

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)



Mass Intentions

Believe

*that you
may have life*

Saturday, April 22

4:30 pm †Richard A. DeJoseph
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Wife

Sunday, April 23

8:00am †Raymond Quirk
Requested by Family
10:00am †Helen Dziobek Pado
Requested by the Meehan Family
12:00nn Claire Sharpe (Special Intention)

Monday, April 24

7:00am †Claire Davis
Requested by Mom & John

Tuesday, April 25

7:00am †John Champion
Requested by Family

Wednesday, April 26

7:00am †Jon DeGrace
Requested by Family

Thursday, April 27

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, April 28

7:00am †Norbert & Marguerite Jarbeau
Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon

Saturday, April 29

4:30 pm †Bob Brown
Requested by Wife

Sunday, April 30

8:00am †Daniel McKinnon
Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon
10:00am †Ruth Sweet
Requested by Family

12:00nn Deacon Patrick Moynihan & Christina
Moynihan

Requested by Marie Madden



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

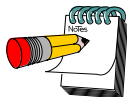
Sunday, April 23

10:00am †Bob Alarie
Requested by Jude

3:00pm Divine Mercy Mass

Sunday, April 30

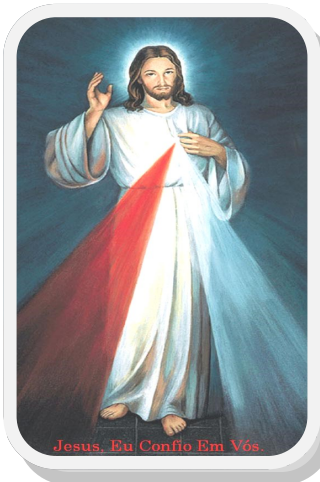
10:00am †Henry Thayer, Jr.
Requested by Dominique Shiels



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of John Champion.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

This Sunday, April 23rd is Divine Mercy Sunday. Everyone is invited to a special Mass at 3:00pm at St. Romuald Chapel celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 1:00pm. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 2:50pm. (materials will be provided)

The afternoon concludes with the Celebration of Mass at 3:00pm, the hour of mercy, celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith, our Pastor Emeritus.

Confessions will not be offered. Please note that if you went to confession during Lent, within 20 days prior to Divine Mercy Sunday or within 20 days following Mercy Sunday, you are covered under the conditions for a plenary indulgence.

Refreshments will be served following this service.

2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

"Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2017 IS: \$110,000.00

As of 4-14-2017 the amount raised is: \$71,735.00

Total # of gifts: 331; % of Goal—65.21%; % of Participation—16.00%

Your donation to the Catholic Charity Appeal impacts the lives of over 704 children who attended the Mother of Hope Camp in Chepachet. Thank you for your generous gift.

Please don't forget to turn in your pledge. Every little bit helps!

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (211)	-	April 16	\$5,202.50
Loose Donations	-		\$2,500.00
Online Giving (# of donors—68)	-		\$1,919.00
Total Budget	-		\$9,621.50

Second Collection (Easter Collection)

Budget envelopes used (269)	-	\$7,484.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,912.00
Total	-	\$9,396.00

Good Friday Collection: \$1,211.00

Easter Flowers Donations: \$2,145.00

The second collection this week is for Ongoing Maintenance. There is no second collection next week.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.



From the Pastor

Holy week is now behind us but the Easter celebration continues for 50 days, through the Solemnity of Pentecost on June 4. I again want to thank all the people who worked so hard to make the Holy Week services so beautiful: the servers, the readers, the extraordinary ministers of communion, the collectors, the decorators, the cleaners; Bill Harding and our seminarian, Dan Mahoney, whose help was invaluable during the complex ceremonies; and a special thanks to Steve Higgins and the choir, cantors, and musicians. The music was particularly moving thanks to all their work. Josh Daly put his head into the lion’s mouth by agreeing to sing the introductions to the prayers and the acclamation for the Veneration of the Cross on Good Friday and the Exultet—the lengthy Easter Proclamation—at Saturday night’s vigil. Many, many thanks to all!

Fr. Bodah

**MARY AND THE
RESURRECTED FLESH OF
JESUS**

*By D. Roberto who was a
Camaldolese hermit at Monte
Corona in Italy*



Mary is the true Mother of God; she conceived Him by the operation of the Holy Spirit; she formed His body with her blood; she clothed God with her own flesh. She bore Him nine months in her most pure womb, she brought Him forth without stain of her virginal purity; she nursed and brought Him up, and He was subject to her, He obeyed her, loved her, and honored her, His true Mother. She may well say to the God made man, “Your flesh is my flesh, your blood is my blood; I gave it to your when I conceived you, when I nursed you.”

Sunday, April 23rd

8:50-9:50am GRADES K, 1 & 2 (FGC)
9:50 St. Francis’ Little Friends Child Care in HBH
10:00am Children’s Liturgy of the Word during Mass
10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-6 (FGC)

Thursday, April 27th

First Eucharist Families to begin First Holy Communion NOVENA

EASTER EGG HUNT

On Holy Saturday morning 16 children gathered in Fr. Greenan Parish Center to hear the Easter story before heading outside to hunt for Easter eggs. Almost 900 candy filled eggs transformed the yard into a colorful carpet of yellow, pink, purple, blue and green...The children’s bags were bursting with candy and everyone had a smile on their face? Thank you to Julia Bollentin and her team for organizing this fun filled morning and to our parishioners for your donations of candy and eggs!



