



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday, August 26, 2017**
4:00 PM Michael J. Greany
- Sunday, August 27, 2017**
8:30 AM Joseph Souza - Anniversary Remembrance
- 11:00 AM** Mary Theresa Sieczkowski – Birthday Remembrance
- Daily Mass this week will be held on Monday through Thursday at 8:00 AM**
- Monday, August 28, 2017**
8:00 AM David D. Talbot – 4th Anniversary
- Tuesday, August 29, 2017**
8:00 AM
- Wednesday, August 30, 2017**
8:00 AM
- Thursday, August 31, 2017**
8:00 AM
- Friday, September 1, 2017**
NO MASS

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday, September 2, 2017**
4:00 PM People of the Parish
- Sunday, September 3, 2017**
8:30 AM
- 11:00 AM** Mr. & Mrs. Adrien Harrison

ALTAR BREADS FOR AUGUST

Is in memory of
Dr. Eduardo Leonardo

ALTAR WINE FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

Is in memory of
Robert Sr. & Aurora Duarte

ALTAR BREADS FOR SEPTEMBER

Is in memory of
Walter & Janet Prayzner

Today's Hymns

Entrance: #418 The Church's One Foundation
 Preparation: #493 We Walk By Faith
 Communion: #357 I Received the Living God
 Meditation: #628 Lead Me, Lord
 Recessional: #383 City of God



CALL FOR CHOIR MEMBERS

Our Music Ministry is looking for additional members to join our parish choir. The first rehearsal will be **Thursday, September 7th at 7:00 PM** in the Church. Auditions are not required, just a strong love of praising God in song! Anyone interested in joining this rewarding ministry, please speak to Kyle Medeiros our Music Director after any Mass. Music brochures are available at each entrance for additional information.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend Collection	\$ 1,927.00
Renovation Fund	\$ 1,114.00
Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary	\$ 502.00
Church Organ Donation	\$ 100.00
Church Organ Donations to date	\$ 17,765.00

The Second Collection this weekend will be for the Renovation Fund.

Thank you for your continued support.

ORGAN DONATION

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners we are still making strides to reaching our goal of \$32, 000, and to date we have collected **\$17,765.00** 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; it is most welcomed and appreciated. The memorials and contributions will be posted at a later date. Thank you to those who have already donated. Envelopes marked Church Organ Fund are available at the entrance of the church. If there are any questions please call the Rectory at 508-673-7831. Thank you.

VOCATION PETITION

That trusting in Christ's word to Peter, all those called to follow the Lord as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life will recognize the gift of their call and follow Him faithfully

FAITH FORMATION
Religious Education 2017-2018

TEACHERS NEEDED

We are searching for teachers (adults, and teen assistants) who would like to share their faith with the youth of our parish. Training is available. Please see Msgr. Fitzgerald or Michael Fitzpatrick if you can help support this vital mission of our church.

The new schedule for 2017 – 2018 is listed on the 3rd page of the bulletin and can also be seen on the website. Please save the schedule for future reference.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM

All children who will be entering First Grade in September must register for Religious Education Classes to begin in the fall. This is a two-year program that begins with First Grade and ends with the reception of the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in Second Grade.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

This is a two year program for *both Catholic and Public School* parishioners. Students need to register in Grade 9 to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 10.

If you have not returned the Religious Education Registration Forms - 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.

**REGISTRATIONS FOR RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION CLASSES**

*Will be held this SATURDAY & SUNDAY,
AUGUST 26TH & 27TH and SEPTEMBER 2ND
after the Masses in the main foyer of the church.
Sunday, September 3rd registration will be only
after the 8:30 Mass.*

ALTAR SERVERS & MINISTRY

We are preparing the Ministry schedules for October, November and December, 2017. We would appreciate it if you would review your calendars and advise us of the dates that you will **not be available**. Responding prior to September 12th would be greatly appreciated.

PARISH E-GIVING
SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING

What is electronic giving? E-Giving allows you to make your donation directly with your credit, debit card or checking account in place of the budget envelope system. Your financial information is safeguarded and no one other than you and your financial institution will have your information. You can begin this program immediately. If you have any questions please call the Rectory.

Can anyone who works at the Church see my Bank/Credit Card/Debit Account Numbers or information? NO. No one at the Church has access to any of your account information.

What if I try it and don't like it? You can cancel at any time.

What if I need help to enroll? Feel free to contact the Rectory for assistance at 508-673-7831.

Adults who have not been Confirmed

The Office of Faith Formation will be offering Adult Confirmation Classes beginning on September 19 & 20, 2017 (for 6 consecutive weeks) at Holy Cross Parish in Easton on Tuesday evenings; and at Bishop Stang High School on Wednesday evenings respectively. Both sessions conclude with a retreat on October 28, 2017. Please contact the Rectory office at 508-673-7831 for a registration form and Msgr. Fitzgerald's authorization.

ST. THOMAS MORE RETIREES NEWS

The St. Thomas More Retirees have scheduled to meet on **Thursday, September 21, 2017 @ 1:00PM.**

TRIP TO THE WHITE MOUNTAINS

The St. Thomas More Retirees Group is planning to take part in one of the trips offered by the Fisher Charter Bus Service to a **White Mountain Foliage excursion on Wednesday, October 4, 2017.** The cost is \$69.00 per person and fully refundable 4 days prior to event. Meet at the park & ride on Rte. 103 and departs at 7:00AM and expected time back at 7:00PM. Meal choices are either **Baked Scrod or Chicken Cordon Bleu.** If you are interested, please call Eileen Chmielewski at 774-526-0811.

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

A meeting has been scheduled for **Tuesday, September 12th at 6:00 PM** in the parish center.

St. Thomas More Church
Religious Education – Faith Formation Program
Schedule 2017 - 2018

Mass every Sunday – Parents are reminded that Mass is part of the Religious Education Program and attendance at Mass each week and on Holy Days of Obligation is essential in the formation of their faith.

Grades 1 - 10 8:30 a.m. Mass - Classes begin immediately following Mass - 9:20 am to 10:30 am

Class Schedule 2017 - 2018 for all Grades

September 10, 2017 – Classes begin
September 17, 24

October 1, 15, 22, 29

November 5, 12, 19

December 3, 10, 17

January 7, 21, 28, 2018

February 4, 11, 25

March 4, 11, 18, 25 (Palm Sunday)*

April 8, 22 – Classes End

Classes end on April 22, 2018 for all grades EXCEPT for Grade 2 and Grade 10

***Palm Sunday** - All students are invited to join in procession at 8:30 a.m. Mass on March 25, 2018. Please arrive in the Parish Center in the Church basement by 8:15 a.m.

Grade 2

First Penance will be celebrated on Saturday, January 20, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Thomas More Church. The snow date will be Saturday, January 27, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

Mini-Retreat - Saturday, March 24, 2018 – 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Parish Center)

Holy Thursday – March 29, 2018 - students will participate at the 7:00 p.m. Mass

Rehearsal Dates for First Eucharist

Saturday, April 28, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Church

Saturday, May 5, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Church

First Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

Grade 10

Good Friday – March 30, 2018 – Students will participate at the 7:00 p.m. Service

Confirmation – Date to be announced upon notification from the Bishop's office