

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions



Be Baptized
in the name of Jesus

Saturday, May 6

4:30 pm †Eugenia & Kristian Plymesser
Requested by Family

Sunday, May 7

8:00am

10:00am †Robert & Kathryn Beaudreau
Requested by Michael & Barbette Cullen

12:00nn †Raymond F. Kells, Jr.
Requested by brothers, Robert & Richard

Monday, May 8

7:00am †Lisa Lombardi

Tuesday, May 9

7:00am †Margaret & James Flynn
Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

Wednesday, May 10

7:00am †Tina Marie Luciano
Requested by Family

Thursday, May 11

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, May 12

7:00am Special Intention-Sister Pia (birthday)
Requested by Mom & Dad

Saturday, May 13

4:30 pm

Sunday, May 14

8:00am †Thu & Chi Thi Anna Tran & Thanh
John Ha
Requested by Family

10:00am †Maria Josefina Libatique
Requested by Family

12:00nn †Corinne Bertrand
Requested by Barbara Potter



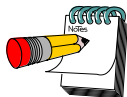
St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 7

10:00am †Al Marchand
Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci

Sunday, May 14

10:00am †Lucille Kennedy
Requested by Mary Lou Rossi



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James & Margaret Flynn.



*With gratitude to Almighty God
the Church in the Diocese of
Providence joyfully announces
and requests the honor of your
presence at the Presbyteral
Ordination of*

Rev. Mr. Stephen M. Battey
Rev. Mr. Jean Joseph Brice
Rev. Mr. Brian J. Morris

*Through the Imposition of Hands and the Prayer of Ordination by
His Excellency*

The Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.

Bishop of Providence

Saturday, June 3, 2017 at 10:00am

The Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul
One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI

2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

"Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2017 IS: \$110,000.00

As of 4-28-2017 the amount raised is: \$90,012.00

Total # of gifts: 358; % of Goal—81.83%; % of Participation—17.28%

Through your generous gift to the Catholic Charity Appeal, Emmanuel House is able to provide a warm, safe place to sleep for those without a home and no other place to turn.

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

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (229)	-	April 30 \$6,090.50
Loose Donations	-	\$1,144.00
Online Giving (# of donors—66)	-	<u>\$1,824.00</u>
Total Budget	-	\$9,058.50

This week's second collection is the monthly collection. There is no second collection next week

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

MAY 7, 2017

RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION CLASSES



From the Pastor

Another year of religious education has come to a close. My sincere thanks to Barbette Cullen and Diane Castro, who direct and coordinate a program that runs from kindergarten through 9th-grade confirmation and that includes a Sunday liturgy of the word for children from 4 to 8 years of age. Diane Castro also prepares and oversees the post-confirmation youth program of the parish. Of course, they cannot and do not run these programs alone: a whole cadre of teachers and other volunteers, including some of high-school age, make the whole thing possible, and we cannot express our thanks enough to them for this commitment of time, talent and energy. The next phase of religious education will begin this summer as the rising 9th and 10th graders will come for five days of 3.5 hour sessions each in preparation for the sacrament of confirmation. This process will continue throughout next academic year with monthly youth gatherings for all teens of the parish.

As I have so often mentioned in this column, the parish runs largely on volunteer help, who assist a minimum of paid staff members. From weeding the gardens to bringing communion to the sick and shut-in, from religious education to weekend liturgy, we could not survive without the commitment of so many who volunteer their help. In this parish, there are nearly 300 people who do something over and above attending Mass to keep the parish functioning.

Let me issue a special invitation to the parishioners between 25 and 50 years of age not to be left out. Step up and help keep this a true Christian community. God bless the work!

Next Saturday, May 13, marks the 100th anniversary of the first appearance of our Lady at Fatima, Portugal. It is in commemorations of these apparitions, which ran from May to October of 1917 that we are celebrating "A Year with Mary, our Mother." Various celebrations are being held around the diocese such as the one next Saturday at the cathedral, about which there is an announcement in this bulletin.

Fr. Bodah

Holy Hour for Vocations

Please join Rev. Mr. Stephen Battey, Rev. Mr. Jean Joseph Brice, and Rev. Mr. Brian Morris on the eve of their ordination to the priesthood as we pray for priestly vocations in the Diocese of Providence at a Holy Hour for Vocations at 7:00 PM on June 2, 2017 at Holy Apostles Church, 800 Phippen Orchard Road, Cranston, RI.

Sunday May 7th

6-8pm High School Youth Night in FGC All HS teens are invited!

If your child is entering **Grade 9 or 10** this fall and you haven't already registered for Summer Confirmation Classes, please contact the Religious Education Office at 792-8684 as soon as possible.