ATTENTION: All Steubenville East attendees

On Sunday, April 30th there will be a meeting in the lower level of Fr. Greenan Center at 6pm for all conference attendees. Please make sure that all your paperwork has been submitted to the Religious Education Office prior to that meeting.

Summer Confirmation Classes

Registration for our summer Confirmation program is ongoing.

Classes will be held as follows:

Summer Session One: Monday, July 17th – Friday, July 21st from 9am-12:30pm

Summer Session Two: Monday, August 7th – Friday, August 11th from 9am-12:30pm

Registration forms can be found on our parish website under the Confirmation tab.

CALL BARBETTE CULLEN OR DIANE CASTRO AT 792-8684 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

This Week

Monday, April 24

7:30am Adoration (SF)

7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (MCCR)

Tuesday, April 25

7:40am Finance Council Meeting (MCCR)

5:30-6:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Loft)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Loft)

Thursday, April 27

6:30pm Opening the Word (HBH)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)

Friday, April 28

7:00pm Parenting Group (FGC—3rd Floor)



MAY MONEY MADNESS

Tickets For May Money Madness will be sold this weekend and next weekend after masses. Tickets are also available at the parish office Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm. THE LAST DAY TO BUY A TICKET IS APRIL 30TH. Ticket prices are: \$10 each, 6 for \$50 or 12 for \$100. A fun parish event with prizes awarded daily throughout the month of May

Drawing Prizes: Monday thru Saturday—\$50; Sunday—\$100; May 31st drawing—\$500.

Just a quick reminder!

Elementary School Tuition Aid

Now is the time to turn in tuition assistance applications for the **2017-2018** school year. If you have not yet received your forms from the school, please call the school and

inquire about them.

Regarding Catholic School Assistance:

The Diocese of Providence urges all parishes to support Catholic Schools by giving aid, as much as possible, when parents request it. As believers in the value of Catholic Schools, we are happy to do that, both to the fullest extent allowable, and to the extent that the parish can afford. Some things to note, however! Eligibility for consideration requires that families :

1. **Complete the Facts Form from the Catholic School Office.**
2. **You must be registered parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Parish & contributing members for at least a one year period.**
3. **Attend Mass regularly.**
4. **Be actively involved in St. Francis of Assisi parish life.**
5. **All requests are to be turned into the parish office, whether your child has been accepted or not, by April 30.**

Please submit your assistance request **either by mail** to St. Francis of Assisi, 114 High St., Wakefield, RI 02879 or **by email** to saintfrancis00@aol.com. You must state in this request how you are active in this parish.

Remember: the deadline for requests is April 30, 2017. You will be notified by MAIL regarding your request! Mail or email your request. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE! Thank you.

WORKSHOP



INTRO TO PLANT-BASED COOKING

With Jen Costanza from Rooted Life

May 8, 2017 from 6-8pm

St. Francis, Father Greenan Center

Cost: \$35.00 (pre-registration and payment is necessary)

Want to make delicious & healthy plant-based meals but not sure where to start? Then this workshop is for you! You will learn what a whole foods plant based diet is and take home some tips for making it a part of your life. You'll also leave with a full tummy and armed with a couple of simple recipes to dazzle friends and family this summer. Veggie burgers, anyone??

How to sign up: email Jen at jncostanza@gmail.com or call the parish rectory at 401-783-4411.

EARTH DAY REFLECTIONS: "GREEN SAINTS ART AND STORIES INSPIRED BY LAUDATO SI" with Brother Mickey McGrath

Saturday, April 29, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Christ the King Parish Hall

Brother Mickey McGrath, an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales, is a popular and engaging presenter who travels to conferences, parishes, and retreat centers throughout North America to deliver the good news about deep and often whimsical connections between art and religious faith. He is the author and illustrator of eleven books, many of which have received awards from Catholic publishing associations. The Christ the King Spiritual Life Committee has invited Brother Mickey to offer a Day of Reflection on "Praying with the Green Saints: Art and Stories in the Spirit of Laudato Si (On Care for Our Common Home)." Join us as Br. Mickey leads us, through his artwork and the work of modern figures such as Pope Francis and that of saints from the past, to discover our connectedness as one human family, unified in our diversity.

Lunch will be provided. To pre-register, contact Beth Hogan at bhogan@ctkri.org



ATTENTION FAMILIES!

Your children in grades 1 and up are cordially invited to form a children's choir to celebrate our First Communion students!

Provided we have enough participation, we will rehearse on Tuesday, April 25th and May 2nd from 5:30-6:30 in the choir loft.

The choir should arrive for the First Communion Mass on Saturday, May 6th, at 9am. Mass begins at 10am. Please email: stfranciswakefieldmusic@gmail.com if your child is interested!