



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday, October 21, 2017**  
**4:00 PM** Rudolph, John & Stephen Boutin
- Sunday, October 22, 2017**  
**8:30 AM** Gerald W. Nadeau – 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- 11:00 AM** Mary Sliwa – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
 People of the Parish

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

- Monday, October 23, 2017**  
**8:00 AM** People of the Parish
- Tuesday, October 24, 2017**  
**8:00 AM**
- Wednesday, October 25, 2017**  
**8:00 AM**
- Thursday, October 26, 2017**  
**8:00 AM** Jay Bergeron – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
- Friday, October 27, 2017**  
 NO MASS

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday, October 28, 2017**  
**4:00 PM** Albert Capeto – Birthday Remembrance
- Sunday, October 29, 2017**  
**8:30 AM** John V. Matos – Birthday Remembrance
- 11:00 AM** Mary Madeline Furtado, Margaret Machado & Joseph Furtado

### ALTAR BREADS & ALTAR WINE FOR OCTOBER

Is in memory of  
*Mr. & Mrs. Lionel Gagnon & John Pacheco, Jr.*



### OCTOBER – MONTH OF ROSARY

The month of October, is traditionally a time to **honor Mary**. We encourage you to pray the rosary. The statue of Mary has been placed in front of the sanctuary for the month of October. The Rosary is prayed each morning before the daily Mass.

### ANNUAL COLLECTION

These donations will be used for the church renovation fund. Please drop your Annual Collection donation envelope in the collection basket. **Checks should be made payable to St. Thomas More Church**. Extra reports and envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. To date, we have received **\$12,140.00**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### *Today's Hymns*

*Entrance: #309 All People That on Earth Do Dwell*  
*Preparation: #463 Shelter Me, O God*  
*Communion: #488 Center of My Life*  
*Meditation #594 Christ, Be Our Light*  
*Recessional: #724 All Hail the Power of Jesus'*  
 Name

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

<b>Weekend Collection</b>	<b>\$2,330.30</b>
<b>Renovation Fund</b>	<b>\$1,195.15</b>
<b>Church Organ Donations to date</b>	<b>\$23,905.00</b>
<b>Annual Collection to date</b>	<b>\$12,140.00</b>

### Propagation of the Faith

The **second collection this weekend** will be for the **Propagation of the Faith on World Mission Sunday**. This Special Collection gives us the opportunity to help those who carry on the missionary task day by day, often in very difficult and dangerous circumstances. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

Thank You for your continued support.

### ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

**From October 7 - October 30, Hats, Mittens, and Scarves** will be collected for the needy before the harsh winter arrives. **And, for one weekend only, coats for all school age children through teenage will be collected at all Masses on the weekend of October 28-29**. If you would like to donate a coat, please bring it on this last weekend only.

### MARIAN CANDLE

The Marian Candle burns this week for *A Family in need of prayers.*

## **WELCOME!**

Please join us in welcoming a new parishioner  
*Suzanne Medeiros*  
who joined our parish.

## **FAITH FORMATION**

### **Religious Education 2017-2018**

Classes begin **9:20 AM through 10:30 AM**

### **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.**

## **BISHOP STANG HIGH SCHOOL**

Open House welcomes parents and students of all grades to its annual Open House on Sunday, **November 5<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 3 PM.** Faculty and students are excited to highlight all that makes Bishop Stang an outstanding faith-based, college prep program.

## **Cathedral Church of St. Mary**

### **Making History November 5, 2017 at 3:00**

A special ecumenical prayer service will be held for the **500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation.** Bishop Edgar da Cunha will preside at the service and Bishop James Hazelwood of the New England Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church will preach.

## **A GUIDE TO THE SACRAMENTS**

Come and join the **Holy Name Parish** at the School Center for a five part series dedicated to explaining the Sacraments of the Church and how they aid us in our relationship with God. There will be two sessions each week, one on Sundays after the 10:30 Mass and one on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. The following is the schedule and subjects: **Beginning Wed., Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM and Sunday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 Mass - the Sacraments; Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> – The Eucharist; Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – Walk through the Mass; Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Penance and Anointing of the Sick; Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> – Matrimony & Holy Orders.** All are welcome and refreshments are provided.

