The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ———— 7:00 am
Saturday ———— 4:30 pm
Sunday ———— 9:00 am and 11:00 am

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL / Summer Schedule
Saturday ———— 5:30 pm
Sunday ———— 8:00 am and 10:00 am

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF RI/WASHINGTON COUNTY & ST. GABRIEL’S CALL
Washington County Office / Contact: Melanie Monteiro 401-783-3149
Tuesday ———— 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY / Wakefield
401-871-8936

Sacraments

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in Saint Francis Church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
First Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to speak with Father Young. Due to the reduction in priests we can no longer accommodate Sunday weddings.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Please call the rectory.
Dear Parishioners,

I am finally feeling settled in. In my few short weeks here, I have been so impressed and edified by the spirit of our parish. Sometimes it's hard to notice or realize our virtues until someone tells us. So please allow me to share just a few of the virtues of St. Francis Parish that I have seen since arriving in July:

- Joy: I have found such joy in the parishioners here. Always a smile. Always a greeting or uplifting word. That has meant a lot.

- Energy: I think the sign of a healthy parish is when parishioners take ownership of their parish. I have noticed people step up without hesitation when something is needed. Thank you for seeing this as OUR parish and not just "Father's parish".

- Desire: My first day here I detected right away your desire to make St. Francis a vibrant parish. You aren't despairing over the way things "used to be", but you are excited for what we could be! That makes all the difference in the world!

It's important as we move forward that we see these characteristics as gifts of the Holy Spirit. I know God continues to have great things in mind for our parish. Let's follow His lead!

In Christ,

Fr. Young

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**St. Francis Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, August 14**
4:30pm †Jeannette DeLuca  
Requested by Family  

**Sunday, August 15**
9:00am †Jim Chiarello  
(Birthday Remembrance)  
Requested by Family  
11:00am †For the Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association  

**Monday, August 16**
7:00am †Lucille & James Ferry  
Requested by Family  

**Tuesday, August 17**
7:00am †Margerita Rose Thayer  
(Birthday Remembrance)  
Requested by Daughter, Frances Thayer  

**Thursday, August 19**
7:00am †Shirley Anderson  
Requested by Jean  

**Friday, August 20**
7:00am †Al & Alice Antone  
Requested by Family  

**Saturday, August 21**
4:30pm †Raymond Rogers (Anniversary Rem.)  
& Rita & Walter Devine  
Requested by Family  

**Sunday, August 22**
9:00am †Rose & Ralph Calitri  
Requested by Family  
11:00am For the People  

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**St. Romuald Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, August 14**
5:30pm †Marsha Landy  
Requested by Joe and Maggie Whelan  

**Sunday, August 15**
8:00am †Marjorie Hanson  
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote  
10:00am †Robert McGale  
(5th Anniversary Remembrance)  
Requested by Wife, Lorraine & Children  

**Saturday, August 21**
5:30pm †Joseph Sullivan  
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote  

**Sunday, August 22**
8:00am †Louise Fiehweg  
(1st Anniversary Remembrance)  
Requested by Family  
10:00am †Colleen Brite  
Requested by Mary Young  

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**Weekly Support**  
August 8  
- Budget envelopes used (123)  
- $6,519.00  
- Loose Donations  
- $2,356.00  
- Online Giving (# of donors–98)  
- $4,633.00  
- Total Budget  
- $13,508.00  

**Second Collection (Monthly Collection)**  
- Budget envelopes used (91)  
- $1,632.00  
- Loose Donations  
- $722.00  
- Total  
- $2,354.00  

This week’s second collection is the Assumption. Next week’s second collection is for the Propagation of Faith.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.
We would all like to wish Bill Harding a very blessed 80th birthday this week. We continue to pray for you. Thank you for all the blessings you have given us over the years!

Fr. Young is Looking for Help

We are in need of someone to coordinate the collectors at the 4:30PM Mass on Saturday nights. If this is something you are willing to help with please see Father Young after Mass or call the office at 401-783-4411.

Sanctuary Lamp

This week’s sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James Powers.

Intention for Sunday, August 15 at 11am

The Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

Yvonne Fanning
Paul F. & Susan Greene
Marilyn Maley
Edna Otto
Christopher Shafer
Daniel Shea
Laura Webb

Our Catechists are a key component of our Religious Education program. Their unselfish generosity of time and talent is a gift to the young parishioners of St. Francis Parish. Why not you?

Perhaps you will be more inclined to teach if you team teach with a fellow parishioner or friend, invite someone to join you or ask us to pair you up with someone!

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.
Monday, August 16
7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)

Tuesday, August 17
7:00pm SVD Meeting (HBH)

Thursday, August 19
6:00pm Opening the Word/Bible Study (FGC)

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

St. Vincent de Paul 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.

SAVE THE DATE!
End-of-Summer Breakfast at the Community Field House, Matunuck

Sunday, August 29, 2019
8:30AM TO 11:30AM
Adults: $10.00—Children 6-12: $5
Children 5 and under: FREE
Tickets will be sold after all Masses next weekend. Tickets can also be purchased at the breakfast!

Bakers & servers are needed. If you can help please call Ellen Schwab at 789-7707.
Come join us!

Aug. 29 (8:30-11:30): End of Summer Breakfast/ Matunuck
Sept. 5 (9-2): Blood Drive at St. Romuald Chapel
October 1 (5-7): Pasta Dinner
October 3 (12:15): Blessing of the Animals
Oct. 29 (Time TBD): Paint Night with Diane Costanza
November 6 (9-2): Church Bazaar

As always, as events draw near there will be more detailed information in the bulletin!

Next Weekend’s Second Collection: Propagation of Faith/Mission Appeal

Next weekend’s second collection for Mission Appeal is for the Diocese of Jackson, Mississippi.

Father Lincoln Dall, a priest with the Diocese will be speaking to us for this Mission Appeal. He is currently serving as Vicar General of the Diocese and as pastor of St. Jude Catholic Church in Pearl, Mississippi. Prior to becoming a priest, he served as a lay missionary with a Catholic religious order called the Comboni Missionaries in a rain forest jungle region of Ecuador in South America.

The Diocese of Jackson is the largest Diocese geographically east of the Mississippi River, yet they have the smallest percentage of Catholics of any Diocese in the United States, at about 2.3%. The Diocese includes the Mississippi Delta, a floodplain area attached to the Mississippi River that is one of the poorest areas of the United States. There are some counties in the Diocese that do not have a parish or who do not have a resident priest.

We ask that you be generous in your donation next weekend. Thank you and God bless.

Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth
‘Come & See’ Retreat Weekend September 24-26

The Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth will be hosting a ‘Come & See’ Retreat Weekend from Friday, September 24 (3pm) through Sunday, September 26 (11:30am) for young women ages 15-25. Reservations are required. Please call Sr. Christian at 570-745-3334. Visit www.capuchinsisters.com.
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