



07/11	9:00 am 4:30 pm	For the parish Wally Regan (The family)
07/12	8:00 am 9:15 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Dominick Colacicco (Jennie & John DiBerardino) Frances Sacerdote (Clem Anderson) Giacomo, Vincenza & Louie Sciarretta (Lucy Albano) Jane Dillane (Richard & Annette Maiberger)
07/13	9:00 am	Marguerite Pennington (Nilda Canevari)
07/14	9:00 am	Anthony & Valverдина DePanfilis (The family)
07/15	9:00 am	Anthony Colacicco (Lucy & John Albano)
07/16	9:00 am	Catherine Christie (A relative)
07/17	9:00 am	Matthew (Grandpa & grandma)
07/18	9:00 am 4:30 pm	Alfonse Pascarelli (The family) Kordas, Rossi, Gerardi & Tucciarone Families (Kordas family)
07/19	8:00 am 9:15 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Parisi family (Rentas family) Mary Jane Paradis (2 nd Anniv.) (The family) Antoinette & Joseph Madafarri (Valerie Madafarri) Jane Dillane (Olson family)

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF JULY 25/26

07/25	9:00am 4:30pm	Patty Farrington (Farrington family) Jane Dillane
07/26	8:00am 9:15am 11:00am 6:00pm	Steve & Peggy Hegedus (The Iannacone's) Sr. Annie Smith (Kevin Smith & family) Anthony Colacicco (Wife, Anna) Henry Wolosiewicz (Corasaniti family)
07/27	9:00am	Patrick Lawless (Andy & Ann Marie Carney)
07/28	9:00am	Barbara Maillar (Rose Morgera)
07/29	9:00am	Thomas Hollohan
07/30	9:00am	Eugenio Pesce

07/31	9:00am	John R. Morton (M/M Richard Carroll)
08/01	9:00am 4:30pm	Margaret Greeley (Andy & Ann Marie Carney) Marguerite Pennington (Nilda Canevari)

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

The bans of marriage are announced for the second and last time both between Erica Morabito and Daniel Allocca.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers for this weekend are in memory of Cosmo and Irene Tavella, given by their daughter Diane and family. The flowers for next weekend, July 19th, are in memory of Mary Jane Paradis, given by the family.



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Opportunities for Sharing your Faith are available now. Please consider helping as a catechist or classroom assistant during the 2009-2010 REACH session. Call Kathy Coyne at the office at 846-2111 for further information.

REACH REGISTRATION 2009-2010

If you haven't done so already, please send in your REACH registration form for students entering grades K-8. If you have not received your form or misplaced it, please call the office at 846-2111 or get it at the parish website www.stjeromenorwalk.org. If you have friends or neighbors with children entering kindergarten or first grade, please share this information with them. The REACH office is staffed on a limited basis during July and August. Please leave a phone message whenever you have a question, and we will get back to you

TOTAL: On Monday, June 29th we held our Annual Senior Parishioner Picnic. It was a day filled with good food, great parishioners, our wonderful teens and great entertainment. Our teens prepared the food, including set up and clean up, and enjoyed our senior parishioners. All in all it was a great day for everyone. I would like to thank the teens who gave of themselves so willingly: Emily Crosby, Cameron Prescott, Amanda D'Elia, Meghan Cassidy, Melissa Dube, Nicole Chiamonte, Anthony DiCostanzo, Taylor Smyth, Paige Henson, Gina Groseclose, Michael O'Callaghan, Taryn Macauda, Moira Whalen, Hannah Halsey, George Uzar, Mike Donovan, Chris Riordan, Rocco Bocchetta, Ryan O'Malley, Kyle Capone, Shannon O'Malley, Anthony Granchelli and Melania Oliveri.

Special gratitude to our entertainers: Anthony DiCostanzo and Monica Harrington who both sang songs without music, Moira Whalen and Taylor Smyth who did Irish Step Dancing, Paige Henson on the viola and Michael O'Callaghan on the trumpet. My thanks also to Judi Dennehy who helped with

shopping, and overseeing the teens, my husband, Bob who helped cook on the grille, and my daughter, Beth who took pictures, and Fr. Dave, Fr. Joe and Cathy Coyne for their support. I would especially like to thank all the Senior Parishioners who came and supported us for the day.

