



# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Vigil: Pentecost Sunday**

**4:00 PM Paul Bellabarba (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)**  
Requested by his parents

**Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**8:00 AM All Deceased of the Buratti Family**  
Requested by the family

**10:30 AM All Deceased Members of the  
Cali, Kearns & Sasseville Families**  
Requested by their families

**Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**St. Justin, martyr**

**7:00 AM Mark Gambaccini**  
Requested by his family

**Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs**

**7:00 AM NO MASS**  
Fr. Bob at Priests Assembly

**7:00 PM St. Anthony Novena Week 8**  
Preacher: Deacon Sal Tantillo

**Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**St. Charles Lwanga, martyr and his companion martyrs**

**5:30 PM NO MASS**  
Fr. Bob at Priests Assembly

**Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 AM NO MASS**  
Fr. Bob away

**Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 AM NO MASS**  
Fr. Bob away

**Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity**

**4:00 PM Mary Ruberti**  
Requested by her husband & son

**Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**8:00 AM William V. West**  
Requested by his family

**10:30 AM Francis LeClair, Jr. (Anniversary)**  
Requested by his father & family

May 30 - 31, 2009

## Pentecost Sunday

*"But when He comes, the Spirit of Truth,  
He will guide you to all truth."*

### READ AND PREPARE

Next week's Scripture readings:

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32 - 34

Second Reading: Romans 8:14 - 17

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

### PREVIOUS WEEK OFFERINGS

<b>Needed to Meet Budget</b>	<b>\$4,889.00</b>
<b>Sunday Offering</b>	<b>\$4,079.50</b>
<b>Children's Collection (\$7.50)</b>	<b>\$7.50</b>
<b>DEFICIT this week</b>	<b>\$802.00</b>
<b>DEFICIT Year to Date</b>	<b>\$2,390.00</b>

**Partners in Charity Update** - We received thirteen additional donations for a total of \$2,075. We also have news that donations have been submitted directly to the diocese for a total of \$3,820. If you plan to give then PLEASE return your envelopes this week. Remember we have more than 450 active families. To date 181 families have contributed. Our diocesan goal is \$38,000. **Grand Total to date is \$34,250. We would like to end this campaign on a successful note!** Please help us to reach our goal.

**ST. ANTHONY NOVENA continues this TUESDAY, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.** Our schedule of speakers remaining includes (in order): Deacon Salvatore Tantillo and the last date, June 9<sup>th</sup> will be Bishop Rueger. **This year's theme is Evangelization.**

**Attention all Prayer Line Members:** "The family of Collin Goodchild would like to thank all the people who have been praying for him. Collin had encephalitis last July and has been ill. He has recently made a remarkable recovery and is improving more all the time. We thank God for his miraculous recovery! The kindness, prayers and support from family, friends and so many people is so greatly appreciated." - Sandy, Mark, Suzette, Michelle, Collin and Colby Goodchild.

**CAR WASH** - St. Anthony School Student Council is conducting a car wash on **Saturday, June 6, from 9 - Noon at Fleetwood Motors, 8 Lunenburg Street, Fitchburg.** A free will offering will be collected to benefit Visitation House a home for pregnant women in crisis. Please come by to help us support this pro-life cause and get a sparkling car in the process!

**The Mass Intention Book for July - December, 2009 is now open.** You were allowed a total of four (4) weekend Masses for the whole year. Please honor that so others may schedule Masses for their loved ones.

**Rheannon Grace LeBlanc and Natalee Catherine Malouin** were welcomed into our Christian community through baptism. May they along with their parents grow in faith, love and service to Jesus Christ.

This week's St. Anthony Devotional Candle:  
Erin Kelleher In Memory of Dorothy T. Kelleher

Dear Friends,

Pentecost is the celebration of the inauguration of the Church of Christ in the world. The Savior, who has arisen, has returned to His Heavenly Father and has sent the Holy Spirit, as He promised. Christ remains with us in the Blessed Sacrament. This food of heaven sustains us as we continue God's work on earth.

Last week, at the annual parish meeting, we discussed what is known about the reconfiguration of the parishes in the city of Fitchburg. Pentecost is the time of new beginnings in the church and it is a good time to face the future. Unfortunately, before we had our previously scheduled parish meeting, rumors were about. With every rumor, there is a core of truth.

