

**STE THERESE CHURCH**

The following article was recently made available to us. It comes from the Archdiocesan Archives and was taken from the *History of the Archdiocese of Boston, The Foreign Language Churches* and shows the ties between this parish and the former St. Louis de France Parish.

"In St. Louis Parish, Lowell, Fr. John B. Labossiere began in 1916 the construction of what is intended to be a very large granite church. The basement was dedicated by Bishop Anderson on September 23, 1917, but the upper church has not yet been erected.

In 1927, Fr. Labossiere bought land for a church in the neighboring town of Dracut. On December 18<sup>th</sup> regular services were begun for the French people there in a room of the Whiteley Bleachery. Fr. L.P. Tanguay who came at that time to conduct the mission under Fr. Labossiere's direction, was, on March 26, 1928 named pastor of what now became the parish of Ste. Thérèse of the Child Jesus. A few months later he built the first church, which was blessed on October 12. This edifice burned down on January 20, 1938. The present pastor, Fr. Arthur O. Mercier, rebuilt on the old foundations, producing the dignified yellow-brick church which was dedicated on December 2<sup>nd</sup> of the same year."



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
REGISTRATION**

Registration for the 2010-2011 Religious Education Program is now open for all students and will continue through July 1, 2010. Once again we are asking parents to make a strong commitment to the program. If you are registering your child for the first time, please call the Religious Education Office at 978-957-3113 for more information and registration form. The registration fee is \$100.00 for grades 1, and 3 to 8, \$125.00 for grade 2, and \$150.00 for grades 9 & 10. Fees must be paid at the time of registration. All registrations received after July 1<sup>st</sup> will be subject to a \$25.00 late fee.

We are trying to provide the best religious education for your children and hope to do so in a professional and pastoral manner. Together - families, students and parish - all benefit.

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

The Parish Office will close at 12:00 Noon on Fridays through Labor Day. In case of emergency, do not hesitate to call the parish number (978-957-0322). Follow the prompts and someone will return your call.



**DELICIOUS COOKIES FOR DAD**

Youth Ministry will be selling Cookies for Dad after all Masses **next** weekend (Father's Day). Don't forget

Dad, He deserves a sweet treat too!

Reserve your spot now for the **HIGH SCHOOL HARBOR CRUISE** Mon. 7/26/10 8p-11p \$20 Open to all high school teens Contact Roma 978-957-3113 or [romafauvel@yahoo.com](mailto:romafauvel@yahoo.com)



Jesus was not only compassionate with his heart, but he was compassionate also with his hands, and he willed that the compassion should reach the people until the end of time.

There are millions who watch pictures of poverty on our television screens and feel generous towards the poor. Their reaction, so often goes no further than feeling. Vincentians, however, imitate Jesus in that they are not content to feel generous, they show their generosity by being a sign of God's love, a sign of Gods generosity, and a sign of God's service, of his service in a special way to the poor. The most unfortunate people in society are those who have not had the experience of being loved. Before loving others, we must come to the realization that we are at every moment of our lives being loved by God. (McCullen, Deep Down Things, p. 669)



**ELECTRONIC GIVING**

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Since the inception of this program, several parishioners are now making automatic donations and are very satisfied with the program. For those who wish we will be continuing with our traditional way of giving with offertory envelopes. For more information or to sign up for electronic giving, please visit our parish website ([www.stmar.org](http://www.stmar.org)) and click on electronic giving or call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322.

With Electronic Giving, parishioners make monthly, quarterly or annual payments and no longer donate to the regular weekly Offertory Collection. We ask that everyone appreciate and respect how each person decides to give their gift. As always, we thank you for your continued and generous support.



**OFFERINGS**

**Week ending 6/01/2010**

Offertory Collection	\$ 4,641.00
Grand Annual (to date)	\$41,919.00

**Week ending 6/07/2010**

Offertory Collection	\$ 5,616.00
Grand Annual (to date)	\$41,919.00

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

## *ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

His Eminence Seán Cardinal O'Malley, Archbishop of Boston, has announced the appointment of Rev. Marc Bishop as Pastor of Ste. Marguerite d'Youville and St. Rita Parishes as of July 1, 2010. He is currently Pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Methuen.

We welcome him to the parish and wish him God's blessings!



### **PLEASE PRAY FOR PRIESTS**

As we end our special celebration of the Year for Priests, let us continue to pray for our priests and all priests.

### **SPECIAL COLLECTION**

The special second collection next weekend supports the retirement, medical care, and financial needs of the priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. We ask that you give generously to the priests that have devoted their lives to faithfully serve God and the good work of the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity.



