

ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA PARISH

Mass Intentions June 12-20, 2010

Saturday

5:00 PM Vittorio Iocco

Sunday

8:00 AM Mary & Alexander Quandt

9:30 AM Manuel & Maria Chaves

11:15 AM Michelle Tamagini

Monday

9:00 AM Virginia Flaherty

Tuesday

9:00AM Deceased Members of the Nett Family

Wednesday

9:00 AM Aleona Mary Besky

Thursday

9:00 AM Anthony Langone

Saturday

5:00 PM Alice Pratt

Sunday

8:00AM Joseph G. Dattero

9:30 AM Ellen Martin

11:15 AM Joseph Sico

DEACON'S CORNER

Praise God, The Wakefield King's are blessed after a long winter of planning and a long fight with insurance. Building has begun at Broadway.

Kip and Jen extend heartfelt thanks to all who were so generous with prayers and contributions. It has make such a difference to us.

Will follow with pictures in a later bulletin

Love.

The Wakefield King's

BAPTISM

The following children were welcomed into St. Thomas Parish family on Sunday, June 6th, 2010.

Emma Winn Allard

Dylan Michael Costantiello

Conor James Kinneen

Meghann Catherine Warford

Joseph Kenneth Raposa II

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

This weekend there is a second collection for the Clergy Funds. I want to share with you some information about the Clergy Funds. Currently there are 737 priests who rely on the Clergy Funds for their healthcare. In addition, there are 267 senior priests who also rely on the Clergy Funds for their retirement benefits. In recent years, the Clergy Funds have been stressed with the increase in medical costs and expenses growing faster than income. The continued need to stabilize this fund is critical and a top priority of Cardinal Sean and all of the priests. I am thankful that you chose to give generously to the priests who have served you here at St. Thomas of Villanova and the priests who have faithfully served the other parishes of this Archdiocese. On behalf of all of them, thank you in advance for your continued support.

The 2010 Catholic Appeal was launched. The Catholic Appeal supports the central ministries of the Archdiocese of Boston. Our goal for the Appeal is \$30,500. Thus far \$26,282.00 has been pledged by 183 parishioners. We are now at 86.2% of our goal. I want to thank all those who gave to the Appeal. It is not too late to give to the Appeal.

I want to thank those who responded to the call to volunteer at St. Thomas of Villanova. Three people volunteered for the Finance Council; two people volunteered for the Pastoral Council; and three people volunteered to help with the plants on the front steps of the church. Thanks to all!!

I also want to thank all those parishioners who send in their envelopes when they are away. I appreciate it. As the old cliché goes, the parish bills do not go on vacation!!

Well I guess that is it for now. Until next time, take care.
Fr. Earley

**MY BROTHERS TABLE
PICNIC IN THE PARK**

The Parish Outreach will serve a meal Saturday June 26, at My Brother's Table. All are welcome please meet at Villanova Hall at 11am. Donation of Desserts can be dropped off also at that time. You can stay all day or a few hours.

**ST. THOMAS CHARITIES FOOD COLLECTION
THIS WEEKEND
JUNE 12 & 13**

The Charities Committee will be collecting Food for the Wilmington Food Pantry.

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FATHER'S DAY SPORTS BASKET

"Father's Day Sports Basket", Raffle tickets will be available after all Masses during the weekend of June 12 & 13 and June 19 & 20. Items include \$100 gift card to Legal Seafood, Revolution & Spinners tickets, free night at the Marriot, scratch tickets and sports memorabilia. Donations raised will support the efforts of the Charities Committee. The drawing will take place June 20th.

PIECE OF PIE SALE IS COMING

Again this year the St. Thomas Charities committee will sell pieces of pie on the common during the Forth of July Celebration. Dates of the pie sale are: **Thursday, July 1st**, **Friday July 2nd**, and **Saturday, July 3rd**. Funds raised from this pie sale will be used for charitable expenses here in Wilmington. Without your help we cannot succeed.

Please make a pledge to bake a pie & post a reminder to yourself!

Volunteers are needed to work on this project, please contact Michelle White at 978-658-7218

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The CCD Office is in need of teachers for all grades. They also are in need of office help please call the CCD office 978-658-6040.

CCD Classes will Begin the week of September 14
The schedule will stay the same as last year

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| Monday | Grade 1 | 4 to 5pm |
| | 4 | 5:30 to 6:30pm |
| | 9 or 10 | 6:45 to 8pm |
| Tuesday | Grade 2 | 4 to 5pm |
| | 5 | 5:30 to 6:30pm |
| | 7 or 8 | 6:45 to 8pm |
| Wednesday | Grade 3 | 4 to 5pm |
| | | 6 to 5:30pm |

ANGEL MEETING

The next Angel Meeting is Saturday, June 26 from 10-11:30am in Villanova Hall.

