

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 11

4:30pm Joseph Boragine
Requested by family

Sunday, January 12

8:00am Peter Yang
Requested by Sr. Martha Yang, C.D.P.

10:00am Mary Budreck
Requested by the Gardners

12:00NN Robert Haas
Requested by Deacon Paul & Jackie Iacono

Monday, January 13

7:00am Malcolm Aldrich
Requested by McElkenny family

Tuesday, January 14

7:00am Clementina Birch
Requested by family

Wednesday, January 15

7:00am William Dunn
Requested by Ann and Bob Brayton

Thursday, January 16

7:00am "For the end of abortion"
Requested by Katherine Magolske

Friday, January 17

7:00am Rita & Tom O'Rourke and Warren Behie
Requested by family

Saturday, January 18

4:30pm Joseph DeLuca
Requested by family

Sunday, January 19

8:00am Theodore Gelinias
Requested by Tom McNulty

10:00am John Forbes Hogan
Requested by Hogan family

12:00NN Carol Trudeau
Requested by a friend



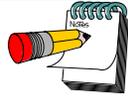
St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 12

10:00am Ethel Dellasandro
Requested by John and Paula Simone

Sunday, January 19

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



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Nancy Caswell.

ST. FRANCIS BIBLE STUDY Tuesdays from 7-8:30 pm in FGC with the **Gospel of John** commentary by Ignatius Press. If questions, please contact Mary Vitiello at maryvalri@yahoo.com.

GRATEFUL THANKS!

A heartfelt word of thanks to all those who ordered or donated to our Praise/Gregg's fundraiser! We raised \$360 for our new equipment fund.

All Praise! members are more than grateful for your generous response to our fundraiser. We hope you enjoyed your delicious desserts. May the Lord bless your generosity many times over! Thank you once again!

(Praise will be providing music on Jan 26th, noon Mass - hope to see you there!)

MONSIGNOR CLARKE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to Msgr. Clarke School's Open House on Sunday, January 26th from 11am – 1pm. Teachers from Pre-K (must be at least 3 years old as of Sept. 1st) through Grade 8 will be available to answer questions. Students will be your tour guides. Please stop by and see what Monsignor Clarke School has to offer.

PARISH SUPPORT— December 29

Weekly Support	December 29
Budget envelopes used (291)	- \$ 5,921.00
Loose Donations	- \$ 1,525.00
Online Giving (# of donors 35)	- \$ 1,271.00
Total Budget	- \$ 8,717.00

Mary, Mother of God

Total Donations received	- \$ 2,472.00
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Weekly Support

	January 5
Budget envelopes	- \$ 5,679.00
Loose Donations	- \$ 1,278.00
Online Giving (# of donors 36)	- \$ 943.00
Total Budget	- \$ 7,900.00

Monthly

Envelopes used (313)	- \$ 2,736.50
Other Donations	- \$ 966.00
Total Monthly	- \$ 3,702.50

This weekend's second offering is the Ongoing Maintenance Fund Offering. Next weekend's second offering is for the Catholic University of America. **As always, thank you for your continued generosity.**

JANUARY 12, 2014

FROM THE PASTOR..

Last Sunday we had our annual **Christmas Pageant** performed by some of our children from grades 1-6. In spite of the fact that the rehearsals were thrown off by the snowy weather, they did a remarkable job. I am sure that all who attended found their presentation of the Christmas Story to be both inspiring and heartwarming. Thanks to our young actors and narrators, as well as our directors Barbette Cullen and Kathleen Puchalla and musicians Mimi Battey and Kerry Quirk for a job well done!

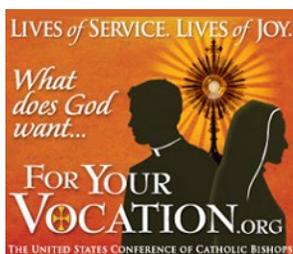
In any large, active parish like our own, there are always a number of people who provide extremely valuable service to the life of the parish in a very quiet way behind the scenes. I would like to hail one such person who has generously given many hours of service to our parish community. **For the past few years, Rose Gink has opened the church every morning and prepared the sanctuary for daily Mass.** No one could have been more dedicated or attentive to every detail in carrying out this responsibility. Rose has certainly earned the opportunity to relax a little and not have to arrive as early every morning or fret about the weather. I wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to Rose for her always cheerful and generous service to us.