### **SAINT LOUIS SCHOOL NEWS**



### **FLEA MARKET**

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville Parish Club, in conjunction with St. Louis School, is sponsoring a Flea Market on Saturday, June 19, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the church grounds. Tables are available at \$10.00 each or two for \$15.00. Food and drinks will be available. To reserve your table please contact Richard Provencher at 603-809-3460 or 978-454-3371. All proceeds will benefit St. Louis School.

**Registrations are now being accepted for the 2010-2011 school year.** Check out [www.saintlouisschool.org](http://www.saintlouisschool.org) to see what St. Louis has to offer! For a registration packet or to set up a personal tour of our school please contact Mrs. Donna Henderson, Interim Principal at 978-458-7594.

We are pleased to announce the start up of a **Three Year old component to our Early Childhood Program** for the 2010-2011 academic years. We are now accepting registrations. Spaces are very limited. For more information- Please contact Donna Henderson at 978-458-7594.

### **CELL PHONES IN CHURCH**

This message is a friendly reminder to please be attentive to turning off your cell phones as you enter the Church. Please let us be conscious of the sacredness of the Mass. Also, Mass should not be a time for texting, face booking, tweeting etc.



### **LA SEMAINE FRANCO-AMERICAINE**

**40<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL**

### **FRANCO AMERICAN WEEK – 2010**

#### ***Saturday, June 19, 2010 - 7:30 to 11:00 p.m.***

Soirée de Dance with Johnny Morin band at the Centralville Social Club presented by the Royal Arcanum ACA Section Domremy. Admission is \$10.00. For tickets call 978-441-2336. No tickets sold at door.

#### ***Sunday, June 20, 2010 – 9:00 a.m.***

French Mass at Immaculate Conception church honoring Franco-American Veterans and the Franco-American Community followed by free pancake breakfast in the school hall and presentation of the Franco-American of the Year.

#### ***Monday, June 21, 2010 – 2:00 to 7:00 p.m.***

Québécois Film Festival – presented by the Royal Arcanum ACA Section Domremy at Media Center, basement of Lydon Library at UMass Lowell – Free Admission.

#### ***Tuesday, June 22, 2010 – 7:00 p.m.***

French Heritage Night with conference by Kevin Roy at the Franco-American School Auditorium. Free Admission.

#### ***Wednesday, June 23, 2010 – 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.***

Ham and Bean Supper sponsored by Franco-American Day Committee, Inc. at Immaculate Conception School Hall. Adults \$6.00, Seniors \$5.00, children under 10 \$2.00.

7:30 p.m. Entertainment by the French-Irish Connection: John Whelan and Donna Hebert. Free admission. Event is sponsored by Lowell National Historical Park.

#### ***Thursday, June 24, 2010***

**9:15 a.m.** – Memorial ceremony at the Little Canada Monument.

**10:00 a.m.** – Flag raising ceremony at Lowell City Hall. Open air reception will follow.

**7:00 p.m.** – Prayer Service to honor St. Jean Baptiste at Franco-American School Grotto (bring your lawn chairs) followed by wine and cheese social in school cafeteria.

#### ***Saturday, June 26, 2010 – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.***

Josée Vachon - Soirée Folklorique "La Chanson Franco-Américaine" at Lowell Senior Center. Admission is free.

***JUNE 13, 2010***

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**BREAD AND WINE**

This week, at all Masses, the gift of Bread and Wine is given in memory of ***Ruth G. and J. Walter McCann***. Please remember them 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**

**This Weekend – June 12 & 13**

***Saturday***

4:00 p.m. Rev. Georges Lessard, OMI (22<sup>nd</sup> Ann.)

***Sunday***

7:30 a.m. Alphonse Thibeault (3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.)

9:00 a.m. Paul Raymond Chalifoux

11:00 a.m. Holly Sullivan

***Weekday Masses***

Monday	7:30 a.m.	M/M Lionel Drouin and Donna Whiteside
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Pauline Lemoine
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Rev. Lawrence Chane (8 <sup>th</sup> Ann.)
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Holly Sullivan (3 <sup>rd</sup> Ann.)
Friday	7:30 a.m.	M/M Leo J. Cloutier & M/M Alphonse L. Thibeault
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Irene V. Romaniecki

**Next Weekend – June 19 & 20**

***Saturday***

4:00 p.m. Patricia Waterworth (3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.)

***Sunday***

7:30 a.m. Mrs. Marcelle Painchaud (Deceased Birthday)

9:00 a.m. Michael Taylor, Sr.

11:00 a.m. Andrew Tardiff and son, Raymond



**600 CLUB DRAWING THIS SUNDAY**

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville 600 Club Drawing for June will take place this Sunday, June 13, 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. Door prize for this drawing is \$250.00. You must be present to win door prize.



Please help those of our parish who are in need by making a generous donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. "Poor Boxes" are located at the church entrances.