

ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA PARISH, WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Mass Intentions January 27- February 3, 2007

Saturday

5:00 PM Yvonne Deveau

Sunday

8:00 AM Nicholas Vecchiarelli

9:30 AM Tom Morris

11:15 AM Rita Ennis

Monday

9:00 AM Carmin A Mardizmetti

Tuesday

9:00 AM Donna Hackert

Wednesday

9:00 AM Kay King

Thursday

9:00 AM Ghislain Luz Ginqes

Saturday

5:00 PM Marion Murphy & Mary Marotta

Sunday

8:00 AM Robert Surrette

9:30 AM Limoli Carmelo & Limoli Margareta

11:15 AM Abilio & Erminia Medeiros

S.T.A.M.P. DANCE

REMINDER MARK YOUR CALANDER FOR THE
ANNUAL S.T.A.M.P. DANCE .
SATURDAY, MARCH 10TH.

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

This week my note will consist of a legal notice that the Chancery asked each parish to publish. It involves the restricted funds that were given to the parishes that have closed. Since the parish is now closed, it is impossible for the church to honor the donor's intent. The Archdiocese of Boston has asked the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court to apply the doctrine of cy-pres. Cy-pres is a rule of construction of instruments by which the intention of the donor is carried out as near as may be when it is impossible to give it literal effect.

CLASSIFIED NOTICE

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston, a Corporation Sole, has prepared a Complaint for the Application of the Doctrine of *Cy Pres* to be filed with the Supreme Judicial Court of Suffolk County .The Complaint seeks to transfer restricted funds held by the Archdiocese on behalf of 58 closed parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Boston to the welcoming parish (the parish receiving the sacramental records) designated for the closed parish. The Complaint refers only to those restricted funds held in

the name of the closed parish and identified as such by the closed parish. It does not reference any other assets of the closed parish. The Complaint deals solely with gifts given to the *Promise for Tomorrow Campaign*, restricted gifts given pursuant to a written instrument or given pursuant to an oral restriction. The purpose of the Complaint is to allow the welcoming parish to use the restricted funds for the same or a similar charitable purpose as was intended originally. For those parishes currently under canonical appeal and/or civil litigation, restricted funds under the *Cy Pres* process will not be forwarded to welcoming parishes unless and until any canonical appeal and/or civil litigation has been completed and then only if the parish involved in the appeal or litigation remains closed.

A copy of the Complaint and Exhibits can be viewed on the Archdiocese's web site at <http://www.rcab.org>. Each parish also has a copy of the Complaint available.

Any questions you may have prior to the filing of this Complaint may be directed to the Archdiocese no later than February 27, 2007. Questions may be made in writing to 2121 Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton, MA 02135 Attn: Cy Pres or by calling 617- 746-5758, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

Be sure and mark your calendars for the STAMP DANCE which be held on SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2006.

Also, mark your calendar for the parish retreat which begins the weekend of MARCH 3 & 4, 2007

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

**GRADE 2 PARENT MEETING WILL BE HELD
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 AT 1PM IN THE CHURCH**

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

Sat., Feb 10th we will celebrate World Marriage Day at the 5pm Mass with light refreshments to follow downstairs. If you are able to help us out please call the rectory

BAPTISMS

On Sunday January 21, 2007 the following children were welcomed into St. Thomas Parish Family

Gillian Maricel Kane & Ethan E. Melanson

ST. THOMAS WOMEN’S CLUB HAPPENINGS

All Women of the Parish are invited to join us!

- Feb 12 – Mardi Gras Party holiday foods**
- April 9th - TBA**
- April 21st - Senior Anointing Mass and Luncheon**
- May 14th TBA**
- June 11th - Closing Mass 6:30pm and Diner**

BAPTISM SCHEDULE

THERE WILL BE NO BAPTISMS DURING LENT

**THE LAST BAPTISM BEFORE LENT
FEBRUARY 18TH, 2007**

**THE BAPTISMS DURING THE EASTER SEASON
WILL BE:**

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 8 @ 11:15 AM

DURING SUNDAY MASS MAY 6 @ 11:15 AM

April 15 @ 1:00 PM May 20 @ 1:00 PM

**ST. THOMAS WOMEN’S CLUB
MARDI GRAS PARTY**

The February meeting will be on Monday, Feb 12th at 7:00PM in Villanova Hall. This will be a “pot luck supper” with a Mardi Gras flavor, after which we will play “PASS THE GIFT “ game. The gifts will be supplied by the Club. Wear a mask or costume if you wish. The colors for Mardi Gras are green, gold and purple. All are asked to bring a main dish, side dish dessert etc. Please call Joan at 978-657-3905 to let us know what you are bringing or if you are looking for a suggestion so that we will have a varied menu. During the Lenten season we will be taking up a collection to send to Fr. Paul’s priest friend in New Orleans to help his Parish recover from Katrina. All Women of the Parish are welcome to join us.

