

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

## May 5 & 6, 2018

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday

5:00 PM For Michael Kultz – by his Family -  
Birthday Remembrance

#### Sunday

9:00 AM For Richard Cedor - by his wife, Jean

#### Wednesday

5:00 PM Vigil of the Feast of the Ascension

#### Thursday

7:30 AM Feast of the Ascension

#### Next Saturday

5:00 PM For Joseph and Margaret Barone – by  
their Family - Birthday Remembrance

#### Next Sunday

9:00 AM For Lucy Wilkie – by her Family

### **Future Mass Intentions**

No mass intentions will be accepted for after July 1<sup>st</sup> and all unpaid intentions already booked will be at the discretion of the Pastor, Fr. Angelo Carousi.

### **Feast of the Ascension**

Thursday of this week is the Feast of the Ascension of Jesus. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated on Wednesday at 5:00 PM and Thursday at 7:30 AM.

### **Parish Stewardship**

#### Weekend of April 28 & 29, 2018

Budget Collection	\$1412.00
Fuel Collection to Date	\$2,312.00
April Monthly to Date	\$375.00
# of Budget Envelopes Used	86

### **Catholic Charity Appeal**

As of April 20<sup>th</sup>, we have raised **\$7,401.00**, from 70 households in the parish. This represents 54.82% of our goal of \$13,500 and the participation of 16.88% of our households. Please try to make your pledge or donation as soon as possible to help us reach our goal.

### **Religious Education News**

Our Religious Education Program has ended for good. All children need to be enrolled into the program at whatever parish you join. If you have questions, please call Mrs. Cedor @ 401-946-3399 and leave a message for her. She will get back to you as quickly as she can.

### **Prayer Shawls Available**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has a number of blessed Prayer Shawls available for anyone who is sick, home bound, or preparing for surgery. Please see Ursula Zarella @ 5 PM Mass or Theresa Choquette @ 9 AM Mass or ask Fr. Bob.

### **Congratulations**

Saint Brigid Parishioners congratulate the following boys and girls who celebrated their First Holy Communion last weekend. They are: Isabella Caparrelli, Joseph Ciarlo, Victoria Correia, Joziah Mazzulla, Joseph Nunez, Daniela Pires.

### **Mother of Hope Day Camp**

Mother of Hope, a Diocesan day camp, continues to provide children with a safe and wholesome outdoor experience at their beautiful setting in Chepachet, RI. An Open House and Family Day will be held on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 4:00 PM for any interested families. Early registrations are now being accepted on-line at [WWW.Motherofhopecamp.com](http://WWW.Motherofhopecamp.com). Flyers are available in the foyer of the church.

### **Meeting This Week**

Wed., May 9<sup>th</sup>; K of C, 7:30 pm, church hall

### **Keep the Date**

Please keep the date of Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> to celebrate our parish at the 9:00 AM Mass along with an open-house from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM at Sprague Mansion. More information to come.

## ***Father Bob's Ramblings***

This weekend's Scripture readings begin a gentle move from Easter toward Pentecost. The abiding presence of the Lord in the midst of the community, always the same yet ever new, is manifest in the ways authority in the church evolves. Each year on this Sixth Sunday of Easter the lectionary presents a passage from the Acts of the Apostles that reflects the development of church' teaching authority.

In today's first reading, Peter grows in his appreciation of God's reaching out beyond the Jewish people. With the baptism of Cornelius and his household, non-Jewish people become part of the Christian community. We hear how the Holy Spirit comes upon all who are listening to Peter's words. The reading highlights the work of the Holy Spirit in initiation from the earliest days of the church.

The second reading from the 1<sup>st</sup> Letter of St. John links the passage from Acts to the gospel. The Spirit poured out upon us engenders love, for God is Love. That love is first of all a gift to us, and then becomes the gift we share with one another.

Love, as Jesus tells us in the gospel, is the theme that connects all of today's readings. The Father loves the Son. The Father's Son loves us, and we are called upon to love one another.

That is the love that has bound us together as a Community of Faith all these years. It is also what we carry with us as we begin letting go of who we are and what we have been for all of these years. As hard as that is for all of us, we need to hold onto that love in the days and weeks ahead. We all need to ask the Lord to help us work on letting go of our anger, disappointments and frustrations. Like Peter in the first reading, we need to grow in his appreciation of God's love that reaches out beyond our community.

I want to thank the members of our 20-Week Club Committee, Richard Boehm, Joe Cichon, Frank DiRaimo, Doris Haskins, Louisa Iannotti and Sandra McCarthy, for all their hard work in making the Club such a success. Their work in planning, implementing and preparing the luncheon is a year-long commitment. This year's profit was **\$5,682.00** and **\$1,055.00** from the raffle for the William D'Abate School in Providence. *Thank you! Well Done! And Congratulations!*

## **Summer Soap & Toiletries Collection**

It's that time of year again for our Annual Summer Soap & Toiletries Collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Bars of soap, tooth brushes, tooth paste and other toiletries can be left in the basket in the foyer of the church every weekend through June. Any questions, please call Sandy @ 944-0437.

## **20-Week Club Winners**

The winners of the 20-Week Club Grand Prizes were as follows:

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| ➤ 1 <sup>st</sup> Prize - \$1,000 | Ann Kennedy #178      |
| ➤ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize - \$500   | Frank DiRaimo #024    |
| ➤ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize - \$150   | Mary Raso #068        |
| ➤ 4 <sup>th</sup> Prize - \$150   | Louis Calore #277     |
| ➤ 5 <sup>th</sup> Prize - \$100   | Valerie Stone #307    |
| ➤ 6 <sup>th</sup> Prize - \$100   | Santo Riccitelli #078 |
| ➤ 7 <sup>th</sup> Prize - \$60    | Peter Perry #146      |
| ➤ 8 <sup>th</sup> Prize - \$60    | James Mancuso #094    |

The winners of the Special William Abate School Raffle were as follows:

- \$500 Target Gift Card- Janice Caparco #718
- NE Patriots Framed Print - Constance Cournoyer #148
- \$150 Gift Card to Spirito's Restaurant – Donna Perry #262
- \$100 Stop & Shop Gift Card – Joseph Bernardoni #423
- #100 Stop & Shop Gift Card – Evan Perry #282

