

**Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 PM	<b>September 25</b> Felix & Filomena Toussaint
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00PM	<b>September 26</b> Anne & Frank Schuler Parishioners
<b>Monday</b> 12:10 PM	<b>September 27</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> 12:10 PM	<b>September 28</b> In memory of the Marron Family
<b>Wednesday</b> 12:10 PM	<b>September 29</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 12:10 PM	<b>September 30</b> George Donovan
<b>Friday</b> 12:10 PM	<b>October 1, First Friday</b> Sanctuary Fund
<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 PM	<b>October 2</b> Felix & Filomena Toussaint
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00PM	<b>October 3</b> Anna Ballinger Swithen & Jolyon Rodrigues Dorothy Ladny

**Parish Support**

**September 5**

**Offertory**

**\$3,679**



**Sanctuary Lamp**

**Week of September 26  
In memory of Don Gregory**

	Members of the Parish Council are invited to attend a meeting on Sunday afternoon, October 2 at 2:00pm in the Parish Hall.
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**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

In keeping with the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi there will be a blessing of the animals on next Sunday, October 3 following the 11:30am Mass. So do not be afraid to bring along your pets as we ask God's blessing on our furry and/or feathered friends.



<p>"Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.'" - Lk 16:25</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.</p>	
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**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

A friend of mine spent many years working for the church. She began her career as a Catholic school teacher. Then, after the Second Vatican Council, and at the suggestion of a parish priest, she went on to become a director of religious education in her parish. Eventually, she was employed by a large diocese and spent time collaborating with one of the auxiliary bishops on diocesan projects. As the priest shortage challenged dioceses, my friend took on the responsibility of running a suburban parish, which is where I met her. When she finally retired years later, she and her husband continued to share the task of directing stewardship efforts in their parish.

Throughout her years of service my friend was blessed with great opportunities while facing ministerial challenges as well. The Gospel story of the poor beggar Lazarus was one that she often talked about. She would describe how the words haunted her. In all her work my friend felt that she was so blessed, just like the rich man in the Gospel. While by no means rich, she and her husband had a comfortable existence, four adult children who were all doing reasonably well, a house, and decent health. Any observer would describe them as living the American dream.

It was this Gospel about Lazarus that drove my friend to a passion about care for the poor. At just about every opportunity in her ministry she would devise ways to include helping others and to encourage others to do the same: religious education classes included a component of service; prayer services often had intercessions for those in need; activities that drew people from the parish into meal programs and St. Vincent de Paul were promoted. My friend felt that she, like so many others, was the rich man in the Gospel. And that Jesus expected us to take care of Lazarus today.



**REFLECTIONS FROM  
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

Thank God the Korean War had ended. On a Monday a young officer came to see the Catholic Chaplain. He was upset because he had missed Sunday Mass as he was on duty. The priest assured him that he was in no way at fault. A surprise followed.

The officer was not a Catholic. He had been engaged to a Catholic and planned to surprise his fiancée when he met her. Oddly enough, soldier and priest happened to be going together on the long voyage from Korea to San Francisco.

Once on the ship the two found a spot for instructions on the Catholic faith. At sea a Chinese ship collided with the American one, a total accident in a bad fog. It gave the two an extra week while on repairs.

After a rather long voyage the two departed in San Francisco. The priest gave his friend a note concerning the rather extensive instructions. Unfortunately neither soldier nor priest left a personal note for each other. Why waste paper on a forgotten past? There are couples planning marriage where only one is a Catholic. They come to Mass together each week and both follow the prayers. In any case prayer always helps.

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**SEASON FIVE—  
*We Are the Good News!***



Meet new friends, pray and read scriptures, deepen faith and encounter Christ today. You are welcome to join even if you have not been in previous seasons of *ARISE*.

**Come together with others to participate in *ARISE Together in Christ* and foster a heart for healing and a spirit of forgiveness. The program begins next week—still time to join!**

**For more information call the rectory at 617-523-4342 or email: [rosalie82@gmail.com](mailto:rosalie82@gmail.com)**

**COLLEGE AND STUDENT BLESSING**

At the 11:30 Mass this weekend we, as a parish community, welcome local area students to receive God’s blessing upon their new school year. We ask the Lord to inspire them and remind them that, when they use their time and talent, they also offer him praise and glory! Thanks to those from Emerson College and Suffolk University who helped organize part of the group!



**Register your family for Religious Education!**

The parent meeting for grades 1-10 will be held this Weekend, Sunday, September 26, at 10 am in the Parish Hall. Come review the materials, learn about the program, register for the new year!

Thank you to all the people who came to the first parent meeting this past week.

Registrations will take place this weekend. Packets are available in the Children’s Corner. Come down to the Parish Hall after the 9 and 11:30 Masses today to drop off registrations and look at our materials. Emails have gone out to all known families. Please return registrations as soon as possible!

Our Religious Education Program begins October 3. Classes will be from 10-11:15am in the Parish Hall. Complete schedules are in the registration packet. Register Today!

The children need us! We need teachers for grades 1, 2, 3, 4-5, 6-7-8, 9, and 10. Isn’t wonderful how we are growing. Come help us teach our children and young adults. Small classes, all materials and training provided. Contact Pat Harris at [repathris@verizon.net](mailto:repathris@verizon.net) or 781-535-8655.

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