PPC MEETING

This Sunday, January 28, 7pm in Villanova Hall

ALTAR MINISTERS

Anyone who is interested in becoming a Eucharist Minister or Lector, please call Deacon Cliff King at the rectory.

CHURCH SUPPORT

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

Offertory for January 21, 2007	\$4,679.60
Parish Monthly	\$3,829.00

The Second Collection is for the Church in Latin America

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Eucharistic Ministers interested in bring communion to the nursing home please call Mary at 978-771-3513.

ALL DAY SCRAPBOOKING

On Saturday, January 27th from 9am to 9pm. Spread out and scrap all day long! Beginner classes and Border stations. Please call for details and to register, Bonnie DiOrio at 978-657-0812

WINE , WOMEN & SONG

Our next gathering will be on Thursday, February 1 at 7pm in the Chapel. Each of our monthly meetings begins with a social time of wine(or soda), horsd’oeuvres, and conversation followed by prayer and reflection through music. All women are welcome

SENIOR CENTER

The Senior Center is in need of donations of wood (cut offs) scrap wood for wood projects and wooden toys. Please contact Terri Marciello Director at 978-657-7595.

JANUARY 27, 2007

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan 28 1pm Baptism Instruction 7pm PPC MEETING 7pm Prayer group	Jan 29 Gr 1 4--5pm Gr 4 5:30-6:30pm Gr 9 6:45-8:00pm	Jan 30 Gr 2 4-5pm Gr 5 5:30-6:30pm Gr 7 6:45-8:00	Jan 31 Gr 3 4-5pm Gr 6 5:30-6:30pm	Feb 1 7pm WINE WOMEN & SONG	Feb 2 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Feb 3
Feb 4 1pm Baptism 7pm Prayer group	Feb 5 Gr 1 4--5pm Gr 4 5:30-6:30pm Gr 9 6:45-8:00pm	Feb 6 Gr 2 4-5pm Gr 5 5:30-6:30pm Gr 7 6:45-8:00	Feb 7 Gr 3 4-5pm Gr 6 5:30-6:30pm	Feb 8	Feb 9 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Feb 10
Feb 11 7pm Prayer group	Feb 12 Gr 1 4--5pm Gr 4 5:30-6:30pm Gr10 6:45-8:00pm WOMENS CLUB MADIGRAS	Feb 13 Gr 2 4-5pm Gr 5 5:30-6:30pm Gr 8 6:45-8:00	Feb 14 Valentines Day Gr 3 4-5pm Gr 6 5:30-6:30pm	Feb 15	Feb 16	Feb 17
Feb 18 1pm Baptism 7pm Prayer group	Feb 19 NO CLASSES	Feb 20 NO CLASSES	Feb 21 NO CLASSES ASH WEDNESDAY 9am,12 Noon, 7pm	Feb 22	Feb 23	Feb 24
Feb 25 GR 10 11:15 Mass Gr 2 Parent Meeting 1pm	Feb 26 Gr 1 4--5pm Gr 4 5:30-6:30pm Gr10 6:45-8:00pm	Feb 27 Gr 2 4-5pm Gr 5 5:30-6:30pm Gr 7 6:45-8:00	Feb 28 Gr 3 4-5pm Gr 6 5:30-6:30pm			

OUR LADY'S MONTHLY MESSAGE December 25, 2006

“Dear Children! Also today I bring you the newborn Jesus in my arms. He who is the King of Heaven and earth, He is your peace. Little children, no one can give you peace as He who is the King of Peace. Therefore, adore Him in your hearts, choose Him and you will have joy in Him. He will bless you with His blessing of peace. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

Meditation of the Heart by Carolyn Kenney

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you...” These words from today’s first reading are from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah. God created each one of us in His image and likeness. Before He formed us in our mother’s womb, He knew what we looked like, our personalities and the path each of us would chose in life. God knows us better than we know ourselves. We are each a unique masterpiece of His creation. Yet, what is happening in our world today? Where is life taking us? More importantly, where is it taking our children, who represent the future?

Life was so simple when you and I were young. But, our values - the values of our parents - were much different then. Time was spent together with family and friends. Playing outside with neighborhood children - using our minds creatively - was fun and led to cherished memories later in life. We are truly blest. However, today the pace of life is too fast. An unnecessary amount of emphasis is placed on material items and their absolute necessity in our lives. We need to slow down. We have a responsibility to teach our children the right values - spiritual and family values. We need to teach them values that are not felt with the pocketbook, but those which are felt with the heart.