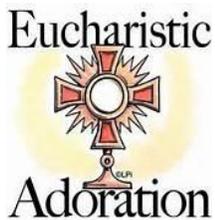




- Saturday, October 14** **4:00pm Valentine & Helen Modzelewski & deceased family members**
- Sunday, October 15** **9:00am Steven Prunier**
requested by SVDP
- 11:00am Eileen Moynahan**
requested by SVDP
- Monday, October 16** **8:30am Eileen George**
requested by David Dumais
- Tuesday, October 17** **8:30am John Donnelly 17th Anniv.**
req. by his wife Theresa Donnelly
- Wednesday, October 18** **8:30am Robert Joy**
requested by SVDP
- Thursday, October 19** **8:30am Paul Hafey**
requested by Fr. Michael
- Saturday, October 21** **4:00pm Freeman Worster**
requested by the family
- Sunday, October 22** **9:00am Jeannine Gemme**
requested by the SVDP
- 11:00am 12th Anniversary Pauline Holbrook**
requested by the family.



*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Tuesday of the month
at 6:00pm
in the Church*



Weekly Collection October 7 & 8

Adults	\$ 2,634.50
Children 6	\$ 28.00
Maintenance	\$ 155.00
Other sources of Income	\$ 460.00
Total of parish support	\$3,277.50
Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses	\$ 4,348.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 1,724.00
SVDP	\$ 180.00



Dear Friends in Christ,

During his Angelus address at St. Peter's Square on November 17, 2013, Pope Francis gave us these words.

"By your endurance you will gain your lives. There is so much hope in these words! They are a call to hope and patience, to be able to wait for the certain fruits of salvation, trusting in the profound meaning of life and of history: the trials and difficulties are part of the bigger picture-the Lord, the Lord of history, leads all to fulfillment. Despite the turmoil and disasters that upset the world, God's design of goodness and mercy will be fulfilled! And this is our hope: go forward on this path, in God's plan which will be fulfilled. This is our hope."

The Holy Father provides us with much to consider. The virtue of fortitude is defined by the Catechism as "one of the four cardinal moral virtues which ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in doing good." It is also called "strength" or "courage" and is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. Fortitude is the virtue that is needed for endurance.

In his address, Pope Francis urges us to allow hope to guide us through the difficulties of this world. He invites us to trust in God's care for us, to consider that we and our whole lives are part of God's plan of salvation, unfolding each moment. Most of all, Pope Francis speaks of confidence. God's plan of salvation will be fulfilled. God will triumph over evil and give His faithful ones eternal life.

Let us allow Pope Francis' reflections to inform our prayer this week. Let us ask God to give us confidence in His loving plan as well as fortitude so that we always remain steadfast in faith.

In Christ,
Fr. Michael

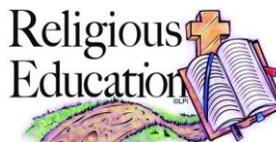
New Cursillo Gathering

Beginning on Tuesday evening, Oct. 17 after the praying of the Rosary there will be a gathering of all those who have made a Cursillo. This is an opportunity to pray and share our 4th day experiences and to help each other grow in our faith.

Deacon Jim

Meetings

- NA** Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall
 - K of C** 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall
 - SVDP** 3rd Sunday of the Month
 - Rosary Group** Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church
 - Bible Study** 7:00pm in the Church Hall
- Please have read **Matthew 22:15-21**



Grades 1-4 3:30-4:45pm
Grades 5-10 6:00 -7:15pm



Everyone Deserves a Friend Who Cares

SVDP Adopt A Friend Program

When we began our program - Adopt a Friend at Royal Sandlewood Nursing & Rehab in Oxford nearly 2 years ago, close to 50% of the residents there had no one to visit them. Many residents are still eagerly awaiting "adoption" by someone nice who will bring a little joy to their life and visit once in a while. Won't you consider adding another friend to your life? For more information contact Drea Holbrook at dreaholbrook@netzero.net or 508-987-2165

Trunk or Treat For children under 12

Free. Family. Fall. Fun

Saturday, 10/28/17 6 to 8 PM

Get some goodies in St. Ann's parking lot then have a Costume party with fun and games in Church Hall

For more info:

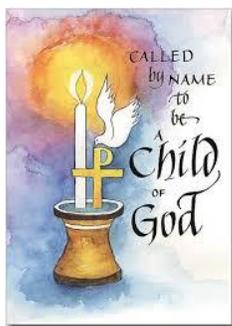
please contact Sue Vigeant 774-272-2711

Pancake Breakfast



Boy Scout Troop 165 4th Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Saturday, October 28 from 8 to 11
Charlton Baptist Church
50 Hammond Hill Rd. Charlton
All you can eat pancakes!! \$6.00



Welcome to Zackary Kubiak

who was baptized last weekend.
May God bless him
and his family

Congratulations to

Mr & Mrs Tom & Tara Frongillo

who were united in Holy Matrimony last weekend. May God bless their marriage abundantly.



Please sign up on the bulletin board for the next Youth Ministry Trip to the **Pumpkinfest at the Ecotarium in Worcester**

Sunday, October 22 6-9 PM

Tickets are \$16 each for a group of 20

Our Lady of the Rosary

"It could be said that each mystery of the rosary, carefully meditated, sheds light upon the mystery of man. 'Cast your burden on the Lord and he will sustain you' (Ps 55:23). To pray the rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful hearts of Christ and his Mother. The rosary does indeed mark the rhythm of human life bringing it into the harmony with the 'rhythm' of God's own life, in the joyful communion of the Holy Trinity, our life's destiny and deepest longing. Through the rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer."

Saint John Paul I

Church Roof Replacement Spring 2018

Total needed for roof replacement	\$53,605
Withdrawal from St. Ann's Savings	\$25,000
Donation from the SVDP Society	\$ 5,000
Donation from the K of C	\$ 1,500
Donations from parishioners	\$ 7,266

Amount needed \$14,839

A special collection envelope has been inserted in the offertory envelope packets and will also be placed on the bulletin tables.



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