

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Saturday	June 4
4:00 PM	Deceased members of the Plesha Family
Sunday	June 5
9:00 AM	
11:30 AM	Swithen & Jolyon Rodrigues
5:00 PM	Parishioners
Monday	June 6
12:10 PM	Stanley E. Bielski
Tuesday	June 7
12:10 PM	Teresa O'Malley — living
Wednesday	June 8
12:10 PM	Charles Kenney Buckley
Thursday	June 9
12:10 PM	Cristina Quinainilla
Friday	June 10
12:10 PM	Open Hearts Memorial Guild
Saturday	June 11
4:00 PM	
Sunday	June 12—Pentecost Sunday
9:00 AM	For the Faithful Departed through the Intercession of Mary
11:30 AM	Ayala and Lozada Families
5:00 PM	Parishioners



"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." - Mt 28:19-20
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OUR PARISH SUPPORT

May 22	Offertory	\$2,723
	Seminaries	\$60
May 29	Offertory	\$2,571
	Tornado Relief	\$566



SPECIAL NOTICE !!!!

CHANGE IN OUR SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS AS WE REACH OUT TO OUR MILITARY AND THE FLOOD VICTIMS IN THE SOUTH.

Military Archdiocese, Home Missions and Black & Native American This week's second collection supports these three important national Catholic missions. For more information please visit www.usccb.org/hm or www.milarch.org.

Clergy Benefit Trust Next week's second collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you in advance for your generosity.

BABY BOTTLES—

Time to return your filled bottles



The filled bottles may be **left in the basket in the front of the church** this weekend and next. Thank you for your support for a great cause.

7th Sunday of Easter

There are people in this world who do some serious waiting. I'm not talking about the time some of us spend in a doctor's office or the checkout line. Those are brief moments. The people who do serious waiting are those like the spouses of soldiers who have been deployed overseas who spend their days wondering if their loved one will come home. It is the parents who are watching an illness slowly debilitate their child, even as they wait in hope for some possible cure. It is the woman who is pregnant, anxiously waiting nine months while her child grows within her.

This Sunday is one of waiting. The risen Lord has ascended to heaven and the disciples are on their own. They are huddled in the upper room wondering what will happen. The Gospel that the Church gives us in these days between Ascension and Pentecost is the prayer of Jesus at the Last Supper as found in the Gospel of John. In this prayer Jesus acknowledges that he has entrusted the message of eternal life to his followers. And he prays for all those who have accepted his word.

Liturgically, we wait for the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. But in reality, the Spirit is already given to each of us who have been baptized and who believe in the name of Jesus. Even though this Sunday is like a pause between two great feasts, the wait is already over for us. The Holy Spirit dwells in our hearts. We can't wait huddled in some upper room. We who are in the world are called to take the word of Christ into the world today.



**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

Gilbert Keith Chesterton received many gifts from God, including an extraordinary mind and exceptional ability to say or write a great deal with surprisingly few words.

"There is no way in which a man or woman can earn a star or deserve a sunset." Granted that the atheist has not and never did have grounds on which to stand, G.K. Chesterton abolished the atheist.

In our present age the Chesterton age may seem quite forgotten. The day will come when people will discover that Chesterton's wisdom and wit will help our society to realize his gifts.

It does not seem farfetched to see Chesterton as a very religious man in his awareness of God and men or women. His mind led him into the Catholic Church. When he could, he went to daily Mass. His writings helped others to know, love and serve God.

Some of us may take a beautiful sunset for granted along with the wonderful other glories of God. May we be grateful to God who made it all possible and the people who are wise enough and thankful enough to treasure the eternal God who made us to know, love and serve Him.

CHOIR

Next weekend *The Michael Sayes Choir*, a tour choir from Florida, will be singing and praying with us at the 11:30am Mass, here at St. Joseph Parish on Sunday, June 12.

2011 CATHOLIC APPEAL

Offering Hope by Sharing God's Gifts

Thank you to all supporters of the 2011 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$26,080 from households, reaching 84.1% of our goal of \$31,000. If you have not yet pledged, please do so, even if you plan on fulfilling that pledge later in the year. Remember, our parish will receive 25% of all funds we raise above our goal. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms in the back of the church, and for more information you can visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Every gift matters. Thank you!

★ **PLANS ARE IN THE MAKING FOR**
★ **ST. JOSEPH'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY**
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★ Thanks to our 150th anniversary committee who met on
★ Monday, May 16 to begin planning our year-long cele-
★ bration. Many great things are in store for our celebra-
★ tion. If you did not make the meeting but are interested
★ in being involved, please email the committee chair,
★ Denise Tompkins at dentomp@aol.com or let Fr. Dan
★ know of your interest. Watch future bulletins for more
★ information.
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

"Protecting God's Children" will be presented on **Tuesday, June 7** at 7pm and **Sunday, June 12** at 1pm. All volunteers are required to attend or contact Pat Harris at 781-535-8655 or repatharris@verizon.net. You will be asked to attend the program out of Parish if prior arrangements are not made.

REGISTRATION

..Please help us to gather the children in, so we can continue our Baptismal promise to "keep the flame of faith alive in their heart."

EVERYONE in the Parish who has a child aged 3 -- 15 needs to REGISTER for Religious Education. Packets are available at the doors. A tentative schedule is included. **Children attending Catholic School should register**, for no fee, so we can include them in our celebrations, workshops, and Family Mass. Contact Pat Harris at repatharris@verizon.net or 781-535-5586.

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St. Joseph Parish is now ready to start a **Baptismal Preparation Class**. We need help to begin the process and lead the classes. Parishioners with children who would like to help new families enjoy the rewards of raising children steeped in their religion -- please contact Pat Harris, 781-535-5586, the Parish Office, or repatharris@verizon.net. We'd like to have this in place for September!

ANTICIPATION FOR PARTICIPATION

GRAND ANNUAL CONGRATULATIONS

Our parish has done a great job in supporting the 2011 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 \$75,000, with pledges and donations totaling \$84,634, and 35% of our parish population has participated. Our goal really is 100% . . . last year we reached 55% . . . please let's try our best to increase the participation this year. Our Grand Annual continues until the end of June, and any amount you give is a "raise" in our goal for St. Joseph's. Information packets with pledge forms are in the back of the church.

Thank you for your faith, love and support! And thank you so much for helping us once again to achieve our goal.

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