

# XI Sunday in Ordinary Time



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Saturday, 13 June Immac. Heart BVM; St Anthony of Padua

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

4 pm ... ☩ Charles Richard by Simone Richard

### Sunday, 14 June **XI Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am ... ☩ Joan Foley by Connie Raymond

9:30 am ... ☩ Edward Heroux by Alexis Benner

4:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

5 pm ... Our Parish Family

### Monday, 15 June

12 pm ... ☩ Dot, ☩ Ray, & ☩ Roger Larochelle by Lil Larochelle

### Tuesday, 16 June

12 pm ... ☩ Paul Lacaille by Pat Lacaille

### Wednesday, 17 June

11:30 am ... Confession & Reconciliation

12 pm ... ☩ Joseph & ☩ Antoinette Grandmaison by Lionel & Lil Coulon

### Thursday, 18 June

8:30 am ... ☩ Helene R. Plante (2nd Anniv.) by Jacques Plante

### Friday, 19 June **Saint Romuald, Abbot**

5:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

6 pm ... ☩ Kathy Angers by Richard Angers

### Saturday, 20 June

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

4 pm ... Our Parish Family

### Sunday, 21 June **XII Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am ... ☩ John Deswert (5th Anniv.) by Margaret Deswert

9:30 am ... ☩ Lucille M. Kelley by the Kelley family

4:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

5 pm ... ☩ Harvey Clement by his family

### Sunday, 14 June

10:30 am ... Coffee & Donuts—Parish Hall

### Monday, 15 June

1—6pm ... Blood Drive—Parish Hall

### Tuesday, 16 June

12:30 pm ... Parish Nurse—Church Conf. Room

### Wednesday, 17 June

12:45 pm ... Homeschool Lunch—Parish Hall

### Thursday, 18 June

7 pm ... Book Discussion Group—Church Conf. Room

### Sunday, 21 June

10:30 am ... Coffee & Donuts—Parish Hall

### Lynne Hartshorn Memorial Blood Drive



Please mark your calendar for **Monday, June 15 from 1-6 pm** in the Parish Hall. Lynne was a longtime volunteer and receptionist at the American

Red Cross Center in Manchester. Her son, Peter Hartshorn and his wife, Melissa, and their three children are parishioners of Saint Raphael. All blood donations would be greatly appreciated!



A Great Literary Event: later this summer, for the first time in over 50 years, publishers will release a new novel by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Harper Lee. In anticipation of this exciting event, the parish book discussion group will read Lee's classic novel *To Kill a Mockingbird*. It's the perfect time to discover or revisit this seminal work of American literature! We will meet on **Thursday, June 18, at 7 pm** in the church conference room. Books are available at the parish office for \$15.



**Sanctuary candle** The sanctuary candle burns this week for ☩ **Beau Biden** by Mikki Margaritis.



**Roots/Routes of Faith!**  
**Following in the Footsteps of Saint Paul—Saint Raphael's 2015 pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey is moving forward!** The trip **Oct. 7-18** will include **three nights at sea** as we **cruise key**

**Greek isles in the Aegean!** Interested? Flyers are on our website and at back of church. **Still time to sign up!** **Invite your family and friends to join us!** Please call the rectory at 623.2604 if you are interested or have questions. Forms are available on our website, [www.saint-raphael-](http://www.saint-raphael-)



healthy *lunchtime* challenge  
& **KIDS' "STATE DINNER"**

Congratulations to **Ana Bernazzani**, daughter of Eric & Xiorli Bernazzani and student at Saint Benedict Academy, who was chosen among many applicants to represent New Hampshire in the Healthy Lunchtime Challenge, sponsored by First Lady Michelle Obama. Ana and her mom will fly to Washington, D.C., on July 9 for the weekend, when they will have dinner with the Obamas at the White House! We are very proud of Ana and look forward to seeing and sharing photos with our parishioners.

## Got freedom? Then trace your liberty back to Magna Carta



When does a foreign document, drafted eight centuries ago, matter? How does a **charter of rights and freedoms** for a

king and his aristocracy become important in the U.S., which has neither a monarch nor a titled nobility? When does a document written in **medieval Latin** by a Catholic archbishop, a document annulled by the pope because neither side bothered to abide by its provisions, relevant to 21<sup>st</sup> century Americans?

When the name of that document is **Magna Carta**, which will mark its **800<sup>th</sup> anniversary** this Monday, June 15. As one of the key documents of English liberty, Magna Carta holds a permanent place not just in British history, but in American experience. Magna Carta, which means The Great Charter, was a touchstone for such fundamental American documents of freedom as the **Declaration of Independence**, the **Articles of Confederation**, the **Constitution of the United States**, and the **Bill of Rights**.

