

# Annunciation Parish

June 10th, 2018

## Holy Rosary Church

135 Nichols Street  
Gardner, MA 01440

## Holy Spirit Church

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30a.m.—5:00p.m.

## Masses & Times

### Holy Rosary Church

Saturday 4:45p.m.

Sunday 7:30a.m.  
10:30a.m.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
9:00a.m.

### Holy Spirit Church

Saturday 4:00p.m.

Sunday 8:30a.m.  
12:00noon (Spanish)

Tuesday, Thursday  
7:30a.m.

## Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

### Holy Rosary Church

Saturday 3:15—4:00p.m.

### Holy Spirit Church

Saturday 3:15—3:45p.m.

You may also call one of the priests at the Rectory to schedule a private appointment for Confession.

978-632-0253

Fr. Steve, ext. 116

Fr. Ramos, ext. 130



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# 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said to them in reply,  
“Who are my mother and my  
brothers?” And looking  
around at those seated in the  
circle he said, “Here are my  
mother and my brothers. For  
whoever does the will of God  
is my brother and sister and  
mother.” -Mk 3:33-35

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Deacon

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Rev. Mr. Arthur Giard  
Deacon Retired

## Welcome to Annunciation Parish!

For those who are new to the parish or returning after some time away, we would like to welcome you to our Catholic community.

In this bulletin you will find many opportunities to be enriched and involved and we would love to see you. If you would like to register as a member or have any questions, you can call us at 978-632-0253, email us at [office@annunciationgardner.org](mailto:office@annunciationgardner.org), or you can stop by the rectory office during the week.

God's Peace be with you,

Fr. Steve & the Parish Staff

### Parish Staff

<b>Parish Office</b>	<b>978-632-0253</b>
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<i>Ms. Sharon Sawtell</i>	<i>978-632-7216</i>
<i>Mr. Christian Orobello</i>	<i>706-541-1112</i>

### Youth Ministry

*Mr. Paul Hartin*  
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### Holy Family Academy **978-632-8656**

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Administrative Assistant <i>Mrs. Jennifer Lucas</i>	<i>Ext. 213</i>
Director of Enrollment <i>Mrs. Nancy Tyros</i>	<i>Ext. 250</i>

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Director <i>Mrs. Jane Pineo</i>	<a href="mailto:jane@tcpgardner.com">jane@tcpgardner.com</a>

## From the Pastor's Desk

Last Sunday we celebrated the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. It is by opening ourselves to the power of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ and by receiving his Body and Blood in the Eucharist that we are able to bind together into one body. However, we can fail to allow that Grace to work in us. When it does not seem that God is working miraculous things in my life, I have to look at where I am failing to live up to the commands of Christ - commands that help us to remain open to the workings of God's Grace in our lives. We have to remember that it is by the power of God in Jesus Christ that we can accomplish things. Once, when speaking of an impossibility, Jesus tells those who were discouraged by this: "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." (See Mk 10:17-27).

This week we signed the paperwork to transfer the ownership of St. Joseph Church to Mission Street Congregational Church. Although I was not one of those in our community that used to worship there, I admit that as a result of hearing your stories, I felt a bit of loss and was choked up as I handed the keys over. At our Pastoral Council meeting this coming week we will be taking up the topic of holding special Masses to pray to God for continued healing and to formally dedicate the items from St. Joseph church that will be incorporated into our current church buildings. I attended a public hearing at City Hall this past week regarding the solar project. There are more steps to this process, and I will keep you updated. Again please feel free to bring any issues or concerns about building sales and such things as the solar project to myself or a member of the Pastoral Council.

Before Fr. Ramos and I went to the Priest's Assembly last week, Deacon Stan and I attended a meeting at the hospital to continue to build our ministry there. If you feel the Lord may be calling you to this ministry, please contact Deacon Stan (978-855-9805). You will be hearing from our parishioner Dave Bourgeois (978-502-3833), Director of our Prison Ministry, regarding this ministry and how you can be a part. We have a few signed up and an orientation on Tuesday evening this week - there is still time to get your name in. This is the final week of the year for our school Holy Family Academy. Graduation Mass and Ceremony will be on Monday evening at 5:30p.m. Please spread the word to families you know to check out our school. You can see more information about the school on our website, and can always call the school with questions or for a visit (978-632-8656).

