

MASS INTENTIONS –2018

SATURDAY, MAY 5

4:00pm **Allen & Margaret Richards**
by Rita Galvin

SUNDAY, MAY 6

7:30am **Okazaki family** by Huntoon family

10:00am **Mahlon Gebhardt**
by Gebhardt/Kirkpatrick family

MONDAY, May 7

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

TUESDAY, MAY 8

9:00am **Daily Mass**
Paul Kroll by Phaneuf family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

9:00am **Daily Mass**

SATURDAY, MAY 12

10:00am **First Communion Children**

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

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.



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, MAY 5

First Communion.....10:00am
Please arrive by 9:30am

Sacrament of Sick after 4:00pm Mass
My Brother’s Keeper Food Collection at Mass

SUNDAY, MAY 6

Sister Village Coffee.....7:30am-9:30am
My Brother’s Keeper Food Collection at all Masses

MONDAY, MAY 7

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

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

THURSDAY, MAY 10

Food Pantry.....10:00am-Noon
Nar-Anon.....7:15pm
AA Meeting.....8:00pm

SATURDAY, MAY 12

Tickets on sale for Mulligan’s Fund Raising Event
(after Mass)
Basket Raffle for Mission Trip after 4:00pm Mass

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

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. More information will be coming soon, so save the date on your calendar.

RAIL TRAIL WALKING

St. Richard Parishioners Rail Trail walking will begin on Tuesday May 15th around 10:00am and will continue every Tuesday throughout the summer months. Interested Parishioners will meet at the Sterling Rail Trail at the Millworks.



Dear Parishioners,

May is the Month of MARY!

St. Richard has received a gift of the statue of Mary which is on the altar this weekend. She arrived on May 1st, a gift from parishioner, Elaine Luzzetti, of Lancaster.

This statue came bearing the name of Rev. Edward K. Cheney on the base. Father Cheney was a former missionary who was honored by the Queen of England for his work in Jamaica. Returning to Central Massachusetts, he served as Chaplain at Worcester City Hospital.

The statue stood for many years in the chapel of City Hospital. When the hospital was closed in 1991, it was given to Monica Laverdure, mother of Elaine Luzzetti. (Monica also played the organ here at St. Richard's for a number of years.)

We are honored to receive this statue and you can imagine all the prayers offered to Mary in that hospital chapel! She will help us highlight the month of May and then will be placed in our Chapel, downstairs. Keep the Faith. Father S.

MULLIGAN'S MINIATURE GOLF FUNDRAISING EVENT

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.

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** for this most joyous occasion!



CCD NEWS AND INFORMATION

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- **Mulligans Mini Golf for Mission Trip Benefit – May 23rd from 6:00-8:00pm. Tickets for the event and raffle tickets for gift baskets will be available by May 7th at the rectory office and after all Masses.**
- **Mission Trip Bake Sale - June 9th, 10th after all Masses**
- **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**

SUPPORT DISMAS FARM

Did you know that the Dismas Family Farm runs a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture). The Dismas Family Farm, is located in Oakham, MA? The Dismas Family Farm CSA is a great way to bring fresh, local produce to your table and to support the work of Dismas House. Shares are \$500 for the season and can be paid in two installments. This entitles you to 20 weeks of vegetables and weekly recipes from mid-June to mid-October. Pick-Up locations are Worcester, Westborough or Oakham. To register for the Dismas Family CSA and go online to www.dismasisfamily.org or call (508)882-0000.



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.



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

“This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (JOHN 15:12-13)

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?



Congratulations to all our FIRST COMMUNION STUDENTS



Madison Burrows
Logan Butler
Maggie Escobar
Ali Girouard
Mya Girouard
Ryan Godfroy
Zachary Godfroy
Jake Hemphill
James Healey

Evan LaBrack
Ashley LaVigne
Michael Lillis
Grace Miot
Thomas Nohrden
Victor Radzicki
Carolyn Reidy
Anthony Santos
Madilyn Tata

