

**ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA PARISH, WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

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**Mass Intentions October 8-16, 2005**

**Saturday**

**5:00 PM Carole Anne & Mary Dineen**

**Sunday**

**8:00 AM Jake & Evan Wilkins**

**9:30 AM For the People of the Parish**

**11:15 AM Deacon Frank Mandosa & Robert Basil**

**Monday**

**9:00 AM In Honor of Lillian Snell**

**Tuesday**

**9:00 AM Bert Arzilli**

**Wednesday**

**9:00 AM Special Intention**

**Thursday**

**9:00 AM Joseph Marshall**

**Saturday**

**5:00 PM Zachary Metivier**

**Sunday**

**8:00 AM For the People of the Parish**

**9:30 AM Diogenes Armaro**

**11:15 AM Manuel Martins**

**BAPTISM**

The following children were welcomed into St. Thomas Parish Family on Sunday, October 7, 2007

*Emily Jane Barry  
Dean M. Ciampa  
Jasmine Maria Franculli  
Lauren Elizabeth Teague  
Hayden Parker Teague  
Nicholas George Morad  
Jonathan Michael Morad*

**WEDDING BANNS**

**III Amanda Nee and Paul Tramontozi**

**I Jamie Arnold and John McCarthy**

**CHURCH SUPPORT**

Thank you for your generosity! We are grateful to all who mail in their envelopes when away from the parish.

**FOOD COLLECTION**

The weekend of October-20 & 21 - The Charities Committee will collect food for the Wilmington Food Pantry .

**You may drop off Food donations in Villanova Hall after all Masses that weekend.**

**OUR LADY'S MONTHLY MESSAGE     Sept. 25, 2007**

*"Dear Children! Also today I call all of you for your hearts to blaze with more ardent love for the Crucified, and do not forget that, out of love for you, He gave His life so that you may be saved. Little children, meditate and pray that your heart may be open to God's love. Thank you for having responded to my call."*

**90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Oct 13 is the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of when the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal and performed the "miracle of the sun" so that everyone would believe in Her message. Oct 13, 1917 was a day filled with rain pouring down. Thousands of people both believers and unbelievers traveled from all over to witness the miracle. They walked through huge puddles and drove their carriages through mud. The people were soaking wet. At the appointed time the sun started spinning in the sky as though it was falling out of the sky. People were praying and they were scared. When the sun returned to the sky the ground was dry, the people were all dry and clean. Healings were also reported. Our Blessed Mother's Message then and still is today to pray the Rosary, fast, and go to confession.

We wish to cordially invite each and every one of you to attend our Rosary group meeting and pray the Rosary on Sun, Oct 14, at 7pm in the Chapel. Prayer will consist of the Rosary and some music and will end no later than 8:30pm. You do not need to bring anything (except for family and friends). Help us to honor Our Blessed Mother and thank Her Son Jesus for the blessings we have and present our needs to Her. Just think of the happiness your presence at the Rosary on this anniversary will bring Heaven.

**TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA PARISH**

2006-2007 Annual Report (July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007)

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Income Statement FY 04 - 06**

	2005 actual	2006 actual	2007 actual
<b>Income</b>			
Offertory	\$283,478	\$335,533	\$339,218
Grand Annual	\$ 46,180	\$49,476	\$36,105
Religious Education Fees	\$58,919	\$66,341	\$69,009
Sacramental Offerings	\$15,033	\$14,176	\$22,185
Donations	\$11,688	\$3,128	\$8,952
Gifts and Bequests	\$3,200	\$5,000	\$0
Rental Income	\$651	\$150	\$100
Other	\$5,713	\$15,142	\$3,628
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$424,862</b>	<b>\$488,946</b>	<b>\$479,197</b>

**Expenses**

Compensation Clerical	\$40,389	\$153,995	\$42,516
Compensation Non-Clerical	\$151,994	\$39,167	\$164,269
Benefits and Payroll Taxes	\$30,633	\$28,300	\$31,673
Liturgical Supplies and Parish Expenditures	\$58,713	\$37,449	\$40,043
Telephone and Utilities	\$35,466	\$38,896	\$39,593
Maintenance and Repairs	\$23,466	\$39,917	\$33,938
Capital Improvements	\$1,715	\$1,787	\$750
Office Supplies and Professional Fees	\$3,033	\$31,912	13,083
Household Expenses	\$7,886	\$6,373	\$7,909
Postage and Printing	\$13,157	\$10,319	\$1,899
Pamphlets and Religious Education Books	\$29,575	\$16,116	\$15,564
School Tax	\$12,540	\$7,000	\$20,756
Property and Liability Insurance	\$4,471	\$15,521	\$14,361
Envelope Mailing and Contribution Processing	\$8,242	\$10,278	\$10,684
Other	\$10,752	\$13,960	\$25,785
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$432,033</b>	<b>\$450,991</b>	<b>\$462,824</b>

**Net Income**

<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$424,862</b>	<b>\$488,946</b>	<b>\$479,197</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$432,033</b>	<b>\$450,991</b>	<b>\$462,824</b>
<b>Total Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$(7,172)</b>	<b>\$37,955</b>	<b>\$16,373</b>

**SENIOR ANNOINTING MASS & LUNCHEON**

St. Thomas Women's Club will again sponsor the Fall Senior Anointing Mass and Luncheon on Saturday, October 20, in Villanova Hall. Mass will be at 11:30am followed by the Luncheon. All Seniors are invited to join us. To make a reservation, please call Joan at 978-657-3905 before October 16<sup>th</sup>. If you need a ride, please let us know when you register.

