

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 27

4:30pm Freda Sweet
Requested by Sylvia DeLuca

Sunday, September 28

8:00am Hoa Nguyen
Requested by Tran family

10:00am Constance Egerton
Requested by family

12:00NN Youth Mass

Monday, September 29

7:00am Special Intention
Requested by Kathleen Carney

Tuesday, September 30

7:00am Audrey Posillo
Requested by Gina Posillo

Wednesday, October 1

7:00am Dennis Capalbo
Requested by family

Thursday, October 2

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, October 3

7:00am Robert & Elizabeth Raitano
Requested by family

Saturday, October 4

4:30pm Fr. Bodah's Installation Mass
with Bishop Robert Evans

Sunday, October 5

8:00am Rose and Don Kueker
Requested by Cynthia Yemma Faria

10:00am Charles L. Farrell, Jr.

Requested by family

12NN Mavis Phelan & Edward Schmidt



St. Romuald Chapel

Saturday, September 27

5:30pm Lorette and Lionel Noel
Requested by Mary C. Young

Sunday, September 28

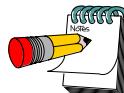
10:00am John & Grace Carpinelli
Requested by family

Saturday, October 4

5:30pm Mary Fitzgerald
Requested by Anzeveno family

Sunday, October 5

10:00am Elizabeth Young-Whipple &
Gerry Holmes
Requested by Mary C. Young



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Frances E. Steadman.

DATE CORRECTION:

St. Thomas More Parish invites you to a Day of Recollection for men and women on **Tuesday, October 7th** from 9:00am to 3:15pm at the Christian Brothers Center on Ocean Road, Narragansett. Monsignor John Halloran will be the presenter. Confession will be heard during the day. Cost-\$40 which includes lunch. To register call Jackie at 783-7383.



QUOTES ATTRIBUTED TO ST. FRANCIS:

- ~ "Blessed is the servant who loves his brother as much when he is sick and useless as when he is well and can be of service to him. And blessed is he who loves his brother as well when he is afar off as when he is by his side, and who would say nothing behind his back he might not, in love, say before his face."
- ~ "The deeds you do may be the only sermon some will hear today."
- ~ "Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received--only what you have given."
- ~ "Sanctify yourself and you will sanctify society."
- ~ "If we endure things patiently and with gladness thinking on the sufferings of our blessed Lord, and bearing all for the love of Him: herein is perfect joy."
- ~ "While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart."
- ~ "I have been all things unholy. If God can work through me, he can work through anyone."
- ~ "Above all the grace and the gifts that Christ gives to his beloved is that of overcoming self."

PARISH SUPPORT— September 21

Weekly Support

	September 21
Budget envelopes used (293)	\$ 5,709.50
Loose Donations	\$ 1,742.00
Online Giving (# of donors 43)	\$ 990.00
Total Budget	\$ 8,441.50

Priests' Retirement

Envelopes used (261)	\$ 6,179.50
Other Donations	\$ 1,303.00
Total Priests' Retirement	\$ 7,482.50

Next weekend's second offering is the annual Seminarians' Education Fund offering. Thank you for your continued generosity.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2014

From the Pastor

Around 50 years ago, the name of one of the sacraments was changed from Extreme Unction to the Anointing of the Sick. This marked a turn from an understanding of that sacrament as a forgiveness of sin in preparation for death to a more ancient theology of a prayer for the strength and health of those facing serious illness. I do not mean that it can't be used for the dying, and in fact it is most commonly used when a person is in his or her last hours. But the "Last Rites" of the Church are really confession, the renewal of baptismal vows and Viaticum, a kind of "last communion," literally "food for the journey," which may in fact be given any number of times before one becomes incapable of receiving any longer. It seems assumed by the ritual books of the Roman rite that the Anointing of the Sick should be given at the *beginning* of a debilitating or long-term illness or before surgery. The patient would then be sustained by the regular reception of the Eucharist. Viaticum, as mentioned above, would then be part of the Last Rites.

I'd like to urge everyone to call the priest, or even approach us after Mass, for the Anointing of the Sick at the onset of any serious illness or before any serious surgery. The prayers of the rite ask for strength and health and this is how it's best used: not as a final anointing before death but a prayer of faith for life and health.

Fr. Bodah



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Saturday, October 4th
at 11:00AM

in St. Francis Church.

All servers, NEW and senior servers, are asked to attend this training session with Father Bodah.

WELCOME TO ST. FRANCIS, FR. GARY!

