



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

**Saturday, April 1, 2017**  
**4:00 PM** Emma Lemieux - Anniversary

**Sunday, April 2, 2017**  
**8:30 AM** Mona Medeiros – 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**11:00 AM** Arlene Hebert – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**Daily Mass this week will be held on  
Monday through Thursday at 8:00 AM**

**Monday, April 3, 2017**  
**8:00 AM** People of the Parish

**Tuesday, April 4, 2017**  
**8:00 AM**

**Wednesday, April 5, 2017**  
**8:00 AM**

**6:00 PM** Francis J. Silvia – 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Thursday, April 6, 2017**  
**8:00 AM** Emily Botelho

**Friday, April 7, 2017**  
**NO MASS**

## *Palm Sunday*

**Saturday, April 8, 2017**  
**4:00 PM** Walter Prayzner

**Sunday, April 9, 2017**  
**8:30 AM** Pamela Valerio – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

**11:00 AM** Heather Levesque Martin  
 People of the Parish

### ALTAR BREADS FOR APRIL

Are in memory of  
**David Rocha and Linda Rocha**

### ALTAR WINE FOR APRIL

Is in memory of  
**Stanley Banalewicz**

### DECORATING VOLUNTEERS

**Volunteers are needed to help decorate the  
Church for Easter!**

- Volunteers are asked to help with the inventory on **Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.**
- Volunteers to help on Tuesday, **April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM** to transfer everything downstairs.
- Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> after the Good Friday Services at 7:00 PM volunteers will begin decorating in the foyer.**

# Today's Hymns

*Entrance: #710 Take Up Your Cross*  
*Preparation: #438 We Will Rise Again*  
*Communion: #364 I Am the Bread of Life*  
*Meditation: #677 The Lord is My Light*  
*Recessional: #475 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

If we give according to God's principles, God will give back to us. The young man, who gave his loaves and fishes, didn't have to go without dinner.

**Weekend Collection \$2,435.60**  
**Catholic Relief Services \$ 929.60**

The Second Collection this weekend is for the Renovation Fund. *Thank you for your support.*



## EASTER FLOWERS

**Please turn in any donations for Easter Flowers by April 9<sup>th</sup>.** *Extra envelopes are available at the entrances of the church.*

## "AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS" PROGRAM

**It is not too late to participate** in our Lenten Program, "At the Foot of the Cross: Stewardship of Time, Talent, Treasure and Prayer". **This week we highlight on talent.** Stewardship opens an avenue of thought that allows us to give without always questioning what we will get in return. Every one of us is talented in some way. Stewardship encourages us to use any talent we have to benefit an individual, the Church, or the community.

## Funeral Ministry Volunteers Needed

Please consider joining this wonderful ministry that by greeting and serving those families who have lost a loved one. We are looking for adults who would be able to serve at funerals or be greeters at funeral masses. If you are interested, please call the Rectory at 508-673-7831.

## ADULT ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are in need of Adult Altar Servers for weekday masses. If you think you might be interested in this Ministry, please speak with Msgr. Fitzgerald or call the Rectory at 508-673-7831. Thank you.

**FAITH FORMATION**  
**Religious Education**  
**FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM**

**First Communion Rehearsal Dates** – Saturday, April 29, 2017 and Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM in the Church.

**Sacrament of First Communion** – Sunday, May 7, 2017 during the 11:00 AM Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be held on **Sunday, April 30, 2017 at 2:00PM** in our parish. Confirmation Students from our parish and those of St. John of God, St. Louis de France and St. Patrick of Somerset will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation here. The celebrant will be Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V.

**CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL DATES**

*\*Monday, April 24, 2017\**

*Candidates Only*

*at St. Thomas More Church at 6:30PM*

*\*Thursday, April 27, 2017\**

*Candidates and Sponsors*

*at St. Thomas More Church at 6:30PM*

**CONFIRMATION II CANDIDATE**  
**DAY OF REFLECTION**

Last Sunday our Confirmation II (Grade 10) candidates participated in a retreat at the Diocesan High School Convention at Bishop Connolly High School. Our candidates had Mass with Bishop da Cunha and breakout sessions on the gifts of the Holy Spirit and utilizing the tools our faith has given us. The retreat facilitator was Cooper Ray, who shared his music, story and humor to give the candidates a greater awareness of who they are as Catholic Christians and how to recognize God's presence in their lives. Many thanks to our Confirmation II teacher, Greg Ryan, for leading this amazing group of teens.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

There will be a meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at 9:30AM in the rectory meeting room**. New knitters and crocheters are always welcome.

**20/20 RAFFLE**

Drawing was Sunday, March 26, 2017

**CONGRATULATIONS!**  
**HELEN SILVIA**

**Helen Silvia won \$1,140.00** from the 20/20 Raffle. The total sales were **\$5,700.00** less the cost for printing the tickets and paying the mandatory 5% Massachusetts State Lottery Tax *our proceeds for the church is a generous \$4,389.00.*

*Thank You*

Thank you to all who purchased tickets and to those who helped sell tickets before and after the Masses. This fundraiser is important to the parish and we are appreciative of all who helped make it successful. Thank you.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**STM DINNER CLUB**

The dinner-dance will be held Saturday, **April 29<sup>th</sup>** at the Venus de Milo Restaurant. There will be various raffles at the dinner; we are in need of gifts! Please consider making a donation of lottery scratch tickets or money to purchase them for the raffle. Please place it in an envelope and drop in the collection basket. *If you wish to donate a basket or gift, it can be picked up or you can drop it off at the rectory.*

**SVDP FOOD PANTRY**

The food pantry supply is in need of tuna, soup, pasta, peanut butter and canned fruit. Donations would be greatly appreciated.

**THANK YOU**

St. Vincent Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank everyone for the great response to the recent Baby Products Drive. They collected three heaping trunk loads of clothes, diapers, wipes, bibs, shampoo and other items. Your generosity will help many pregnant women in need. They would also like to thank you for helping re-stock the food pantry over the past few weeks.

**ST.VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY**

A meeting is scheduled for the **SVDP members** to meet on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 6:00 PM** in the parish center.

**All invited!**  
**Lenten Penance Service**  
**With Individual Confession**

**Sponsored by all 6 Parishes**  
**Saint Dominic, Saint Francis of Assisi,**  
**Saint John of God, Saint Louis de France,**  
**Saint Patrick and Saint Thomas More**



at

**St. Thomas More Church**

**386 Luther Avenue, Somerset, Massachusetts**

on

**Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**