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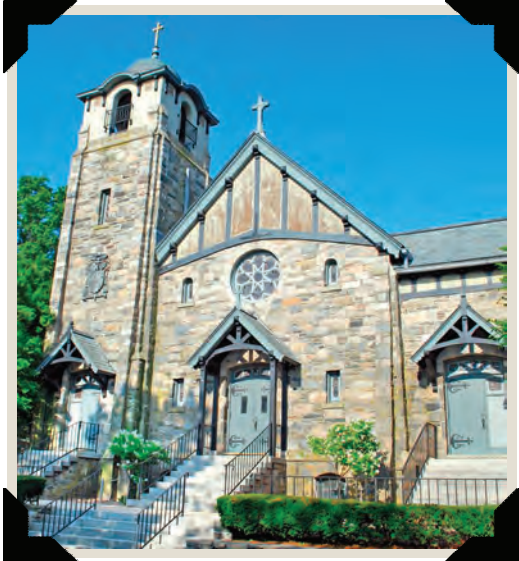
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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 7:00 am  
Saturday ----- No Mass until further notice  
Sunday ----- 9:00 am and 11:00 am

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL / Summer Schedule

Saturday ----- No Mass until further notice  
Sunday ----- 8:00 am and 10:00 am

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Washington County Office / Contact: ----- 402-783-3149  
Monday, Wednesday & Friday ----- 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

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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 Bodah. Due to the reduction in priests we can no longer accommodate Sunday weddings.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory.

welcome

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Closed on Friday

## THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### St. Francis Mass Intentions

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
of  
Ordinary  
Time

#### Saturday, August 29

4:30pm †Pat Pezzelli  
(30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance)  
*Requested by Family*

#### Sunday, August 30

9:00am †Joseph Pouliot  
*Requested by Robert O'Niell*  
11:00am †Miriam Quinn  
*Requested by the Grimes Family*

#### Monday, August 31

7:00am Mass for the People

#### Tuesday, September 1

7:00am †Walter DiPrete  
*Requested by Family*

#### Thursday, September 3

7:00am †Norbert & Marguerite Jarbeau  
*Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon*

#### Friday, September 4

7:00am †Annie Cooney  
*Requested by Family*

#### Saturday, September 5

4:30pm †Mary & Charles Cummings  
*Requested by Family*

#### Sunday, September 6

9:00am †The Corner Family  
*Requested by Family*  
11:00am †Angelo Gaudio  
(25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance)  
*Requested by Family*

### St. Romuald Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, August 29

5:30pm

#### Sunday, August 30

8:00am †Anthony Ciccone  
*Requested by Family*  
10:00am †Dorothy Maddren  
*Requested by a Kathleen Dwyer*

#### Saturday, September 5

5:30pm

#### Sunday, September 6

8:00am †David Torello  
*Requested by Family*  
10:00am †Helen & Mary Coffey  
*Requested by the Dwyer Cousins*

### SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Theresa Grandpre Boss.



*I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.—A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans*

### Parish Giving

Weekly Support		August 23
Budget envelopes used (71)	-	\$3,744.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 573.00
Online Giving (# of donors-79)	-	\$3,411.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$7,728.00</b>

**Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 8/20/2020 we have received pledges of \$65,731.00 from 210 donors. Our goal is \$110,100.00.**

The second collection this week is for Ongoing Maintenance. Next week's second collection is the Monthly Collection.

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

AUGUST 30, 2020

## From the Pastor,

Labor Day weekend is almost here and we'll be returning to the winter schedule: church Masses at 9 and 11 a.m.; chapel Mass at 10 only. I hope to resume the 4:30 Mass on Saturday but only after Columbus Day. So far, I have not received a single request to bring the Saturday evening Mass back, and it does attract an older cohort, who should probably not be mingling with crowds anyway

In order to resume the Saturday evening Mass we would need people to volunteer as 1) greeters to welcome people, make sure they sanitize their hands, remind them of where to sit in the church, and close the doors when seating capacity is reached; and 2) people to take turns spending a little less than 10 minutes after Mass each Saturday to sanitize the pews and kneelers with spray and wipe down the door knobs and crash bars with sanitizing wipes. If we can't get volunteers for these duties, we cannot have the Mass. Also, if we cannot get a decent size congregation together, it might not be worth having. It's would be grievous to assemble a cohort of greeters, readers, servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and sanitizers and then have only a dozen people in the congregation. So let me know and we'll see if we can recommence on October 17.

I could take this opportunity to remind people with underlying conditions—including advanced age—to consider staying home during this health crisis. If you're troubled about missing Mass, please remember that the bishop has specifically dispensed everyone from the obligation to attend while this pandemic lasts.

Fr. Bodah



Every year the Diocese of Providence hosts the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul. Sadly, this year due to COVID 19 this event has been canceled to avoid the risks to the health of the participants that would take part in this event.

In the meantime, the Diocese is eager to recognize those couples in the Diocese of Providence who are celebrating significant wedding anniversaries this year. If you are a couple who is celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or more years of marriage please email our office at saintfrancis00@aol.com. Please provide us with your names, number of years married and mailing address. We will forward this information to the Diocese and you will receive a signed certificate from the Bishop in recognition of your anniversary. God bless!



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### 2020-2021 Religious Education Start Up

With the pandemic still with us we want to re-start the year safely and wisely. At this time, all children in **Grades 1-6** will start the year with distance learning until the beginning of November. **Grades 7 & 8** will be preparing for Confirmation and their classes will be a **hybrid** of in person and virtual. More detailed information regarding RE classes has been sent home to our RE families. If you have not received this information, please call the RE Office at 792-8684.



### Catechetical Sunday

The Religious Education year begins on **Catechetical Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**.

On Catechetical Sunday we will have a **RE Family Faith on the Go Event**. Each family with children in Grades 1-6 will be given a time to come to the church parking lot (*remain in their cars*) and pick up Religious Ed materials for their family. Masked and gloved volunteers will hand each family the materials needed for their child's distance learning for the next few months. **In November** we will reassess the need for distance learning for Grades 1-6. Children in Grade 7 will receive their student workbook at their first in person class on October 7<sup>th</sup> while Grade 8 will receive their materials on October 14<sup>th</sup>.



### Registration for Classes

Those families **new** to the parish and families with children entering First Grade **must** register for classes. Families with children in Catholic school in Grade 2 and Grades 7 & 8 must register for First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Registration forms may be found online at [www.stfranciswakefield.com](http://www.stfranciswakefield.com) under the Rel. Ed tab. Students currently enrolled in the program are automatically promoted to the next grade and do not need to register again. Questions? Please call the RE Office at 792-8684.

# This Week

## Tuesday, September 1

7:00pm SVD Meeting (HBH)

## Wednesday, September 2

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

## Thursday, September 3

6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting (HBH)



*Congratulations to the following winners!*

### SIZZLING SUMMER SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS:

August 15	Jean McGair	\$50
August 16	Barbara Dwyer	\$100
August 17	Katie Degan	\$50
August 18	Mary Ann Packer	\$50
August 19	Shaun Curry	\$50
August 20	Kathleen Carney	\$50
August 21	Maggie Hayes-Cote	\$50

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



## 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!**

### 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.

### 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.



Due to Covid-19 concerns Bible Study will not resume until December.

If you have any questions please contact Vicky Montani at montanivicky@gmail.com.



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