Steubenville East Youth Conference

We have **two** spots left for the 2017 Steubenville East Youth Conference. Teenagers who are currently 8-12th grade students are eligible to attend. The conference will be held on July 14-16 at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell. If you are interested in participating in this powerful retreat, registration forms are available in the Religious Education Office or on our parish website, <http://stfranciswakefield.com/youth-ministry/>



Save the Dates for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 26th-June 30th

All children in Kindergarten through 4th grade are invited to attend. If you have an older child that would like to help out, we'd love to have them! Please contact the Religious Ed Office 792-8684. Stay tuned for more information.



Calling all adults and teenagers to help lead vacation bible school for the young children of our parish. June 26th-30th.

Our Directors: Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Bernard need you! We have all the materials for a fun – faith - filled week of VBS – the only thing missing is YOU! IF you have musical and/or dance talent we could use your help leading the young children in song each day. IF you are artistic, we could use your help decorating the halls. IF you to like to act/perform, we could use your help leading skits for the young children. IF you love working with young children, we could use your help in organizing and running games each day, helping with snack preparation or being a leader for a small group of children. **IF you are interested, please contact Mrs. Cullen at 792-8684.**

This Week

Monday, May 8

7:30am Adoration (SF)

6:00pm Plant Based Diet Workshop (FGC)

Tuesday, May 9

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Loft)

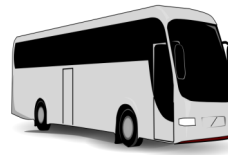
Thursday, May 11

6:30pm Opening the Word (HBH)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (JFGC-Foyer)

Sunday, May 14

12NN Praise Mass



HOP ON THE BUS...to

the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul for the ordination to the Priesthood of Stephen Battey. Let's show our support by filling the bus! Call

Jacki at 783-4411 if you want to hop on the bus! It sure beats driving "all the way up there!" There is limited seating. First-come, first-serve. To defray the cost of the bus we would ask an offering of \$10 per seat.

The bus leaves the church parking lot at 8:30am on Saturday, June 3rd. We will leave Providence for home at 1:00pm with an estimated arrival of 1:45pm. **All Aboard!**



Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Isabella Marie Posillo who was baptized at St. Francis Church last Sunday, April 30, by Deacon Patrick Moynihan. *Your parish family rejoices with you!*

THE OFFICE OF LIFE & FAMILY: To LOVE & To CHERISH

The Office of Life and Family is offering a program for Catholic marriages, *To Love and To Cherish*, designed to enrich/strengthen marriages. This free program provides topics/discussions in a sharing group environment for married couples. It will be presented on Wednesdays, May 17 through June 14, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Saint Catherine Church, upper back entrance, 3252 Post Rd., Warwick. For registration, contact: Peter Magnotta at 421-7833, ext. 217. (Please note this program is not for marriage counseling).

MAY DEVOTIONS

Please join us for the Rosary, Monday through Friday throughout the month of May at Saint Romuald Chapel at 6:30pm.

ALL ARE INVITED!

SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2017

11:00am

Outdoor Procession with the statue of Our Lady of Fatima
Cathedral Square, Providence

11:30am

Multi-Lingual Solemn Recitation of the Holy Rosary
(11:00am—11:45am Confessions)

12:05pm

Holy Mass Celebrated by His Excellency, The Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.,
With Consecration of the Diocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary



St. Mary, Star of the Sea

864 Point Judith Road

Narragansett, RI

Mass of Healing, Thursday, May 11 at 11am

There will be a **Mass of Healing** on Thursday, May 11th at 11:00am at St. Mary, Star of the Sea followed by a luncheon in the Parish Hall. If anyone is interested in attending, we ask that they call Maureen Mossey at 295-5258 to RSVP for the luncheon. All are welcome!

Painting with Diane Costanza

Friday, May 19

St. Francis, Father Greenan Center

6:30-9:00pm



We will be painting/decorating a wine glass or coffee mug. The cost of this event is \$35.00. Registration and payment must be made in advance. To register call Diane at 401-783-5710 or call the parish rectory at 401-783-4411.

SING PRAISE TO OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN:

A FESTIVAL OF HYMNS

Saint Peter's by-the-Sea

72 Central Street, Narragansett

Sunday, May 21 at 4:00pm

"Sing Praise to The Lord" is a Festival of Hymns based on The Lord's Prayer featuring choir, brass quintet, organ and timpani. The program will feature many familiar hymns and anthems with works and arrangements by Richard Webster, and Gustav Holst. Performances by: The Choirs of St Francis of Assisi, Peace Dale Congregational, Ascension Episcopal and St. Peter's By the Sea Churches

Donations accepted for The Jonnycake Center and St. Peter's Community Market.