

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 8

4:30pm Feeny/Robinson families

Requested by family

Sunday, October 9

8:00am Margaret Flynn

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

10:00am William Scott, Jr.

Requested by Jane Estes & family

12:00nn Maria & Antonio Costa; Bob Smith; Jose Costa & Louis Costa

Requested by Natalie Amaral

Monday, October 10

7:00am Tom McGair

By Jean McGair

Tuesday, October 11

7:00am Mass for the People

Wednesday, October 12

7:00am Special Intention for Tracy Walsh

Requested by Cynthia & John Smyth

Thursday, October 13

7:00am James Carney

Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney

Friday, October 14

7:00am Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie

Requested by family

Saturday, October 15

4:30pm William & Mary Apicerno

Requested by family

Sunday, October 16

8:00am Audrey Scuncio

Requested by her children

10:00am Tara Higgins

Requested by family

12:00nn Perpetual Mass Association Members



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 9

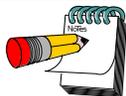
10:00am Elizabeth-Young Whipple & Gerry Holmes

Requested by Mary C. Young

Sunday, October 16

10:00am Madeline & Walter Johansen

Requested by Judith Alarie



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

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



Annual Pasta Dinner

Join us for the pasta dinner that will be prepared by Anthony Rossi and his team on **Friday, October 14th** at Father Greenan Hall from 5:00 to 7:30. Tickets will be available at the door-\$10/Adults, \$6/children, under 5/free with a maximum for a family of \$25. What a wonderful way to support your parish. Come to enjoy good company and good food!

WE NEED YOUR HELP! WE ARE IN NEED OF DONATIONS FOR THE BASKET RAFFLE TO BE HELD AT THE PASTA DINNER!

Lottery Tickets, Gift Certificates, Wine and Cash will be accepted at the Rectory and in the boxes at the Church and Chapel!

SUPER 50/50 RAFFLE

10,000. For St. Francis if we reach our goal.
to sell all 1,000 Super 50/50 tickets before the drawing on October 14th. 50% of tickets have been SOLD



Please get your tickets after mass or stop by the rectory.

THE ST. FRANCIS 5K WALK/RUN



On **October 15, 9AM** the St. Francis 5K with a new USATF-certified course. The course traverses the rural western portions of Wakefield, beginning/ending on Winter St. near Willard Ave. Merchandise prizes to the top 2 male and female runners in each of 5 age group categories with a \$100 cash prize to the first overall male and female finisher. We are in need of road Marshalls to stand along the route for the race for a period of not more than an hour and a half or less while the race is going on Saturday morning. We need 24, so we will accept all volunteers! Call **401-783-4411** for more information about the race or if you can help out on race day." You can go to www.stfranciswakefield.com to download an application".

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (279)	-	October 2 \$7,805.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,911.00
Online Giving (# of donors-57)	-	\$1515.50
Total Budget	-	\$11,231.50

Seminarians' Education Collection

Envelopes used (153)	-	\$1,998.00
Other donations	-	\$ 786.00
Total Seminarians' Education	-	\$2,784.00

This weekend's second offering is the Monthly Collection.
As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

OCTOBER 9, 2016

From the Pastor

I write this on the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi, our patron, which we celebrate as a Feast in our parish. He was born in Assisi in the region of Umbria in central Italy around the year 1182 and baptized John. Francesco (Frenchy) was a nickname he received perhaps because of his love of the ballads of the troubadours of Provence in the south of France. More likely, his father called him Francesco in his childhood because of the father's success in business with the merchants of Provence. It may be as well that his mother was of Provencal background.

At his father's insistence, he went off around the age of 20 to fight in a local war against the city of Perugia. The experience was of, defeat and imprisonment, and a later illness left him with what is nowadays called Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, and caused him to reevaluate his goals and values and around the age of 22, he renounced his inheritance and his plans for a career and took to the streets, begging for his food and embracing radical poverty and the ownership of any material possessions or property, personal or communal.

The details of his life as a friar minor or "lesser brother" have been much written about over the centuries, including his reception of the Stigmata (wounds) of Christ and his death at the age of 44. Here I'd like to include just a few saying attributed to him.

- ◆ Above all the grace and the gifts that Christ gives to his beloved is that of overcoming self.
- ◆ No one is to be called an enemy; all are your benefactors, and no one does you harm. You have no enemy except yourselves.
- ◆ Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.
- ◆ We know only as much as we put into practice.
- ◆ Temptation overcome is the ring with which the Lord espouses the soul of his beloved.
- ◆ Most Holy Lord, I should like to love you. Dearest God, I should like to love you.

Fr. Bodah



CONGRATULATIONS to the proud parents and godparents of Matthew Edmund Stewart who was baptized into *God's Family* on Sunday, October 2. Your parish family rejoices with you!