I am pleased to say that we have found several people who have graciously agreed to share the duty of opening the church in the morning. I am grateful to Dana Hawkins, Marge DeGrace, Kathleen Carney and Jean McGair who will assist us in this way.

On a practical note, for the sake of consistency, from now on the church will be opened at 6:30 AM in anticipation of the 7 AM Mass. The church remains open during the day for those who may wish to stop in to make a visit. On weekdays, the church is generally closed at 4:00 PM. On weekends and holidays, the church is locked after the last Mass.

Also, regarding snow storms, if we have a significant accumulation of snow during the night and, particularly if it is still snowing in the morning, you can presume that the morning Mass is canceled. While the storm continues, it is impossible for us to have the parking lot and walks adequately cleared. Although attending daily Mass is an admirable spiritual practice, when the roads are hazardous and walkways are not well cleared, you should not risk your safety.

Msgr. Theroux



What does God want ...

Are you being called to the priesthood or religious life? Please contact Fr. Carl B. Fiset, Vocations Director cfisette@catholicpriest.com about a possible call to the priesthood or call Sr. Jacqueline Dickey, S.S.Ch., Director 278-4633; jdickey@dioceseofprovidence.org about a vocation to religious life.



Religious Education

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES Sunday, January 12th

8:50-9:50am Grades 1 & 2 (FGC)

Grade 7 (FGC)

Grade 8 class (HBH)

9:50-10:50am Grade K (HBH)

10:50-11:50am Grades 3-6 (FGC)

Grade 7 class (FGC)

Grade 8 (HBH)

Today's 10AM Mass we will have a special children's Liturgy of *Listening to God's Word*. Our children preparing for First Holy Communion will be attending with their classes and a reception for all families will be held downstairs in Helen Bouchard Hall following the Mass.

Monday, January 13th

7-8:30pm All Confirmation II parents & students - presentation by Dr. Michelle Cretella on the *Gift of Life*

NOTE: Confirmation saint reflections are due tonight!

Wednesday, January 15th

4-5:00pm Grades 3-6 (FGC)

7 - 8:15pm Grades 7 & 8 Classes



This Week

Sunday, January 12

(See Religious Ed. Class schedule above)

10:00am Celebration of Listening to God's Word

5:30-7:00pm PRAISE! Rehearsal (FGC)

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, January 13

7:00pm Confirmation II Class (FGC)

Tuesday, January 14

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, January 15

4-5pm GRADES 3-6 (FGC)

7-8:15pm CLASSES GRADES 7 & 8

Thursday, January 16

1:30pm Mass at South Bay Manor

RESERVE YOUR SPOT!



Registration is now open to all
High School Teens (grades 8-12)

STEUBENVILLE EAST YOUTH CONFERENCE JULY 18-20, 2014

TSONGAS CENTER AT UMASS LOWELL

CONTACT: JACQUI BERTRAND 782-3505

*God indeed is my salvation. I
am confident and unafraid.
For the LORD is my strength
and my might, and he has
been my salvation.
~Isaiah 12:2*

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[http://facebook.com/
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“MARCH FOR LIFE”

The Office of Life and Family Ministry will be sponsoring a bus trip to Washington DC for the Annual March for Life on the 41st anniversary of the Supreme Court decision to legalize abortion on Wednesday, January 22, 2014. The cost for the overnight ride is \$80.00 per person and will leave R.I. on Tuesday, January 21 at 7:30pm. This year's trip will take us to the Armory for the Youth Rally and Mass for 6:30am. There will be confession, Rosary, popular Catholic recording artists, presentations and a Mass for Life. We will return from DC to Rhode Island on Thursday, January 23 at approximately 2:00am. For more information and to register, call Carol Owens at 421-7833 x 218.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

When a loved one passes to eternal life, families and friends search for tangible ways to say “Thank you” for the support they received during their toughest times. Memorial donations to St. Francis Church are both an enduring tribute to a life well lived and a means to support the continued life of the parish. For more information on memorial donations, please contact Msgr. Theroux at 783-4411 or Andrea Krupp, Director of the Catholic Foundation of Rhode Island, 277-2121.

We offer a secure and
convenient way for
you to contribute to St.
Francis Parish!



Online donations may be made at any time from the privacy and comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Online donations are credited to your tax statement for the end of the year (except when made anonymously), and each user can change his or her preferences or desired donation amounts at any time! Visit our website for more information on how to get started:

www.stfranciswakefield.com