

## SAINT ANN'S CHURCH

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**Masses: Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am**

**Monday through Thursday 8:30 am; Friday, No Mass**

**Confessions: Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm**



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| <b>Saturday, October 24</b>  | <b>4:00pm Russ &amp; Anna Genander</b><br>requested by the family.                              |
| <b>Sunday, October 25</b>    | <b>9:00am Armand Marcotte</b><br>requested by Patti Laliberte                                   |
|                              | <b>11:00am Arthur &amp; Leona Berthiaume<br/>and Orren McKnight</b><br>requested by Deacon Marc |
| <b>Monday, October 26</b>    | <b>8:30am Ralph Rogers 10th Anniv.</b><br>requested by Mary Lajoie                              |
| <b>Tuesday, October 27</b>   | <b>8:30am Marco Cirillo</b><br>requested by SVDP  |
| <b>Wednesday, October 28</b> | <b>8:30am Ernest Arsenault</b><br>requested by Fr. Michael                                      |
| <b>Thursday, October 29</b>  | <b>8:30am In Honor of St. Therese of<br/>Lisieux for a special intention</b>                    |
| <b>Saturday, October 31</b>  | <b>4:00pm Francis Rogers</b><br>requested by the family   |
| <b>Sunday, November 1</b>    | <b>9:00am Armand &amp; Doris Marcotte</b><br>requested by Michael & Joann Marcotte              |
|                              | <b>11:00am Shirley Fournier</b><br>requested by her friend Linda                                |

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last weekend, at the 11am Mass, we celebrated the Rite of Acceptance, the first public rite of the R.C.I.A. process. During the Rite, four people showed us their intention to move forward in the process of Christian initiation. They have been meeting with us for many months already and hope to receive Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at the Vigil of Easter this coming Spring. Two are children and two are adults. Three are unbaptized, and so became catechumens, while one was already Baptized and became a candidate. members of the recently formed R.C.I.A. Team were present at the rite, with the catechumens, candidate and sponsors, to lend their support and encouragement. At the 11Am Mass during this year, the catechumens and candidate will be dismissed from Mass to participate in catechetical sessions held in the parish hall and religious education office. We ask that you keep the catechumens, candidate, sponsors and R.C.I.A. Team members in your daily prayers, that God's grace is showered upon them in abundance.

On Tuesdays at 6pm our newly formed Rosary group has been meeting. This week we began meeting in the church to pray because it was too dark to meet at the outdoor shrine. The group prays weekly for the needs of the sick, for intentions left in the intention box at the entrance of the shrine, for the needs of the parish and for other concerns. The group is open to parishioners and others seeking to pray the Rosary in community. I would encourage you to join us for weekly prayer and invite your friends and family to accompany you to the meeting.

The parish council is planning a Harvest Dance on November 14 in the parish hall. This event is a social for the parish and is being planned for families. Children are welcome. Please note the date on your calendar and come to be with us for an enjoyable evening.

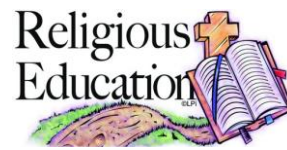
A group of us will be going to St. Therese's Shrine in Nasonville, R.I. this Sunday. We will be praying there and then meeting at Wrights Chicken Farm for an early supper. If you cannot attend, join with us in prayer on Sunday, asking the little flower to bless our parish.

In Christ, Fr. Michael

### Stewardship

<b>Weekly Collection 10/10 -10/11</b>	\$3,253.50
SVDP	\$ 242.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 180.00
<b>Weekly Collection 10/17-10/18</b>	\$3,496.55
Children's envelopes 2	\$ 3.00
World Mission Collection	\$ 656.10
Maintenance	\$ 80.00
SVDP	\$ 107.00
Poor Box	\$ 63.19
All Souls Offering	\$ 77.00

*Thank you for your generous support*



**Classes are held on Mondays for Grades 1-4 at 3:30 -4:45pm Grades 5-10 6:00-7:15pm**

Saturday October 24 Class Mass for Grades 7 & 8 4:00pm  
Sunday, November 1 Class Mass for Grades 4 & 9 9:00am  
Sunday, November 15 Class Mass for Confirmation 9:00am

