



Sincere wishes for a happy birthday to Fr. Chris as he celebrates his birthday on Tuesday, September 18th.

WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT

An ACTS retreat for women, organized by St. William's Parish in Tewksbury, will be held from October 11-14, 2007 at The Franciscan Center in Andover. The retreat begins on Thursday evening and ends with a Mass on Sunday. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Applications are at the doors of the church or for more information, contact Deacon Gerry Hardy at 978-458-4050.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

This Sacrament will be offered every Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Liturgy. We ask that you come to the front pew and wait for the priest to finish greeting the people and return to the sacristy for the Sacred Oils.

CHILDREN LITURGY OF WORD.

We are really in need of a couple of parents to help with the 9:00 Liturgy of the Word, perhaps only once a month. Children from K to -4th grade will go downstairs and have a special homily and reading. We have asked before and no one is responding at all. This is a great service and we hope some people will volunteer. Please call office to volunteer or ask questions.

Evening of Prayer and Reflection
For all Liturgical Ministers
Tuesday, September 25, 2007
7:00 to 8:30 p.m. In church
(USHERS/COLLECTORS – PLEASE PICK UP
COPY OF LETTER IN SACRISTY)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED

For many weeks now, we have asked all of you to assist us by becoming part of our Liturgical Ministries. Out of the 800 people attending Mass on the weekend, only 2 people have volunteered. You have probably noticed that you always see the same faces serving at Mass. May God bless them for their service to their Church. Once again we are reminding you that that we are in need of MANY new ministers to provide the required services each week. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Bob or Paul Duquette at the Parish Office (978-957-0322).



The 2nd Annual St. Vincent de Paul Dinner Dance Fund Raiser will be held October 20, 2007 at Lenzi's Function Hall in Dracut. Cocktails from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. followed by dinner and dancing.. We will have prizes and raffles. Tickets are \$35.00 and are available by leaving a message for Bill Sullivan at the Parish Office (978-957-0322).

ST. MARY PEWS FOR SALE

Next Saturday, September 22nd from 10-11 a.m., we will be selling the pews from St. Mary's Church. They are in the basement at St. Louis Rectory and the terms will be straightforward: \$150 per pew, cash and carry! The pews are solid oak and have been broken down so they are easily transported. They are in excellent condition and can be cut to any size necessary.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The parish is in need of 3 or 4 people with financial backgrounds to become part of our Parish Finance Council. If you are interested and would like to help the parish in these trying financial times, please contact Fr. Bob at the Parish Office (978-957-0322).

WILL AND ESTATE PLANNING

ANOTHER WAY TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

This is the type of planned gift that is the simplest and most familiar to charitably-minded individuals. Within a will, a donor is able to direct the executor of his/her estate to make gifts to the parish upon their death.

The advantage to the donor is the ability to make "painless" substantial charitable gifts to deserving organizations without changing spending patterns or lifestyle during their lifetime. For an estate, a charitable bequest is the simplest means of obtaining an estate tax deduction.

Often, people think because they have a valid will that all the details of their estate are in order. Over the years a lot can change in your estate and it is prudent to take the time every year or two to have the document reviewed. Getting married, starting a business, or receiving the blessings of a new grandchild are all good reasons to review your will. The changes can be as extensive as requiring a new will, or as simple as adding a codicil. In either case, timely updates of the document are in the best interest of your estate. When you are reviewing your will, look over the rest of your estate. Check the beneficiaries of life insurance policies, IRA accounts, saving bonds, and business interests. Consider the charitable gifts you want to make. A little time spent now will make your wishes clear to your loved ones and may eliminate unnecessary expenses.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHER TRAINING

Our Religious Education Teacher Training will continue at St. Francis Hall on Wednesday Sept. 19 and 26 from 6-8:30 p.m.; Saturday September 22 & 29 from 9:30 to noon and at Ste. Marguerite's Parish Center on Sunday, September 23 & 30 from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.



Offertory Collection \$6,374.00
Catholic University \$1,595.00

This weekend, the second collection will be the monthly Parish Support collection.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

C.O.R.I. FORMS

By the time you read this article, all staff and volunteers should have received their CORI forms. As listed on the accompanying cover letter, all forms must be returned in person so that the information listed can be verified. You may drop them off at the rear of the church after Masses this Sunday and next Saturday September 22, 2007; drop them off at the Parish Office Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or during the special office hours of 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, September 17th and Wednesday, September 19th (These hours were listed incorrectly in the letter).



ST. LOUIS SCHOOL NEWS

Our sincere appreciation to all who participated in the Centennial Celebration of St. Louis School. Much work was accomplished by many, too numerous to mention in this space, but without your help none of this would have been possible. And to all of you who attended the different events, the Mass and the banquet, we thank you and hope that these events brought back many good memories.

