

North American Martyrs



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Lord's Day Saturday, 4:30 p.m.
Masses Sunday, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday 7:00 a.m. (except Thursday)
Masses 8:00 a.m. Saturdays

Confessions Saturday, 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Baptisms By appointment

Weddings Please make arrangements 1 year in advance

July 4, 2010

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 3, 4:30 p.m.
Armand & Eva Letourneau
Requested by their family

Sunday, July 4, 8:30 a.m.
Arthur, Albina & Elaine Warren
Requested by their family

Sunday, July 4, 10:30 a.m.
3rd Anniv.: Annette Desplaines
Requested by her family

Tuesday, July 6, 7:00 a.m.
David Beauregard
Requested by his family

Wednesday, July 7, 7:00 a.m.
George Maroney - *Requested by his family*

Saturday, July 10, 4:30 p.m.
1st Anniv.: Raymond Gregoire
Requested by his family

Sunday, July 11, 8:30 a.m.
3rd Anniv.: Rita Sullivan
Requested by her family

Sunday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.
Barbara Faucher
Requested by her family

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

O God, our loving creator and giver of all good gifts, bless our parish and the diocese, strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of Christian stewardship so that we may give generously of our time, talent and treasure to the spreading of Your kingdom here at North American Martyrs and throughout the world. We ask this through our Lord Jesus, your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Bereavement - Refreshments are offered to families after the funeral of a loved one. You may request this ministry by calling Fr. Gee at 508-798-8779.

Coffee And ... - Every Sunday after the masses, teams of men in the parish serve coffee and doughnuts in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome.

7/4 - No Coffee And (Independence Day)
7/11 - Team 8

Hymn Requests - Eagle's Wings is our liturgical music group that plays at the 8:30 mass. Please call Pete Michaud at 755-5863 or talk to him after mass.

Hall Reservations -- To reserve the hall, please contact T Jablanski at 508-751-6476.

Bulletin Items -- Please submit by Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. all items to appear in the bulletin. Please contact Pam Ashmankas at 508-798-0612 or NAMparish@charterinternet.com.

It's a joy to welcome new parishioners and visitors. Please let us know who you are.

Praying

It is the most powerful thing we can do.



Please pray for the
souls of all the faithful departed,

for those who are ill:

*Susan Cole, Rick Belair, Emery Lucier,
Anthony Real, Mary DePasquale,
Betty Gallant, Alta Samson, Jan T. Karbowski,
Maeghan McGuirk, Janie Bouges*

and for all the men and women
serving in our country's military

NEW ADDITIONS TO OUR WEB PAGE

www.namartyrsauburn.org

Kateri Tekakwitha Senior Housing - Picture
and information.

Sacred Calendar for the Summer of 2010 -
Week at a glance. Gospel and Question of the
Week. All the feasts of summer. Spiritual goals for
each week. Suggestions for summertime rest. Links
and connections. Powerful resolutions for deeper
faith and greater intimacy with Christ.

The Bulletin and the Faith Connection (bulletin
insert) is available on our webpage. Please go to
namartyrsauburn.org and select Bulletin/Faith
Connection, and then select the correct date. This
publication is for personal use only.

GOD SPEAKS! Family Scripture Puzzles

Look for the activity in the folders attached to the
bulletin boards at both church entrances.



Kateri's Kitchen -- Open Saturdays, 10-12

We are asking our parishioners to
help "stock our shelves" by donating
ANY non-perishable food items.
You may bring your donations to the
altar at the offertory or to the
classroom at the back entrance.

We are especially in need of the following:

**Peanut Butter
Canned Meat
Oatmeal
Cold Cereal**

**Mayonnaise
Canned Fruit
Juice
Canned Tuna**

We are very grateful for your extraordinary generosity
in bringing food. If you have any questions, please
call Ann Marie Lucas at 508-752-4852.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

was celebrated on
June 27, 2010, for

Denis Charles Murphy
son of Michael and
Katrine (Krog) Murphy,



Sierra Karen Lindquist
daughter of Brett and
Cynthia (Patraitis) Lindquist

and

Katherine Mary Patraitis
daughter of John and
Sarah (Cutter) Patraitis

We congratulate the parents
and welcome **Denis Charles, Sierra Karen,** and
Katherine Mary into the Church and our parish.