**Meetings**

- AA** Wednesdays 7:30 pm in the hall.  
Fridays 7:00 pm in the hall
- NA** Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall
- Kof C** 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall
- SVDP** Sunday, October 25th at 9:45am in the hall
- Rosary Group** Tuesday at 6:00pm in the outdoor shrine

**Bible Study**

Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the Religious Education Office



*Please have read Matthew 5:1-12*

**Knights of Columbus 2015-2016 Pennies from Heaven Campaign S.O.S. (Support Our Seminarians)** The money raised for the Pennies for Heaven campaign supports our seminarians and promotes vocations. A container to receive your donations is on the bulletin table in the hall near the parking lot.

**October Finger Rosaries**

In October, the month of Mary, the Oxford Knights of Columbus will be distributing finger rosaries after a weekend Mass to help build your devotion to the Blessed Mother.

**Volunteers Needed**

Jesus reminds us to spread His love to others especially to those who are hurting and alone. Can you spare one-two hours a week volunteering with patients at the end of life? Notre Dame Hospice is looking for kind, compassionate people. Volunteers can wheel patients around, sit with them and talk, read the newspaper or books to them, play games, do puzzles or just sit quietly and hold their hand or pray for them. If you think you would feel comfortable volunteering in this manner please contact, Linda Corby, Volunteer Coordinator at ND Hospice 508-852-5505. What a wonderful way to do more for those in need during this lonely and sometimes frightening time of life. Challenge yourself and be rewarded at the same time.

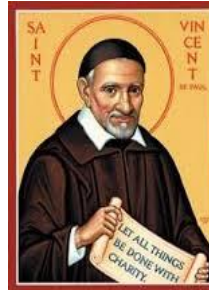
**St. Roch Cemetery Notice**

All decorations must be removed from the lots in the cemetery for fall cleanup. Vigil candles must be removed for the Winter. Flower baskets may be placed after November 16th. Thank you

**Parade of Soups Dinner**

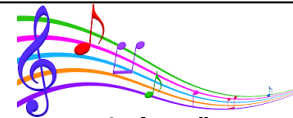
Saturday, November 14 in St. Roch's Church Hall 5:00pm  
Tickets are \$8.00 per person includes bowl to sample the many varieties of soup, also includes bread, dessert and coffee.

**Please contact St. Roch's rectory at 508-987-8987 for tickets**



**Annual Food Drive to benefit the Oxford Food Shelf.**

Members of the SVDP Society of St. Ann's will be handing out food collection bags on the weekend of October 31st & November 1st for donations for the Oxford Food Shelf. Please return these bags with your donations on the Weekend of November 7 & 8th.



**"When you sing, you pray twice..."**

We have a small number of people who volunteer to sing at one of our Saturday and Sunday Masses. We would like to expand each of these "informal" choirs and invite you to join us. Your commitment is minimal and there is no rehearsal time required. Simply sit in the choir loft with us as we lead our congregation in song.

**Catholic Boy Scout Religious Emblem Group Starting Soon**

If you are a registered Boy Scout and have graduated 6th grade, please join us at St. Bridgid church, Millbury twice a month starting Nov. 5th through March. Bishop McManus will award the religious emblems in the Cathedral on April 30th. Contact Jim Gorman to sign up [jms.gorman@gmail.com](mailto:jms.gorman@gmail.com)



**Boy Scout Troop 165 2nd Annual Pancake Breakfast**

**Fundraiser** Saturday, November 7 from 8:00 to 11:00am, Charlton Baptist Church 50 Hammond Hill Rd. in Charlton \$6 All you can eat pancakes!



We welcome **Lyla Anne Carlson** who was baptized on October 11, 2015 We ask God's blessings upon her and her family



**The St. Ann's & St. Roch's Pro- Life Ministry** are looking for new members.

**October 26** an information session for all adults held at St. Roch's. **"Theology of the Body and Modern Media"** 6:30pm fellowship, session is at 7-8:30pm



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