

**SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2011***Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:00 AM ✕ Thomas V. Wilson (1st Anniv.)
 10:30 AM ✕ Frank Verria (2nd Anniv.)
 ✕ Rev. John F. Randall
 (Month's Mind)
 5:00 PM ✕ John J. Egan, Jr. (25th Anniv.)

MONDAY, JULY 25, 2011*St. James, apostle*

- 7:00 AM Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement

TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2011*Saint Joachim & Saint Anne, parents of the B.V.M.*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Msgr. Robert C. Newbold

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2011*Weekday*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Lillian & George Kolb
 5:30 PM Confessions

THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2011*Weekday*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Joseph DeSilva

FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2011*Saint Martha*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Donna Flaherty

SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2011*Weekday*

- 5:00 PM ✕ Denise Genuario (3rd Anniv.)
 ✕ Margaret Fedo (2nd Anniv.)

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2011*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:00 AM ✕ Rev. John F. Randall
 (Month's Mind)
 10:30 AM ✕ Joseph Bajorek (2nd Anniv.)
 ✕ Matthew J. Chase (1st Anniv.)
 5:00 PM ✕ William May (3rd Anniv.)

Dear Parishioners,

I've noticed lately that more and more Catholics are opting to be cremated. But is that a good idea? The last line of the Creed we pray each Sunday says, "We believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen." How should this central Catholic belief in the resurrection of our bodies affect our funeral planning? Quite a bit, I believe. For centuries, the bodily remains were required for a funeral Mass. In 1997, permission was granted to have "cremains" (the cremated remains) at a funeral Mass. However, the Church prefers and urges that the body of the deceased person be present for the funeral Mass since the presence of the body better expresses our respect for the dignity of the body and its future resurrection.

We must remember that the body of a deceased Catholic is also the body that was washed in Baptism, fed the Bread of Life at Mass, anointed with oil at Confirmation and the Anointing of the Sick and joined to a spouse in marriage. The body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit and is destined for future glory with Jesus in heaven. In short, the body's role is NOT finished!

We often hear people say of a deceased person, "She's an angel now" or something similar. Certainly this is an expression of deep love and faith. However, we must remember that angels do not have bodies, only human persons do. Death is a terrible rending of body and soul. After death, every soul longs for future reunion with his or her body. We treat the body with profound respect and dignity as we await its future resurrection and reunion.

Many "new age" religions today often say that our bodies are "recycled" after death into the earth to become something else. Catholics believe that each person's body is sacred and unique, never to be recycled, but rather to be resurrected and live forever. This is a very different understanding and gives the body a specialness that is often overlooked or downplayed. Jesus is in heaven, body and soul, as is our Blessed Mother. While cremation is allowed (with the stipulation that the cremains must be buried and never scattered), it is better to bury the body intact, as a sign of our firm belief in the body's dignity and future destiny.

God bless you in the week ahead.

Fr. Wilson

YOUR WILL

Please remember SS. Rose & Clement Parish in your Will and Estate.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration forms for CCD are available in the Parish office and on-line (www.ssrparish.com). Completed forms can be placed in the collection basket, mailed or dropped off at the Parish office.

Dates to Remember

- Registration Weekends: August 27th/28th and September 10th/11th after all Masses.
- Mandatory parent meeting for students in Grades 1-8 on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the church.
- Classes begin on Sunday, September 18, 2011 for Grades 1-4 (9:00 AM to 10:15 AM).
- Classes begin on Monday, September 19, 2011 for Grades 5-8 (6:00 PM to 7:15 PM) and Grades 9-10 (7:15 PM to 8:30 PM).
- Mandatory parent meeting for students in Grades 9 and 10 will be held on Monday, September 19, 2011 immediately following their first class (8:30 PM).

Evangelization Committee Meeting

Our Evangelization Committee will meet this Tuesday, July 26th at 7:00 PM in the Holy Family Conference Room. New members are always welcome!

CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL



Parish Goal: \$95,000
Total Pledged (Final): \$108,241
Over Goal: \$13,241

Thank you for your wonderful support of the poor and struggling of our diocese. May God bless you!

Little Sisters of the Poor *PawSox Family Fun Day* Sunday, July 31, 2011

All-you-can-eat BBQ: 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Game: 1:05 PM (PawSox vs. Louisville Bats)
Donation: \$25/adult and \$15/children under 12
To purchase tickets or for more information,
please call 305-4001.

*All proceeds benefit the work of the
Little Sisters of the Poor.*

From the Desk of Mrs. Fuller

First Day of School

The first day of school for the 2011-2012 school year will be Tuesday, August 30, 2011. It will be here before we know it. Please continue to work on your summer packets.

Uniform Closet

Saint Rose of Lima School is fortunate to have many gently used uniforms for both girls and boys. There are many sizes available. Please come in and browse the closet at no cost. If you have a gently used uniform to donate, please drop it by the school office. Thank you!

ATTENTION:

ALL PARISH LEADERS & GROUPS

All parish leaders of parish organizations and groups (*Rosary and Altar Guild, St. Rose of Lima School, Home School Association, Choir, Scouts, etc.*) are invited to the Annual Planning Meeting to place events on the calendar for the year 2011-2012 **THIS Monday, July 25th at 6:00 PM in the McMahon Garden Room.** Please plan to attend as most dates are taken by the end of this meeting.

LaSalle Boys Basketball Camp

LaSalle Academy is hosting a boys basketball camp from August 1st to August 5th and August 8th to August 12th from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the LaSalle Academy Athletic Complex. The cost is \$160 per person per week. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Bill Black at 575-8849 or e-mail him at bblack@lasalle-academy.org.

Natural Family Planning (NFP)

If you would like information on Natural Family Planning or information on sound ethical medical treatment for common health problems in women, please contact Monica Bergeron at 441-4034 or e-mail her at iconfertility@cox.net.

THE HEART OF WORSHIP

An Evening of Eucharist Adoration,
Music, Praise & Worship
August 7th from 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM

St. Brendan Church, Riverside, RI
For more information, please call Victor Bergeron at 954-2908 or visit www.heartofworshipevent.com.

JULY 24, 2011

“SHARE THE SPIRIT” GIFT SHOP

Our Gift Shop has been “spruced up” and our inventory count is finished. We will re-open **NEXT** Saturday, July 30th at 4:30 PM. Thank you for your patience and support! We’re looking forward to seeing you soon. God bless!

MEN of ST. JOSEPH

The Men of St. Joseph will hold their bi-weekly meeting on Saturday, July 30th, from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM in the McMahon Room. The meeting will begin with a Eucharistic Communion Service in the main church followed by a group discussion on how to be a Catholic man in the world today. Coffee and pastry will be available. **ALL MEN IN THE PARISH ARE WELCOME!** Questions? Please call Malcolm Vakalis at 219-6019.



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Career Opportunity

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact Michael Lehman, General Agent, at 401-921-4834 or e-mail him at Michale.Lehman@kofc.org.

July 17, 2011

Sunday Collection.....\$8,037.50
Mission Co-op Collection.....4,589.00

A sincere thank you for your support.