

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 17

4:30pm Felicia Boragine

Requested by Lisa Fiore

Sunday, August 18

8:00am Brenda Fay

Requested by St. Francis Parish Staff

10:00am Reginald Allen, Jr. & Sr. and

Annette C. Allen—*Req. by family*

12:00NN Mary and Nelson Burke

Requested by family

Monday, August 19

7:00am Julia Buckley Schaaf

Requested by Mom and Dad

Tuesday, August 20

7:00am Karen Vendetti

Requested by Mom and Dad

Wednesday, August 21

7:00am Al and Alice Antone

Requested by family

Thursday, August 22

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, August 23

7:00am Special Intention for Thu Ba Tran

Requested by Rose

Saturday, August 24

4:30pm Ralph and Rose Calitri

Requested by family

Sunday, August 25

8:00am Michael J. Scarpellino

Requested by family

10:00am Olga M. Chmura

Requested by family

12:00NN John "Jack" Cain

Requested by Teresa & Rick Jordan



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 17

5:30pm James & Lucille Ferry

Requested by family

Sunday, August 18

8:00am Grace and John Carpinelli

Requested by family

10:00am Betty, Cy and David Cooney

Requested by family

Saturday, August 24

5:30pm Feeny & Robinson families

Requested by family

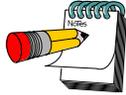
Sunday, August 25

8:00am Alice & Hilding Munson

Requested by family

10:00am Nancy and Charles Galligan

Requested by family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Karen Vendetti. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of James Powers.

MOTHER'S HELPER WANTED

Monday through Friday, 2-5:00PM

Grandmothers welcome.

If interested, please call 284-3036

SAVE THE DATE!



YEAR OF FAITH²⁰¹²₂₀₁₃

A COURSE ON RATZINGER'S *JESUS OF NAZARETH*

The first gathering for our parish course on Volume One of Jesus of Nazareth will be held on Tuesday, September 10 in lower Fr. Greenan Hall. Refreshments will be served at 6:30PM and the presentation will begin at 7:00PM. If you plan on participating in the course, please call the rectory so that an appropriate number of books can be ordered. If you have questions regarding the course, please call the rectory or contact Mary Vitiello at maryalri@yahoo.com. We hope you can join us!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Providence cordially invites you and your spouse to celebrate your 25th, 40th, 50th or over Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, October 6th, 2013 at 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence, RI. The 2013 Wedding Anniversary Celebration includes: Mass, renewal of wedding vows, a personalized certificate and a reception for you and your guests. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant and homilist.

So far we have two couples who have expressed an interest in going to the Cathedral on October 6th. The deadline for registering for this special event is quickly approaching. For more information or to sign up for the celebration, please contact Kelli in the main office (783-4411).

PARISH SUPPORT— August 11th

Weekly Support

		August 11th
Budget envelopes used (301)	-	\$5,476.00
Loose Donations	-	\$2,379.00
Online Giving (# of donors 29)	-	\$ 720.00
Total Budget	-	\$8,575.00

Monthly

Budget envelopes used (213)	-	\$2,072.00
Other Donations	-	\$ 1,012.00
Total Monthly	-	\$3,084.00

Next weekend's second offering will be the Ongoing Maintenance Fund offering for August. **As always, thank you for your continued generosity.**

AUGUST 18, 2013

From the Pastor...

Another sign that the summer is coming to an end is that **our parish seminarian, Stephen Battey**, will be leaving this week to return to school. Steve spent ten weeks this summer in a seminarian- assistant assignment at St. Rocco Parish in Johnston and he has been back with us the past couple of weeks before moving on to graduate studies in Theology at **St. John's Seminary in Boston**. **This is a big step in his formation as he enters the major seminary. It is certainly a blessing for our parish to have a young man who is studying for the priesthood and I am sure that you will join me in promising our continued prayers for him as he continues his seminary formation and discernment.**

We planned to have a farewell reception for Steve on the weekend before he left for school, however it came sooner than we expected and we already had the Matunuck Breakfast scheduled for this weekend. Therefore, we have postponed the reception until the first weekend he is back home (I believe it will be Columbus Day Weekend). I will fill you in on the details in advance of the event. Meanwhile, keep him in your prayers!

Last weekend our parish hosted a **Marriage Preparation Program**. Twenty couples from around the state participated. I wish to say a word of thanks to **Linda and Shaun Curry who planned and led the program along with several other couples who gave presentations and facilitated the weekend**. They all did a great job as was evidenced by the unanimously positive comments from the participating couples on their evaluation forms.

