

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 13

4:30pm Wayne Fanning
Requested by Yvonne

Sunday, August 14

9:00am Special Intention —Maria Carmen Roxas birthday remembrance
11am Perpetual Mass Association Members

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Monday, August 15

7:00am Chi Thi and Thu Tran and Thanh John Ha—*Req. by family*
12:00nn Celebrant's Intention

Tuesday, August 16

7:00am Marion Maggio
Requested by family

Wednesday, August 17

7:00am Mass for the People

Thursday, August 18

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Friday, August 19

7:00am Candy Gootee
Requested by Kathleen and James Carney

Saturday, August 20

4:30pm Rose and Ralph Calitri
Requested by family

Sunday, August 21

9:00am Joan Fortin
Requested by Robert & Theresa Boss
11:00am Michael Scarpellino
Requested by family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 13

5:30pm Matilda and Michael Dunphy
Requested by family

Sunday, August 14

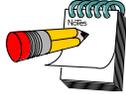
8:00am James and Lucille Ferry
Requested by family
10:00am Alice and Hilding Munson
Requested by family

Saturday, August 20

5:30pm Cooney family
(for Betty, Cy, David and Declan)
Requested by family

Sunday, August 21

8:00am Nancy and Charles Galligan
Requested by Galligan family
10:00am Maureen McGarry
Requested by Kathleen Dwyer



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMPS

The sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Margaret Flynn and Rosemary Walsh. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of James Powers.



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, August 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Though it is not a holy day of obligation this year because it falls within 24 hours of your Sunday obligation, we will have Mass at St. Francis Church in honor of Our Lady's feast day at 7:00am and 12:00nn.

ATTENTION YOUNG FAMILIES ... St. Francis Parish wants you to know that your family, with all of its LIFE like commotion, noise, crying, whispering, wiggling, fiddling and fussing—is not simply tolerated in our church, it is a VITAL PART of our Catholic Community gathered together to worship our God as ONE. We remember and know it is an enormous task to come to Mass and we will all reach out to make you feel at home. After all Church is not just a building; it is all of us: God's children coming together to express their love for their Creator. Thank you for your efforts! Keep coming!

FEATURE FILM FRENZY (F3)

We all know that media plays a vital role in identifying emerging cultural trends in everything from fashion to future technology. Sometimes the trends are against our family values. St. Francis' Feature Film Frenzy will help us discover some secular films that are dedicated to Christian values. Because Father Greenan Center provides a comfortable and stylish ambiance for entertainment, St. Francis will begin to showcase popular features, documentaries and shorts. F3 will not only be paying tribute to these films as works of art but also confirm that some media promotes superior values and Christian morality. Look for our first Feature Film Frenzy to begin soon. Synopses and ratings will be included.

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

	<u>August 7</u>
Budget envelopes used (249)	- \$ 6,495.50
Loose Donations	- \$ 2,356.00
Online Giving (# of donors -62)	- \$ 1,923.50
Total Budget	- \$10,775.00

Peter's Pence

Budget envelopes used (139)	- \$1,640.00
Other donations	- \$ 762.00
Total Peter's Pence	- \$2,402.00

This weekend's second offering is the Monthly offering for August. Next weekend's second offering will be the Ongoing Maintenance fund offering.
As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

AUGUST 14, 2016

From the Pastor

One of the blessings we enjoy in this part of the world is the availability of weekday morning Masses. Here at St. Francis, we have Mass Monday through Friday at 7 o'clock. St. Mary's Star of the Sea and St. Veronica's in Narragansett have it at 8 o'clock. St. James in Charlestown has a Mass at 8:30, and St. Thomas More has Mass at 9 a.m. Monday through Saturday. Finally, Christ the King has Mass Monday through Friday at noon in the Catholic Center at URI. Even people who are working outside the home can often go to the 7 a.m. and still get to work on time. Unlike weekend Masses, which have music, an extra reading and many people receiving communion, a weekday Mass takes not much more than 20-25 minutes. It's a great way to start the day.

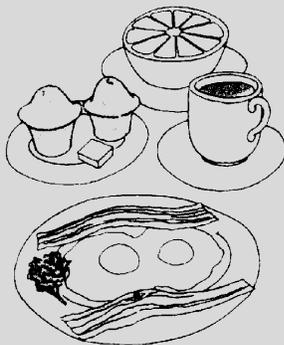
Speaking of Mass, Monday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady, usually a holyday of obligation. Out of consideration especially for those out in the West who have to travel many miles to get to church, the bishops usually dispense us from the obligation when the Solemnity falls on a Saturday or Monday, as it does this year. Still, although it's not "of obligation" this year, it's still a wonderful celebration of the dignity of human nature and of the unique role of the Blessed Virgin in the work of salvation wrought by Christ. Out of devotion, we're adding an extra Mass that day at noon. So, we'll have Mass at 7 a.m. followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as we do on Mondays, and end with Mass at noon instead of the usual rite of benediction.