We are also discussing having some social times after Masses - a cookout, outdoor movie, and adult educational opportunities this summer. More on this later. Miraculous things do happen, and I continue to pray to God for the power of that Grace to pour into our community. We are all brothers and sisters in Christ, and by the action of God's Grace we will continue to put aside our divisions. As we do, we begin to achieve the unity as a family that Jesus speaks of in the Gospel today when he says "whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister."

Peace,

2 *Fr. Steve*

**Mass Intentions****Our Lady of the Holy Rosary**

Mass Date	Mass Time	Mass Intention
Saturday, June 9th	4:45 p.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Jalbert <i>by Barthy &amp; Gerene</i> Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bouthot <i>by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Jim Covington</i> Alma Richard <i>by the family</i>
Sunday, June 10th	7:30 a.m.	Corinne Bertheaume <i>by Rene &amp; Pauleen Doiron</i> Bertha Melanson <i>by Melas &amp; Florence Doucet</i> Yvette Cormier <i>by Melas &amp; Florence Doucet</i> Sharon Butler, 11th Anniversary <i>by her loving family</i>
	10:30 a.m.	Maude & Harry Desautels <i>by their daughters</i> Gilles J. Arsenault <i>by Delia Jean &amp; family</i> Gerald Andrews, 7th Anniversary <i>by family</i> Kenneth Harding <i>by Omer &amp; Jeannine Cormier</i>
Monday, June 11th	9:00 a.m.	Blanche Meskauskas <i>by the Sacred Heart Rosary Group</i>
Wednesday, June 13th	9:00 a.m.	Bertha Blanchard <i>by her children</i>
Friday, June 15th	9:00 a.m.	Lauretta Maillet <i>by family</i>
Saturday, June 16th	4:45 p.m.	Edmond Richard <i>by daughter &amp; family</i> Rene & Irene & Dennis Blacquiére <i>by Jean Blacquiére</i> Charles McKean <i>by his daughter</i> Leo J. Melanson <i>by Lena Melanson</i>
Sunday, June 17th	7:30 a.m.	Gregoire Croteau <i>by family</i> Julia Bourgeois <i>by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Valmond Ouellet &amp; family</i>
	10:30 a.m.	Gary Hanks <i>by his mother</i> Isidore Comeau, 26th Anniversary <i>by his wife &amp; children</i> Kenneth Lovejoy, Father's Day Remembrance <i>from his children</i> Ernest Duteau <i>by Becky McCaffrey &amp; family</i>

**Holy Spirit**

Mass Date	Mass Time	Mass Intention
Saturday, June 9th	4:00 p.m.	John Bardzskowski, 3rd Anniversary <i>by family</i> Shari Whipple, 2nd Anniversary <i>by husband and family</i> Edward Celina Cormier <i>by family</i> Ellen Daly <i>by the Courtemanche Family</i> Richard 'Ricky' Thibeault <i>by Ann Goguen</i>
Sunday, June 10th	8:30 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Vital Cyr <i>by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Robert Doucet</i> Alban & Conde Cyr <i>by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Robert Doucet</i> Glenn Edwards <i>by his family</i>
	12:00 p.m.	To be announced
Tuesday, June 12th	7:30 a.m.	All Parishioners of Annunciation Parish
Thursday, June 14th	7:30 a.m.	Paul Vautour <i>by his parents</i>
Saturday, June 16th	4:00 p.m.	Mary Ann Sioui <i>by her husband Richard</i> Joseph Barrieau <i>by Alphonse Vautour</i> Lauretta Kraskouskas <i>by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Peter Jaillet</i> Bernice Babineau <i>by family</i>
Sunday, June 17th	8:30 a.m.	Cathy Gallant <i>by family</i> Glenn Edwards <i>by his family</i>
	12:00 p.m.	To be announced

**Other Masses This Week:**

- \* 11:00a.m. on Monday June 11th at Gardner Rehab *for the residents*
- \* 2:30p.m. on Monday June 11th at Wachusett Manor *for Marie Flora Poirier by Jo-Ann Leonard*

