

# THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## St. Francis Mass Intentions



**Saturday, August 31**

4:30pm †Shirley Lewis

*Requested by Jean*

**Sunday, September 1**

8:00am †Silvio & Angelina D'Ambrosco

*Requested by Family*

10:00am †Doug Noble

*Req. by the St. Vincent de Paul Society*

12:00nn

**Monday, September 2**

7:00am Mass for the People

**Tuesday, September 3**

7:00am †Norbert & Marguerite Jarbeau

*Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon*

**Thursday, September 5**

7:00am †Rev. Jerome E. Daly

(10<sup>th</sup> Pastor)

*34<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance*

**Friday, September 6**

7:00am †Charles & Mary Cummings

*Requested by the Champion Family*

**Saturday, September 7**

4:30pm †Louis & Amelia DiSalvo

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, September 8**

8:00am †The Caswell & Hunt Families

*Requested by Family*

10:00am †Nancy Pearce

*Requested by the Grimes Family*

12:00nn †Jean G. Boisse

*Requested by Family*

## St. Romuald Mass Intentions

**Saturday, August 31**

5:30pm †Jack Harris

*Requested by the Fenaughtys*

**Sunday, September 1**

8:00am †Helen Collins

*Requested by Roger & Mary Grace Hood*

10:00am †Dorothy Maddren

*Requested by Kathleen Dwyer*

**Sunday, September 8**

10:00am †Helen & Mary Coffey

*Requested by the Dwyer Cousins*



### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of the deceased Members of the Blackbeard Association.



## Blood drive!

St. Romuald Chapel

**This Sunday, September 1, 2019**

**8:45-11:45am**

**Bloodmobile  
61 Atlantic Avenue, Matunuck**

**Don't forget to bring your driver's license or another form of identification when you donate.**

Blood components do not last long. This is why new, healthy blood is needed everyday.

*Giving blood is a wonderful way to give of oneself and help save lives in our community!*

## Parish Giving

### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (201)	-	<b>August 25</b> \$7,249.00
Loose Donations	-	\$2,106.00
Online Giving (# of donors-56)	-	\$1,506.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$10,861.00</b>

### Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget envelopes used (140)	-	\$1,938.50
Loose Donations	-	\$ 927.00
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>\$2,865.50</b>

The second collection this week is the Monthly Collection. There is no second collection next week.

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

## From the Pastor,

Last Sunday I went to a celebration of priestly anniversaries at the Portuguese club in East Providence. It's been 30 years for Fr. Joe Santos, the pastor of Holy Name parish in Providence. Although he is from Bristol, R.I., he was ordained for the Archdiocese of Braga in northern Portugal and returned to the States to help his aging father. On Saturday evenings in this parish there is the usual Mass that attracts the older parishioners; at 9 on Sundays, the African-American community gospel choir provides the music; at 11 a.m. there is a Latin high Mass in the pre-Vatican II form; and finally the African immigrant community has Mass at—as they put it—at 12:30, or 12:40, or 12:45.

This African community is served by a young priest from Nigeria, Father Lazarus, who lives at Holy Name. He just got his master's degree at Providence College and is now going to Boston College for further studies; he was celebrating his 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Sunday's dinner.

Finally, Fr. John Wydeven, a former military chaplain who has been serving as the Catholic chaplain at the Veterans' Hospital for many years, was celebrating his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. He was ordained a bit later in life and so is getting into his later 70's, but still working full-time and living at Holy Name.

At my table, the priest next to me is from Westerly and is a pastor in Providence. He had to leave early since he has duty at RI Hospital one day a week and had been up all night with emergency calls. The priest next to him is also a pastor in Providence and came to RI from Guatemala. Next to him was the pastor the Portuguese parish in Bristol who came to us from Canada but is a native of Brazil. Next to him was a fellow member of the community he belongs to and who is from Milan, Italy. I found out that he serves also in a parish in Trentino which is right next to the parish my great-grandmother came from. Next to him was a priest from Pawtucket, who is the pastor of two parishes in northern RI, and next to him was the retired pastor of the largest Portuguese parish in our diocese, who came here from serving in East Timor when it was still part of Indonesia, but who came originally from the Azores. Finally, next to me was a priest from Binghamton, NY, who is now a priest in the diocese of Fall River.

The food was Portuguese, the music West African, the attendees from all over the earth. Behold the face of Catholicism!

Fr. Bodah

### Catholic Women's Conference

Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul and Cathedral Hall

September 21, 2019

8:00 AM Holy Mass (Check-in will begin at 7:00 AM)

The day will include coffee an' and lunch

#### Speakers:

Kelly Walquist | [www.kellywalquist.com](http://www.kellywalquist.com)

Angela Franks | [www.angelafranks.com](http://www.angelafranks.com)

*Dynamic and Encouraging Talks, Vendors, Swag Bags, Live Music Ministry*

Participants must bring tickets to the event. (Early Bird, \$35; Regular Admission, \$40, Students, \$20, Religious & Consecrated Women, FREE. Tickets will not be sold at the door. For tickets or to learn more go to: [www.discovercatholicfaith.org/womens-conference](http://www.discovercatholicfaith.org/womens-conference).

