

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 5

4:30pm Edgar and Gloria Timothy
Requested by family

Sunday, July 6

8:00am Stephen Sherman
Requested by wife

10:00am Olga M. Chmura
Requested by family

12:00NN Peggy McNally
Requested by Hunt family

Monday, July 7

7:00am Mass for the People

Tuesday, July 8

7:00am Angelina Vieira
Requested by family

Wednesday, July 9

7:00am Walter DiPrete
Requested by Dolores DiPrete

Thursday, July 10

7:00am William Krueger
Requested by a friend

Friday, July 11

7:00am Rita and Tom O'Rourke and
Warren Behie—*Req. by family*

Saturday, July 12

4:30pm Cecelia V. Driscoll
Requested by family

Sunday, July 13

8:00am Peter Sullivan
Requested by Irv and Pat Cahalian

10:00am Michael Cooney
Requested by Pat O'Connor

12:00NN Lowell Berry
Requested by Trish



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 5

5:30pm Steven Schmidt
Requested by John & Regina Blair

Sunday, July 6

8:00am John and Grace Carpinelli
Requested by family

10:00am Mary Bielski
Requested by Kathleen Dwyer

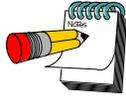
Saturday, July 12

5:30pm Terrence & Elizabeth Simpson
Requested by Simpson family

Sunday, July 13

8:00am Brian Fay
Requested by family

10:00am Eugene Hackney, Sr.
Requested by family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of all deceased parishioners. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of John and Margaret Cavanagh.

PARISH SUPPORT

The parish support for June 29th and July 6th will be printed in next weekend's bulletin. Due the holiday printing deadline, the information was not yet available for this publication.

THE LITTLE FLOWER HOME OF RI is seeking volunteers to act as Host Families - to welcome Homeless Pregnant Women into your home, as your guest, for stays of up to 3 months to 6 months. We need 20 pro-life Host Families to handle our current need. All of our current Host Homes across the State are full and we are, unfortunately, turning women away. If you believe God is calling you to live the Gospel in this Pro-Life ministry that actively saves babies lives, then please visit us online at www.littleflowerhome.org or call George at (401) 301-5307 to learn more. All guests undergo background checks & the Little Flower Home is insured under Safe Families. "For I was a thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was a stranger and you invited me in". - Mt 25:35. Please visit us at: www.littleflowerhome.org

CRUSADER GOLF CLASSIC

The Prout School Booster Club is sponsoring the *Crusader Golf Classic* on **Monday, August 4, 2014** at Potowomut Country Club in Warwick. Registration begins at 12pm with a 1pm Shotgun Start. The tournament is \$600 per foursome, \$150 per golfer and includes greens fees, cart, boxed lunch and sit down dinner. Golfers need to be 18 and older to participate. Proceeds from the tournament will fund a part-time Athletic Trainer at The Prout School. Go to www.theproutschool.org for golf registration and sponsorship form. Please register by 7/14/14!



Please don't forget to return your Catholic Charity Appeal envelope with your donation.

Every gift helps us toward our goal of \$103,070.

Received to date:
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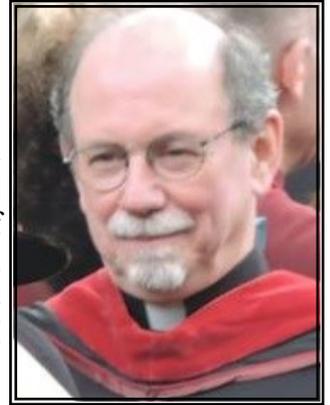


Your donation to the Catholic Charity Appeal impacts the lives of over 782 children who attended the Mother of Hope Camp in Chepachet and it also impacts the lives of 32,604 children and youth as well as 4,160 volunteer catechists and aides through the Office of Religious Education. Over 7,440 immigrants and 576 refugees are also helped because of your gift to the annual Catholic Charity Appeal. Thank you, as always, for your generous support.

JULY 6, 2014

Welcome, Fr. Henry Bodah!

In 2006, after I began graduate studies at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland, I was looking for a rectory in which to reside during school breaks, holidays and occasional home visits. Msgr. Raymond Bastia, the pastor of St. Joseph Church in Providence, generously welcomed me to the parish rectory on Hope Street. In residence there was the chaplain to the Brown/RISD Catholic community, Fr. Henry Bodah. We became good friends over the five years that I kept rooms at St. Joseph's.



I learned about his ministry to the students at Brown and the Rhode Island School of Design, about his service to the Catholic faculty and staff of both institutions, and his outreach to alumni. I could tell that his intelligence, wit and kindness were deeply appreciated by the students. I am still grateful for the many kindnesses Fr. Bodah showed me when I was a seminarian. And I can still easily call to mind sage advice and pithy sayings from our many enjoyable conversations. It has been a blessing to experience the development and deepening of that friendship over the past four years of my priestly ministry.