If the British Parliament is understood as “the mother of parliaments” throughout the English-speaking world and in almost all of the nations where the British Empire spread, then Magna Carta might correctly be seen as “**the mother of charters of freedom**,” or, perhaps the “**midwife of liberty**.”

One of the most moving moments I had was in 2008, when I visited the **British Library** in London and had the opportunity to see Magna Carta displayed within the library’s impressive permanent exhibition. It ranked with the time many years ago when I stood in the **U.S. National Archives** to view the four great charters of American freedom.

These documents are **not just old pieces of paper, parchment or vellum** with fancy writing. They are documents whose ideas have shaped the history of nations and have opened up the possibility of liberty for millions. This process rarely occurs overnight. It is often hidden and obscure, sometimes fought out in courts and through protest marches, sometimes in legislative assemblies, sometimes in classroom and tavern debates and sometimes even on the field of battle. But it occurs only because **such ideas have matured and evolved** into the documents of freedom that the United States, the United Kingdom and like-minded nations treasure. The memories those documents embrace shape the future.

Magna Carta was an effort by the barons of England to limit and curtail the excesses



of King John, the brother of the beloved King Richard the Lionhearted (*illustration above*). John became king after his brother’s death during a crusade in the Holy Land. The nobles and the bishops wanted the king’s penchant for illegal imprisonment, delayed justice and exploitation of the Church curtailed, and they would be happy to see limits on exorbitant taxes and fees. In some respects, Magna Carta was a failure in its own time – but it set a precedent for some vital features in the Anglo-American tradition: due process, redress in law, consent of the governed, limits under law on the executive, king or president, and the right to legislative assembly.

In the century that followed the signing of Magna Carta at Runnymede, the document was voided, reissued, amended and gradually filtered into English law. The notion took hold that the document was an attempt to



reassert English rights that had been lost or eroded with the Norman French invasion of 1066. By the 16<sup>th</sup> century, renewed interest in Magna Carta developed and its principles were much at issue in the **struggles between Parliament and Charles I**, which led to the **English Civil War**, the murder of Charles and the establishment of Oliver Cromwell and the Commonwealth. Later, as new tensions emerged between James II and Parliament, some of the rights and freedoms described in Magna Carta would occasion the **Glorious Revolution** and the accession to the throne of William III and Mary.

As England planted her new colonies in North America in the 17<sup>th</sup> century, it took little time for colonists to remember Magna Carta and the ideal of freedom. The struggle for the independence of **colonial legislatures**, the demand for representation in Parliament and the struggle against impositions by George III that led to the American Revolution all looked to Magna Carta as **the basis for such freedoms**. When newly free Americans fashioned their new government, first under the Articles of Confederation and then under the Constitution, the influence of Magna Carta

could be felt. Ironically, 19<sup>th</sup> century scholarship emphasized that the document was about demands by the aristocracy of the 13<sup>th</sup> century to limit intrusions of the monarchy, the links of Magna Carta to **the ideal of personal liberty** were well established in the public mind.

The history of Magna Carta, which has four surviving copies of the 2015 version, two in the British Library, and one each in Salisbury and Lincoln Cathedrals, is obviously a very English affair. Yet the impact of this document has circled the globe. One measure of its impact, for example, is the presence of foreign memorials from the U.S., Canada, Australia, New Zealand, India and elsewhere at Runnymede, the site near London, where Magna Carta was signed.

After U.S. President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in 1963, the British people gave a small parcel of land at **Runnymede**, near Windsor Castle, where Magna Carta was first signed, to the American people as a **memorial to the slain president**. Queen Elizabeth II and former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy dedicated the monument in May of 1965. Moreover, there are memorials from the American Bar Association and an **oak tree from Jamestown, VA**, site of the first English colony in America, to mark the bicentenary of the U.S. Constitution. So, at the very site where the struggle toward national and individual freedom took some of its first steps, there is a bit of America.

Last year, **Lincoln Cathedral’s copy** of Magna Carta was on exhibit in Boston. Sadly, I missed the Museum of Fine Arts presentation, but the words of the Rev. Philip Buckler, dean of Lincoln Cathedral, are very much worth remembering:

“I hope that you will stand before it in awe and wonder at its age—nearly 800 years old—at its history, at its influence, but above all, **the challenges that it presents to us today**. It reminds us of the rule of law, the principles of justice to which we must hold, the freedom of religion, and the danger of unlimited power which needs to be regulated—all issues under threat in our world, not least as a result of terrorism and extremism. [They are] real issues for you here in the United States and for us in the United Kingdom and indeed for people all across our world today.”

