

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 1

4:30 pm †Cecelia V. Driscoll
Requested by Family

Sunday, July 2

8:00am †The Hunt & Caswell Families
Requested by Family

10:00am †Rita Vachon

Requested by Concetta

12:00nn †Patrick Weir

Requested by the McElkenny Family

Monday, July 3

7:00am †Rita Vachon

Requested by Lorraine McNally

Tuesday, July 4

7:00am Mass for the People

Wednesday, July 5

7:00am Special Intention

Thursday, July 6

7:00am †Rita Vachon

Requested by St. Francis Women's Club

Friday, July 7

7:00am †Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie
Requested by Family

Saturday, July 8

4:30 pm †Robert & Kathryn Beaudreau

Requested by Michael & Barbette Cullen

Sunday, July 9

8:00am †Jake Finan

Requested by Family

10:00am †Olga Mary Chmura

Requested by Family

12:00nn †Rita Vachon



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 1

5:30 †Mark Alarie

Requested by Judith Johansen Alaire

Sunday, July 2

8:00am †Steven Schmidt

Requested by Regina & John Blair

10:00am †Dan Fenaughty

Requested by Family

Saturday, July 8

5:30 †Regina Goodwin

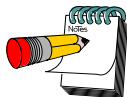
Sunday, July 9

8:00am †Dr. R. John Feely

Requested by the Galligan Family

10:00am †Janie Caporelli

Requested by Kathleen Dwyer



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Rita Vachon.

Those who
receive you...

receive me.



Jesus said to his apostles:..."Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

Be sure to pick up your complementary copy of *Word Among Us* for July/August that are located at the entrances of the church. They contain inspirational daily prayers and readings. A wonderful little booklet to take along with you for the summer!

We are glad that you are here with us. Whether you moved here a while ago or are just here for a brief stay, we welcome you.

If you would like to become a part of this wonderful community, registering in the parish is a quick process that will take about five minutes over the phone (783-4411) or you can see Father Bodah after Mass to inquire about registering. Again, welcome and God bless!



PARISH SUPPORT

<u>Weekly Support</u>	<u>June 25</u>
Budget envelopes used (238)	-
Loose Donations	-
Online Giving (# of donors—61)	-
Total Budget	\$10,891.50

This week's second collection if the Monthly Collection. There is no second collection next week.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

JULY 2, 2017

From the Pastor

On this Independence Day weekend we have much to be grateful for, especially when we consider the sacrifices made by ordinary people in an eight-year struggle to win our independence from England. Over the past two and a half centuries, the health and even survival of this democratic republic has been tested again and again. In the 1860s a choice was presented to us: would we be a democratic republic "with liberty and justice for all," or would some be free to secede and form an independent nation based on hierarchy and with a landed aristocracy supported by chattel slavery.

At the end of the same century, the emergence of an upper class based on laissez-faire capitalism and with no regard for workers and their living conditions threatened the survival of democracy again. The institution of the income tax headed off the fat cats' desire to own everything, and the struggle to unionize, supported by the Church, helped to strengthen the working classes and the balance of wealth, though, sadly, not without violence in the face of the determined opposition of the managers.

In the last century, our values were again threatened by totalitarian regimes of the Right and the Left, and many people we know went out to fight against these degrading ideologies.

Aristotle said that the strength of a democracy is its middle class. It remains to be seen whether we will give up on republican democracy and embrace an aristocracy based on wealth. Will an upper class of people who own everything, marry among themselves, and leave all their wealth to their children emerge to replace what the founding fathers once envisioned? Will the excesses of the Left continue to provoke ill-advised or excessive reactions from the Right and vice-versa? In the end, it'll be up to us to choose wisely and remain true to our better natures.

God bless the United States of America!

Fr. Bodah



Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Seamus Donovan Gibney who was baptized at St. Romuald Chapel last Sunday, June 25, by Fr. Henry Bodah. *Your parish family rejoices with you!*



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

St. Francis' Little Friends childcare, which takes place during the 10am Mass, is looking for help for the coming school year. Think about volunteering, it's a fun and easy way to earn community service hours and spend time with new friends.

For more information contact:

Katie Mertens at:

(kmmertens99@gmail.com)

or Barbette Cullen at:

(Cullen_stfrancis@verizon.net)

This Sunday is the last day for childcare during the 10am mass for the summer. We hope to resume this in the fall.

The first week of summer Confirmation classes will be held from 9am-12:30pm July 17th – 21st. If you are entering the 9th or 10th grade and have not signed up for classes please do so by calling the parish office at 783-4411. (The religious education office is closed during the month of July.)



We have received notice from the Bishop's office that our **Confirmation will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 10am.** Bishop Robert Evans will be our celebrant. Confirmation Rehearsal will be held on Thursday, November 9th at 6pm in St. Francis Church. Please keep our candidates in your prayers.

**THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
IS CLOSED DURING THE MONTH OF
JULY.**

This Week

Monday, July 3

7:30am Adoration (SF)

Tuesday, July 4

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED (Independence Day)

Thursday, July 6

2:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

6:30pm **NO PRAYER SHAWL MEETING**

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)



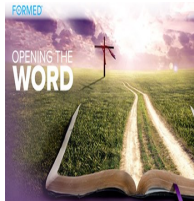
WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

We are always interested in those parishioners who are unable to attend our services—whether it be for short term or a long time.

If you know of someone who is in a *convalescent home or who is homebound*, please call the office and give us the information.

We want to reach out to and stay connected with all of our community members.

Thank You in Advance...783-4411 ext. 10 .



Would you like to develop a deeper understanding of the readings for the Sunday Liturgy? Join us on **Thursdays from 2-3pm in Fr. Greenan Center** for a journey through prayer and insights for the Sunday readings as shared with us through the Catholic gateway called *Formed.org*. After reading the scriptures, you will be presented with short videos which will encourage group discussion as we grow in faith together.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever.” Let the Lord feed and support your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Sep 16-17, 2017 in Medway, MA and Oct 21-22, 2017 in Contoocook, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at <https://wwmema.org/>.

Please join the Narragansett community on July 5th at 6:00pm at St. Veronica Chapel, 1035 Boston Neck Rd in Narragansett as Fr. Thaddaeus Lancton introduces us to a Do-it-yourself-Retreat called "33 Days to Morning Glory" in preparation for Marian Consecration. The 'retreat' will begin on July 13th and ends on the Feast of the Assumption on August 15th. The public is invited and welcome to join us on July 5th to learn all the details. For more information call the parish office at 401-789-7682 or visit www.stthomasmoreri.org.



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CATHOLIC NIGHT AT MCCOY STADIUM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12TH

6:15PM

The second annual Catholic night will be held at McCoy Stadium on August 12th. Last year it was a huge success with over 400 people involved.

\$15 Ticket Package Includes:

\$5 Donation to Your Parish

\$5 Free Ballpark Credit

General Admission Ticket

Pre-Game on Field Recognition

Post Game Fireworks Show

Contact Information:

Jonathan Kelly at 401-721-5181 or

jkelly@pawsox.com. Come join the fun!

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