*Cathedral and Cathedral Hall (Lower Level) are handicapped accessible by the handicapped entrance on Jackson Walkway. Infants in arms are welcome!*



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (401) 792-8684



### Religious Education Startup for Grades K-9

Our classes begin on *Catechetical Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>*

- ◆ Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> Grades K-6. Time 8:55-9:50 we will begin in the church.
- ◆ Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> Grades 3-6 Time: 4:15-5:15 we will begin in the church.
- ◆ Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> Grades 7, 8 and 9 Time: 6:30 in FGC. This first meeting is a Parent-Student Orientation Mtg.

Families new to the parish and families with children entering First Grade must register for classes. **Catholic school students in Grade 2, 7, 8 and 9** must register for the sacraments of Holy Communion (gr. 2) and Confirmation (gr. 7, 8 & 9). Registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church. You may also register by calling the Religious Ed. Office at 792-8684. An information packet was mailed last week to all registered families. Please call the Rel. Ed. Office at 792-8684 if you did not receive the packet.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

will take place during the 10:00AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church beginning September 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you are interested in becoming a children's liturgy of the word presenter, we would love to welcome you! Parents, grandparents, college or high school and Confirmation students! We provide you with all of the materials and assistance in preparing for the Sunday's readings. You would be responsible to present once every five to six weeks, depending on the number of presenters. For more information, contact Barbette Cullen at 792- 8684.



**CATECHISTS NEEDED:** This fall our young people in grades K-9 will be returning to Religious Education classes to learn more about Jesus and our Catholic faith. You can help them learn and grow in the faith by becoming a catechist! With classes offered Sunday morning, Wednesday afternoon and evening, you are almost sure to find a time that fits your schedule. Why not pray about giving of your time this year? Classes begin Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>.

If interested or for more information call the Rel. Office at 792-8684 or email Barbette at [Cullen\\_stfrancis@verizon.net](mailto:Cullen_stfrancis@verizon.net) or David at [david.cuellar@stfranciswakefield.com](mailto:david.cuellar@stfranciswakefield.com)

## This Week

**Monday, September 2**

**Holiday—Parish Offices Closed**

**Tuesday, September 3**

7:00pm SVDP Meeting (FGC)

**Thursday, September 5**

6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

6:30pm Prayer Shawl Comm. Meeting (Rectory)

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



**ST. FRANCIS BIBLE STUDY TO RESUME: SEPTEMBER 10**

St. Francis Bible Study will resume on Tuesdays beginning September 10, 2019. We will meet from 6:30pm to 8pm. The topic of study is Romans.

All are welcome to join us downstairs in Father Greenan Center. If you have any questions or are interested in joining please contact Vicky Montani at [Montanivicky@gmail.com](mailto:Montanivicky@gmail.com).



### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



The blessing of the animals will take place Sunday, September 29 at 1:15pm by the statue of St. Francis of Assisi on the side of the church.

Bring your dogs, cats, hamsters, gerbils, birds, fish, ferrets, chickens, turtles, etc.. for a special St.



Francis blessing by Father Bodah!



### 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!**



### 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.

FEED THE HUNGRY

### UPCOMING LIFE AND FAMILY EVENTS

**A Day of Remembrance—September 14:** The Office of Life and Family Ministry invites you to gather at the Guardian Angel – Baby Land area of the Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 550 Wampanoag Trail, Riverside on Saturday, September 14 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. This special prayerful event is dedicated to all babies that have died from an abortion, a miscarriage, stillbirth, and early infant death. It will include reflections, the Rosary and other prayers for all the babies. This event is being held simultaneously with the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. For more information, contact Carol Owens at 278-2518 or email: [cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org).

**40 Days for Life Fall Campaign:** The *prayer vigils begin on Wednesday, September 25*. We invite you to attend the 12-noon Mass at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul. Following the Mass, we will gather for a procession to Planned Parenthood to pray 5 decades of the Holy Rosary to end abortion. Consider signing up to pray the Rosary for one hour at PPH, at your parish, or individually to end abortion. Call Carol Owens at 278-2518 or Mike Krzywonos at 474-2285 or email: [cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org) to let us know how you can help the Respect Life Office carry out this peaceful and prayerful mission.

**Life Chain Sunday-October is Respect Life Month:** In observance of the month, we will have the annual **Life Chain on Sunday, October 6 from 2 to 3 p.m.** at various locations within the Diocese of Providence. During the month we call to mind in our prayers and peaceful vigils, all the innocent lives that are lost each day because of abortion, miscarriage, early infant/toddler death, and this year we are asking that we include an end to domestic violence and poverty and special prayers for the elderly and those who have reached end of life. Host a Life Chain, a Holy Hour or offer a Mass for all human life on Sunday, October 6 or sometime, during the month of October. Be part of making a difference and turning darkness into light. For more information and for locations of Life Chains in the Diocese of Providence, contact Carol Owens at 278-2518 or email: [cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org)