

<b>Saturday, July 20</b>	<b>4:00pm George Gemme</b> req. by Charlie & Andrea Boyle
<b>Sunday, July 21</b>	<b>9:00am Bill O'Brien</b> requested by Harry & Jody Williams
	<b>11:00am Thomas Baum</b> req. by Fr. Michael & Barbara Lavallee
<b>Monday, July 22</b>	<b>8:30am Suzanne Sullivan</b> requested by Palmina
<b>Tuesday, July 23</b>	<b>8:30am Phyllis Mangan</b> requested by the Lavallee Family
<b>Wednesday, July 24</b>	<b>8:30am Josephine DeNittis</b> requested by Palmina
<b>Thursday, July 25</b>	<b>8:30am Joseph W. Dumais</b> requested by David Dumais
<b>Saturday, July 27</b>	<b>4:00 pm Freeman Worster 5th Anniv.</b> requested by the Worster Family
<b>Sunday, July 28</b>	<b>9:00 am Jim Chaisson</b> requested by the family
	<b>11:00am George Gemme</b> requested by St. Ann's Parish

Dear Friends in Christ,  
Summer affords many of us a quieter pace of life. This season blesses us with pleasant weather and the opportunity to be outdoors. During this beautiful time of year, we find God present in the glory of His creation which surrounds us and invites us to reflect on God as the master artist.

The quieter pace of Summer reminds us of the value of quiet itself. This Sunday's Gospel, concerning Jesus' meeting with Martha and Mary, challenges us to incorporate a regular routine of quiet prayer in our lives. In the Gospel, Jesus responds to Martha's plea by correcting her. He states that Mary has chosen "the better part" and that this "better part" would not be taken from her.

St. Luke tells us that as Jesus spoke, Mary remained at His feet, attentively listening to all the Lord said and taught. This posture reflected Mary's decision to become a disciple of Jesus and her posture shows us how we ourselves must be in relationship to the Lord.

We pray vocally or through meditation but how often do we recognize our need to listen to Jesus? Mary's prayer-stance at Jesus' feet suggests contemplation, a form of silent prayer during which the one praying attentively focuses on the presence of Jesus. This attentive focusing is simply "being with" Jesus.

When we participate in Eucharistic Adoration, we enter into this form of prayer. Jesus is with us and we are with Him, in an intimate moment of love. Through this form of prayer, Jesus communicates with us on a soul-level, reminding us that we are precious in His sight, valued and wonderfully made.

In our frenetic lives, some times of silent prayer are necessary to maintain deeper friendship with Jesus. Next week, on Tuesday night, we will be having Eucharistic Adoration following the Upper Room. Join us then and take a moment to be quiet with Jesus, taking the "better part." In Christ, Fr. Michael



**Weekly Collection July 13 & 14**

Adults	\$ 3,150.00
Children	\$ 27.00
Maintenance	\$ 348.00
Bottles & Cans	\$ 75.00
Other sources of Income	\$ 164.00
<b>Total of parish support</b>	<b>\$ 3,764.00</b>
<b>Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses</b>	<b>\$ 4,250.00</b>
SVDP	\$ 134.54
Poor Box	\$ 18.00



The parish of St. Ann's counts on your regular offertory contributions throughout the summer to pay for our continuing expenses including the air conditioning in the church and the maintenance of our beautiful grounds. As you enjoy vacations away from home please do not forget your generous support of St. Ann's Parish. If you are not receiving offertory envelopes and would like to have them sent to your home, please contact the rectory. Together we can keep our parish fiscally strong, socially active and give support to those in need. Thank you.

### Meetings

**NA** Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall  
**K of C** 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall  
**SVDP** Sunday, September 15th 9:45 am in the hall  
**Rosary Group** 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church  
**Upper Room Ministry** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:00pm  
**Bible Study** Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the hall  
Please have read Luke 11: 1-13



**St. Vincent De Paul**  
Serving those in Need

If you are a parishioner and are in need of assistance, please call #508- 987-8892 and leave a message on the SVDP private line and someone from the SVDP will return your call. Maybe you have lost your job and are behind on your utilities or can't afford to have oil delivered. We can help. We also can point you in the direction of other resources that are available.

### Have you changed your address, email or telephone number?

Please contact the Rectory office with any changes to your address, emails or telephone numbers, so that we may keep our records up to date. Thank you for your cooperation.



### Are you having a picnic or family gathering this Summer?

Please remember to drop off your returnable bottles and cans to the bin near the handicap ramp. Your donations are greatly appreciated. We also need volunteers to take the donations to the redemption center. Please sign up on the main bulletin board.



### Tree of Life Memorials for parishioners

Please remember your deceased loved ones with a **memorial donation** to St. Ann's Parish. A memorial leaf will be engraved with the name and the date of death of the deceased parishioner and placed on our **Memorial Tree of Life** in the entrance to the church. Please contact the office for more information.



We would like to thank, **J Taylor Paving, Charlton, MA**, for patching the pot holes in the driveway and church parking lot. Their generosity and kindness are a blessing to us all.



Thanks to all of our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2019 Partners in Charity Appeal. Gifts and pledges have totaled **\$30,925.00** towards our parish goal of \$40,000. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our mission as a diocese. Please be as generous as possible. If you have already made a gift to the 2019 Appeal we thank you. Your gift will help us reach our goal. You can also make your gift online at [www.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net). Thank you.

**A second collection to benefit Partners in Charity will be taken up on this weekend of July 20 & 21 at all the Masses.**



### Do you have a few extra hours this summer to volunteer at St. Ann's Parish?

We are looking for help with weeding, trimming of bushes, painting and small repairs.

Please speak to Fr. Michael after Mass this weekend to volunteer. Thank you



### Yard Sale Items for sale

We have some nice items leftover from the yard sale. **Please contact the rectory if you are interested.**

Furniture: bed frames, coffee tables, chairs, dining room set with 6 chairs, antique wash stand with pitcher & bowl.

Glasses and beautiful china

Collectible Hummel Umbrella girl & boy.

Collectible Japanese plates & Chinese Art

Baby stroller & play seat

### Important:

**The Yard Sale Follow-up Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, July 30th at 6:30 pm in the parish hall.