

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 23

4:30pm Joseph Douglas

Requested by family

Sunday, May 24

8:00am Daniel Cronin

Requested by Cronin family

10:00am Victor and Catherine Signorelli

Requested by family

12:00NN Rosalind and Clement Langlois

Requested by family

Monday, May 25

7:00am Michael Katroukas

Requested by Irene Clark

Tuesday, May 26

7:00am June (Salway) Bains

Requested by Linda Bessette

Wednesday, May 27

7:00am Laura Webb

Requested by Paul Costanza

Thursday, May 28

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, May 29

7:00am Luke J. Clossick

Requested by family

Saturday, May 30

4:30pm Feeny/Robinson families

Requested by family

Sunday, May 31

8:00am Celebrant's Intention

10:00am Mary and Tim Laffey and
Maureen Barratt

Requested by family

12:00NN Mass for the People



St. Romuald Chapel

Saturday, May 23

5:30pm Agnes M. Young &

Elizabeth Whipple

Requested by Mary C. Young

Sunday, May 24

8:00am John and Grace Carpinelli

Requested by family

10:00am Arthur and Anna Hornberger

Requested by daughter

Saturday, May 30

5:30pm William and Genevieve Wajda

Requested by family

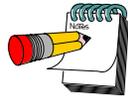
Sunday, May 31

8:00am Anita Simmons

Requested by family

10:00am Paul and Cecile Perreault

53rd Wedding Anniversary



For Your Information

PARISH SUPPORT

Parish support for May 17 was Budget—\$8,176; Mission Coop—\$4,721; Ascension—\$1,101. This weekend's second offering is the Ongoing Maintenance fund. Thank you for your generosity.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James Smith. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of LeMar Brown.

OFFICE VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The parish office is seeking a volunteer to do data entry at least once a week. More time available if interested. If you can help us out, please call Father Bodah. Thank you.

DAY OF HIKING & PRAYER FOR YOUNG MEN

The Office of Vocations is sponsoring a day of prayer and hiking for High School and College men. On Saturday, June 6th Assistant Vocation Director Fr. Christopher Murphy will lead a hike up Mount Monadnock in Jaffrey, NH. The group will depart from Our Lady of Providence Seminary (485 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Providence) at 7:00am, car pool to Mt. Monadnock, and return to Providence around 4:00pm. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please contact Fr. Murphy by phone (401) 331-1316 or by email at FatherCJM@gmail.com.

"The way Jesus shows you is not easy. Rather, it is like a path winding up a mountain. Do not lose heart! The steeper the road, the faster it rises towards ever wider horizons." - Pope John Paul II

CATHOLICS ANONYMOUS TO MEET AGAIN

The Evangelization Committee of St. Francis of Assisi Church invites all parishioners and friends to our next "Catholics Anonymous" event to take place Wednesday, May 27 at 7:00 pm at Panera in the Wakefield Mall. The mission of Catholics Anonymous is to reach out in new ways to the general community, but especially to lapsed or disaffected Catholics, to help them discover or rediscover their faith in the Church. The event at Panera will be an informal gathering offering an opportunity to discuss and share thoughts on faith and fellowship. Please stop by to enjoy a little coffee and Catholicism!

ST. ROMUALD WINDOW BOXES

For many, many years, the window boxes that grace the exterior of St. Romuald have been maintained with love and dedication by Joe and Myrna Cesario throughout the summer months. Joe and Myrna have decided to pass the torch on to someone new and we're hoping you'll consider taking over this beautiful ministry. If you're interested in taking care of St. Romuald Chapel's window boxes and helping to beautify our quaint little place of worship, please call Father Bodah at 783-4411 or speak to Bill Harding at weekend liturgy. As always, thank you for all you do for the parish and thank you to Joe and Myrna for your many years of dedicated service.

MAY 24, 2015

From the Pastor

Last summer, Fr. Joe had a reading group or book club, open to all, that met in three sessions to discuss Scott Hahn's *Evangelizing Catholics*, a call to implement what is called "the new evangelization." From this group was formed an evangelizing committee to address ways in which a new enthusiasm for Christian living might be fomented, especially among those who have ceased to practice the Faith. The first idea proposed was to have a parish survey to gather information about how people saw the parish and what direction we should try to go in to ensure a solid future for our community. Did anyone realize how complex and time-consuming this process would be? Our great thanks first to Fr. Joe, who spearheaded the formation of a questionnaire, and then to the members of the committee, who spent many hours reading, collating, and processing all the data and comments from the forms. I am happy to report that the data was collected not just from people who are regularly here for weekend Masses, but also from those who are less involved. The committee has not yet finished its labors, but enough data has been processed to allow us to make a report to the parishioners, which you heard at Masses this weekend.