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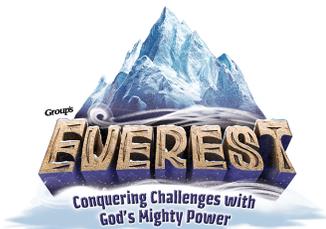
# June 14, 2015

## Readings for the week of June 14, 2015

**Monday:** 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42  
**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48  
**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
**Thursday:** 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15  
**Friday:** 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23  
**Saturday:** 2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34  
**Sunday:** Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41



We are getting there! Our **goal** this year is to raise **\$30,000** and we have raised **\$5,325 to date!** You can give through a pledge, become a sustaining donor with a monthly gift or give once a year. **Every dollar is important. Every gift brings hope.** As you're considering your donation, please keep in mind that Catholic Charities serves 1-in-13 people throughout NH. To do that, we need your continued support. Thank you!



**Save the date! VBS...** Saint Raphael's ever popular Vacation Bible School is coming! This year, VBS will be **July 13-17 from 9 am-12 pm.** This year's theme is

"Everest—Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power." Registration forms can be found on our website, [www.saint-raphael-parish.com](http://www.saint-raphael-parish.com), under the link 'News and Events'. You don't have to be a member of Saint Raphael to attend, so invite your friends and join in the fun!



Lifeline Screening will be at Saint Raphael Parish on **Monday, July 6.** This preventative health screening can detect your risk for serious disease and help to save your life and the lives of your loved ones through simple, painless, preventive health screenings. More information is available in the pink fliers in this week's bulletin.

## Weekly Collection

**June 7, 2015**

Offertory Regular	\$ 3,223.00
Offertory Make-Up	213.00
Offertory Loose	1,799.00
Offertory Online Giving	235.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 5,470.00</b>
Stewardship	\$ 5.00
Easter	\$ 20.00
<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$ 197.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*



**Saint Raphael Food Pantry** On Monday, June 8, the food pantry served **15 families** and gave out **27 bags** of groceries. We are in need of soup, macaroni & cheese, and Spaghetti's. Be sure to **LIKE** us on our new Facebook Page—**Saint Raphael Food Pantry / Hope Chest** to get news

## In Sympathy

Please pray for parishioner **†Estella (Mongan) Hughes**, who passed away

June 10 and whose funeral was celebrated Saturday, June 13 by P. Jerome, O.S.B., pastor.



**Homeschoolers...** On **Wednesday, June 17**, homeschooling families from the area will host a lunch in the Saint Raphael Parish hall following the noon Mass. Parishioners and others attending the Mass are cordially invited to join us!



**Baby Bottle Fundraiser Reminder**—Don't forget to return your bottles next weekend! Checks can be made payable to CareNet Pregnancy Center. Thank you for helping to make this fundraising effort a success again this year!

## Did You Know?

Sunday, June 14 is the **50th anniversary** of having the altar in the "new" church blessed! On **June 14, 1965**, **Abbot Gerald F. McCarthy, O.S.B.**, of Saint Anselm Abbey, consecrated the altar in the new church. The parish will celebrate our church building's golden anniversary this



# The New Saint Raphael Follies & Revue

*NOW, TWO NIGHTS OF FUN, ENTERTAINMENT  
AND DERRING-DO!*

WHO? YOU'LL BE SURPRISED, BUT YOU KNOW THEM ALREADY  
WHAT? A TALENT SHOW FOR THE NOT-SO-FAINT-OF-HEART!

**WHEN? THURSDAY, JUNE 25**

**OR FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2015, 7.30 P.M.**

WHERE? DANA CENTER., SAINT ANSELM COLLEGE

WHY? TO RAISE FUNDS AND FUN FOR THE PARISH!

HOW? TICKET SALES, ETC. ... AND YOUR HELP

*WHOM & WHAT DO WE NEED RIGHT NOW?*

- ▶ DONORS FOR DOOR PRIZE: LOTS OF GOOD STUFF
- ▶ VOLUNTEERS FOR PARKING AND CHILD CARE
- ▶ PROGRAM SPONSORS: FULL PAGE \$100, HALF PAGE \$50, QUARTER PAGE \$25, SHOUT-OUT PATRONS \$10, WITH PHOTO \$20, THREE-LINE MAX. AD COPY DUE AT PARISH OFFICE BY JUNE 19 (*DEADLINE EXTENDED*).



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