**Funerals in Memorandum:**

- \* Virginia Vallancourt
- \* Corinne LeBlanc

# Upcoming Events and News

## Events this Week:

- ⇒ **Saturday June 9th**
  - 3:15—3:34p.m. Confessions at Holy Spirit
  - 3:15—4:00p.m. Confessions at Holy Rosary
- ⇒ **Sunday June 10th**
- ⇒ **Monday June 11th**
  - Coffee Social after 9:00a.m. Mass at Holy Rosary Church
  - 5:30p.m. Holy Family Academy Graduation at Holy Rosary Church
- ⇒ **Tuesday June 12th**
  - No Bible Study this week; it will resume next Tuesday June 19th at 6:30p.m. Holy Rosary hall
- ⇒ **Wednesday June 13th**
  - 6:00a.m.—8:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration at Holy Rosary
- ⇒ **Thursday June 14th**
  - 8:30a.m. Faith Sharing Group\*
  - 6:30p.m. Bingo at Holy Rosary hall
  - 6:30p.m. Curso Biblico (Bible Study) in Spanish at Holy Spirit
- ⇒ **Friday June 15th**
  - 6:30p.m. The Caring Place Graduation at Holy Spirit hall
- ⇒ **Saturday June 16th**
  - 3:15—3:34p.m. Confessions at Holy Spirit
  - 3:15—4:00p.m. Confessions at Holy Rosary
- ⇒ **Sunday June 17th**

\*For the Faith Sharing Group, contact Diane Scott, at (978) 928-1372.

## Thirsting for God

A quote from Thirsting for God: Daily Meditations from the writings of Mother Teresa for June 11<sup>th</sup>.

*"The heart of Jesus is an open heart. Spend your time there."*

As you reflect on this passage you may wish to ask yourself, "How could I spend more time with Jesus this week?" and pray "Lord, help me to find my way home to your open heart."

If you haven't gotten a chance to pick up your copy of this beautiful and thought provoking book we encourage you to do so today. Copies are available at the back of both churches they make, great summer reading.

## Daily Readings for the Week of June 10th, 2018

### Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup>

- Genesis 3:9-15
- 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
- Mark 3:20-35

### Monday June 11<sup>th</sup>

- Acts 11:21B-26; 12:1-3
- Matthew 5:1-12

### Tuesday June 12<sup>th</sup>

- 1 Kings 17:7-16
- Matthew 5:13-16

### Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup>

- 1 Kings 18:20-39
- Matthew 5:17-19

### Thursday June 14<sup>th</sup>

- 1 Kings 18:41-46
- Matthew 5:20-26

### Friday June 15<sup>th</sup>

- 1 Kings 19:9A, 11-16
- Matthew 5:27-32

### Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup>

- 1 Kings 19:19-21
- Matthew 5:33-37

## Question of the Week.

Question for Adults: We humans are vulnerable to sin. Our sins most often lead to shame, mistrust, and blaming. How can following God's will free you from these destructive actions?

Question for Youth: Why do our parents and teachers have rules we need to follow? Why do you think God has rules for us to follow?

## Is God calling you to life in Christ through the Catholic Church?

RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process for those over the age of 7 who wish to be initiated into the Catholic church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. It is also for those who have been baptized in other Christian traditions who wish to join in full communion with the Catholic Church. For most people the process takes about a year and includes reflecting on Gospels so you can grow in relationship with Jesus Christ, learning about the basic teachings of the church and answering your questions about God and the church. In addition to a process for adults we offer groups for families with children, and teens. If you are feeling nudged by God to explore the Catholic Church please contact Mrs. Sweeney in the Religious Ed office at 978-632-0253 or [religioused@annunciationgardner.org](mailto:religioused@annunciationgardner.org)



**Serving Others  
in God's Love**

Religious Freedom Week  
June 22–29, 2018

WASHINGTON—Catholics across the United States are encouraged to pray and act in support of religious liberty at home and abroad during **Serving Others in God's Love: Religious Freedom Week 2018**, which begins on June 22, the Feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, and ends on June 29, the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul.

## Congratulations to Our Scholarship Recipients!

Elaine and Kevin Jones of the Ryan Patrick Jones Heart of a Hero Foundation, Inc. wish to announce the 2018 winners of the scholarships in honor of their son, Ryan, who died during active duty in Iraq:

- ♦ Nora Coxall, attending UMass Amherst
- ♦ Alexander Commodore, attending Fitchburg State
- ♦ Kaitlyn Commodore, attending Fitchburg State

Congratulations! We wish you the best of luck on your educational journey. The money for these scholarships is special in that friends of Gilles Arsenault gave memorial donations to the Foundation to honor Gilles' memory. He was a mentor of Ryan's as Ryan was growing up in the Holy Spirit community and was a U.S. National Guard Veteran, making the scholarships even more meaningful gifts.

**Acadian Day** Come enjoy poutine, râpée, chicken stew, and live music!

**When:** Saturday June 16th at 12:00 noon

**Where:** Templeton Fish & Game Club

**Music:** Danny & the Boys—Canadian band  
Boot Hill Express—Local band



**Reminder:** The fundraiser for CareNet ends next weekend on June 17th. Remember to bring in your bottles of change next weekend.