Kingdom Building

On July 4th we celebrate the birth of our nation. We
celebrate with gratitude for the freedoms we enjoy. It is
a day to not only express our gratitude for what we
enjoy, but also to see how we can assist in making the
bounty of our country available to all its citizens and to
the citizens of the world. Our security as a county is in
part dependent on our graciousness and generosity to
our neighbors. This is a time that is less about
celebrating military strength and more about working
toward the day when swords can be turned into plows,
and all can work together for mutual well-being. This
will be the kingdom of God which accepts all as
brothers and sisters and provides for all. On this civil
holiday let us pray:

For peace and justice in our world,
For joy in the hearts of all our brothers and sisters,
For mutual advantage through cooperation
throughout the earth.

We wish that all our
parishioners and parish
friends have a safe and
enjoyable Independence
Day holiday.



"The harvest is rich," Jesus tells the seventy-two in today's
Gospel, "but the workers are few." The situation is the same
today. How can I help with God's harvest? Am I called into the
field? Am I one who could provide food or shelter or wages to
those who toil in the fields of the Lord? *See Luke 10:2*

COLLECTIONS



The collection for last weekend was
\$4,245. The collection for the Holy
Father was \$400. We thank you for
your generous support.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Monday, July 12-Friday, July 16
8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – Loreto Week 2

**Gr. 7-12 Co-Ed Volleyball League (Fun League)
Sponsored by Diocesan Office of Youth Ministry**

This Fun League is open to students entering grades 7 through summer after graduation, parishioners of St. Joseph and North American Martyrs. Practices and games will be held on Tuesday nights.



Beginning Monday, practices will be held on Monday nights., with games on Tuesday nights. Our next practice will be held this Monday, **July 5, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at North American Martyrs.**

Our first game will be held this **Tuesday, July 6, at 6 p.m.** against Christ the King Church. Please come cheer on our team!

If you have any questions, please contact Pam Ashmankas at pashmankas@charter.net or 508/798-2828.

There will **not** be a Prayer Shawl Meeting for the Month of July. The next meeting will be on Monday, August 2.



If you or anyone you know is in need of a Prayer Shawl, please contact Angela Rothera at (508) 832-4390.

St. Vincent De Paul Clothing Bin

Just a reminder that there is a collection bin against the back wall of our church where you can donate used clothing and shoes.

North American Martyrs Yard Sale

North American Martyrs will hold a yard sale on Saturday, August 14th from 9 – 3. If you have any “attic treasures” you would like to donate to this yard sale, please bring them **to the back of the rectory near the porch.** All items must be received no later than Saturday, August 7th. Proceeds from the yard sale will benefit the North American Martyrs Relay For Life team. Please call Maureen Morse at 508-832-4351 with any questions.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Galatians 6:14)

Why would Paul “boast” in the cross? Isn’t it wrong to brag—especially if it’s about something you didn’t do in the first place? These would be good questions if Paul really were “boasting” in this way. Actually, the Greek word that we translate as “boast” (kauchaomai) can also be understood to mean “rejoicing in.” And that’s what Paul meant here. He made it clear that he was rejoicing only in the cross and not in his own accomplishments or abilities. Why? Because it was by the power of the cross that he became a new creation, set free from the grip of sin and death (Galatians 6:15).

How freeing is this message for all of us! We don’t have to spend our lives trying to measure up to impossible standards. We don’t have to keep trying to make ourselves good enough for God to accept us. He has already forgiven us. He has already taken our old, fallen lives and crucified them with his Son. And even more amazing, he has filled us with his Holy Spirit, making us a vessel of his very own divine life and love!

Today, think about all that God has done for you through the cross of Jesus. Celebrate the fact that because of Jesus’ death and resurrection, you are a new creation. Sin has lost its power. Death has been destroyed. The gates of heaven are open wide. Nothing can separate you now from the love of God!

At Mass today, feel free to enjoy the Eucharist. Don’t worry about the areas of your life that still need to be changed. They’ll be there waiting for you after Mass. Instead, let the Bread of Life remind you of everything Jesus has done for you. Then in your prayer, go ahead and boast in the cross of Christ. Boast in his kindness and love. Make this a day filled with great rejoicing.

Adapted from The Word Among Us

CAN & BOTTLE DRIVE

North American Martyrs’ own Boy Scout Troop 121 will be holding a Bottle and Can Drive on **Saturday, July 10th**, from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM at the Drury Square Fire Station. This annual event helps to raise funds for the Troop’s numerous activities. Save those returnables from your July 4th cookouts and bring them down to us.

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