## **CHURCH 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 **\$23,905.00.** The memorials and contributions will be posted at a later date. Thank you to those who have already donated.

## **PARISH ASSESSMENT ENVELOPE**

Just a reminder, that there is now a Parish Assessment Envelope that has been added to your bi-monthly budget envelope packet. There is no printed date as it can be submitted at any time. This envelope is a way that any donations being made toward the parish's assessment will be used directly towards our parish's monthly obligation. There is no pressure to use it. Extra envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. Also, E-Givers, there is an assigned tab for contributing. Thank you

## **FLU CLINIC**

On this **Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:15 AM to 11:00 AM** Rite Aid Pharmacist and parishioner, Jacqueline Ferreira will be here to offer flu shots to those who would like to get one. **You will need to have some form of identification, your medical insurance card information and a completed screening questionnaire consent form, which is available at the entrances of the Church.**

## **BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC**

There will be a Blood Pressure Clinic before and after all the masses **next weekend, October 28 & 29, 2017.**

## **ST. THOMAS RETIREE GROUP**

### **A Thanksgiving Celebration**

**November** will be a gathering of the members to celebrate Thanksgiving at the **BMC Durfee High School** for a Turkey Dinner on **Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at Noon.**

## **NOTICE!**

### **TO USHERS-COLLECTORS**

Beginning the month of **November** please obtain a count of all people, including children and infants that are in attendance for each of the **November weekend masses.** Please complete the appropriate mass count slip for the mass and place it into the collection bag. Thank you for your assistance.

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# Ministries at St. Thomas More Church

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Dear Parishioners,

This is the fourth in our series of “information sheets” on the various pastoral ministries at our church. This sheet describes the Lector Ministry—the men and women who assist at mass by doing the readings from the pulpit in the church sanctuary.

If you would like to become involved in any of the parish ministries, I invite you to speak with me after mass or at the rectory. Or, if you prefer, you may contact one of the members of whatever ministry you are interested in. Either way, I look forward to your participation in the richly rewarding work of our church ministries.

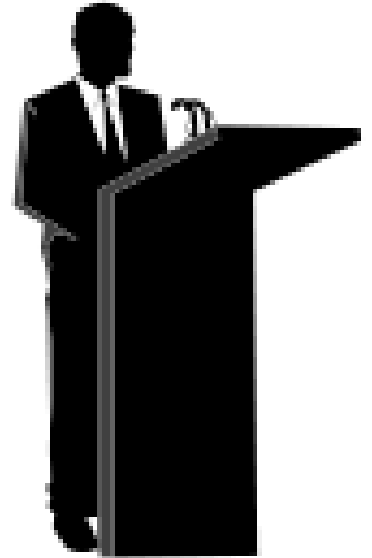
## The Lector Ministry

The St. Thomas More Lector Ministry offers parishioners an opportunity for direct vocal participation in the celebration of mass. In addition to introducing the mass, the lector reads the two scriptural passages that precede the gospel, and also offers the petitions during the Prayer of the Faithful.

You do not have to be a skilled orator or a gifted speaker to be a St. Thomas More lector. All that is required are an ability to speak clearly and a willingness to share your voice with the congregation.

Typically, lectors are assigned to read at one weekend mass every 5 or 6 weeks. When scheduling lector assignments, the rectory staff makes every effort to place lectors at whatever weekend mass they regularly attend.

Before their assigned mass, lectors can preview the readings for that day in the sacristy. Also available is a pronunciation guide to help lectors with the many unusual and sometimes difficult-to-pronounce names that populate the scriptures.



Serving as a lector allows you to affirm your faith in a forthright manner, as you proclaim “the Word of the Lord.”

If you are interested in joining the Lector Ministry, please talk with Monsignor Fitzgerald after mass or stop in at the rectory to discuss your interest.