Our parish community welcomes Fr. Gary Gelfenbien, a retired priest from Albany. Fr. Gary will assist with occasional Mass coverage for our parish. St. Francis has been a place where he comes to Mass and also where he can be found at the organ, as he says, "*struggling as an adult learner.*" Welcome, Fr. Gary!



Religious Education

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

Sunday, September 28th

8:50-9:50am GRADES 1 & 2 (FGC)
10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-6 (FGC)
GRADE 7 (FGC)

Monday, September 29th

7-8:30 Confirmation I (FGC)

Wednesday, October 1st

4:00-5:00 Grades 3-6 (FGC)
7:00-8:15 Grades 7 and 8 (FGC)

First Eucharist Parent meeting this morning at 9:15 in the lower church. All students must be represented at this meeting.



This Week

Sunday, September 28

12:00nn Youth Mass
7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, September 29

7:30-12:00nn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Francis Church

7-8:30pm Conf. I Class (FGC)

Tuesday, September 30

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, October 1

4-5pm Classes Grades 3-6 (FGC)
7-8:15pm Grade 7 & 8 (FGC)

Thursday, October 2

2:00pm Mass at Scallop Shell Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

6:30pm Prayer Shawl Meeting

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

Friday, October 3

4:30pm First Friday Devotions:
Adoration with Benediction at St. Francis Church

6:30pm Stations of the Cross (SRC)

7:00pm Rosary (SRC)

"My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me."



Food Pantry Needs

For the months of September and October: cereal, macaroni & cheese and soup Thank you.

Matthew Kelly Coming to R.I. Tickets are going fast!

Are you yearning for a deeper sense of purpose and a clearer understanding of God's plan for your life? Perhaps you are looking to re-energize your faith. No matter where you are on your faith journey, this is an event you don't want to miss! Internationally acclaimed speaker and author **Matthew Kelly** is coming to the Stadium Theatre Performing Arts Centre on **Friday, October 3, 2014** to present "*Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose*". Matthew sold out every event last year, so get your tickets early! Music for the event is provided by the incredibly talented Eliot Morris. Tickets are \$39.00 and can be purchased at the Stadium Theatre box office, online at www.stadiumtheatre.com, or by calling 401-762-4545.

Bishop Tobin to celebrate Mass for Young Adults and have a Question and Answer Session.

Young Adult Ministry of the Diocese of Providence invites all young adults to an **Evening with The Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.**, Bishop of Providence. Come join us on **Wednesday October 15th, 2014** for Mass at 7:00 PM celebrated by the Bishop, followed by appetizers and a dialogue with the Bishop including an opportunity for questions and answers. Bishop Tobin looks forward to being with our young adults and young families. This event is graciously hosted by Our Lady of Mercy Parish located at 65 3rd Street East Greenwich, RI 02818. Please invite anyone you may know in their 20's and 30's to join us for this special event.

AN EYE ON THE SAINTS

What a powerhouse week of saints we have to celebrate this week! Starting with Monday, September 29th we have the Feast of the Archangels: Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Tuesday, September 30th we celebrate St. Jerome, priest and Doctor of the Church; Wednesday, October 1st is the Feast of St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church; Thursday, October 2nd is the Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels and of course, **Saturday, October 4th is the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, our parish patron.** Why not pick a saint and learn something about them this week. "*Holy guardian angels, archangels, and great saints of God, pray for us.*"

FREE FLU CLINICS

BEAT the Flu BUG



at **ST. FRANCIS CHURCH**
on **Sunday, October 5th**
from **9:00am to 1:30pm**

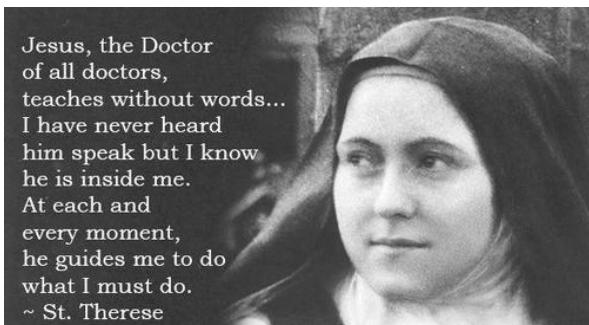
in Helen Bouchard Hall

and at
ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL
on **Saturday, October 11th**
from **4-5:00pm**

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Sunday, October 12th
from **11-12:30pm**

Don't let the bug get you! The flu vaccine will last the entire flu season.



"All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle."
~ St. Francis of Assisi