

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

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Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM



**Pastoral Staff:** Rev. Paul Clifford, Pastor  
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**Parish Office:** Mr. Rick Timmerman, Business Manager  
Miss Patty Kinnally, Office Manager

**Mass Schedule:** Saturday Evening – 4:00 PM  
Sunday – 7:00, 9:30 and 11:30 AM  
Weekday – Monday thru Friday 7:00 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday – 2:30 to 3:45 PM

**Sacrament of Marriage:** A minimum of ten months notice is required. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment prior to booking a hall.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** First and Third Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM.  
Please call the Parish Office to register.

**Sacrament of the Sick and Communion Calls:** Please notify the Parish Office if anyone is hospitalized or unable to attend Mass because of illness.

**Community Meetings:** School Hall Alcoholics Anonymous – Friday 8:00 PM

**Food Pantry:** Thursdays – please call the Parish Office one day in advance.

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, July 9, 2016

4:00 PM Paul Cowley Anniversary

## Sunday, July 10, 2016

7:00 AM Mary T. Sullivan Anniversary

9:30 AM Ruth & Lucius Manganello Memorial

11:30 AM Rinaldo & Anna Ventresca Anniversary

## Monday, July 11, 2016

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

## Tuesday, July 12, 2016

7:00 AM Joseph Altobelli Anniversary

## Wednesday, July 13, 2016

7:00 AM

## Thursday, July 14, 2016

7:00 AM

## Friday, July 15, 2016

7:00 AM Anne Trayers Month's Mind

## Saturday, July 16, 2016

4:00 PM Harry & Jeannette Dulong Memorial

## Sunday, July 17, 2016

7:00 AM Elizabeth A. Reedy Anniversary

9:30 AM Martin Murphy Anniversary

11:30AM Anna Majdan Memorial

Thank you for your offerings for last weekend:  
Percentage of offertory by Envelope/EFT—71%

**If you are interested in the Online Giving option to simplify your weekly contributions please contact the parish office.**

## Collection Report

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 4,992.00
Offertory/Loose	\$ 2,475.00
EFT Weekly Average	\$ 1,003.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 8,470.00</b>

**PLEASE REMEMBER ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH WHEN PLANNING YOUR ESTATE. Thank you!**



**"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:30b-31, 33**

## Readings for the Week of July 10, 2016

- Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 or Ps 19:8-11/Col 1:15-20/  
Lk 10:25-37
- Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23/  
Mt 10:34-11:1
- Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-8/Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-10, 14-15/  
Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-21/  
Mt 11:28-30
- Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10-12, 16/  
Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14/  
Mt 12:14-21
- Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-5/Col 1:24-28/  
Lk 10:38-42



As you plan your summer vacation or have the opportunity to sneak away for the weekend, here is something to pack in your suitcase along with your sunscreen, or in your smart phone! To find the Mass closest to you location, visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org). When you make your reservations, please remember to reserve some time for the Lord!



From the desk of the  
Pastoral Associate  
Mrs. Linda Muldoon



### 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's reading from the Old Testament, Moses speaks to the people as they approach the Promised Land. He reminds them (and us) that God's voice, God's command, is very near to us because God has placed it already in our mouths and in our hearts; we have only to carry it out. In the Gospel, it is the Samaritan—not the priest, not the Levite—who acts from his heart to care for the man who fell victim to robbers. Fast forward some two thousand years, and we shudder at yet another act of terrorism (in Turkey) by suicide bombers. We pray for the victims, the survivors, and their families. We witness acts of heroism as emergency responders enter the fray. And somehow we know that before they arrived, God spoke in many hearts. Those who listened perhaps helped someone to safety, stayed by a victim's side, offered water, or applied a tourniquet. **God's voice spoke, "Mercy."** To quote the lector workbook for this week: "Mercy is the attribute of God that makes us like God. Only with a merciful heart can we love our neighbor as ourselves." Let us pray that we listen to the echo in our hearts when we have an opportunity to show mercy to one another.

**Food Collection Sunday is next weekend!** The supermarket is a great place to teach a child or grandchild the importance of helping someone less fortunate. Teaching moments can occur over a box of cereal or macaroni and cheese. We gratefully welcome your donations of non-perishable food items (peanut butter is always a good one), small toiletries, cleaning supplies, and paper goods. Just bring them to Mass with you and leave them in the foyer. Our volunteers will do the rest. Thank you.



**Summer Evenings of Prayer...** We invite everyone from our collaborative to join us (and bring a friend), on Wednesday, July 27 at 7PM at St. Francis. Take a break from the heat, cool off in our air-conditioned church, nourish your soul, renew some friendships, and enjoy some refreshments! St. Clare will host a similar evening in August. Please check back for more information.