When I met Fr. Bodah, he had already been at Brown for quite some time. He would subsequently express a desire to return to parish ministry. (Interestingly enough, Fr. Bodah's last pastorate before his appointment to Brown was another parish dedicated to St. Francis of Assisi, on Jefferson Boulevard in Warwick.) As saddened as I was to learn of Monsignor's departure, I was truly delighted that after 17 years at Brown, Fr. Bodah was appointed by Bishop Tobin to serve as our new pastor. Believe it or not, Fr. Bodah has traveled south of the Tower many times to visit us here at the parish rectory. He won't need his GPS to get here, although we're ready to help him adapt to "South County living"!

What can we as a parish family expect from Fr. Bodah? Fr. Bodah has a deep love for the liturgy and the prayer life of the Church. He celebrates Mass and the other sacraments with attention, care and devotion. Fr. Bodah is an excellent preacher. He has a natural ability to communicate the truths of our faith simply and clearly, but without sacrificing profundity. Fr. Bodah has a wonderful sense of humor. His wit is one of his greatest traits. Fr. Bodah has a great deal of knowledge about languages, culture and literature. Those who know him well joke that Fr. Bodah is a purveyor of "useless information." He would do exceedingly well as a contestant on Jeopardy! Fr. Bodah, like Msgr. Theroux, is also an excellent cook and you can imagine that I'm particularly excited about that! Fr. Bodah is deeply dedicated to meeting the needs of those he serves, especially during difficult moments like sickness and death. On many occasions, I've met a person who felt blessed by Fr. Bodah's ministry during a trying period in his or her life. Fr. Bodah is truly eager to return to parish ministry and I know that his enthusiasm and zeal will make for a great start to his tenure here.

There are certainly many other things I could share about our new pastor. But I know he's eager to introduce himself to our community. I have been blessed by his priestly example, his advice, and his friendship throughout the last eight years, and I look forward to living and working with him. Please keep him in your prayers as he assumes this new role, and be certain to give him a warm welcome.

Fr. Joe Upton

PS – I just finished reading a book called *God in Proof* by Nathan Schneider, who converted to Roman Catholicism as a student at Brown. The book chronicles humanity's search for proof of God's existence, including the author's own struggle with faith. You can imagine how pleasantly surprised I was to find that Fr. Bodah features fairly prominently in the book, as a key factor in Schneider's conversion. It's a great book and it gives us a small glimpse at the good work our new pastor has done for the past 17 years!

God's endless love, mercy help church be blessing for world, pope says

By Cindy Wooden

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Beginning a series of audience talks about the church, its identity and mission, Pope Francis said it would be "a bit like a son talking about his mother, his own family," because the church is the mother of Christ's disciples and is called to be united as a family.

The story of salvation and of the church "is the story of God's fidelity and the infidelity of his people," he said June 18 at his weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square.

But while members of the church have strayed over and over again, he said: "God never tires. God has patience, so much patience, and continues to form and to educate his people just like a father does with his own sons and daughters."

Jesus established the church, but it has a history that began thousands of years earlier when God made himself known to Abraham, the pope explained. Abraham heard God's call and became the father of a "great nation," as God had promised, and "Jesus was born into this people."

"Abraham and his family listened to God's call and set out despite the fact that they did not know who this God was and where he wanted to lead them," the pope said. "It's true. Abraham set out when this God called him, but he didn't have a theology book to study to find out who this God was. He trusted. He trusted in the love that God made him feel."

The trust demonstrated by Abraham, by the Israelites and by Christians throughout the ages was not unwavering, the pope said. "From the beginning there was resistance" and "betrayals and sins that have marked the story of God's people all throughout salvation history."

But in ancient times and still today, "God walks with us," Pope Francis said. "When we recognize that we are sinners, God fills us with his mercy and love, and he forgives us. He always forgives us. This is what makes us grow as the people of God, the church."

"It is the daily experience of how much God loves us" that makes the church a blessing to its members and a blessing for the world, he said.

"When God called Abraham this was his plan: form a people blessed by his love and who would bring his blessing to all the people of the earth. This plan has never changed and in Christ it reached its fulfillment and, still today, God continues this work in the church," the pope said.

"I like to think that a synonym for being Christian is being men and women -- a people -- who always bless. Through their lives, Christians must always bless God and bless others," he said. "It's a beautiful vocation."

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS AT 6:30PM FOLLOWED BY

**ROSARY AT 7:00PM AT
ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL**



This Week

Sunday, July 6

1pm Baptisms by Deacon Iacono
7:00pm AA (HBH)

Wednesday, July 9

6:30-8pm Praise! Rehearsal (HBH)

Thursday, July 10

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC)



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU

Divine Mercy Cenacle meets every 2nd and 4th Monday from 1-3pm and every 2nd and 4th Thursday from 7-8:30pm at Saint Romuald Chapel. All are welcome. What's a "cenacle"? Come find out what it's all about.

Religious Education



The Religious Education Office will be closed for the month of July.