

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions



Show me the Path to Life

Saturday, June 29

4:30pm †Bob Brown
Requested by his Wife

Sunday, June 30

8:00am †Aldora De Sousa
Requested by Family

10:00am †Marjorie Meehan
Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan

12:00nn

Monday, July 1

7:00am †Barbara McNulty
Requested by Friends from 7am Mass

Tuesday, July 2

7:00am Mass for the People

Thursday, July 4

7:00am †Oliver Northrup
Requested by Patty & John

Friday, July 5

7:00am †Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie

Requested by Family

Saturday, July 6

4:30pm †Lee Mainelli
Requested by Family

Sunday, July 7

8:00am
10:00am †Olga Mary Chmura
Requested by Family

12:00nn †Jake Finan, Esq.
Requested by Family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 29

5:30pm †Cecelia V. Driscoll
Requested by Family

Sunday, June 30

8:00am †Anne Patricia Hartigan
Requested by Grace

10:00am †Nina & Lou Argondizzo
Requested by Kathleen Dwyer

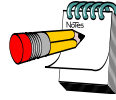
Saturday, July 6

5:30pm †Bruce Finnegan
Requested by Family

Sunday, July 7

8:00am †Steven Schmidt & Lorraine Schmidt
Requested by Regina & John Blair

10:00am †Nancy & Charles Galligan
Requested by Family



For Your Information



2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

"Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2019 IS: \$118,000.00
As of 6/24/2019 the amount pledged is: \$84,598.00
Donor Count: 287

Through your support of the Catholic Charity Appeal, 732 youth attended 8 multi-parish thematic retreats from over 66 different parishes. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support		June 23
Budget envelopes used (210)	-	\$5,447.00
Loose Donations	-	\$2,257.00
Online Giving (# of donors-59)	-	\$1,761.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,465.00

There is no second collection this week. Next week's second collection is the Monthly Collection.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

JUNE 30, 2019

From the Pastor,

A few words on the pews in the church: It had become pretty clear that the pews were too close together for today's worshippers since, generally speaking, people are getting taller with each generation. Nowadays, church design calls for a minimum of 33 inches between each pew. If there were no pillars in the church, we could simply have readjusted all the pews so that they were equidistant from one another, but the pillars make that impossible: we had to leave the shorter pews at the pillars and readjust the others. We took out one pew per section, but if we set the remaining pews equidistant from one another, they'd all be too far apart. So we set the pews at 34 inches apart which meant that was some extra space left over. The pews immediately behind the pillars (except for the last ones in the back) are a bit farther apart than the others. People who would like a bit more room can make use of those.

You have probably noticed that the hat clips are gone. While they may have had historical interest, they would have made the refinishing of the pew more expensive: they would all have to have been removed for the refinishing and then put back afterwards. Also, some of them were broken and I don't think we could have found replacements for them. So it was time for them to be retired. Ah well. "We have not here a lasting city."

The next step is to make ramps in the front that will allow wheelchairs to come into the nave and also prevent people from tripping on the present ramps as they return from communion. Then the carpeting will be replaced with something a bit brighter. Finally we'll get the stained glass windows professionally cleaned. I, for one, will be glad when the project is done.

One more piece of good news: the people in charge of endowments at the diocese have informed me that pledges and gifts continue to come in for the Grateful for God's Providence diocesan campaign and we're now \$200,000 over goal, 60% of which will come back to our parish. God bless all who are able to give us such financial support!

Fr. Bodah

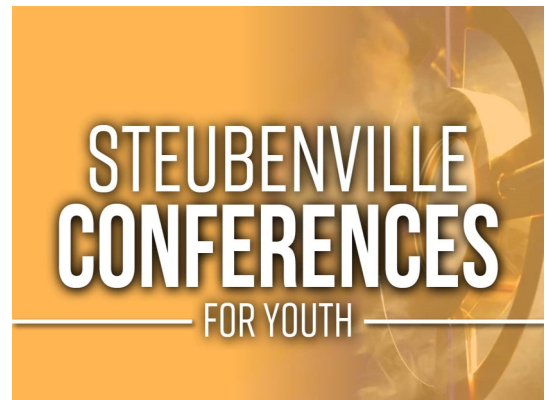
PARKING AT THE CHAPEL

We would encourage that when using the parking lot behind the chapel that you please park on the **GRAVEL** and **NOT** park on the grass.

Thank you so much.



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



STEUBENVILLE FUNDRAISER

The teens of the Parish will be having a fundraiser this weekend at St. Francis and next weekend, 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 July 12-14.

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



This Week

Tuesday, July 2

7:00pm SVDP meeting (FGC)

Thursday, July 4

OFFICE CLOSED-HOLIDAY



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.



The Haitian Project is pleased to join St. Francis of Assisi Parish for Mission Sunday on July 13th & 14th!

THP President & Missionary, Deacon Patrick Moynihan, will assist and preach at the Masses.

THP will also be present at all Masses at St. Romuald Chapel.

The second collection will benefit THP's mission of providing Catholic education steeped in service to young Haitian men and women who will use their education to build a brighter future for their country.

To learn more, please visit www.haitianproject.org.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are always interested in those parishioners who are unable to attend our services—whether it be for short term or a long time.



If you know of someone who is in a **convalescent home or who is homebound**, please call the office and give us the information.

We want to reach out to and stay connected with all of our community members. **Thank You in Advance...** Contact Jacki at the parish office, 783-4411 ext. 10.



Brothers and sisters: For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love. For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.* But if you go on biting and devouring one another, beware that you are not consumed by one another.

I say, then: live by the Spirit and you will certainly not gratify the desire of the flesh. For the flesh has desires against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you may not do what you want. But if you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law.—A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians



NEWS FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We are so appreciative of this parish's generous support! You are with us as we answer calls and visit those in need. In the name of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, we have visited the homes of 30 neighbors who have requested assistance.

Many requests have been related to housing needs. It is not unusual to have clients whose rent is 50% of their take home pay. It takes one incident, "the tyranny of the moment"—a car breakdown, flat tire, or illness - to create a financial crisis.

Some of our recent cases: help repair a car for a large family and enable the main wage earner to drive to work; assist a full time working woman with a mortgage payment while she is caring for a dying parent and unable to work additional, crucial, part time jobs; coordinate the purchase of an inhaler and respiratory medications for a client having breathing problems; and facilitate restoration of electrical service for a family needing to refrigerate insulin. We are seeing the "working poor" who often have several jobs. Several local businesses have assisted us in our work: Green Line Apothecary with the cost of medications, Northup's with towing and car repairs, and Purple Cow in waiving fees and providing advertising for a SVDP table at the annual Ladies Night on Main Street, July 11th.

Your contributions are helping our neighbors. **If you would prefer to donate gift cards, they are most welcome and can also be placed in the poor boxes or left at the parish office. We value your donations, take great care with disbursements, and focus on the best use of financial resources to benefit the most clients.**