

ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA PARISH, WILMINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Mass Intentions December 29- Jan. 6, 2008.

Saturday

5:00 PM Arthur Boudreau

Sunday

8:00 AM Andrew Ring

9:30 AM John Brothers

11:15AM Maria Chaves

Monday

9:00 AM Alice Donovan

Wednesday

9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Edward Comer

Thursday

9:00 AM Emma Wilcouawicz

Saturday

5:00 PM John McGuinness

Sunday

8:00 AM Angelina Christoforo

9:30 AM David & Doris Gennaro

11:15 AM Donald Franco

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY 5:00PM

TUESDAY 9:00AM

EPIPHANY PAGEANT

Next weekend at the 9:30 Mass the Children will perform Epiphany Pageant. For more information Please call Debbie at 978-447-1020.

CHURCH SUPPORT

We are grateful to all who mail in their envelopes when away from the parish.

Thank you for your generosity.

2007 CATHOLOIC APPEAL UPDATE

Giving in Faith, Giving with Love

Thank you to all supporters of the 2007 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$26,966.00 from 203 households, reaching 91 percent of our parish goal of \$29,500. We realize that, for various reasons, many families wait until the end of the year to make their charitable donations. If you have not yet given but find yourself in a financial position in which you are able to do so, please consider a gift today and help our parish and the Archdiocese meet our goals. Remember, our parish will receive 25 percent of all funds we raise above our goal. So each gift has the potential to increase parish revenue while still supporting the ministries funded by the Catholic Appeal. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms in the back of the church. For more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Thank you!

BIRTHRIGHT

St. Thomas Women's Club is collecting unwrapped Layette items (They are desperate for) **NEWBORN INFANTS ONLY** Through the Epiphany of the Lord, Jan 6th, A basket is outside the confessionals for donations. The items will be given to Birthright of Lowell to help unwed mothers in the Lowell area. Any questions please call Joan at 978-657-3905. Thank you.

CLOTHING DRIVE

St. Thomas Charity Committee will hold a men's women's and children clothing drive on January 12 & 13. Clothes may be left in Villanova Hall after all Masses.

FOOD will also be collected for the Wilmington Food Pantry



WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR 2008!

HOLY FAMILY

Prayer for the New Year

*Dear Lord, at the beginning of this New Year,
I remember that you are a God of beginnings and endings.
You created the world, with all its eternal patterns.
Winter begins in frost, and ends in Spring's thaw.
Spring begins in new, green life, ending in Summer's heat.
Summer begins in sunshine, and ends in Autumn's breezes.
And Autumn's color leads to the white of Winter again.
As another year ends and begins in our lives,
help us to remember that you have made a world of cycles.
When fortune turns to trial, or hardship turns to joy,
help me take delight in the life I've received from you.
Remind me that I will one day pass from this world
and enter a new life like those who've gone before me.
Amen.*

CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE

In Loving Memory of

Dudley Family
Dempsey Family
Thorne Family
Ruth & John Smolinsky
Betty & Hank Klimczak

OUR LADY'S MONTHLY MESSAGE Nov. 25, 2007

"Dear Children! Today, when you celebrate Christ, the King of all that is created, I desire for Him to be the King of your lives. Only through giving, little children, can you comprehend the gift of Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross for each of you. Little children, give time to God that He may transform you and fill you with His grace, so that you may be a grace for others. For you, little children, I am a gift of grace and love, which comes from God for this peaceless world. Thank you for having responded to my call."

LOST AND FOUND

There is a Lost & Found box downstairs in the basement of the Church. Some of the items have been left behind from children attending CCD class, however things that have been found through out the Church have also been placed in the box. Please be sure to take a look through the box if you think you may have left something behind in the church.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Join Father Augustine Anda on an inspirational trip to the Holy Land. The pilgrimage will take place from March 24, 2008-April 4, 2008 and the cost is \$2699. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please contact Eliesa at 978-977-3062. Join Father Anda on this trip and walk in the Footsteps of Christ.