Yes, there was a meeting to discuss the future of the Catholic churches in Fitchburg. On May 19, the priests of Fitchburg met with Bishop McManus and members of the Pastoral Planning Committee. Projections for the future were discussed. We (the priests) were asked to meet with our parish focus groups and chose two members to meet with representatives of all the city parishes at St. Bernard's High School Library on June 17. From June until October the parish representatives would meet to prepare a plan which will be presented to Bishop McManus in November. By February, 2010 a plan should be in place which will go into effect in June, 2010. There will be mergers of parishes, certainly. Some church buildings will close. But which one has not been decided nor will it be until our Bishop reflects on all of the proposals presented to him.

On Pentecost, we commemorate that joyful day when the breath of the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples, filling them with wisdom. The Spirit continues to breathe upon us, but there's a lot of hot air out there, too! Be aware of the difference.

Pace e Bene,

**The Serra Club** invites you to pray for the following priests and deacons during the week of: May 31<sup>st</sup> through June 6<sup>th</sup>: Rev. Joseph Dolan; Deacon Benjamin Nogueira; Rev. Andre Dargis; Deacon Paul Carrier; Rev. Michael Lavallee; Rev. Thomas Tokarz; Deacon Stanley Baczewski.

#### **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Items**

**Please don't forget about the pantry!** Items needed are: canned vegetables, canned soups, Spaghetti O's, jam or jelly, Hamburger Helper, Ramen noodles, pasta sides, mustard, relish, ketchup, mayonnaise. Many people rely on this weekly service that St. Francis provides. Continue to do what you can. Thank you!

**Item of the Month** – The Youth Group is accepting donations for Our Father's House and the Veterans' Homestead. **This month's item is soap, both bar & liquid.** Items can be placed in the marked boxes at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your support.

#### **VOLUNTEER COOK NEEDED!**

Our Father's Table, located at 40 Boutelle Street, Fitchburg, is praying for someone who can cook, willing to volunteer once a week, either on a Tuesday or Thursday. The time commitment would be from noon to 6:00 PM. We have many helpers who can assist the cook in preparing the meal. You will meet many other committed volunteers and your payment will be in the great joy that will come to you from helping others who are in need of a good meal. To volunteer, please contact David Sciabarrasi @ 978-874-5270 or call Our Father's Table @ 978-345-6950.

**RED SOX RAFFLE** – MIHN will again be raffling off Red Sox Tickets. **This years' winner will receive four (4) third base grandstand tickets vs. Tampa Bay on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> along with \$100 spending money!** The drawing will be held on September 8<sup>th</sup> but it's not too early to buy your chances now. Chances are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and can be obtained by calling Kathy Cullinan at 978-342-3363. Chances

will also be on sale at all Masses at a later date this summer. Buy your chances now and "Go Sox"!

**Cursillo for Women, June 18 – 21<sup>st</sup>** - Cursillo Movement of Worcester enables adult Catholics to renew and deepen their religious experience. To this end a three day "retreat" is offered at the Oakhurst Retreat Center. A Cursillo takes some time (three nights, three days), and some treasure (a reasonable room and board fee – which can be covered for you if you have trouble paying), and you can only experience it once. Is June the right time for you? Please contact Charley O'Neill at 508-870-0824 for registration or more information. Or visit [www.fourthday.org](http://www.fourthday.org).

#### **Area Fairs/Festivals:**

**Prince of Peace Parish in Princeton is holding their annual Mountain Holiday Fair on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM (rain date of June 7<sup>th</sup>)** on the parish grounds. Barbeque lunch items as well as regular fair will be served from noon until 3:00 PM. Games, youth activities and a cash and gift certificate raffle are featured events. There is something for everyone!

**28<sup>th</sup> Annual Garlic Festival** will take place on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at **Madonna of the Holy Rosary** beginning at noon. Delicious home-made Italian food is the highlight of this festival! They will tempt your taste buds! Music and seating under a tent is available. Bring the whole family, neighbors and friends!

**St. Bernard's Elementary School Carnival** will be held from **Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**. In addition to the many amusement rides, food, exciting new games, and casino tent, the community is invited to Wristband Days (pay one price for unlimited rides) on Wednesday from 6 – 10PM and Saturday from 2 – 6PM. Mascots from a variety of area sports teams will be available for a "meet and greet" on Saturday afternoon along with many other events. Fireworks display is at 11:00 PM on Saturday. For more please call Tom MacMaster, Summer Carnival Chairperson at 978-855-0226 or visit <http://stbernardselementary.org/carn1.htm>.