Fr. Bodah

25 Years of Service to the Parish

Join us on September 11th at St. Francis Church as we bid farewell to Kelli McNulty after 25 years of service to the parish.

Receptions will follow all Sunday Masses in Helen Bouchard Hall located in the lower church.



End-of-Summer Breakfast at the Community Field House, Matunuck

Sunday, August 21st

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH
SETUP AND CLEANUP!

We also need:
Pick-up trucks - Servers -
Pastry donations

If you would like to help but are unable to attend, please contact Gerri Marsocci at 783-2369 or Ellen Schwab at 789-7707.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

will begin on **Sunday, September 18th** for Grades K-6 and **Wednesday, September 21st** for Grades 7&8 and those students already enrolled in Wednesday classes for Grades 3-6.

Those families new to the parish and families with children entering First Grade must register. Catholic school students in grade 2 must register for First Holy Communion class.

Students currently enrolled in the program are automatically promoted to the next grade and do not need to register again. Registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church. Please note: 9th and 10th grade Confirmation classes were held in July.



This Week

Assumption of the BVM Monday, August 15

7:30am Adoration
Mass will be celebrated at 7am & 12nn

Wednesday, August 17

6:30pm Visitation Program Mtg.
in the office conference room

Thursday, August 18

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Friday, August 19

10:45am Fr. Bodah's pastoral visit
to Peace Dale House

Saturday, August 20

8:00am Matunuck Breakfast setup
at Matunuck Community Field House.

4:30pm 3rd Family Mass followed
by family gathering in Father
Greenan Center from 5:30-7:30.



FAMILY MASS:

Please contact Christina Moynihan about having your children participate in our next Family Mass on Saturday, August 20. Children are invited to do the *Church Chores* of

reading the prayers of the faithful, ushering, collecting offerings, bringing up the gifts, greeting and distributing bulletins. Contact christinam.stfrancis@gmail.com or 783-4411 ext. 14. The Family Gathering immediately following will celebrate "Family Olympics." In commemoration of the closing of the Brazilian Summer Olympics, St. Francis families will have a chance to compete in our events. Prizes and rewards will be given. See you there!

AFFAIRS OF THE ART:

Is your free time spent in creating things, focusing on your hobby? Are you an avid stamp collector? Do you paint watercolors or acrylics in your free time? Is flora your passion? Can you fold paper into swans? Our St. Francis Parish asks all impassioned parishioners to share their talents, work, crafts, and hobbies with our community. We, also, hope you are willing to teach classes about them. Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411, etc. 14.

Save these dates:

- October 13, 6:30-8:30—Oil painting with Sharon Clossick (FGC)
- November 4, 6:30-8:30—Glass painting w/Diane Costanza (FGC)
- November 12, 10-12:30—Nativity Peg Doll with Barbette Cullen (FGC)

EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO HOMEBOUND

This ministry provides Holy Communion to those who are unable to join the community at Mass, either temporarily or for an extended period. Lay ministers visit homes, hospitals, and nursing homes, uniting the homebound to the other members of the parish through the body of Christ. To request a visit or to volunteer for the ministry please contact Christina Moynihan.

MATUNUCK BREAKFAST

TICKETS ON SALE

this weekend after all Masses at the church and chapel.

\$8—adults;

\$4—children ages 6-12;

Children 5 & under—FREE



NEED FOR CATECHISTS & AIDES

Our teachers and aides are a key component of our religious education program. Their unselfish generosity of time and talent is a gift to the young parishioners of St. Francis Parish. We are in need of teachers at various grade levels. **Why not you?** Team teaching is an option so invite a friend to join you! **Newly confirmed teens**, this is your chance to give back to the community the gifts of your faith that were passed on to you.

The qualifications needed are: weekly participation at Sunday Eucharist, a generous heart, enjoyment of young people, and a willingness to share your faith.

Please call Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro at 792-8684 for more information. We will be waiting for your call! Training and assistance are provided.

THE BETTER PART PROGRAM

In Luke 10:41-42, Martha rushes to provide entertainment for Christ, while Mary listens. Sitting at Christ's feet signifies readiness to receive Christ's word and willingness to submit to the guidance of it. That is "the better part". Come spend an evening listening to empowering lectures with fellow parishioners and guest speakers as St. Francis Parish hosts The Better Part Program.

Save the date of Wednesday, August 24th at 6:30pm

Come "sit at Jesus' feet" and be with Sister Pia, our own "daughter" of the Meehan family. Sister Pia will be presenting a day of contemplation and prayer, while also sharing her life's journey toward religious life. Some parts of Sister Pia's day include:

- Exposition of the Holy Eucharist
- Music / Song
- Sister Pia's testimony
- Community's written intentions
- Personal intentions
- Lectio Divina
- Benediction