
Sunday, Nov. 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:30 AM	Alda and Antonio Carpano requested by their family
	10:00 AM	Clara Garrity (11 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by her family
	11:30 AM	Ken Viera (5 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by his family



This week the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of **Kathryn T. Doran** requested by her daughter Dorothea. Please remember her in your prayers.



**PRAY FOR PEACE**



**Those who are sick:**

Marlayna Camara, Chelsea Cornman, Amanda Medeiros, Robert and Rhiannon Martin, Dr. Louis Portera, Kenneth Garrison, Roy Zbyr, John Carmone, Ken and Joyce Bryant, Estelle Oliver, Tarynn Blais, Lorraine Cipriano, Vera Kavonogh, Colin Pickering, Dolores Santos, Gregory Conrad, Ernesto Morales, Ann Marie St. Pierre, Aoife Molly Blais, Margaret J. Camara, Elizabeth and Douglas B. Baker, Lisa Franco, Duane Downs, Hailee Nova Ferreira, Patricia Lousen, John R. Partington, Theresa Carlos, Cathryn Charpentier, Hilda Raposa, Alda Arruda, Joseph Dalton, Rosa Elena Ortuno, Jacqueline Gorman, Ronald Rielly, Rita Zinno, Grace White, Lynn Perry, Beth Baker, Helga Sousa, Ann Marie Fortin, Adam McCauley, Doreen Ruggiero, Harold Bannister, Enna Bill Pineda, David Smith,, Sarah Winn, Joan Simonds, Doris Baggett, Bella Lima, Clare Correira, Wendy Foley, Ali Lamora, Marie Manchester, Dorothy Kowal, Frank Silvia, Cheryl Carvalho, Pat Faria, Makalya Rose Bennett,, Sister Hope Warburton, Ruth Parella, Mike Davis, Alicia Arevalo, John F. McKenna III, Jerry Bergeron, Mary Santos, Edward Raposa, Mike Panarello, Dan Mello, Kate Richard, Josephine Favro, Peter Drolet, Joseph Silva, Bob Larisa, Paul Theroux, Margaret Haray, & Angela Lynn Aubin



Our parish has expressed an interest in forming a youth choir. Students in grades 4-6 will have the opportunity to sing for a Christmas and Easter Mass. We are looking for 20 or more youths who would be willing to meet in the church from 1045 AM to 11:00 AM for practice during scheduled CCD Sundays. The students will then be sent to their classes. If your son/daughter cannot make it every week to practice, they are still eligible to join. For further info or questions please contact Ken Bryant at 253-6958

**FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED**

Child and Family Services in Middletown is currently seeking Foster Parents!! The children in our care need your help. We are looking for caring, supportive adults who would be willing to temporarily care for a child who has been removed from his/her home due to abuse and neglect. Our agency provides pre-service training, 24 hour on call support and a monthly stipend. This is a valuable program in our community, helping to bring families in need back together. If you have ever thought about becoming a foster parent, or if you have any questions about the program, please contact: Denise DiGangi Program Manager at (401)848-4187 or email: [ddigangi@childandfamilyri.com](mailto:ddigangi@childandfamilyri.com).