



## **2018 WINGS Spring Season**

**“Your Love O Lord Sustains Us”**

### **3/14 –“A Journey of Evolving Faith”**

Take a walk through Sue’s childhood experiences with her faith, her conversion to Catholicism, and her strong deepening of faith through Carl and her illnesses. Sue will highlight the sharing faith in action of the "angels" that walked with them during that journey.

*Sue Schnapp* was born in Ohio and moved to Massachusetts in 1980. She was married to Carl for forty-two years before becoming a widow two and a half years ago. She has two daughters and four grandchildren. Sue and Carl did Marriage Prep for many years and she has been a Food Pantry Volunteer for seventeen years. Previously Sue taught eighth grade CCD and was a special education aide.

### **3/21 - “The Power of Goodness: A Reason to Hope”**

Personal, societal and global issues can certainly overwhelm us. Consequently, despair, fear and negativity can consume us. Easter challenges us to not give up, but to see possibility. Easter reminds us that gifts are born from suffering. In spite of the doom and gloom we experience, the power of goodness gives us reason to be hopeful.

*Peggy Patenaude* has worked in the fields of education, pastoral ministry and spirituality for nearly fifty years. In 2002, she founded *Taking Time Out*, her own retreat and workshop ministry. With her playful spirit, love of storytelling, wonderful sense of humor and her gift of creativity, she motivates her listeners to live life to the fullest. Peggy has a BA in Theology, an MA in Pastoral Ministry and a Post-Masters Certificate in Spirituality. She lives on Cape Cod with her husband Dan. To learn more visit [www.timeoutretreats.com](http://www.timeoutretreats.com).

### **3/28 - Holy Week – No WINGS**

### **4/4 – “Santo Cristo Dos Milagres - The Power of Prayer: Faith, Hope, Love & Miracles”**

For more than three hundred years, five weeks after Easter pilgrims travel to the second biggest religious feast in Portugal to pay tribute to their faith. Many miracles have been attributed to the Christ of Miracles. We will look at the devotion to the Christ of Miracles, the history of this feast and a personal account of a 2017 pilgrimage.

*Mary Morris* is a retired Special Education Teacher who continues to work in the schools. Both of her parents are of Portuguese descent, her father’s birthplace being Azores, Portugal. Their faith was strong and she grew up with the devotion to the Christ of Miracles. In 2017 she attended the Santo Cristo Dos Milagres (Christ of Miracles) feast to say thank you for the miracle her son received.

## **4/11 – "God's Surprises and the Graces That Flow From Them"**

*Fr. Mark Coiro* is a 1990 graduate of St. Anselm College in New Hampshire where he received his Bachelor's Degree in Theology and Certification in Classics in 1990. He then attended St. John's Seminary in Boston. While in the seminary he joined the US Army Reserves as a Chaplain Candidate, being commissioned a Lieutenant in the Staff Specialist Branch. Fr. Mark received his Master of Divinity with a specialization in Systematic Theology in 1994. In 2005, Archbishop Sean O'Malley named Fr. Mark as the fourteenth Pastor of St. Mary's in Holliston.

## **4/18 School Vacation – No WINGS**

### **4/25 - "Enlarging the Space under Our Tents"**

During the first ten years of her life, Sister Agnes, was nurtured in what was essentially an insulated, white, Franco- American neighborhood, parish, and school. Things began to change for her when at eleven years old, her father took a job in Tarpon Springs, Florida where she began to widen the space of her tent by being exposed to people of different cultures, backgrounds, and ethnicities. This experience of inclusivity set her on a journey of discovery that lasted for a lifetime, one that would change her as a person and help her grow spiritually into the woman she has become.

*Sister Agnes Therrien* was born and raised in Pawtucket, Rhode Island and attended the local parish school of Our Lady of Consolation where she was taught by the Sisters of St. Chretienne. She went on to attend St. Chretienne Academy in Salem, Massachusetts. Upon graduation she entered the community of Sisters who had educated her for twelve years. As a member of this community she taught for twenty-one years, was a pastoral associate for nine years, a spiritual director and retreat director for nine years, and held leadership positions in the community for twenty-five years. She has a bachelor's degree from Boston College, a master's degree from Wesleyan University, and a post-graduate certificate from Weston School of Theology in Cambridge.

### **5/2 – "Ministry in the Church! A Duty and Privilege to be Shared by All"**

Participants will be invited to consider these simple, but profound questions: What do I do? Why do I do what I do? During the conversation which follows, participants will have an opportunity to share their responses as they relate to their ministry in the church.

*Rev. Oscar J. Pratt, II* is the Administrator of St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Dorchester, MA. His "Plenty Good News!" referenced in the Sunday bulletins, provides parishioners with poignant pieces to ponder during the week—Rev. Pratt teaches, challenges and motivates!

## **5/9 – Closing Brunch**