OCTOBER: RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH

Make a "life affirming" donation for the sanctity of human life. At the end of our Masses on October 22/23 we will be distributing baby bottles from Right to Life Services. We are asking that you take them home, fill them with a check, or cash, and return them to the church the following weekend. The Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign is used to fund Right to Life Services, a ministry that helps pregnant women, newborns and toddlers throughout R.I., with material needs, referrals, and emergency baby food and formula. There will be a collection basket for returned bottles located in the back of the church on October 29/30.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, October 9th

No Classes today

No Children's Liturgy of the Word



St. Francis' Little Friends-Child Care for children from **toddler age to 4 years old** will be available during the 10am Mass beginning today Sunday, October 9th in the lower church.

Wednesday, October 12th

4:15--5:15 Grades 3-6 (FGC)

4:15-8:15pm **NET Retreat** Grades 7 and 8 (HBH) 7-8:15pm FGPC Grade 7/8 classes



NET Ministries will be leading a retreat for our **7th & 8th grade students** on Wednesday, October 12 from 4:15-8:15pm. Permission slips are due in the Religious Ed Office by October 10th.

Confirmation Two Candidates (those currently in Grade 10)

The reflections for your parish and community based service projects are due in the Religious Education office by Monday, October 17th. You can submit them electronically.

Confirmation One Candidates (those currently in Grade 9)

Your Confirmation sponsor's certificate is due in the Religious Education office. Refer to the religious education menu on our parish website for more details on completing this form.

The Noon Mass on Sunday, October 16th is the Mass of Petition for our candidates who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on November 19th. **Candidates and their families are required to attend.**

Sponsors are welcome to join them!

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

This Week



Sunday, October 9

8:30am-1:00pm Flu Clinic (HBH)

Monday, October 10

NO ADORATION TODAY. PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED.

Tuesday, October 11

7:00pm Bible Study (↓FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, October 12

6:00pm Music Meeting (MCCR)

Thursday, October 13

6:30-8:30pm Affairs of Art w/ Sharron Clossick (↑FGC)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Friday, October 14

7:00pm Parenting Group (FGC-3rd floor)

5:00-7:30pm Pasta Dinner (FGC)

FLU CLINIC

There will be a flu clinic at St. Francis of Assisi in Helen Bouchard Hall on this **Sunday, October 9 from 8:30am to 1:00pm**. There is **NO** senior flu vaccine available.



ALL YOU NEED
TO LEARN TO PAINT
THIS GORGEOUS FLOWER IS
DESIRE and ENTHUSIASM
and
Sharon Clossick
as your teacher

Thursday, OCTOBER 13TH

From 6:30 TO 8:30P.M.

There is **mandatory registration** and
a supply fee of \$10.

Register with christinam.stfrancis@gmail.com
or call the parish office @ 783-4411.

BISHOP HENDRICKEN OPEN HOUSE

Bishop Hendricken High School will hold an Open House on **Sunday, October 16 from Noon-3:00pm**. Information on admissions and financial aid as well as academics, college placement, athletic & extracurricular activities will be available. For more information, please call the Admissions Office at 739-3450 ext. 162.

ELDERLY COMPANION/COMPASSIONATE CAREGIVER AVAILABLE FOR HIRE IN SOUTH COUNTY, RI

Experienced semi-retired Nurse, reliable, gentle & cheerful personality, who is honest, trustworthy & available for the following: Ambulation, assistance with personal care/bathing, errands, food shopping, meal preparation/nutrition, medication remind, light housework, transportation, etc. Over 30 years of experience as a caregiver. References upon request. Contact Linda at 401-263-5270.

AFFAIRS OF THE ARTS

Is your free time spent in creating things, focusing on your hobby? Do you know line-dancing? 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? Would you like to LEARN any/all of these? Our St. Francis Parish asks all impassioned hobbyists to share their talents, work, crafts, and hobbies with our community. Not interested in teaching? We invite you simply to share your talents. Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411.

SAVE THESE DATES

November 4th, Friday – 6:30 –8:30

Glass Painting with Diane Costanza

November 12th, Saturday- 10-12:30

Nativity Peg Dolls with Barbette Cullen

November 27th, Sunday – 1-3

Advent Wreath Workshop with Diane Castro

SAINT CLARE'S COOPERATIVE BABY BRIGADE



Calling the young and the young-at-heart! If you like cuddling babies and playing games with toddlers, then St. Francis's Little Friends' child care crew needs your help! Beginning **October 9** St. Francis will be offering child care during many parish events and during the 10:00 mass to help out parents of small children. If you are interested in joining the Baby Brigade and are ready to care for children in our nursery and Co-op, please contact Christina Moynihan at 783-4411.

THE PROUT SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The Prout School in Wakefield will hold its annual Open House for prospective students on **Sunday, October 23 from 1:00-4:00pm** and **Monday, November 7 from 6:00-8:00pm**. Southern Rhode Island's only Catholic high school, Prout offers college prep, honors and AP classes and it is the only high school in Rhode Island to offer the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) Program. Prout also offers over 35 competitive junior varsity and varsity sports teams, a renowned theatre and performing arts program featuring three productions each year, and numerous clubs and extracurricular activities. **For more information, contact Admissions Director, Sharon DeLuca at 789-9262, ext. 514 or go to www.theproutschool.org.**