

## THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Mass Intentions

**Saturday, August 3**

4:30pm †James E. Sweet & Edward F. Sweet  
*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, August 4**

8:00am †Kerri Bessette  
*Requested by Mom, Dad & Scott*

10:00am Frank & Joan Donahue  
*Celebration of 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*

12:00nn

**Monday, August 5**

7:00am †Carolyn McDonough  
*Requested by Mary Grace & Roger Hood*

**Tuesday, August 6**

7:00am †Jeanne Stowe  
*Requested by Jean McGair*

**Thursday, August 8**

7:00am Mass for the People

**Friday, August 9**

7:00am †Phyllis Gilmartin  
*Requested by Family*

**Saturday, August 10**

4:30pm †Marsha Signorelli  
*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, August 11**

8:00am †Marion Maggio  
*Requested by Family*

10:00am †Leona Kelley  
*Requested by Family*

12:00nn Mass for the People



### St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

**Saturday, August 3**

5:30pm †Betty & Cy Cooney; David & Declan Cooney  
*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, August 4**

8:00am †Deceased Members of the Marchand & Marsocci Families  
*Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci*

10:00am †Deceased Members of the Blackbeard Association  
*Requested by Darrell & Donna*

**Saturday, August 10**

5:30pm †Jeannette DeLuca  
*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, August 11**

8:00am †Dr. Edward T. Ferry  
*Requested by Margot Ferry*

10:00am †Michael Maggiacomo  
(Birthday Remembrance)  
*Requested by Family*



### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Rosemary Walsh.

## Peter's Pence Collection *Be a Witness of* **Charity**

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today.

For more information, visit:  
[www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence)

### 2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL *"Faith and Good Works"*

**OUR GOAL FOR 2019 IS: \$118,000.00**  
As of 7/29/2019 the amount pledged is: \$87,768.00  
Donor Count: 306

**Thank you for your generosity and support!**

### PARISH SUPPORT

| Weekly Support                 |   | July 28            |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Budget envelopes used (195)    | - | \$6,073.50         |
| Loose Donations                | - | \$2,712.00         |
| Online Giving (# of donors-59) | - | \$1,756.00         |
| <b>Total Budget</b>            | - | <b>\$10,541.50</b> |

This week's second collection is for the Holy Father-Peter's Pence. There is no second collection next week.

**As always, thank you for your continued generosity.**

AUGUST 4, 2019

## From the Pastor,

As of this writing (Monday) there has been no news about the new panels for the ceiling over the altar in the church. Sigh. Perhaps after this column is sent to the printer, I'll hear that the panels have arrived and will be in place by the time you read this; but somehow I'm not too optimistic. Still, they *are* coming.

In the meantime, I've assembled a rather informal and eclectic group of parishioners to look at carpet samples, an unenviable task. I've often wondered why so many church carpets are in the red hues when we wear green for more than 30 weeks of the year, so I'm looking in the blue range since this will go with whatever color vestments we use. We have to get something bright but with a pattern that hides the dirt. It's not easy to find, and in any case, there's no accounting for taste, is there? When I was a younger priest my pastor told me that whatever you do in a parish, 5% of the people love it, 5% hate it, and 90% don't care one way or the other. Is that true, do you think?

In any case, may the Lord bless the work and bring it to a speedy conclusion! Thanks to all who have been so patient.

Fr. Bodah



### *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**(Holy Day of Obligation)**

**Next THURSDAY, AUGUST 15:  
MASS TIMES ARE:**

**At St. Francis Church  
7:00am and 12NN**

**At St. Romuald Chapel  
6:30pm**



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
(401) 792-8684**



**Confirmation Classes** for Grades 9 and 10 were held the week of June 24-29.

Some of our students were unable to attend due to various family plans.

For those students who did not attend, our makeup classes will be held this week, August 5-9, from 9:00-12:30 in Fr. Greenan Center.

***Students must be present all 5 days for the entire 3½ hours.*** If you have any questions please call the Religious Education Office at 792-8684.



**This Week**

**Monday, August 5**

6:30pm Event Committee Meeting (Matunuck Center)

**Tuesday, August 6**

7:00pm SVDP Meeting (FGC)

**Thursday, August 8**

6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

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

**Monday, August 12—Holiday: Offices will be closed**



*Thinking of advertising your business/company? Consider doing so in our bulletin! If interested contact Gary at 203-685-9504.*



**SAVE THE DATE!**

*End-of-Summer Breakfast*

at the Community Field House, Matunuck

**Sunday, August 18, 2019**

**8:30AM TO 11:30AM**

**Adults: \$10.00—Children 6-12: \$5**

**Children 5 and under: FREE**

**Tickets to be sold after all masses next weekend, August 10/11.**

**Tickets can also be purchased at the rectory or at the door the day of the breakfast.**

**BAKERS & SERVERS ARE NEEDED. IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE CALL ELLEN SCHWAB AT 789-7707.**

**Come join us !**

**PRAYER SHAWLS**

The St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Shawl Group has many beautiful prayer shawls available. If you know of someone who could benefit from receiving a prayer shawl please contact Jean McGair at 401-783-1633.



**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!***



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. Feel free to join us! No registration is required. All are welcome!



**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is sponsoring the annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration honoring couples of the Diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2019.

The celebration will be held on Sunday, **September 15, 2019, 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul, Providence.** It will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant and homilist.

Following are points regarding participation:

- ◆ The celebration is for couples observing their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and OVER wedding anniversary in 2019.
- ◆ One or both of the spouses need to be Catholic, with the marriage recognized by the Church.
- ◆ The celebration is for couples; if it is not possible for both to be present, a certificate can be forwarded directly to the couple.

Please contact the parish office at 783-4411 to register for this special celebration. **Registration deadline is August 16.**