On **Tuesday, July 14th** we will have the first of our two Confirmation Retreats at St. Brigitta's in Darien. St. Brigitta's is a beautiful place, and our Confirmation Candidates usually enjoy their day. Please pray for them as they take another step in their Confirmation process.

ST. JEROME SOCIAL CONCERNS NEWS

Many thanks to all our parishioners who donated items to our Adopt a Platoon project. We were able to deliver over 40 bags of various requested items to the Sons of Italy, which were sent to service men and women overseas.

CHILDREN'S BOOK COLLECTION The children of Christian Community Action families have been enthusiastically receiving the several hundred books you have donated to our children's book collection. Thanks so very much for sharing these items with others.

Attention all gardeners! We will keep a labeled box in the hallway for you to donate any of your bagged surplus produce. Items will be delivered to the Christian Community Action Food Pantry.

SOLES FOR SOULS – As of July 6, the final count of donated pairs of shoes are 359. Thank you for your response.

Plastic bags needed If you have extra plastic bags, please drop them off in the collection box in the church hallway located at the rear door. We use them for food at Christian Community.

JULY FOOD DRIVE Our food drive for this month will take place during the July 25-26 Masses. Christian Community Action's Food Pantry is requesting "summer" food items, especially:

- Peanut butter,
- 19 oz., jars of jelly,
- Tuna fish,
- Mayonnaise,
- Juice boxes,
- Granola bars,
- Canned fruit
- Canned ravioli

As always, non-perishable items like dried beans, hearty canned soups, canned stews, and canned vegetables are always welcomed. Thank you for your compassion for the poor families of Norwalk.

JULY OFFERTORY SUMMARY

July 5, 2009	\$ 5,899
July offertory budget	34,100
Total for June 2009	38,991
June offertory budget	35,000

As always, thank you for your generous support of our parish.

RANDOM THOUGHTS

I breathe a sigh of relief as we enter July. June was exhausting and wonderful, at the same time. Let me take you through the past month. It started with the

Annual Women's Guild luncheon, that this year was held at the Norwalk Motor Inn. The luncheon marked the need of another successful year of ministry for this vital parish ministry. Led by Margie Gallivan, Lucy Ely and Agnes Conover, the guild models how collaborative ministry should function. At the luncheon they also made a gift to the parish of \$2500 which we then used to put up a much needed storage shed.

The next event was the annual Vicariate dinner for priests and deacons that was started by Msgr. Bumstead and always concludes the monthly vicariate schedule. This year we had seventeen guests in addition to Fr. Joe, Fr. Mike, deacon Dean and I. The meal was catered by our own Angela Carey and her sister Joan Beran. The meal and the service got raves.

Next, of course, was the raffle dinner at All Saints. The food was spectacular, people seemed to appreciate being back at All Saints and the parish was enriched by \$32,000. I am especially grateful to John Kuczo and Jim Alvord who have chaired this event for the past 13 years. I am also indebted to Tom Bennett and John Davis who made it possible to go back to All Saints. We could not have pulled off the dinner without their enormous work as well as the help from so many parishioners. The raffle dinner was a metaphor for how well this parish works and comes together.

The fourth significant event was our annual Mass and dinner for our high school seniors. Pat Olson organized this gala that celebrates the role of our high school teens in the parish. Many of them are lectors and Eucharistic ministers. They led "the Fourteen Steps". Many go on to take on adult roles in the parish. This year the Kevin Eidt scholarship was awarded to Jeff DeSimeone, who was also president of his class, Jesus in "Fourteen Steps", and a speaker at this year's Emmaus weekend.

Next in line was the Social Concerns dinner held at the rectory. This festive evening was put together by the leaders of the committee and Barbara Bagnato who does so much for the parish in a quiet but effective way. She was ably assisted by many members of the committee and our special guests were members of the soup kitchen team, the funeral reception team, the food drive team and others. A special award was given to John DiDomizio in gratitude for his many years in setting up the food drive and working to keep the parish aware of our need to be concerned for those less fortunate.

Finally, on the last day of the month the teens of the parish put on the annual picnic for our senior parishioners. Not only does the day give a chance for these two segments of the parish to get to know one another, it also is a showcase of the talents of our teens.