

MASS INTENTIONS –2018

SATURDAY, MAY 12

4:00pm **Marcelle Windward**
by Chiavaras family

4:00pm **Patsy & Helen Damico**
by Linda Racca

SUNDAY, MAY 13 (Mother’s Day)

7:30am **Harry Sargent** by family

10:00am **Karen Decisero** by family

MONDAY, May 14

9:00am **Communion Service & Quiet Time**

TUESDAY, MAY 15

9:00am **Daily Mass**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

9:00am **Daily Mass**
Sisters of St. Joseph

SATURDAY, MAY 19

4:00pm **Marcelle Windward**
by Peter Rotando & Jane Burgoyne

SUNDAY, MAY 20

7:30am **Graduating Seniors**

10:00am **Christopher Curley** by family

INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR IRELAND TRIP

There will be an informational meeting and sign-up in St. Richard church hall on Sunday, June 3rd from 8:30-9:30am for the Tour of Ireland trip (September 7-15, 2018). Any one interested in going is encouraged to attend. ***If you are having trouble signing up on line, this meeting is for you!***

NARCAN TRAINING

NARCAN training will be held in the church hall on May 24th at 6:30pm. For more information contact the rectory office at: 978-422-8881.

PENTECOST SUNDAY IS MAY 20TH

Pentecost Sunday is considered the Birthday of the church! Show your solidarity for your Catholic Faith and wear something **RED!**



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, MAY 12

Tickets on sale for Mulligan’s Fund Raising Event (after Mass)

Basket Raffle for Mission Trip after 4:00pm Mass

Tickets on Sale for Trivia Knight

SUNDAY, MAY 13 (Mother’s Day)

Sister Village Coffee.....7:30am-9:30am

First Communion for Anthony Santos.....10:00am

Tickets on sale for Mulligan’s Fund Raising Event (after all Masses)

Basket Raffle for Mission Trip after all Masses

Tickets on Sale for Trivia Knight

MONDAY, MAY 14

Food Pantry.....10:00am-Noon

TUESDAY, MAY 15

Rail Trail Walking.....9:40am

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

Yoga.....9:30-10:30am

THURSDAY, MAY 17

Food Pantry.....10:00am-Noon

Nar-Anon.....7:15pm

AA Meeting.....8:00pm

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SAVE THE DATE FOR “TRIVIA KNIGHT”

The St. Richard Knights of Columbus will be holding their famous “Trivia Knight” on **Saturday, May 26th from 6:00pm-10:00pm** at the Leominster Eagles Club at 456 Litchfield St., Leominster, MA. There will be a Silent Auction, raffle prizes and lots of fun, so save the date on your calendar.

Dear Parishioners,

On May 20th, we are celebrating the great feast of Pentecost. It is often called the birthday of the Church, since it was such a watershed moment for the early Christians.

At the Vatican Council in 1960, Pope John the 23rd said his famous prayer asking God to "Renew the Church as in a New Pentecost." Since then, we have seen the winds of change and the winds of the Holy Spirit sweep over the Church and renew her.

On Pentecost, perhaps we need another new and fresh wind to sweep over us. What needs to be blown away, swept up by the Spirit of God, is the misunderstanding, fear and rejection that good people sometimes have about those who are different.

This means taking a look at prejudice, racism, homophobia, and anything that goes against the unity and inclusiveness taught by Jesus. It means looking at immigration, our penal system, and all the ways we can hurt others.

On the celebration of Pentecost, let us take a look at STIGMA, so to understand how this process works. Then we can ask the Spirit of God to convert and heal our minds and hearts so that we can live accepting all people as brothers and sisters.

Keep the faith, Fr. S.

MULLIGAN'S MINIATURE GOLF FUNDRAISING EVENT TO BENEFIT CHWC MISSION TRIP

On Wednesday, May 23, 2018 from 6:00-8:00pm there will be a Fundraising Event at Mulligan's Miniature Golf to support our students participating in the Catholic Heart Workcamp in July. Mulligan's is located at 124 Leominster Rd., Sterling, MA. Tickets are \$14. per person which includes golf, pizza and beverage with a maximum price of \$30. for a family of 3 or more people. Tickets will be available to purchase after all Masses by May 12/13 and May 19/20 or at the rectory office.

BAKE SALE FOR MISSION TRIP

On June 9-10, 2018, there will be a bake sale after all Masses to benefit the students going on the Mission trip in July. Please support our youth.

CCD NEWS AND INFORMATION

Director of Religious Education – Susan Gallivan
s.gallivan@strichardsterling.org Tel: 978-422-8921

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- **CCD Registration for Fall 2018-2019 will close by May 19th. Please get forms into the Rectory Office ASAP. Forms can be found on St. Richard Website (www.strichardsterling.org) under Religious Education**

6-WEEK BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP ON RESISTING HAPPINESS BY MATTHEW KELLY

A 6-week book discussion group will run on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:00pm beginning on May 13th (Mother's Day). The other dates will be: 5/20, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24 (skipping Memorial Day weekend). You do not need to be in attendance for all dates in order to join the group. It is for you to decide. Contact Ellen Zanino at 781-858-3282 or ellenzanino@yahoo.com to sign up or with any questions.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE DRIVE FOR VISITATION HOUSE

The Knights of Columbus will have their annual baby bottle drive from Mother's Day, May 13th through Father's Day, June 17th to support Visitation House. Bottles will be available at the doors of the church. We thank you for your past support and again ask for any spare change to support these young women.

STERLING NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR FUND

The **Sterling Neighbor to Neighbor Fund** was established to help Sterling residents during difficult economic times. The Fund is intended to assist individuals and families in Sterling who have financial need with payments toward housing, food, utilities, clothing and other essential living costs. Eligibility for assistance is subject to certain rules and restrictions. Application forms are available at the Office of the Executive Assistant at the Sterling Town Hall or online at the **Neighbor to Neighbor Fund** link on the Town's website. For more information, contact Patrick Fox at 774-275-1174 or email: patrickfox1973@gmail.com

LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Litany of Loreto

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, one God.

Response: Pray for us. *(repeat after each title)*

Holy Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of virgins,

Mother of Christ,
Mother of the Church,
Mother of divine grace,
Mother most pure,
Mother most chaste,
Mother inviolate,
Mother undefiled,
Mother most amiable,
Mother most admirable,
Mother of good counsel,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Savior,

Virgin most prudent,
Virgin most venerable,
Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,
Virgin most faithful,

Mirror of justice,
Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy,
Spiritual vessel,
Vessel of honor,

Singular vessel of devotion,
Mystical rose,
Tower of David,
Tower of ivory,
House of gold,
Ark of the covenant,
Gate of heaven,
Morning star,
Health of the sick,
Refuge of sinners,
Comforter of the afflicted,
Help of Christians,

Queen of Angels,
Queen of Patriarchs,
Queen of Prophets,
Queen of Apostles,
Queen of Martyrs,
Queen of Confessors,
Queen of Virgins,
Queen of all Saints,
Queen conceived without original sin,
Queen assumed into heaven,
Queen of the most holy Rosary,
Queen of families,
Queen of peace.