**Remember to pick up a kid's bulletin at the back of the Church!**



## St. Roch Festival

St. Roch Church, 332 Main St., Oxford will be holding their Annual Festival on **Saturday, June 23 from 8 am – 8 pm** in the church hall. Activities include: A giant Adopt-A-Basket raffle, crafts, homemade baked goods, used books, huge garage sale, auction, money raffle, scratch ticket raffle, plant sale, fried dough and strawberry shortcake. Lunch will be served from 10:30-2:30. Business banners also available for sale - \$100 new or \$50 for renewals. Please contact Teri at 508-987-8987 for details.

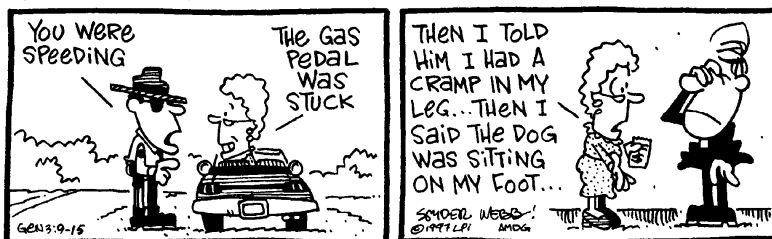
## Fatal Flaws.

### Legalizing Assisted Death

Did you miss the **Fatal Flaws** film and discussion in Worcester? We will be hosting a showing here at Holy Spirit Chapel on Wednesday, June 27th from 7 - 9 pm with a discussion led by Kris Correia, physician assistant, bioethicist, and co-chair of Witness for Life. This documentary explores the consequences of Physician Assisted Suicide laws more than a decade after they were first enacted in parts of North America. The event is free and open to the public, sponsored by Witness for Life and Emmanuel Radio. Please register at [witnessforlife.com/](http://witnessforlife.com/) or by calling Maura Sweeney at 978-632-0253.



10<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Summer Girls' Basketball Camp at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Girls Basketball Day School will be held **July 19-22** for girls ages 8 -15 at the Brand New Luth Athletics Complex. It will featuring lectures by Coach Bill Gibbons of the HC Team along with Daily Games, Con-tests, Fundamentals, Friendships and Fun. For more Info or an Application, please call (508) 793-2534.



## Diocese Group Night at Worcester Bravehearts

Come join with members of the Diocese of Worcester for an evening of fun and baseball on June 19! Your school, parish or agency will all be seated together (section-Diocese of Worcester) to watch the Worcester Bravehearts as they pursue a third league championship! Cost: \$8 per person includes entrance and a Bravehearts baseball hat. Please visit [www.worcesterdiocese.org/events](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/events) and click on the June 19 event and scrolls down to the link to purchase and print out your tickets! Use Password: **Diocese**. Contact Ryan Adams at the Worcester Bravehearts at 508-438-3773 if you have any issues.

## Travel to Ireland with St. Richard of Chichester Parish

If you dream of going to Ireland, here is a great opportunity to fulfill that goal. St. Richard of Chichester Parish is planning a sightseeing trip to Ireland from September 7-15 with the help of The World Tour travel adventure club. The cost is \$2,895 which includes: flights, luxury coach tour, local guides and tour director, sightseeing, 7 nights in great hotels, all breakfasts and dinners. If you want to know a little more or wish to view a detailed itinerary of the trip, visit [www.TheWorldTour.org](http://www.TheWorldTour.org) or call 888-828-0096.



## Holy Family Academy Enrollment

Holy Family Academy is open for enrollment! If you—or someone you know—are interested in enrolling your child in a Catholic elementary & middle school, come check us out! To ask questions or schedule a tour, call:

**Nancy Tyros at (978) 632-8656 ext. 5**

You can also read more about our educational programs, extracurricular activities, and scholarship opportunities for new students on our website at:

<http://www.holyfamilyacademy.ma.org>



**Thank You** for helping support the St. Elizabeth Mission Society for the ministries of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, Ny. Our parishioners donated \$2,004.57 to help their mission. Thank you for your generosity.

**Thank You** to everyone who made the Spring Festival a success! We were able to raise \$14,905.41 for Holy Family Academy.

