## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



who takes away the sin of the world John 1:29-34

Saturday, January 18 4:30pm <sup>‡</sup>Branden J. DeLuca (12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance) Requested by Mom, Dad & Family Sunday, January 19 8:00am 10:00am 12:00nn Monday, January 20 7:00am Maxfield Evers (Living Birthday Remembrance) Tuesday, January 21 7:00am †Patricia Hoey Requested by Bernadette Eden Thursday, January 23 7:00am Daniel & Susan Connelly (Special Intention) Friday, January 24 7:00am †Alfred & Beatrice Bonin *Requested by Viola* Saturday, January 25 4:30pm †Tina Marie Luciano Requested by Family Sunday, January 26 8:00am<sup>+</sup> Anna Nappi (Birthday and Anniversary Remembrance) *Requested by Family* 10:00am †Maryanne Riotto Requested by Family 12:00nn

#### St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 19 10:00am †Marv Marchand (Birthday Remembrance) Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci Sunday, January 26 10:00am †Barney Fenaughty (Birthday Remembrance) *Requested by Family* 



The St. Francis of Assisi Social Outreach Committee (SOC) *is sponsoring a Baby Shower during the month of January* to assist area agencies. Please place donations in Collection baskets located in St. Francis Church & St. Romuald's Chapel during the weekends in January. Thank you for your support!

> **COLLECTED ITEMS WILL BENEFIT:** The St. Gabriel Call *The Pregnancy Center of Westerly* Right to Life Services

SUGGESTED BABY SUPPLY DONATIONS

Diapers (All Sizes up to 6/XL) **Baby** Wipes Warm Sleepers (o to 24 mos.) Lotion Warm Children's Clothing (2T-4T, 5-6) Baby Wash Infant Onesies **Baby Blankets** Shampoo

Cash donations also gratefully accepted.





Parish Giving

| Weekly Support  |     | January 12                             |
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| Budget envelopes used (187)   | -   | <u>January 12</u><br>\$4,675.00        |
| Loose Donations   | -   | \$ 993.00                              |
| Online Giving (# of donors–60)  | -   | <u>\$1,716.00</u><br><b>\$7,384.00</b> |
| Online Giving (# of donors–60)<br>Total Budget                                      | -   | \$7,384.00                             |
| Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)<br>Budget envelopes used (135) - \$1,738.50 |     |  |
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| Loose Donations   | -   | <u>\$ 265.00</u>                       |
| Total Budget  | -   | \$2,003.50                             |

This week's second collection is for the Catholic University. Next week's second collection is for Latin America

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

## JANUARY 19, 2020

Taken from the January, 2020 Magnificat

Where We Find Him

My God is here, he sees me, every sigh and desire is before him, and so I would close my eyes and say the dear litany of Jesus or some of the psalms, and that lovely hymn to the Blessed Sacrament: "Faith for all defects supplies, and sense is lost in mystery, here the faithful rest secure, while God can vouch and faith insure"...

If you could just know the foolish things that pass my brain...even in the sacred moments of the elevation [at Mass] my heart will say, half serious, "Dare I worship you Adored Savior?" But he has proved well enough to me what he is-and I can say with even more transports than Saint Thomas: "My Lord and my God." Truly it is a greater mystery how souls for whom he has done such incomprehensible things should shut themselves out by incredulity from his best of all gifts, this divine sacrifice and Holy Eucharist, refusing to believe in the spiritual and heavenly order of things, that word which spoke and created the whole natural order. With what grateful and unspeakable joy and reverence I adore the daily renewed virtue of that word by which we possess him in our blessed Mass and Communion. But all that is but words since faith is from God and I must but humble myself and adore.

By Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton-Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton (†1821) founded the American Sisters of Charity and was the first American-born canonized saint.



It is very much a part of our Catholic tradition to have Masses offered for deceased relatives and friends. Parishioners are encouraged to continue this tradition. When was the last time you had a Mass offered for a deceased parent, grandparent, uncle, aunt, brother or sister? To make arrangements, please call the parish office at (401)783-4411 or stop by during office hours 9am to 4pm.

The parish is looking for a few volunteers, male or female, to be available to serve an occasional funeral Mass as the need arises and to serve as a reader for funerals when one is called for.

For more information, call the rectory. Thank you and God bless.



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

## Sunday January 19th

No Classes today Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday. No Children's Liturgy of the Word todav

Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> 4:15-5:15pm Grades 3-6 (FGC) 6:30-7:45pm Grades 7, 8 & 9 (FGC)

Next Sunday's 10AM Mass - Celebration of Listening to God's Word. Our children preparing for First Holy Communion will attend with their families. Following the Mass we will enjoy Coffee 'n in Helen Bouchard Hall. All are invited.



of the Word

Children's Liturgy Volunteers needed for Children's Liturgy of the Word. CLW takes place during the 10:00 Mass. Volunteers are needed to read the Sunday readings to the children and

to briefly discuss it with them. All reading and discussion materials are provided. Confirmation age youth, Parents and Grandparents are most certainly welcome and needed! You would be responsible to present once every 4 to 5 weeks. We have a team of dedicated parishioners who have been active in this ministry for many years and we would love to have you join us! Please prayerfully consider the call to volunteer with the Children's Liturgy Ministry.

If you are interested in this rewarding ministry, please contact Barbette in the Religious Education Office at 792-8684 or email her at Cullen StFrancis@verizon.net.





Monday, January 20 Martin Luther King Day—Parish Offices closed Tuesday, January 21 6:30pm Bible Study 7:00pm Choir (Church) 7:00 SVD Meeting (FGC) Thursday, January 23 7:30am Adoration (Church) 9:30am Staff Meeting (Office will be closed during this time) 6:30pm Alpha Group (FGC) 7:00pm RCIA (Rectory) 7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (Rectory)

### God's love

"And we have come to know and believe the love which God has for us. God is love..."

1 John 4:16

# Admissions Open House at Monsignor Clarke School

Monsignor Clarke School will be hosting an open house for prospective families on Sunday, January  $26^{\text{th}}$  from 12-2 pm. Stop by to take a tour or attend an information session. Come see why so many families have made the move to MCS! Now Enrolling for children 18 months to  $8^{\text{th}}$  grade!

Visit our website www.monsignorclarkeschool.org



Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Next week, we will take up the collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



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). *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 dona-



tions 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.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE Office of Life and Family Ministry January 2020 Events



*Annual March for Life Bus Trip to DC* will leave Providence on **Thursday, January 23** for the March for Life Mass/Rally on **Friday, January 24**. For more information and to reserve a seat on the bus, contact the Respect for Life Office, 278-2518 or email: cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org.



Registration opens January 15<sup>th</sup> for the STEUBENVILLE EAST 2020 July 10-12 At URI Ryan Center OPEN TO ALL YOUTH CURRENTLY IN GRADES 8-12 Contact Emily Cuellar at youthministrystmsfa@gmail.com For more information: https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/conf-east/