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The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Francis Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 26
4:30pm †Jean Elizabeth Maxon Carpenter
Saturday, June 27
9:00am †Dolores Ramirez Castillejo
11:00am †Daniel & Marie Mahoney
Monday, June 28
7:00am †Thomas & Anna Palumbo
Tuesday, June 29
7:00am †Rev. David Quinn
April 6th Pastor
94th Anniversary Remembrance

Thursday, July 1
7:00am For the People
Friday, July 2
7:00am †John P. Gabriele
Requested by Rick & Liz Soltysiak
Saturday, July 3
4:30pm
Sunday, July 4
9:00am †Conan Hung Liu
Requested by Mau Tran
11:00am

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 26
5:30pm †Cecelia V. Driscoll
(21st Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Family
Sunday, June 27
8:00am
10:00am †Marie T. & John F. Webster
Requested by M. Cote
Saturday, July 3
5:30pm †Bob Denneny
Requested by his Wife
Sunday, July 4
8:00am
10:00am †Lucille Agro
Requested by John & Paula Simone

Bless You as You Retire

The Parishioners and Staff offer our gratitude and prayerful best wishes to you, Fr. Bodah.

You have served the Lord tirelessly and with great devotion.
You have made a difference in the lives of so many.
As you retire, may the Lord continue to richly bless you and keep you in His loving care.
You will be missed!

Weekly Support

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Catholic Charity Appeal Goal for 2021 is $104,595.00
As of 6/17/21 the pledged amount is $84,792.00. 246 Donors.

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

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.
From the Pastor,

This is my last column for the bulletin. By next weekend, Fr. Adam Young will have become the pastor of the parish and I wish him all the best for many years to come.

It would be impossible to thank by name all the people who have given so generously of their time and talent to keep every ministry and event in our parish going the way it has, but I cannot leave without thanking the members of the staff who have served us all so well. I have already written about Bill Harding, who, although a staff member, was an unpaid one, and about Bobby Kelly, our facilities manager. But there are several others I need to mention.

Deacons of the parish are not paid staff members either but Deacon Paul Iacono and Deacon Patrick Moygihan who served here in the past during my time were always willing to serve in any way they were needed. We are blessed now with the presence and service of Deacon John Dowd, a great preacher, a good organizer and, with his wife, Cathy, a loyal asset to the parish community. Deacon Dowd has done great work, despite the shutdown, in leading adults to go deeper into their faith.

In my seven years here I have been blessed with three great cemetery managers: Laurie Friel, Carol McDole, and Bob Moniz. All have done a great job keeping the cemetery in good shape but more important, in treating their work not just a job but as a ministry to the grieving. Mary Clarke has been our parish bookkeeper for the last five years and has gone beyond the call of duty in her service to the parish. She was about to be named business manager when for personal reasons she had to give up the job she enjoyed so much.

The religious education program has been wonderfully coordinated by Barbette Cullen, who knows the names of all the children and treats everyone with kindness and courtesy. For many, she has been their personal connection to St. Francis parish. In the last couple of years she has also stepped in to take over the junior high and confirmation programs. For many years Diane Castro did great work in the junior high and confirmation programs and in the post-confirmation youth ministry. No one could have shown herself more devoted than Diane to trying to keep the young people of the parish connected to Christ and the Church.

The secretary of the parish is always the “point person” for any member of the public who calls or comes by. For 25 years Kelli McNulty was parish manager, secretary and receptionist. No one could have been more loyal to the parish where she had spent most of her life. Since she left us, we have been blessed to have Jacki Hunt at the duty desk. No one could be more pleasant to people whether on the phone or in person and her kindness and sense of hospitality have been such a gift to the whole parish. I am sure that from time to time she has had to wince interiorly at my reactions or decisions, and I cannot thank her enough for her loyal support for me in the five years she has been here. I know she will be as supportive of Fr. Young as she has of me.

As I disappear into the sunset, my prayers are with Fr. Young, the staff, and the whole parish community. May the good Lord bless unto many years the Mother Church of South County.

Fr. Bodah
This Week

Monday, June 28
7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)

Wednesday, June 30
7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC)

Thursday, July 1
6:00pm Opening the Word/Bible Study (FGC)

Monday, July 5 the parish offices will be closed in observance of the Fourth of July. There will be no Adoration on that day.

The parish office is open 9am to 4pm Monday through Thursday and 9am to 12:30 on Friday.

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 (Gift cards are accepted). If you know of someone in need of assistance, SVDP can be reached at 401-871-8936. Please keep them in your prayers!

Friday Dinners Available
The SVDP dinner program is providing Friday meals for pick up or delivery at no cost. Would you—or someone you know—like a cooked meal? We are in need of volunteers to deliver meals. Call 401-588-4192 or email esweeney1@cox.net to order a meal or volunteer to deliver. Call 401-588-4192.

Help Beautify the Church
Last week’s flowers on the altar were donated by one of our parishioners. If you would like to help beautify your church with flowers from your garden please contact Kathy at 401-487-3231.

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.

Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Samantha Elaine Briggs who was baptized on June 13 by Fr. Henry Bodah. Your parish family rejoices with you!

Please Help Us Reach Out!
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.

A Message From the Office of Catholic Charities and Social Ministry/Diocese of Providence
If you have not been vaccinated against COVID already, please consider registering to be vaccinated in order to help end the COVID-19 pandemic. Please visit vaccinateri.org to schedule a COVID vaccine at a state-run site or visit c19vaccineri.org to learn how to get vaccinated through a pharmacy. You may also call 844-930-1779 or your local pharmacy for registration assistance.
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