

 **MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary

Time

Saturday, July 1, 2017
4:00 PM People of the Parish
Sunday, July 2, 2017
8:30 AM Loretta R. Machado
11:00 AM John & Mary Rak

Daily Mass this week will be held on
Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8:00 AM

Monday, July 3, 2017
8:00 AM

Tuesday, July 4, 2017
Independence Day - NO MASS

Wednesday, July 5, 2017
8:00 AM Rose Sasso

Thursday, July 6, 2017
8:00 AM Helen Maguire

Friday, July 7, 2017
NO MASS

Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary

Time

Saturday, July 8, 2017
4:00 PM People of the Parish
Sunday, July 9, 2017
8:30 AM Joseph D. Coady
11:00 AM Jeannette Galland

ALTAR BREADS FOR JULY

Is in memory of
Dr. Eduardo Leonardo

ALTAR WINE FOR JULY

Is in memory of
Robert Sr. & Aurora Duarte

NOTICE: The Rectory Office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, 2017 in observance of the 4th of July Independence Day Holiday. If you need to contact the office for an emergency the Telephone Answering Service will be in contact with Msgr. Fitzgerald.

Happy



Today's Hymns

Entrance: #422 All the Earth
Preparation: #634 Morning Has Broken
Communion: #580 We Are Many Parts
Meditation #440 How Can I Keep From Singing
Recessional: #575 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

**76th ANNUAL
CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL**



It is now nearing the close of this year's appeal. To date we have collected \$41,485.00

**STEWARDSHIP OF
TREASURE**



The heart grateful to God needs to find a way to express that gratitude. Some important ways to do that are through prayer, through service, and through giving of one's resources.

Weekend Collection	\$ 2,111.00
Organ Contributions to date	\$14,520.00
Catholic Charities to date	\$41,485.00
Church of Latin America	\$ 887.60

The second collection this weekend is for the Renovation Fund. *Thank you for your continued support.*

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Set off your own fireworks by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends Sep 16-17, 2017 in Medway, MA and Oct 21-22, 2017 in Contoocook, NH. For more information, call #800-710-9963 or visit us at <https://wwmema.org/>.

FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education

Remember attending mass regularly is part of your Religious Education!

2017-2018 Religious Education Registration Forms were sent. If you have not returned them, please consider returning them as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, you may contact Michael Fitzpatrick, Director of Religious Education, at the Religious Education Office at 508-679-1236 or at the Rectory Office at 508-673-7831.

Funeral Ministry Volunteers Needed

Please consider joining this wonderful ministry to greet and serve 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.

Message of Convocation from Bishop da Cunha

The USCCB has called for a first time ever Convocation to take place from July 1-4, 2017 in Orlando, Florida. More than 3, 000 people from more than 140 dioceses will partake in this extraordinary event in the life of the Catholic Church. The theme is: *The Joy of the Gospel in America*. There will be sessions focusing on numerous topics relating to Unity, Renewal, Missionary Discipleship, Witness and Evangelization. Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha is pleased to have 15 people from the diocese joining him for this unique and enriching meeting. You are invited to join the diocesan delegation in prayer, as they prepare to represent the diocese at the various events and sessions. Plus, you can follow this meeting on www.usccb.org, EWTN and Catholic TV- check your local networks for times. During July 1-4, Bishop da Cunha invites you to join him and the members of the delegation in prayer and reflection on these topics that are so important in the life of the church. As we join in rebuilding the diocese in hope and faith, let us be united in prayer during this Convocation, so that the Holy Spirit will enkindle the fire of God's love within the hearts of all.

Notice:

The ministry schedules are posted on our website at www.stmsomerset.org

QUO VADIS DAYS DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER 7th ANNUAL VOCATION RETREAT Young Men 14 – 18

A time to share our faith and build fraternity with other young men seeking God's will from Monday thru Friday **July 10TH – July 14TH** at Betannia II Retreat Center in Medway, MA. There will be priests, seminarians, and other young men gathered together for these days. Activities will include prayer, mountain hiking, sports, games, discussions and talks. For additional information regarding completing the registration form, please contact Fr. Kevin Cook at #508-824-570 or you can e-mail frcook@hollyfamilytaunton.org

CHURCH ORGAN

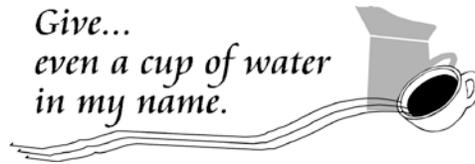
To date we have collected **\$14,520.00** toward our organ fund. The cost for the organ, complete installation and removal of the old organ will be **\$32,000**. Anyone willing to make a donation of any size as a gift or as a memorial in memory of a loved one is asked to do so and will be most welcomed and appreciated. The memorials and contributions will be posted at a later date. **Envelopes marked Church Organ Fund are available at the entrance of the church.** If there are any questions please call me at the Rectory at 508-673-7831. Thank you.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

This is a group to help people cope with the loss of a loved one. Losing someone we love truly hurts, leaving us with so many unanswered questions and a multitude of conflicting emotions. Fall River Area Bereavement Group will be meeting beginning **July 18th – August 29th**. This group meets every Tuesday from 7-9 PM for seven weeks at the Catholic Education Center, 423 Highland Ave., Fall River, MA For more information call #508-678-2828 Ext. 27 or call #508-642-0583. There is no fee to participate. Parking is available adjacent to the building. All are welcome.

Reserving Sanctuary & Marian Candles

If you would like to reserve the Sanctuary or Marian Candle in memory of a loved one, please call the Rectory at #508-673-7831.



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

A woman in Shunem believed strongly in the holiness of the prophet Elisha. To reward her, Elisha promised that she and her aging husband would, within the year, be the parents of a son.

Second Reading: Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Paul explains to the Romans that by immersion in water at baptism, they "die" to their sins; by rising from the water, they rise from "death and sin" to new life in Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42

With simplicity, Jesus tells his apostles that everyone should love him above all others -- father, mother, son or daughter. He adds, "He who welcomes you, welcomes me."

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY *by Rev. William J. Reilly*

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 2, 2017

"Whoever receives you receives me and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me... And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because this little one is a disciple, amen, I say to you he will surely not lose his reward."

One of the gifts Pope Francis extols, is the gift of hospitality. In our families, in our church, we have the ability to open the door and make others feel welcome. A familiar Irish expression reads "A Hundred Thousand Welcome."

Elisha the prophet in the Book of Kings, was offered hospitality by a wealthy woman, and she was rewarded for her gift. The person ready and willing to give ONLY a cup of cold water in the name of Jesus to a little one will not go without a reward.

In the past it was not common to see people carrying a water bottle in public. Sometimes we looked for a fountain for a drink. Maybe the gift of water and hospitality for us can be welcoming a stranger, assisting someone in need, listening to a person who has suffered a loss or suffering a sickness. Whatever gesture I offer can be the Elisha gesture and the water offering which might seem small, but does not go unrewarded.