



FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Parched and brittle from the desert sun, hear the Baptist's roughened voice calling you out of the desert of sin. Hear his words beckoning you back to the river of faith. Rise up today and walk toward that cleansing tide. Let the soothing waters of repentance refresh your heart. Let the Baptist's example of a life surrendered to God's call renew your faith today, as you step out of that river empowered to serve and obey.

PRAY FOR



VOCATIONS

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

The observance of National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) began in 1976 when the National Conference of Catholic Bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year as the beginning of NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord marks the initiation of Jesus into public ministry. At his baptism Jesus is named the beloved Son of God. With this celebration, the faithful recommit themselves to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. They are also initiated through their own baptism to be the Beloved of God, commissioned to proclaim Good News with their lives.

"This week reminds us that it is our responsibility to pray for vocations and to invite young people to consider a call to ordained ministry and consecrated life."

DISCERNMENT RETREATS FOR MEN-

Know of a man who may be called? On the weekend of February 5-7, 2010, Cardinal Sean will lead two retreats for men to experience seminary life, pray and reflect upon the Priesthood, meet other men like themselves and discern God's call in their life. The Discernment Retreat at Blessed John XXIII Seminary for men age 40 and older will be held on February 5-6, 2010 and the Discernment Retreat at St John's Seminary and Connors Family Retreat Center for men ages 18-40 years will be held on February 5-7, 2010. The Vocation Office invites you to submit names of men you think might have a vocation to the Priesthood to be considered for this retreat. Please send their names and contact information to the Vocation Office at 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, Ma. 02184 or by email at Dfortin@rcab.org. For more info call 617-746-5949. A priest from the Vocation Office will contact the men to see if this retreat is right for them.

Rest in Peace

Clare Kennedy
Mildred Valvo



THANK YOU

Now that the Christmas season rush is over, please remember that the need to assist those less fortunate than ourselves is never over. We want to thank all of you for your generosity during this crucial time of the season.

Your conference provided fifty seven vouchers to our pantry clients for a Christmas dinner of their choice. We also distributed ninety six Nativity sets on our visits to our parishioners in nursing homes, our shut-ins and those given out at the food pantry. It was a very busy and rewarding time for all of us and we thank you for making this possible.

None of these tasks would be possible without your help. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is your representative to those in need. May you all have a very happy, holy and healthy New Year. God bless you in the name of St. Vincent de Paul and Blessed Frederic Ozanam.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
JANUARY 18-24, 2010

To be only one is not to be alone. Each of us is a perfect, single part of God's kingdom, fitting exactly into the place He made for us. Our differences, our diversity does not separate us, it shapes us so that we fit snugly into the heart of God, the circle of his purpose, the foundations of His kingdom.



MORE CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Donations in memory of:

The Sarault Family and Paul Vigeant

Donation by: George Motard



Week ending 12/21/2009

Offertory Collection \$3,460.00

Week ending 12/28/2009

Offertory Collection \$4,804.00

Christmas Collection \$8,630.00
(For elderly, sick and retired priests)

Week ending 1/4/2010

Offertory Collection \$4,335.00

Mary, Mother of God \$1,189.00

Christmas Flowers \$2,465.00

Grand Annual to Date \$38,664.00

The second collection this weekend is the monthly Parish Support collection.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Thank You

We wish to offer our sincere appreciation to the **McKenna-Ouellette Funeral Home** for their generous donation of our parish calendars for the New Year.

If you did not pick up yours, they are still available at the church entrances.

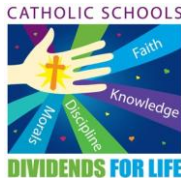


600 CLUB DRAWING THIS SUNDAY

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville 600 Club Drawing for January will take place this Sunday, January 10, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. Please join us in Ste. Marguerite Church Hall for a pancake breakfast from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.



ST. LOUIS SCHOOL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



Saint Louis School will be proudly celebrating Catholic Schools Week during the week of January 31st. We have many fun activities planned and encourage current and potential families to stop by for our community activities throughout the week!

Sunday, January 31

Open House 10:00am to 1:00pm
Book Fair will be open in the Center

Monday, February 1

Eucharistic Celebration (Mass) at 9:00am
Please join us!