I would also like to extend special thanks to **Susan Williams, Jen Bernard and the other adults and teens** who recently led our **Vacation Bible School**. The children had a great time singing, dancing and learning about their Catholic Faith. Soon religious education classes will begin for the new year. **As always, we are in need of teachers and aides**. Being a catechist is a very important role in our Church as we pass on the faith to another generation. It can be a very rewarding experience. We provide materials and guidance. If you would consider it and perhaps have questions, why not **call either Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro (792-8684) for more information**. I can assure you that your help will be greatly appreciated!

Msgr. Theroux

"...let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith."



Religious Education

Our Religious Ed classes will begin on Sunday, September 8th for grades K-6. Monday, September 9th for Confirmation II and Wednesday, September 11th for the Wed. group of grades 3-6 and grades 7&8.

Students currently enrolled in the program are automatically promoted and do not need to register. Those families with children entering 1st grade and Catholic school students in grades 2, 9 and 10 must register to participate. Registration forms may be found at the main entrance to the church and online at www.stfranciswakefield.com. For more information, please call 792-8684.

NEED FOR CATECHISTS AND AIDES

Our religious education program would not be possible without committed people like the 70 catechists who taught last year. They put time aside each week to share their knowledge of and love for, their faith, with the youth of our parish. Won't you please prayerfully consider being a catechist this year? The qualifications needed are: a generous heart, enjoyment of young people, and a willingness to share our Catholic faith. Training and assistance are provided. Please call Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro at 792-8684 for more information.

CATECHIST MEETING

There will be an Orientation Meeting for Catechists teaching Grades K-6 on Thursday, August 22nd at 7:00pm in Father Greenan Parish Center.

INTRODUCING A PARISH COURSE:

JOSEPH RATZINGER
POPE
BENEDICT
XVI

JESUS OF NAZARETH

Of his many contributions to the church throughout his long life of service, Joseph Ratzinger (Pope-Emeritus Benedict XVI) produced a trilogy of books on the identity, life and mission of Jesus Christ. As our parish concludes our observance of the Year of Faith in November, it is fitting that we

seek to learn together more about Jesus, who is the leader and perfecter of our faith. Please consider joining us for a seven-week course on Volume One of *Jesus of Nazareth* that will meet regularly throughout the Fall. This course is intended for beginners, and no prior study is required. We will read the book independently and will gather together with Fr. Joe who will "unpack" the highlights of each chapter, offering an exposition of the major themes and insights. (Fr. Joe uses this book as the basis for his course at Prout on the gospels.) This course is not a "bible study" per se, although the figure and teaching of Jesus as presented by all four gospel writers will be examined. In order to offer the course, we need at least ten committed participants.

Aside from the cost of the book, there is no fee to participate. Please call the rectory for more information or contact Mary Vitiello at maryalri@yahoo.com. Be advised that this seven-week course will take the place of our regular Fall parish bible study.



This Week

Sunday, August 18

8:30-12Noon Matunuck Breakfast at Community Field House, Matunuck Beach Road

Monday, August 19

7:00pm PRAISE! Holy Hour (SFC)

Wednesday, August 21

7:00pm PRAISE! Rehearsal (FGC)

Thursday, August 22

8:30am-1pm PROUT Faculty Retreat (FGC)

1:30pm Mass at South Bay Manor

5:00pm Divine Mercy Cenacle & Potluck Dinner at Saint Romuald Chapel. All are welcome.

6:30pm Teacher Orientation Mtg Grades K-6 (FGC)

holy, holy, holy, LORD GOD OF HOSTS!

Join us on Monday,
August 19th at 7:00pm
for a long overdue hour of

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
with music provided by our teen ensemble,
PRAISE!

Come rest in the presence of
our Lord Jesus Christ
and sing to His honor and glory, Amen!

20 WEEK CLUB WINNERS:

WINNERS OF THE TWO
WEEK 13 DRAWINGS OF \$25.00:

#28— IRVING P. MASON, JR.

#319 — DR. PAT BRANNON

CONGRATULATIONS!



Don't miss the
annual

**MATUNUCK
BREAKFAST**

TODAY!

Sunday, August 18th from **8:30am to 12Noon**
Breakfast includes scrambled eggs, sausage, ham, beans, hashbrowns, fruit salad, muffins and other breakfast pastries, juice, coffee & more.

Adults-\$8; Children 6-12-\$4; Children 5 and under FREE

COME ON DOWN!