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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

Brazilian Mass 12:00 noon

Rev. Adriano Lessa

Weekday Masses

(in the lower-level Chapel) Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 AM

Confessions: Saturdays 3: - 3:30 PM

or by appointment

Adult Religious Education

Wednesday: 9:30 - 10:15 AM

Holy Days

9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

If you are new to the parish, WELCOME!

Please introduce yourself. We want to know you and to serve you. We hope you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance - according to your means.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept. 26 4PM - The Moreira and Rijo families by son and niece

9AM - Adeline Caracuzzo Sunday, Sept. 27 by daughter Anne

9AM - Bob Vadeboncour Tuesday, Sept. 29 by a friend

9AM - Tom Kirby Wednesday, Sept. 30

by the family

Thursday, Oct. 1 9AM - Michael Cote

by his Mom

Friday, Oct. 2 9AM - Lucille Blake

Saturday, Oct. 3 4PM - Roger and John Dwyer

by the family

9AM - Tom O. Flood Sunday, Oct. 4 by wife Anne

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes \$ 2,003.00
Loose Money \$ 151.00
Priests' Retirement \$ 1,161.00

Thank

3,315.00

Scripture for the week of September 27, 2015

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43-48

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Jn 1:47-

51

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Mt 18:1-5, 10 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-

12

"Joy is the happiness of love - love aware of its own inner happiness. Pleasure comes from without, and joy comes from within, and it is, therefore, within reach of everyone in the world." ~Venerable Fulton J. Sheen



As I write this piece, it is Tuesday, the 22nd of the month, and the pope has just now arrived from Cuba in Washington, D.C., his first visit to our country. Everyone seems so happy. President Obama and the First Lady are smiling from ear to ear, but the pope is busy talking not with them but with someone else. They must be children. And now he gets into a modest little car (a Fiat?) with a young monsignor, his translator, and heads off. Let us hope all will go well for him in our country. Tomorrow, the 23rd, he will canonize Junipero Serra at the National Shire of the Immaculate Conception. On Thursday he will address Congress in the morning and then head off in the afternoon to New York City and Vespers at St. Patrick's Cathedral. On Friday he will address the United Nations. Then on Saturday and Sunday he will be in Philadelphia. I wonder if he will sleep on the plane on the way home. If not, it will be because he will be too tired to do even that.

What will the pope say to Congress and the United Nations? Will he take themes from his latest Encyclical on the condition of our home, the planet earth? Will he dare to remind us as Americans that our style of life is so rich that if the rest of the world adopted it the results would be disastrous for our planet? Perhaps. But if he does so, you can bet that he will do it respectfully and carefully. It does no one any good to create friction where there has not been any. At the moment we here in the parish are learning about his latest encyclical. Fr. St-Godard from Holy Family parish presented the first chapter a week ago, and this evening, Tuesday, the 22nd, Fr. Kiley presented chapter two. Thank God, we have had a good crowd of forty to fifty people. The next presentation on chapter three of the document will be presented by me on Tuesday, the 29th. Let's hope it will go as well as the first two. We are listening to this beloved pope.

Fr. Finnegan, S.J.

Announcements

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is held every Friday in the upper church from 1 to 2 PM.

Talks on Pope Francis' encyclical "Our Care for Our Common Home" continues this Tuesday and the next four Tuesdays. Presenters are Fr. Finnegan, St. St-Godard and Fr. Kiley.

This weekend, we will have a **ROSE SALE** to benefit the Mother of Life Center and Problem Pregnancy of RI, committed to promoting life by providing free assistance to pregnant teens and women.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN The 2015 "40" Days for Life Fall Campaign" will begin on Wednesday, September 23 and will conclude on Saturday, October 31. This event is being hosted by the Diocese of Providence Office of Life and Family Ministry. The Campaign calls for peaceful prayer vigils at Planned Parenthood (111 Point St., Providence) and Women's Medical Clinic (1725 Broad St., Cranston) throughout the duration of the 40 Days. We are asking parishes to adopt a day and for individuals to adopt an hour for this year's campaign. Please encourage women who are in a crisis or unplanned pregnancy to call us for confidential assistance! (401 - 421-7833 X 218.) Those who cannot make it can still give support through prayer, fasting, and other avenues of community outreach. To learn more about the campaign, call Carol Owens at the above number.