A second effort has also come forth from the original reading group, one that I urge everyone to publicize and support. It's called Catholics Anonymous and is composed of concerned parishioners who want to engage in conversation with their fellow Catholics, especially those who have given up attending Mass regularly or who may have a gripe against the Church. This is an informal effort to listen and converse, not to argue or convert. Please help spread the word to your neighbors and friends and invite them to Panera restaurant this Wednesday, May 27, at 7pm for conversation with fellow lay Catholics.

A blessed Pentecost and a very happy Memorial Day weekend to all!

Fr. Bodah

SINCERE THANKS

On behalf of the Columban Sisters throughout the world, my sincere thanks to you all for your gracious welcome and most generous response to my appeal. It is generosity such as yours that God uses to continue His work in our world.

It was a privilege and a blessing to be with you this past weekend.

Know that you and your intentions are placed in the heart of God for special attention!

May God bless you all abundantly – now and always.

*Gratefully in Christ,
Sister Margaret*



Religious Education

MSGR. CLARKE 8TH GRADE STUDENTS

If you are currently an 8th grade student at Msgr. Clarke School you need to register for our summer Confirmation program. This can be done by calling the Religious Education Office at 792-8684.



This Week

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day Holiday
There will be no Adoration and all parish offices will be closed.
7:00pm May Devotions (SR)

Tuesday, May 26

7:00pm May Devotions (SR)
7:00pm Choir rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, May 27

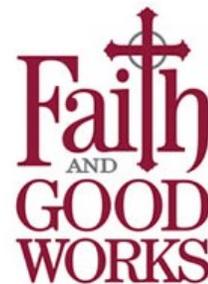
7:00pm May Devotions (SR)

Thursday, May 28

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)
7:00pm Divine Mercy Cenacle (SR)

Friday, May 29

7:00pm May Devotions (SRC)



2015 Catholic Charity Appeal

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

2015 CCF PARISH GOAL:
\$103,070

Amount pledged to date:
\$ 91,903



**A Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer ...
with Amazing Angels & Super Saints
Vacation Bible School
June 26, 29, 30, July 1 & 2**

This VBS is jam-packed with great songs, crafts and fun activities for kids in **Grades K-4!**

This program is especially designed to help prayer come alive for your child/ren and help them grow in their Catholic faith. During the week, your child/ren will come to better understand the power of prayer and how to put it into action in their daily lives.

Parents, did you know?

- *Cat Chat VBS programs are very unique and Catholic in their themes.*
- *When it comes to teaching kids about the Catholic Faith, Cat Chat knows how to make the faith come ALIVE and STICK!*
- *Cat Chat's approach to learning is guaranteed to help kids learn and love the treasures of the Catholic faith.*

More information about Cat Chat VBS can be found at: <http://www.catchat.ca/>. Sign your child up today! **Registration forms** are at the entrances to the church.

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May Money Madness Winners:

May 14	Jane MacDonald	\$50
May 15	Joe & Sue Pouliot	\$50
May 16	Margaret and Dave Navin	\$50
May 17	Concetta Wilson	\$100
May 18	M.J. Denecour	\$50
May 19	Jean and Joe Degnan	\$50
May 20	Mark Castro	\$50

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Visit our website at:
www.stfranciswakefield.com to sign up!

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL NEEDS YOU!
We are once again seeking some new volunteers to help with the cleaning of the chapel. It only requires about an hour of time every six weeks on a Saturday morning. Most teams are made up of 4 people and no heavy lifting or window washing is involved, primarily just vacuuming, dusting and cleaning the bathrooms. We are blessed to have such a lovely place to worship. Won't you consider giving some of your time to help? Please call Mary Grace Hood at 401-374-2395 (cell) or email me at mary_grace@cox.net. You can also leave your name in the sacristy with Bill Harding after Mass. Thank you!

**SUMMER
CONFIRMATION
PROGRAM**

Starting this July, we are making major changes to our two year Confirmation program. Our Confirmation candidates will be attending a week long program offered twice during the month of July. In addition they will attend monthly gatherings for all high school teenagers which will focus on nourishing the spiritual, social and service aspects of their parish life. The classes will be held from 5-8:30pm on July 6-10 and July 12-16. **If you are interested in helping out in any capacity please call the Religious Education Office at 792-8684.**

ADORERS NEEDED

We're in need of Adorer's for Monday mornings. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Monday from 7:30AM-12:00PM at St. Francis Church except when there's a holiday or funeral on that Monday. **We are in real need of adorers from 7:30-8:30AM but welcome you anytime.** Won't you give some consideration to our Lord's question, "Could you not watch with me for one hour?" (Matt 26:40). If you'd like to sign up for an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, please call Joe and Sharon Clossick at 782-2504.