

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 15

4:30pm †Bob & Concetta Wilson

Sunday, June 16

8:00am †Domenic Coppolino

Requested by the Pullano Family

10:00am

12:00nn †James Dware

Requested by daughter, Barbara

Monday, June 17

7:00am Mass for the People

Tuesday, June 18

7:00am †Barbara McNulty

Requested by Family

Thursday, June 20

7:00am †Bob Brown

Requested by his Wife

Friday, June 21

7:00am †Herman Card

Requested by Viola

Saturday, June 22

4:30pm †Mary & Nelson Burke

Requested by Family

Sunday, June 23

8:00am †Marion Ferreira

Requested by John & Patty Grimes

10:00am †Timothy Maher

Requested by Meghan & Mike

12:00nn †Gwen Jolly

(Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Vickie & Bill Cummings



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 15

5:30pm †John, Terrance, & Elizabeth Simpson

Requested by Renny & family

Sunday, June 16

8:00am

10:00am †Jane & Ed Benz

Requested by Family

Wednesday, June 19

12:00nn Mass in honor of St. Romuald

Saturday, June 22

5:30pm †Thomas & Barbara McLaughlin;

Edward & William McLaughlin

Requested by Family

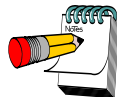
Sunday, June 23

8:00am †Marilyn Cote

Requested by Family

10:00am †Janie & Ettore Caporelli

Requested by Family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James Smith.



All are welcome to attend a Mass at noon on this Wednesday, June 19th at our St. Romuald Chapel on Atlantic Ave. in Matunuck to celebrate the Memorial of St. Romuald, abbot and hermit, the founder of the Camaldolese Benedictines, who died on June 19, 1027. Light refreshments will follow.

STEUBENVILLE FUNDRAISER

The teens of the Parish will be having a fundraiser the weekend of June 29th and 30th at St. Francis and the weekend of July 6th and 7th at St. Romuald's for their upcoming Steubenville Retreat. As in the past, the teens will be at all the doors of the church after all the Masses asking for your support to help defray costs for their conference held at UMass in July.



As always, we thank you for your support and past generosity.

2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL "Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2019 IS: \$118,000.00
As of 6/10/2019 the amount pledged is: \$83,293.00
Donor Count: 283

At the Saint Martin de Porres Center in Providence, 9,680 elders and low-income families are served annually. Thank you for your gift to the Catholic Charity Appeal.

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support		June 9
Budget envelopes used (235)	-	\$9,319.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,969.00
Online Giving (# of donors-61)	-	\$1,941.00
Total Budget	-	\$13,229.00
Second Collection (Catholic Communications)		
Budget envelopes used (126)	-	\$1,442.50
Loose Donations	-	\$ 558.00
Total	-	\$2,000.50

This week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance. There is no second collection next week.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

JUNE 16, 2019

From the Pastor,

Twenty-five years ago, Bishop Gelineau established an *ad hoc* committee of clergy, religious and laity to construct a protocol to deal with “clerical misconduct” in our diocese. From that time, there has been a standing board composed of people with various areas of expertise, including law enforcement, whose task it is to receive allegations of clergy misconduct and turn them over to the police if the allegations are judged credible. The Church has become so neuralgic about this issue that one could almost get the impression that a priest is presumed guilty until he can prove his innocence. As far as anyone knows, all perpetrators of misconduct have been removed from the priesthood and most of them are now dead since these crimes took place many decades ago. My predecessor, Msgr. Paul Theroux, when he was Vicar General, met personally with all victims and their families and made sure that they were offered apologies and any financial support they needed to receive psychological therapy and counselling.

In the year 2000, the US Conference of Catholic Bishops instituted a very stringent policy of “zero tolerance” in our country so that priests who had been sent away in past decades to receive psychological help and then come back to ministry were expelled permanently and their cases submitted to Rome to have them returned forcibly to the lay state: defrocking as it’s commonly called. If there are any bishops who are still neglecting to turn accused priests over to the proper civil authorities, they are not following the protocols established by the national conference and those who have proven derelict have been forced to resign.

In our state, the statute of limitations for bringing civil suits against the perpetrators and against the diocese was for only seven years. Many people, including clergy, thought that this was too short a time. Now some have gone to the other extreme and want the limit extended to 35 years. Note that this is about civil suits for monetary awards, not criminal charges. The diocese would be held responsible for actions taken or not taken by bishops who are now long gone. I don’t see how the Church can be blamed for pushing back against these bills that seem nothing short of vindictive, since the alleged perpetrators are dead and cannot defend themselves, and since until the early 80’s the bishops were doing what everyone had agreed was the proper way to handle this sort of gross misconduct.

Most bizarre is the claim that since the constitution guarantees the separation of Church and State, the Church should have no voice in society or. It is very ominous for the future of our country if certain groups are disenfranchised because of a political agenda.

Fr. Bodah

OPENING THE WORD BEGINS AGAIN

Would you like to develop a deeper understanding of the readings for the Sunday Liturgy? Every **Thursday evening from 6:00-7:00pm in Fr. Greenan Center** we will be using a series called *Opening the Word* to help guide us in unfolding sacred scripture for the upcoming Sunday readings. No registration is required. All are welcome!

LOST AND FOUND

A couple of months ago a Magnificat with a leather cover was found in the church. No one has stepped forward to claim it. It is being kept at the rectory. If this belongs to you, please feel free to stop by to pick it up.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES



Don't Miss out!! Join us for VBS~MARVELOUS MYSTERY. The Mass Comes Alive ~ NEXT WEEK! June 24-28th. We will spend a week discovering more about the Mass and deepening our love for Jesus in the Eucharist.

Time: 8:30-11:30am ~ Cost: \$45.00 ~ Pre K to Grade 4

Registration forms may be found at the church entrances OR you may call the Religious Ed. Office @ 792-8684. Deadline to register is this Thursday, June 20th!

For more information check out:

<https://catchat.ca/vacation-bible-school>

All of Cat. Chat's Rock-Solid Catholic VBS programs are specially designed to lead kids closer to Jesus while having a blast learning about the treasures of the Catholic faith.



Summer Confirmation Classes begin next week June 24-28th from 2:00-5:30pm at FGC.

This Week

Tuesday, June 18

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Loft)

7:00pm SVDP Meeting (FGC)

Thursday, June 20

6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

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



FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE JONNYCAKE CENTER: JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Please remember we are always in need of nonperishable food items (no glass or outdated items). Your donations may be placed in the baskets located at St. Francis or St. Romuald. These items will be donated to the Jonnycake Food Pantry in Peace Dale. Thank you for your generosity.



Online Giving

Did you know that our parish offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.stfranciswakefield.com and selecting the Online Giving link.

A Father's Day Prayer

**God,
Bless all the fathers in the world. Father, we ask that You guide them to be good role models and loving to their children. We also ask that You help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.
Amen**

St. Vincent DePaul Society

*Just a reminder that our St. Vincent de Paul chapter here at St. Francis needs your help. They ask your help by using their poor boxes located in the church and chapel so that they can assist those in need in our area. **Keep them in your prayers!***



We are glad that you are here with us this morning. Whether you moved here a while ago or are just here for a brief stay, we welcome you.

If you would like to become a part of this wonderful community, registering in the parish is a quick process that will take about five minutes over the phone (783-4411) or you can see Father Bodah after Mass to inquire about registering. Again, welcome and God bless!

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Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we even boast of our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has given to us.—Letter of St. Paul to the Romans