Our parish is taking part in the **40 Days for Life this Friday**, **October 2nd from 10AM to 4PM.** Please prayerfully consider and sign up for an hour or two in front of the Planned Parenthood headquarters at 111 Point Street for prayerful vigil. Sign-up sheets can be found at church entrances.

8th ANNUAL SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK will take place today, Sunday, September 27

Registration 11AM. Walk Garden City Shopping Center,

Cranston. Food Drive, Clothing Drive, Family Fun Afternoon Activities.

Invest in the Future of Rhode Island Families by:

- Become a Sponsor (A wide range of opportunities available)
- Walk or sponsor someone who can.

For more information contact Society of St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council of Providence (401) 490-0822 or visit www.SVdPRI.org. See bulletin board for more info.

DROP IN DAY AT MERCYMOUNT! - Experience a personal look at Mercymount on Thursday, October 22 at 9:30AM. New families welcome for Fall 2016...or for this year! We offer Preschool (3 years old) through Grade 8. Mercymount is located at 35 Wrentham Road in Cumberland close to Routes 295 & 495. Please register at www.mercymount.org. For questions, feel free to contact Lisa H. Lydon, Director of Development (401) 333-5919 Ext. 14

St. Pius X Respect Life Committee will again sponsor the Annual Walk for Life on Sunday, October 18. The walk will begin at 12 Noon in front of St. Pius X Church, 44 Elm Street, Westerly. This will begin a three-mile prayerful walk. Walkers will process through the town of Westerly, then walk to the Tomb of the Unborn at St. Sebastian's Cemetery for a brief prayer service. The walk will end at St. Pius X Church with a light reception for all participants. All proceeds benefit local pro-life community ministries. Families are encouraged to participate. For more info, please cal Val & John Sistare (322-1138 or Deb at rectory office (596-2535)

INTERSPIRITUALITY AND SOCIAL Action: NURTURING THE ROOTS OF FAITH-BASED ACTIVISM"

A forum sponsored by RISCC Advocacy and Justice Commission and Bryant University's Interfaith Center on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 3rd from Nine to Noon</u>. Open to all in the Interfaith Community - Coffee and continental breakfast served. The forum will explore the intersection between spiritual practice and committed social action. Inspiration, renewal and conversation will be the emphasis of the gathering.

PRO LIFE HOST HOMES NEEDED - The *Little Flower Home* for Homeless Pregnant Women is a Catholic Charity home which has operated for over 30 years, and are seeking volunteers to act as Host Families - to welcome homeless pregnant women into your home, as your guest, for stays of up to 3 to 6 months. If you believe God is calling you to live the Gospel in this Pro-Life ministry that actively saves babies lives, then please call George at (401) 301-5307 to learn more. All guests undergo background checks and the Little Flower Home and our volunteers are insured under Safe Families.

A TRUE CATHOLIC SPIRIT

The Second Vatican Council declared that the church is 'a universal sacrament of salvation,' in other words, the people of God are a sign to the whole world announcing its salvation. The priestly function of this people is to mediate salvation; its prophetic function is to announce salvation to the world through its sanctifying presence in the world.

The problem is that too many of God's people view this prophetic function within a limited context. They see it as a task of the leadership, somewhat like the old sedative, "Let Father do it."

Today's reading from the book of Numbers makes it clear that prophecy, the carrying of God's message to the world, is not the special task of only a few people: "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!"

If only all Christians felt a commitment "to bring [God's] pardon and [God's] kingdom to all we meet!"

The Gospel takes this point a step further. Not only must God's truth be spread through all of God's people; it must also be spread by those who are "not of our company."

Vatican II recognized that there is truth in all the world's great religions as well as in its secular institutions, for as Jesus declared: "Anyone who is not against us is with us."

Since the whole Church is missionary, ... the work of evangelization is a basic duty of the People of God. ... Therefore, all sons of the Church should have a lively awareness of their responsibility to the world. They should foster in themselves a truly catholic spirit. They should spend their energies in the work of evangelization.

Vatican II, Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church,

1965: 35-36

Gerald Darring

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the rectory after your baby's birth to prepare for this initial Sacrament of spiritual life.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (and Communion Calls)

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