## Parish Info and events of note...

- **Prayer Shawls...** will resume again in September. Newcomers, novices and experts are always welcome!
- **St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry...** We are open Thursdays from 10AM-12NN and 2-4PM. If you need groceries, please call on Wednesday so that we can be prepared for your visit. Referrals and limited financial assistance are available for parishioners in need. Please call the parish office for more information.
- **RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.** It begins with a time to ask your questions and discern whether God is calling you to something more. Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Maybe you were baptized but missed the opportunity to receive your first holy communion or be confirmed. Do you hunger, do you thirst for something more? Do you want to learn about the food that endures for eternal life, to taste and see the goodness of the Lord? Maybe you have questions about our faith or your own circumstances. You can reach out to a member of our staff at any time by contacting the parish office or join us for an inquiry session, soon to be scheduled. If the words above do not resonate with you, please pass them along to someone you know who may be interested. God works through us, especially when we pay attention.
- **Visits to the Sick and Homebound...** If you or someone you know cannot attend Mass due to surgery, illness or infirmity, you can request a Communion visit. Our staff and trained home visitors are available and willing to come to you. Please call the parish office for more information.
- **Parish Prayer Line...** To be placed (or to pray) on the parish prayer line, please call the parish office.
- **Military Service...** If someone you know is newly deployed and you would like their info to appear on the board, please call or email the parish office. Thank you.





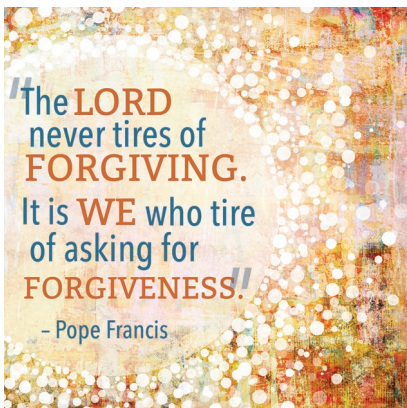
From  
Mr. Brian Cote  
Principal



**“School Nurse Position Available”** – St. Francis of Assisi School is currently seeking a full-time nurse to join our school for the 2016 – 2017 academic school year. The school nurse is responsible for maintaining the school’s health policies and programs. The primary role is to promote health education and to provide preventative health services to facilitate the physical, cognitive, emotional, and social growth of our students. If interested in applying, please send a letter of interest, resume and license(s) to Brian Cote, St. Francis of Assisi School, 850 Washington Street, Braintree, MA 02184 or via email at [bcote@sfab.org](mailto:bcote@sfab.org). For more details regarding this position, contact Brian Cote at 7811-848-0842 x12 or via email.

## Enroll Today

St. Francis of Assisi School is now accepting applications for all grade levels for the 2016-17 school year. For more information regarding our admissions procedure, simply visit our school’s website ([www.sfab.org](http://www.sfab.org)) or contact us at (781) 848-0842. Are you interested in learning more about what SFA has to offer for your child, its curriculum and extracurricular activities? Arrange your personalized visit/tour with our principal by contacting Brian Cote at (781) 848-0842 x12 or emailing [bcote@sfab.org](mailto:bcote@sfab.org). We look forward to possibly serving your family in the spiritual, academic, and social development of your child.



# Retreat

Want to vacation with the Lord? Miramar Retreat Center has two retreats for you to consider:

### A DIRECTED RETREAT

July 17-24

A unique experience of personal prayer based on scripture, calling for receptivity to the movements of the Spirit and the capacity to discuss one’s prayer with a spiritual director each day. Directed retreats are accommodated in single rooms with private bathroom and heat/air conditioning units.

### CHILL OUT FOR THE LORD: VACATION DAYS FOR WOMEN RELIGIOUS

August 21-25

Come and relax for a few days and relax in the beautiful grounds of Miramar. Meals are included as well as an opportunity to join the religious community for daily Mass. The days are free to plan as you wish and God will be delighted to relax with you and enjoy the precious present moments of summer beauty.

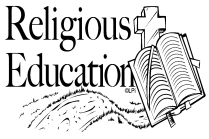
Call for more information at:

(781) 585-2460 Or [Visit Our Website!](#)



**Miramar Retreat Center's 13th annual "Some Enchanted Evening"** will be held on August 6, 2016, beginning at 5pm at the Miramar Retreat Center, 121 Parks St., Duxbury, MA.

Enjoy a social hour, gourmet dinner, silent auction, and music. Bring your family and friends. Proceeds benefit the Miramar Capital Fund. Tickets are \$100 per person. To make reservations, place an ad in the program book, make a donation, or donate an item for the auction, call Miramar Retreat Center at (781) 585-2460. Publication deadline for ads and donations is July 15th. Tickets are limited. Reserve yours before July 26th.



Mrs. Diane Hopkins  
Mrs. Ronna Petrilli  
Phone 781.848.3238



We hope you had a wonderful Fourth of July!!

Registration forms will be available next week. There will be two separate registration forms this year: One for Grades 1-8 and one for Confirmation Program (Grades 9 & 10).