35th ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The Immaculate Conception (Malden/Medford) Respect Life Committee is once again planning a pilgrimage to the 35th Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. The group will **leave from Malden with a secondary pick-up at St. Margaret's Church in Burlington** by motor coach on Monday morning, January 21(MLK Holiday) and will return on Wednesday evening January 23. The cost is \$250 per person, double occupancy (\$400 single) until January 4th (a little higher after that date) Come and be inspired by the hundreds of thousands of young people who will witness to the Gospel of Life in this non-confrontational event. Please call Janet Callahan @ 781-324-3564 to register or for more information.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Can you spare just one hour/week at lunchtime once a month or more? Meals on Wheels Drivers are needed. Homebound seniors in Bedford, Lexington and Woburn need help getting a midday meal delivered on weekdays! Perfect job to do with a friend, or share a route or alternate weeks. Regular and substitute drivers are needed. Drivers receive mileage reimbursement of \$0.42 per mile plus satisfaction in providing this essential service. Call Minute Senior Services 781-221-7023 or toll free 888-222-6171 or email:dbarr@minutemansenior.org.

DECEMBER 30, 2007

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dec 30 1pm Baptism instruction 7pm Prayer Group	Dec 31 5pm Mass No CCD Classes	Jan 1 9am Mass No CCD Classes	Jan 2 No CCD Classes	Jan 3	Jan 4 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Jan 5
Jan 6 Epiphany Pageant 1pm Baptism 7pm Prayer Group	Jan 7 CCD grades 1 4-5pm 4 5:30-6:30pm 9 6:45-8pm	Jan 8 CCD grades 2 4-5pm 5 5:30-6:30 7 6:45-8pm	Jan 9 CCD grades 3 4-5pm 6 5:30-6:30	Jan 10	Jan 11 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Jan 12 CLOTHING COLLECTION
Jan 13 CLOTHING COLLECTION 7pm Prayer Group	Jan 14 CCD grades 1 4-5pm 4 5:30-6:30pm 10 6:45-8pm	Jan 15 CCD grades 2 4-5pm 5 5:30-6:30 8 6:45-8pm	Jan 16 CCD grades 3 4-5pm 6 5:30-6:30	Jan 17	Jan 18 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Jan 19
Jan 20 1pm Baptism 7pm Prayer Group	Jan 21 No Classes MLK Day	Jan 22 CCD grades 2 4-5pm 5 5:30-6:30 7 6:45-8pm	Jan 23 CCD grades 3 4-5pm 6 5:30-6:30	Jan 24	Jan 25 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Jan 26
Jan 27 1pm Baptismal Instruction 7pm Prayer Group	Jan 28 CCD grades 1 4-5pm 4 5:30-6:30pm 10 6:45-8pm	Jan 30 CCD grades 2 4-5pm 5 5:30-6:30 8 6:45-8pm	Jan 31 CCD grades 3 4-5pm 6 5:30-6:30	Feb 1	Feb 2 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Feb 3 Grade 10 Confirmation Retreat
Feb 3 Baptism 7pm Prayer Group	Feb 4 CCD grades 1 4-5pm 4 5:30-6:30pm 9 6:45-8pm 7:30pm Women's Club	Feb 5 CCD grades 2 4-5pm 5 5:30-6:30 7 6:45-8pm	Feb 6 Ash Wednesday CCD grades 3 4-5pm 6 5:30-6:30	Feb 7	Feb 8 6-8:30pm Eucharistic Adoration	Feb 9
Feb 10 11:15am Grade 10 Mass 7pm Prayer Group	Feb 11 CCD grades 1 4-5pm 4 5:30-6:30pm 10 6:45-8pm	Feb 12 CCD grades 2 4-5pm 5 5:30-6:30 8 6:45-8pm	Feb 13 CCD grades 3 4-5pm 6 5:30-6:30	Feb 14	Feb 15	Feb 16