**WOMEN'S CLUB CRAFT NIGHT**

St. Thomas Women's Club next meeting will be Mon, Nov 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 PM in Villanova Hall. Craft night with Kathy. We will be making hanging scarecrows. Please bring wire cutters, scissors and glue gun if you have one. Cost will be approx \$12. Call Kathy at 978-658-9189 to sign up. All Women of the Parish are invited to join us.

**ST. THOMAS CRAFT FAIR**

The Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at 10am to 3pm in Villanova Hall.

**ST. THOMAS WOMEN'S CLUB  
MIRACLE ON 34<sup>th</sup> STREET**

The Women's Club will be taking reservations for an evening at the Stoneham Theatre for the Christmas play "Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street" on Friday Nov. 30, 2007 at 8pm. Tickets are \$25 for Seniors 62 and over, \$28 for under \$16 for students. To place a paid reservation call Joan at 978-657-3905.

**NEW CORI'S FORMS FOR 2007-2008**

We ask all volunteers in the Parish to please fill out a new Cori. The Forms are in the Sacristy. Thank you.

EACH VOLUNTEER MUST PROVIDE A GOVERNMENT ISSUED PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION TO VERIFY HIS OR HER IDENTITY- MA LICENSE, US PASSPORT, ECT

**OLD CELL PHONES**

At the Entrance of the Church there is a box for all your old cell phones. This collection will benefit the Minuteman Senior Services. Thank you.

**OCTOBER 14, 2007**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Oct 14</b> <b>7pm Prayer Group</b>	<b>Oct 15</b> <b>SAFETY WEEK</b> <b>Gr ade 1-8</b> <b>ONLY STUDENTS THAT HAVE had PERMISSION SLIP signed should attend</b>  <b>CCD grades</b> <b>1 4-5pm</b> <b>4 5:30-6:30pm</b>  <b>All grade</b> <b>9 students</b> <b>6:45-8pm</b>	<b>Oct 16</b> <b>SAFETY WEEK</b> <b>Grade 1-8</b> <b>ONLY STUDENTS THAT HAVE had PERMISSIONSLIP signed should attend</b>  <b>CCD grades</b> <b>2 4-5pm</b> <b>5 5:30-6:30</b> <b>7 6:45-8pm</b> <b>8 6:45-8pm</b>	<b>Oct 17</b> <b>SAFETY WEEK</b> <b>Grade 1-8</b> <b>ONLY STUDENTS THAT HAVE had PERMISSION SLIP signed should attend</b>  <b>CCD grades</b> <b>3 4-5pm</b> <b>6 5:30-6:30</b>	<b>Oct 18</b>	<b>Oct 19</b> <b>6-8:30pm</b> <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	<b>Oct 20</b> <b>Senior Mass &amp; Luncheon</b>
<b>Oct 21</b> <b>9:30am Children's Liturgy</b> <b>1pm Baptism</b> <b>7pm Prayer Group</b>	<b>Oct 22</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>1 4-5pm</b> <b>4 5:30-6:30pm</b> <b>10 6:45-8pm</b>	<b>Oct 23</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>2 4-5pm</b> <b>5 5:30-6:30</b> <b>8 6:45-8pm</b>	<b>Oct 24</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>3 4-5pm</b> <b>6 5:30-6:30</b>	<b>Oct 25</b>	<b>Oct 26</b> <b>6-8:30pm</b> <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	<b>Oct 27</b> <b>Parish Outreach</b>
<b>OCT 28</b> <b>Parish Outreach</b>  <b>Gr 2 Parent meeting in Church @ 12:45pm</b>  <b>7pm Prayer Group</b>	<b>OCT 29</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>1 4-5pm</b> <b>4 5:30-6:30pm</b> <b>9 6:45-8pm</b>	<b>OCT 30</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>2 4-5pm</b> <b>5 5:30-6:30</b> <b>7 6:45-8pm</b>	<b>OCT 31</b> <b>Halloween</b>  <b>7pm Mass</b>	<b>Nov 1</b> <b>All saints</b> <b>9am Mass</b>	<b>Nov 2</b> <b>6-8:30pm</b> <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	<b>Nov 3</b>
<b>Nov 4</b> <b>9:30am Children's Liturgy</b> <b>1pm Baptism</b> <b>7pm Prayer Group</b>	<b>Nov 5</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>1 4-5pm</b> <b>4 5:30-6:30pm</b> <b>9 6:45-8pm</b>  <b>Women's Club</b> <b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Nov 6</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>2 4-5pm</b> <b>5 5:30-6:30</b> <b>7 6:45-8pm</b>	<b>Nov 7</b> <b>CCD grades</b> <b>3 4-5pm</b> <b>6 5:30-6:30</b>	<b>Nov 8</b>	<b>Nov 9</b> <b>6-8:30pm</b> <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	<b>Nov 10</b> <b>FOOD COLLECTION</b>

**Meditation of the Heart**

**By Carolyn Kenney**

In today's gospel, Jesus healed ten lepers but only one returned to thank Him. I can picture that one leper kneeling at the feet of Jesus - thrilled, ecstatic to be healed. He no longer had sores covering his body. He was no longer looked upon with disdain by other people. What happened to him after that day? Did he return to his family and friends? What did he tell them? I can see Jesus looking upon this man with gentleness and love as He said, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Our soul is covered with sores - ugly sores of sin. We need to go to Jesus in the sacrament of Reconciliation and ask to be forgiven and healed. When we go to Him with true love, we will feel His gentleness enter our soul and heal it. We will feel His grace and love permeate our entire being - a feeling unlike any other we have experienced. Gently Jesus looks at us through the eyes of the priest, *in persona Christi*, and tells us also, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."