If you have any questions, please call the Religious Education office at 781-848-3232. Summer hours are Monday-Thursday 10:30-2:30. If we are unable to answer your call, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

*Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.*

Stay Close,  
Ronna Petrilli and Diane Hopkins

**Catholic Night**  
- Friday, August 5th @ 7:05pm -

**\$15 Ticket Package**  
**Includes:**

- \$5 Donation to your Parish
- \$5 Free Ballpark Credit
- General Admission Ticket
- Pre-Game On-Field Recognition
- Post-Game Fireworks Show

**CONTACT:**  
**Jack Verducci**  
401-721-5265  
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## Puzzle

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

CARE	LEAVING	SAMARIA
ROBBERS	PRIEST	TREATED
ATTACKED	WALKED	NEIGHBOR

M N S W G O I N W F R  
A T T A C K E D O N M  
J R U L E T J C H E R  
O E B K S A M A R I A  
R A S E T C K E D G M  
I T M D A N G R A H E  
V E R P R I E S T B Y  
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T Y A E R O B B E R S  
B H R M U P A R A O F  
I L E A V I N G H E A

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### Sharing the Gospel

Jesus wants you to love your neighbors. He wants you to help your neighbors. You could help the people who live next door, or the people that go to your church. But Jesus wants you to think bigger than that. Jesus wants you to help people all around the world - no matter where they live, and no matter what they believe.

### Prayer

Dear God, show me how to help others around the world.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of people holding hands all around the world. They are all our neighbors.

### Mission for the Week

Ask your parents if your family could give money to help the missions in another country.



**The Bereavement Support Group at Sacred Heart Parish (Quincy)**, will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 8:30PM in the Sacristy, 386 Hancock Street, North Quincy. If you, or someone you know has experienced the loss of a loved one and would like to meet in an atmosphere of compassion and confidentiality, please contact Sacred Heart Rectory 617.328.8666. The facilitator will be Rosemary Kubera.

#### **The Marge Crispin Center**

Adult day care is available Monday thru Friday 8:30AM—2:30PM at the Marge Crispin Center, 74 Pond Street. We provide a light breakfast, full lunch and 2 snacks per day prepared by a ServSafe certified employee. Our day consists of morning coffee and socializing, light exercise therapy, arts and crafts and musical entertainment. Group activities include bingo, bean toss, trivia, etc. Limited transportation is available. For more information please call Ann Toland or Pat Conrad at 781-848-2124.

**“The Friends of Braintree Military”** invite Braintree families who have a family member currently serving our country to apply for a newly designed Braintree flag honoring their service. A Braintree family may send a written request for a flag to the Veterans’ Agent, Richard Walsh, c/o Council on Aging, Cleveland Avenue, Braintree, MA 02184. Include the person’s name, military ID number, branch of the service and the family address. Once the flags are available, they will be delivered to the family who can forward it to their loved one. The family will also be given a flag from the townspeople of Braintree. The “Friends” are honored to express gratitude to the family and their loved ones serving our country in these challenging times. Volunteers are currently raising \$2,500 to finance the project, contributions are welcome. For more information contact Jean Healey at 781-843-1189 or healeybjean@gmail.com.

**Cardinal Spellman High School and EduBoston are seeking welcoming families to host international high school students.** Host Families will be compensated for their support with \$1,000 per month, designed to cover all of the associated costs of hosting an international student. Visit the EduBoston website at [www.eduboston.com](http://www.eduboston.com) for more information and to fill out a Host Family Application. You may also contact, Lisa Breen the CS-EduBoston Program Manager, at [lisa@eduboston.com](mailto:lisa@eduboston.com) or by phone at 857-498-5472.



*From the  
Archdiocese of  
Boston*

#### **July 10 ~ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Timeless words from Moses: "... heed the voice of the LORD, your God, and keep his commandments and statutes ...," Moses reminds us that the commandments are readily accessible. In fact, they are “already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out.” Love God, love your neighbor. Jesus tells the beautiful story of the Good Samaritan – a story with such a universal message it is the common understanding of kindness. It is a story of mercy. The Year of Mercy is more than half over. What spiritual or corporal works of mercy have you built into your daily life? It’s not too late to start.

#### **EMPOWER—BOSTON (9/10/2016)**

“Empower” is Youth Ministry training at its best! It will be held on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at St. Francis Parish, Medford Catholic Collaborative. The day will include training for small group facilitation, relational ministry, and middle school ministry; as well as activities for high school ministry, team planning, Mass, lunch and the best praise & worship music. The goal of the day is to help parishes lead teens closer to Jesus Christ! This event is sponsored by the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation and Parish Support, and Life Teen. Registration opens May 1<sup>st</sup> with a discount for early registrations. All priests attend for free!



#### **25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

His Eminence, Sean Cardinal O’Malley, OFM invites all couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2016 to the Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. The Mass will be celebrated on September 25th at 11:30 and will include a renewal of vows. Family members and friends are welcome to attend. For more information and to register, please visit [bostoncatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass](http://bostoncatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass). Please register by September 2 to have your name included in the printed list of anniversary couples. A formal invitation and more information will be mailed to each registered couple in September.

