

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

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

Monday, August 12

7:00am †Jeannette DeLuca
Requested by Family

Tuesday, August 13

7:00am †Margaret Flynn
Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

Thursday, August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00am †Mr. & Mrs. Thu Chi Tran & John Thanh Ha
Requested by Family

12:00nn †For the Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

Friday, August 16

7:00am †Lucille & James Ferry
Requested by Family

Saturday, August 17

4:30pm

Sunday, August 18

8:00am †Jean Krul
Requested by Family

10:00am †Pat Pezzelli
(90th Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Family

12:00nn †Raymond Rogers
(Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

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 Maggiasco
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Family

Thursday, August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30pm †Norma Pezzelli
Requested by Family

Saturday, August 17

5:30pm †Joseph Bianco
Requested by Wife and Family

Sunday, August 18

8:00am †The Reale Family
10:00am †Roger, Barney & Dan Fenaughty
Requested by Jean



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Margaret Flynn.



Thursday, August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honor of the Virgin Mary, at whose Assumption the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL "Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2019 IS: \$118,000.00
As of 8/5/19 the amount pledged is: \$87,208.00
Donor Count: 303

Thank you for your generosity and support!

PARISH SUPPORT

<u>Weekly Support</u>	<u>August 4</u>
Budget envelopes used (205)	-\$5,812.00
Loose Donations	-\$2,415.00
Online Giving (# of donors-64)	-\$1,191.00
Total Budget	-\$9,418.00

<u>Second Collection (Holy Father-Peter's Pence)</u>	
Budget envelopes used (143)	-\$1,802.50
Loose Donations	-\$986.00
Total Budget	-\$2,788.50

There is no second collection this week. The second collection next week is for the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

AUGUST 11, 2019

From the Pastor,

Here is a piece of an article from Wikipedia on mass shootings in the US for just this year.

Mass shootings are incidents involving multiple victims of firearm-related violence. The precise inclusion criteria are disputed, and there is no broadly accepted definition.

Gun Violence Archive, a nonprofit research group that tracks shootings and their characteristics in the United States, defines a mass shooting as an incident in which four or more people, excluding the perpetrator(s), are shot in one location at roughly the same time. The Congressional Research Service narrows that definition further, only considering what it defines as "public mass shootings", and only considering victims as those who are killed, excluding any victims who survive. The Washington Post and Mother Jones use similar definitions, with the latter acknowledging that their definition "is a conservative measure of the problem", as many rampages with fewer fatalities occur. The crowdsourced Mass Shooting Tracker project defines a mass shooting as "an incident where four or more people are shot in a single shooting spree. This may include the gunman himself, or police shootings of civilians around the gunman."

As of August 4, 2019, 248 mass shootings have occurred in 2019 that fit the inclusion criteria of this article. This averages out to 1.2 shootings per day. In these shootings, 979 people were shot; of those people, 246 have died.

How can we create a society where this kind of violence is not an option? Perhaps "thoughts and prayers" are not enough. Still, our prayers go out to the victims and their loved ones and for our country, the most violent among modern, advanced democracies.

Fr. Bodah

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
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becoming a
catechist

Reasons to Become a Catechist by Joe Paprocki

1. You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
 2. Your Baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.
 3. Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.
 4. Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to encounter good role models of faith.
 5. You have much to share with those you'll teach, and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
 6. Today's catechetical textbooks/resources offer outstanding support.
 7. You'll be challenged, you'll have fun, and you'll make new friends.
 8. You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus. (You'll be evangelizing!)
 9. You'll be handing on a 2000-year-old Tradition that changes lives.
- It's our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations."

Our Religious Ed Classes begin on September 15th and we are in need of Catechists at various grade levels. Why not you?

The qualifications needed are: weekly participation at Sunday Eucharist, a basic knowledge of our Catholic faith, a generous heart, enjoyment of young people, a willingness to learn and share your faith. Newly confirmed teens, this is your *chance to give back to the community the gifts of your faith.*

Please call Barbette Cullen at 792-8684 for more information regarding teaching, as well as, other opportunities to serve your parish. Training and assistance are provided. We will be waiting for your call!

This Week

Monday, August 12—Holiday: Offices will be closed

Thursday, August 15

6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

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



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

Next Sunday, August 18, 2019

8:30AM TO 11:30AM

Adults: \$10.00—Children 6-12: \$5

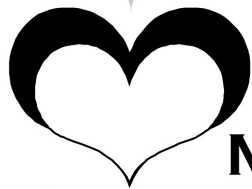
Children 5 and under: FREE

Tickets to be sold after all masses this 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 !



**MAY GOD'S
KINDNESS
BE UPON US**

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!***



Peter's Pence Collection
Be a Witness of
Charity

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions, combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world, will help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give!

Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link.

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.

Just a reminder that there are inspirational Catholic media CDs available at the side entrance (parking lot side) in the main church and at the chapel. Please be sure to take a moment to look them over.