<b>Income</b>	\$21,294.41
<b>Expenses</b>	\$6,389.40
<b>Net Profit</b>	\$14,905.41

## Religious Ed 2018–2019

Religious Education may be over for this school year but it is not too early to begin thinking about next year. If you are new to the parish and have children in Grades 1-10 who do not attend a Catholic school, or if you have a child who will be entering school for the first time next fall, please contact Mrs. Sweeney in the Religious Education Office so we can add you to our mailing list. Registrations for the fall will be sent out by the end of June to all those who are currently enrolled and those who have expressed an interest in joining us.

Offering of Treasure for Annunciation Parish		May 27th, 2018
<i>Total Regular Envelopes Used</i>		433
Weekly	\$	6,418.78
Fuel & Energy	\$	395.00
Maintenance	\$	67.00
Catholic Communication	\$	583.00
Religious Education	\$	26.00
Restoration	\$	144.00
Needy Child	\$	110.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,743.78</b>



Want to receive updates about our events? Join our Flock through Flocknote, where you can choose what information you would like to receive from our parish's ministries and groups. Notes are sent out via email or text. Simply text **GoodNews4U** to **84576** or visit [flocknote.com/AnnunciationGardner](http://flocknote.com/AnnunciationGardner) online.



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Flocknote



"If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand."

### Sheepish Question:

What barriers separate me from my brothers and sisters in faith?

Loving God by serving others

Faith in Action

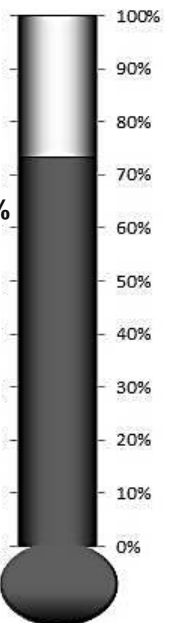
**Partners**  
in Charity

**Goal: \$65,000**  
**Received: \$47,785**

Thank you to everyone who has made their gift to the 2018 Partners in Charity Appeal. Our parish is \$47,785 towards our goal of \$65,000.

This charity has limitless potential. **73.52%** For example, your pledge of \$16 a month will help a group of children with after school programs for a week; a pledge of \$50 a month can help a family with an overdue rent bill avoid homelessness that month; a pledge of \$200 a month covers the healthcare monitoring of a retired priest for 2 weeks.

If you have not yet donated, there is still time! Thank you for your generosity.



*"And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand." - MARK 3:25*

Do your parish ministries complement each other or do they compete against each other? Is your parish "one Body of Christ" or a bunch of little, separate ministries controlled by human ego? The goal of all parish ministries is to bring people to Christ. All of our parish work should be for the glory of God's name, not our own name.

### Please Pray For:

Ines Lull, John Kane, Scott Richard, Leonne Tagen, Amanda Loyer, William Nacke, Alice Fortin, Donnalee Reynolds, Tricia McKinley, Larry Butler, Paul Bastarache, Marguerite Vautour, Ed P. LaRoche, David Balfrey, Scott St. Cyr, Alys-sa Happe, Mary Beth Brow, Brian Como, Catherine Trowbridge, Dwight Misner, Alden Johnson, and Little Genevieve

**If you would like to add a person's name to the prayer list, please contact Annunciation Parish, (978) 632-0253, ext. 110.**

**Sacrament of Baptism** – celebrated on the Third Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm. Baptisms can also be celebrated at any Sunday liturgy outside the Lenten Season.

**Baptismal Instruction** - held on the Second Monday of every month at Annunciation Parish on Nichols St. in the meeting room at 7:00 pm. Call Deacon Paul and his wife Lorraine at 978-297-1062.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** – for those who are non-baptized above the age of 7 and those baptized in another Christian community beside Roman Catholic seeking a relationship with Christ Jesus and membership in the Roman Catholic faith. Please contact Mrs. Maura Sweeney for more information at 978-632-0237 Ext. 117 or via e-mail: reli-gioused@annunciationgardner.org

**First Penance/Reconciliation & First Communion** – adults and children over the age of 7. Call Mrs. Maura Sweeney, Ext. 117.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** – call Mrs. Maura Sweeney, Ext. 117.

**Sacrament of Marriage** – please contact the Church a year in advance. Contact Deacon Paul and his wife Lorraine at 978-297-1062.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** – call Fr. Lundrigan at Ext. 116 or Fr. Ramos at Ext. 130.

**Bereavement** – please contact your parish office.

**St. Vincent de Paul** – a ministry of care providing assistance within the community. Call Holy Rosary (978) 632-0253, Ext. 143.

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