THE UNITED STATES FLAG

As we look at the flag of our country, let us always remember its true meaning for a flag without meaning is only a piece of cloth.

The red of our flag stands for valor and bravery like that of those who fought to protect our freedoms.

White signifies purity and innocence, as that of our Founding Fathers' intent to secure the rights of all.

Blue signifies vigilance, perseverance, justice, as all are needed in any government to secure the blessings of God.

And as our stars and stripes point to the stars of the heavens and the rays of the sun, let us never forget that our country must depend upon God's blessing and protection.

NORTHEAST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE

The Northeast Catholic Family Conference theme is "Called to Greatness." On June 27 from 1pm-8pm at St. Mary's Church in Waltham, the day will feature an event with Cardinal Sean, Mass and Adoration, a Marian Procession, workshops for adults. Separate teen and children's programs, a family cookout, and inspiring speakers including Leah Darrow, a former contestant on the Realty Television Show, "America's Next Top Model." You don't want to miss this great event for the Family. For more information and registration please visit www.yHopefamily.org or call Fr. Mike Harrington at 781-956-0548

CARS FOR HELP

DONATE OLD CAR-HELP NEEDY-RECEIVE \$500 TAX DEDUCTION Its fast, its easy, and it requires only one phone call or visit at our website. Cars For Help, a 501©3 not-for-profit charity, is working through Catholic Relief Services to help alleviate human suffering. If you would like to donate any vehicle of yours in any condition, or just have questions, www.CarsForHelp.com. 630-595-9272. Together we can make a difference!

ACTS HIV MINISTRY

ACTS retreats are three day spiritual retreats, led by compassionate Catholic laymen and laywomen. The retreat is a powerful and enduring personal conversion experience that allows retreatants to feel God's love and joy.

The ACTS HIV Ministry also provides ongoing prayer groups, monthly Mass and social activities to continue to provide friendship and fellowship to those affected or infected with HIV

The next retreat will be June 24-27, 2010 Espousal Retreat Center Waltham For more information Annie Hiort 978-409-2520, Sandie Shaw 978-455-0398 or James Rodriguez 210-691-0941

JUNE 13, 2010

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|---|---|--|
| June 13 NO Prayer Group | June 14 | June 15 | June 16 | June 17 | June 18 | June 19 Father's Day Basket Raffle Tickets |
| June 20 1pm Baptism Father's Day No Prayer Group | June 21 | June 22 | June 23 | June 24 | June 25 6-7:30 Eucharistic Adoration | June 26 MY BROTHERS TABLE 10am-11:30am ANGELS MEETING |
| June 27 1pm Baptismal Instruction 7pm Prayer Group | June 28 | June 29 | June 30 | July 1 PIECE OF PIE Drop off 3-4:30 | July 2 PIECE OF PIE Drop off 3-4:30 No Eucharistic Adoration | July 3 PIECE OF PIE Drop off 3-4:30 |
| July 4 1pm Baptism NO Prayer Group | July 5 | July 6 | July 7 | July 8 | July 9 | July 10 10 to 11:30am Angels Meeting |
| July 11 NO Prayer Group | July 12 | July 13 | July 14 | July 15 | July 16 | July 17 FOOD COLLECTION |
| July 18 1pm Baptism NO Prayer Group | July 19 | July 20 | July 21 | July 22 | July 23 | July 24 10 to 11:30am Angels Meeting |
| July 25 1pm Baptismal Instruction 7pm Prayer Group | July 26 | July 27 | July 28 | July 29 | July 30 | July 31 |

SUMMER HOURS: PRAYER GROUP WILL MEET LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 7pm
 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WILL BE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH 6-7:30pm
Please not that there will be no Adoration July 2 There will be Adoration on June 25.

OUR LADY'S MONTHLY MESSAGE May 25, 2010

“Dear children! God gave you the grace to live and to defend all the good that is in you and around you, and to inspire others to be better and holier; but Satan, too does not sleep and through modernism diverts you and leads you to his way. Therefore, little children, in the love for my Immaculate Heart, love God above everything and live His commandments. In this way, your life will have meaning and peace will rule on earth.. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

Meditation of the Heart
 By Carolyn M. Kenney

Do you ever turn on the television and find nothing of interest to watch? With hundreds of channels showing movies, sitcoms, travel, news, sports and much more, there is often simply nothing good to watch.

At these times, why not say the Rosary? We all need prayers, that is for sure. Offer your Rosary for your children, spouse, co-workers or even the stranger you passed on the street. Father Reed of “Boston Catholic Television” says the Rosary every night at 6:30 p.m. Surely we can each take one-half hour a day and say the Rosary. We all need prayers!