



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 4:00 PM	June 26 Tom Simmons
Sunday 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00PM	June 27 In memory of the Marron Family Margaret Lavin Parishioners
Monday 12:10 PM	June 28 Ralph & Frances Randlett
Tuesday 12:10 PM	June 29
Wednesday 12:10 PM	June 30 Liliana Ciciotti
Thursday 12:10 PM	July 1 In memory of the Marron Family
Friday 12:10 PM	July 2 — First Friday Sanctuary Fund
Saturday 4:00 PM	July 3 In memory of the Marron Family
Sunday 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00PM	July 4 — Independence Day All men and women serving in the Military Parishioners

Parish Support

June 20

Offertory

\$2,548.



A SUMMER PRAYER

Long warm days...
The pace of life slows...
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...

Lord, help me to rest awhile in the cooling shade of your presence.

Slow down my restless heart and fill me with gentle compassion for all your people.

Amen.

May He bless us all during these summer months and keep our loved ones in the palm of his hand!



And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:61-62

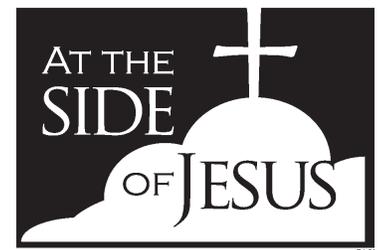
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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the 1970 musical *Godspell* (which will see a fortieth anniversary revival this August), Peggy sings the song "By My Side." The lyrics start out with the question addressed to Jesus, "Where are you going?" and continue with the words, "Can you take me with you?? Far beyond where the horizon lies." It is a song for the road as the company approaches Jerusalem, and Jesus prepares for the inevitable end. Through the years, *Godspell* has enjoyed occasional productions put on by parish youth groups around the country. Like a travelling road show, the musical has popped up here and there to charm audiences with its mime and minstrel techniques and share the good news in a lighthearted manner.

In Luke's Gospel, the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem is a literary device meant to convey the inevitable fulfillment of God's plan of salvation. The geographical directionality (toward Jerusalem) mirrors the salvific intentions of God. Nothing is going to prevent Jesus from entering the city and accomplishing the Father's will. As today's Gospel describes it, Jesus was "resolutely determined."

The question Peggy asks, "Can you take me with you?" is the question of the Christian to Jesus. But it is one that we can only ask in faith. If we really want to follow Jesus, really want him to take us with him on this journey, then we need to be prepared for the challenges along the way. We also need to let go of those things that stand in the way of following Jesus, including the old life of sin that we are to leave behind. Peggy's song to Jesus concludes with the words "finally glad that I am here by your side" and takes place just before the final events of Jesus' passion. That is our song too, finally glad that we are by his side after the journey of our life.



**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

Adolph Hitler was a self-styled German leader whose very name poured out cruelty and hatred. He conquered smaller nations around Germany and directly or indirectly brought about cruelty and murder. As is often the case with those such as he, when all went wrong, he killed himself.

Edith Stein was one the victims of Hitler. She stood out, and memory of her still exists for many as a woman of character, principle and courage.

Somehow, even though she still wondered and had not yet come to a decision, Edith finally accepted Jesus Christ. Once done, there was not even a tiny question. After helping many to come close to Christ, Edith became a Carmelite Nun.

The savagery of Hitler and his followers reached out to Edith Stein. She was a Carmelite Nun who happened to be Jewish. Her convent was raided by the Gestapo, and she and others were dragged into captivity and murdered.

Edith is now honored by the Catholic Church as a canonized Saint. Her sister had joined her with the Carmelite Order, though for some reason she never officially became a member of the Order.

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LIFT Ministries

Join with hundreds of Catholics of all ages from the Boston area for LIFT, an awesome night of worship, dynamic talks, and Eucharistic Adoration, at Fontbonne Academy, 930 Brook Road, Milton, 7:00-9:00 PM. The next session, Tuesday, July 6, will feature dynamic guest speaker **Bob Lesnfsky a/k/a Righteous B!**

For more information, directions and a downloadable flyer, visit the LIFT website, www.liftedhigher.com.

**DO YOU HAVE EXTRA TIME?
BUS DRIVER NEEDED**

Regina Cleri is looking for volunteers who are able and willing to drive a 12-passenger van to transport retired priests to various events. If you're interested, please E-mail S.Gust@ReginaCleri.org or FecteauJ@ReginaCleri.org or call 617-523-1861 and ask for Steve or Jean.



PART TIME COOK NEEDED

Immediate opening for experienced cook, flexible hours, seasonal, for a busy retreat center. Please call St. Joseph Retreat Center, Cohasset, 781-383-6024, or E-mail a resume to retreat.center@csjboston.org.

**ANTICIPATING
THE PARTICIPATORS**

GRAND ANNUAL CONGRATULATIONS

Our Grand Annual continues until the end of June, and **any amount** you give will “**raise**” our participation percentage and help us reach our goal for St. Joseph’s. Our parish has done a great job in supporting the 2010 Grand Annual Appeal. Thank you to all who contributed—we couldn’t have done it without each of you! We have surpassed our goal of \$70,000, with nearly 50% of our parish population participating. Our goal really is 100% . . . please let’s try our best to increase the participation this year. Information packets with pledge forms are in the back of the church.



WHAT WILL THE PERCENTAGE BE?

Thank you for your faith, love and support!

SUMMER CLASSES

St. John’s Seminary, Brighton

Master of Arts in Ministry

Courses offered in the evenings at 147 Washington St., Brighton. Consider taking a class for credit. For more information visit www.sjs.edu or call 617-779-4104.

A PRAYER DURING ILLNESS

O God, I beg you to give me the courage and patience needed during illness. Help me to bear my pain and worry without complaints; sustain me when I become discouraged; calm me when I am anxious. Save me from the grumbling and self-pity. Help me to make these days of inactivity a period of spiritual growth, a time to grow closer to You as You teach me courage, hope and love. Divine Healer, You are the giver of all good gifts: bless me with your healing grace.

Let us continually pray for all the sick especially for those in our own families and in our parish family.