BASKET RAFFLE WINNERS:

K1A	Arts & Craft Basket	Joanne Laurent
K1B	Movie Night Basket	Yvette Boisjoli
K2A	Tea Basket	Fleurette Sheehy
K2B	Cookout Paper Goods B.	Bernie Lemoine
1A	Sponge Bob Basket	Mary Eringis
1B	Beach Basket	Laurie Hall
2A	Crafter's Gift Basket	Therese St. Sauveur
2B	Children's Book Basket	Lisa Boisvert
3A	New Baby Basket	Sister Dorothy Paradis
3B	New Home Owner Gift B.	Maureen Ayotte
4A	Garden Basket	Kenneth Shemchuk
4B	Italian Night Basket	Jackie Chartrand
5A	Good Health Basket	Doris Hall
5B	Sports Lovers' Basket	Lucille Kleczkowski
6A	Bath Items Basket	Kathryn Frechette
6B	New Baby Basket	Pearl Shemchuk
7A	Wine Basket	Eileen Paquin
7B	Stationery Basket	Andrea Ayers
8A	Baker's Delight Basket	Pauline Allard
8B	Rainy Day Basket	Lucille Gamache



A Ham and Bean Supper will be held in the Parish Hall from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 6, 2007. Sponsored by the Ste. Marguerite d'Youville Parish Club, the supper will include fresh ham, hot dogs, beans and much more. Donations are \$6.00 for adults, \$5.00 for seniors and \$2.00 for children under 12.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

The Parish Youth Group will hold a Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, October 27, 2007. Crafters are needed and tables are available. For more information, please contact Roma Fauvel at 978-957-3113 ext. 603.



Reminder that the Parish Picnic will be held this Sunday (September 16) from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (rain or shine) at the Acacia Club, 247 Sladen St. in Dracut. There will be a DJ, dancing, 50/50 raffle and fun for the kids. Tickets are available at the door for \$7.00. Children under 3 admitted free. Please bring family, friends and neighbors (**also your lawn chairs**).

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville Parish Club 600 Club Drawing for September 9, 2007

<u>NO.</u>	<u>AMT.</u>	<u>NAME</u>
163	\$1000	Sharon Maxim-Eno
568	200	Lena Lamarche
27	100	James Gagne
63	100	Gertrude Lampron
613	100	Catherine Pinet
200	100	James Fitzsimmons
217	100	Roland Lacourse
35	50	Louis & Sie Dalpe
171	50	Moe & Pat Jean
536	50	Michael Geoffroy
309	\$50 Door Prize	Not Present
50/50	\$163.00	Bill Sullivan

NEXT PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND DRAWING

October 14, 2007

DOOR PRIZE \$100.00

Must be present to win door prize.

Available numbers have been increased to 800 because the St. Jeanne d'Arc 1,000 club is closed after October and two of their captains have joined us (Mr. Leo Cloutier and Mrs. Denise Belleville). With the 18 Captains and selling numbers at the Dracut Old Home Day and Sunday morning at the free Pancake Breakfast we sold almost 800 numbers, and added another prize of \$100, and 3 prizes of \$50. Thanks to all captains and members who purchased a number.

PARISH CLUB MEETING

The monthly meeting of Ste. Marguerite's Parish Club will take place on Monday, September 17, 2007 in the Parish Hall. Dinner is served at 6:15 p.m. followed by meeting at 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Please check the bulletin board at the back of the church for information on this wonderful ministry. We are looking (1) for people who are seriously ill and might like to receive a special shawl and (2) people who knit who could make some of the shawls. Thanks for your help. There will be a blessing of the shawls at the 4:00 p.m. Liturgy on Saturday, October 13.

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate the St. Francis of Assisi Confirmation Class that received the imposition of the Holy Spirit this weekend by Bishop Robert Hennessey. May the Spirit guide them throughout their lives.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2007

MASS INTENTIONS

We will begin taking Mass Intentions for 2008 at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 27, 2007.

There are also Masses open for the remainder of this year. Please call or drop by the Parish Office to schedule Masses for your loved ones.

This Weekend – September 15 & 16

Saturday

4:00 p.m. John H. McGann
7:00 p.m. The Polites Family

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Mrs. Marcelle Painchaud
9:00 a.m. Cecile Moisan (3rd Ann.)
11:00 a.m. August & Anna Martel

Weekday Masses

Monday 7:30 a.m. John Szufnarowski
Tuesday 7:30 a.m. Gerard Mousseau
Wednesday 7:30 a.m. Doris Arsenault (11th Ann.)
Thursday 7:30 a.m. M/M Alphonse Thibeault
Friday 7:30 a.m. M/M Leo L. Cloutier
Saturday 7:30 a.m. Paul G. Mousseau (4th Ann.)

Next Weekend – September 22 & 23

Saturday

4:00 p.m. James Sarault (1st Ann.)
7:00 p.m. Leo Conlin (20th Ann.)

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Helen & David Stecchi
9:00 a.m. Joseph R. Chalifoux (1st Ann.)
11:00 a.m. Blanche Mercier

INFANT/TODDLER PRESCHOOL PARENTS GROUP

Stay at home moms and dads, come join us for 1½ hours one day per week with your young ones and join in for story times and activities for the three age groups.

This will take place on Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Please fill out the form below if you are interested in becoming part of this program. Sessions will begin in October.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

CHILD(REN'S) NAME(S):

_____ AGE _____

_____ AGE _____

_____ AGE _____

Please place completed form in the collection basket or bring/send to the Parish Office.