PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY WOMEN & MEN

PLEASE PRAY DAILY FOR OUR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE SERVING IN THE MILITARY. WE REMEMBER THEM DURING OUR DAILY AND WEEKEND MASSES AND PRAY FOR THEIR SAFE KEEPING.

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"LOVE THY NEIGHBOR"

We want to help! Parishioners in need of food or other assistance should contact the parish office at 528-8288. All information is held in strict confidence. If you or any parishioner you know is recovering from an illness or injury and may need some assistance, please contact the parish office. If you know someone who is homebound and would like to have Communion brought to them, please call the parish office. We are the family of God and we are here to help one another.

"TURKEY FEATHERS" Beginning November 1st & $2^{\rm nd}$ "Turkey Feathers" will be available at the baptismal font and in the Church vestibule. Please help our needy neighbors by taking a "feather" or "feathers" and returning the requested food item with the tag attached by November 20th. Thank you for your generosity.

Thank You

A thank you from the Connecticut Children's Place and South Windsor Safe Home, thanking everyone for their generous gifts of luggage, back packs and books.

Sandwich Makers Needed

Volunteers are needed to make sandwiches on Monday November 10 at 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the parish kitchen. Donations of sandwich fillings, juice boxes, fruit, bread and sandwiches will be collected next weekend November 8th and 9th. New comers welcomed!

HEALTH MINISTRY

The St. Francis of Assisi Parish Health Ministry identifies the needs related to the physical, emotional and spiritual wellness of parish members Parish nurses are health educators, advisors and resources persons, who can provide health and blood pressure screenings, check medications and make referrals to community agencies. Home visits are conducted when needed. Please call or come in. The nurse's office hours are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. in the parish office.

All information is strictly confidential.

Diane Haley, R.N. Parish Nurse

Any parishioner confined to home or a convalescent home that would like to receive communion on a regular basis, please call the parish office.

Please Take Notice: There will be no CCD classes for Grades 6 & 8 on Monday, November 10th.

RCIA

Adults who have not completed their sacraments and who are in need of First Communion or Confirmation, please call Father Murasso.

ADULT ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Father Murasso is in need of adult altar servers for the 8:00 am Mass. Those interested should call the parish office.

ST. FRANCIS ORATORY

Parishioners are invited to submit prayer intentions to the oratory. Please join our prayer group, held on Sunday evenings, in the parish hall from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Except on the first Sunday of the month when there is benediction in the church.)

Thanksgiving Day Mass

There will be a light reception held in the parish hall following the 8:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Mass on November 27.

Please take note: The parish office will be closed on Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th.

WYLDLIFE CLUB MEETING ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS!!!

Our next Wyldlife Club meeting is this Friday, November 7th. We will meet for a night of games and fun from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Church, Sand Hill Road South Windsor. Bring you friends! Thanks to all who made our last event at the Foster Farm Corn Maze so much fun. Questions? Call Diane Evans @ 528-7008.

SACRED VESSELS

We are in need of several ciboriums for storing hosts in the tabernacle, and for the distribution of communion. Parishioners who are interested in purchasing a ciborium in memory of a loved one should see Father Murasso after one of the masses or contact the parish office. The Donation for the ciboriums is \$650.00 each. This will include the engraving cost.

ALTAR SERVICES Father Murasso invites children of the parish who have made First Holy Communion to consider becoming an altar server. Interested children are asked to complete the form below and drop it into the collection basket at the weekend masses, or drop it off at the parish office. Father will be scheduling a meeting.
Name:
Address:
Telephone:
Grade:

Remember Our Military Men & Women

Place of present service:

Father Murasso would like to pray for our military men and women by name whose parents or other family members are members of St. Francis of Assisi. Please submit the name of a military man or woman by completing the form below. Please drop it into the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. These names will be added to the Prayers of the Faithful at our weekend liturgies and submitted to the Oratory. Name of service person:

Branch in the Military:

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Father Murasso is looking for volunteers to help direct the Children's Choir and run the rehearsals. Anyone interested, please call the parish office. A date and time for the rehearsals has not yet been determined, but please check the bulletin for new details.

ADULT CHOIR MEMBERS WANTED

Father Murasso would like to increase our adult choir by at least 20 people. Please consider joining the choir and praising God with your voice. Please call Jack Carlson if interested.

The Catholic Bishops of Connecticut Invite you to Catholic Concerns Day 2004

Save the Date for Catholic Concerns Day on March 31, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. The day begins with a Prayer Service at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Hartford, followed by a procession to the Capitol, and meetings with legislators. Your legislator will also be invited to attend these events. Please encourage save the date by calling 1421/1420/1423/1902. Parking is available at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield. Shuttle buses will be available for travel to the Cathedral from 8:00-9:00 a.m. Buses will also be available for travel to the Capitol and back to the parking area. The last bus pickup to St. Thomas Seminary will be at 2:00 p.m. For more information, call the Connecticut Catholic Conference (860) 524-7882.

Father Murasso is looking for families to sign up for the lighting of our Advent Wreath. One family for each Mass during the Advent season, which begins on Nov. 29th/30th. Please call the parish office with availability.

Christmas Gift Tags

Tags with specific gift wishes for needy parishioners, South Windsor residents, and area children will be available beginning November 22-23, on the Christmas trees in the Church Vestibule and by the Baptismal Font. Parishioners are invited to take a tag, and return the gift as soon as possible (NO LATER THAN DEC. 10th) with the tag firmly attached for identification. Please note: each tag represents a gift for a SPECIFIC PERSON. If you take a tag please be certain to provide the item or return the tag to the tree so someone else may purchase the gift. If a gift is not returned on time, it means that the person's request will not be met. Also needed are wrapping paper, gift tags and scotch tape for families to wrap their own gifts.

BULLETIN INSTRUCTIONS: 11-02-03