Tuesday, February 2

Spaghetti Supper 5:00pm to 7:00pm
Open House and Art Fair 5:00pm to 7:00pm
Come tour our school and also see the wonderful display of art work!

Wednesday, February 3

Grandparents and Special People Day 8:00am
School Assembly at 12:30pm

Thursday, February 4

Student Appreciation Day
Special events planned for our students

Friday, February 5

Teacher Appreciation Day

Registrations will be accepted throughout the week. Please contact Ms. Kristyna Dumais, Principal, at 978-458-7594 for a registration packet and to set up a personal tour of our school.



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 takes place on Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. If you are interested in being part of this program, please call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322. **There is no cost for this program.**



THANK YOU NOTES

We received the following notes of appreciation from some of the people who received gifts from your generous donations through our Christmas Giving Tree:

"I would like to thank all the families from Ste. Marguerite's parish who were so very generous throughout this Christmas holiday. Without your help it would have been very difficult to create an exciting Christmas for my children. I am touched by your generosity and kindness in these difficult times. Thank you and God bless you all."

"I cannot thank you enough for the beautiful gifts that you donated to my daughter. This Christmas was looking pretty dreary with the economy in its current state along with being a single mom with one income. I wish I had a camera so that I could have sent a picture of her face on Christmas morning. It was a face that I will never forget!! Her eyes were full of excitement and happiness. This would not have happened if it wasn't for all of you. Thank you so much. My daughter and I will never forget your kindness."

"Thank you so much for the gifts for my family. They brought such great joy. You brought out the true meaning of Christmas in us. May you all be blessed with a very happy New Year. God bless you all. Thank you!"

"My children and I would like to thank you very much for the great Christmas we had thanks to people who care. We greatly appreciate all the help."

"This is to say thank you and we repeat that from the bottom of our hearts. We would like to thank all that made this possible. God will give you back tenfold. We pray to Papa God, he shall bring very good health, peace and joy in the New Year. We will be ever grateful for making this Christmas one of our best. All the winter clothes will come very handy and keep the children warm when they are outside in the cold. You should have seen their beautiful smiles on Christmas day when they unwrapped their presents. We kept telling them to thank God and the people that sent all the beautiful gifts and to pray for all the people. Again, thanks a million and may God bless you today and forever."

JANUARY 10, 2010



BREAD AND WINE

This week, at all Masses, the gift of Bread and Wine is given in memory of **Robert Matte**. Please remember him in your prayers.

We invite parishioners to donate the Bread and Wine for consecration at all Masses for a given week. This can be a personal donation or in memory of someone. The person donating or person(s) remembered will be listed in the bulletin on the weekend and will cover all Masses for that week. Suggested offering for this gift is \$50. Please call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322 to schedule this special memorial.

MASS INTENTIONS

We are presently taking Mass intentions for January through June 2010. Please call the Parish Office with your intentions.

This Weekend – January 9 & 10

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Marjorie Pelletier

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Lucien “Bob” Rondeau

9:00 a.m. Holly Sullivan

11:00 a.m. Violette Berard

Weekday Masses

Monday	7:30 a.m.	Holly Sullivan
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Holly Sullivan
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Holly Sullivan
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Holly Sullivan
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Holly Sullivan
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Parish Intention

Next Weekend – January 16 & 17

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Therese Masse (5th Ann.)

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Annette Matte

9:00 a.m. Joseph Misserville

11:00 a.m. Mary Perry (2nd Ann.)



RESPECT LIFE MARCH

We are fortunate to have 23 students and 5 adults from both parishes participating in the Respect Life March in Washington, DC on January 21-23 with Cardinal Sean. We need to raise \$3,000.00 to cover these costs. Please help us by purchasing raffle tickets to a Bruins game which have been donated to us for this cause. Each raffle ticket is \$10.00 and you can win two seats on the floor 15 rows from the action! (A \$280.00 value) These raffle tickets will be sold by those attending the March for Life after Masses on all weekends in January. The winner will be notified the week of January 24th for the game on February 2nd.

You can also help us by just putting a donation in the Respect Life jar in the back of the church. Thank you so much for your support!!