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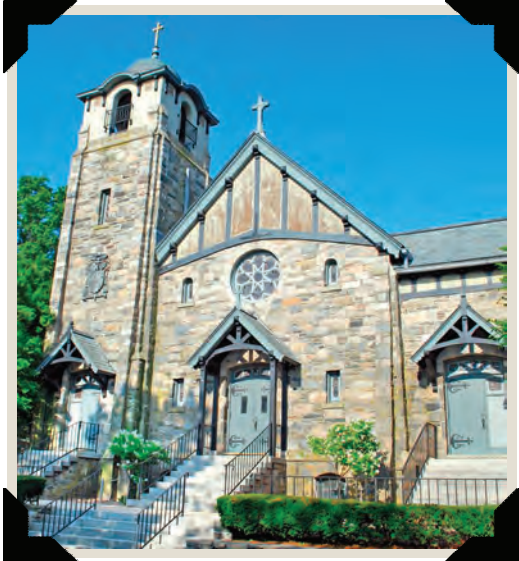
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Father Henry J. Bodah ----- *Pastor*
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Masses

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 / Winter Schedule

Sunday ----- 10:00 am

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF RI/WASHINGTON
COUNTY & ST. GABRIEL'S CALL.

Washington County Office / Contact: -----Melanie Monteiro
----- 401-783-3149
Tuesday and Thursday ----- 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

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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 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 Friday From 9:00 am—12:30 pm

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



26th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

Saturday, September 26

4:30pm

Sunday, September 27

9:00am †Raymond Rogers

(Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Family

11:00am †Blanche Marcoux Jacques

Requested by Georgette

Monday, September 28

7:00am †John Hyding

Requested by Ellen Costanza & Family

Tuesday, September 29

7:00am †The Flynn & Carney Families

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

Thursday, October 1

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, October 2

7:00am †Chris Shafer & John Earley

Requested by Maria

Saturday, October 3

4:30pm

Sunday, October 4

9:00am †Michael Dufficy

Requested by Wife & Children

11:00am Sisters of Divine Providence

Renewal of Vows

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 27

10:00am †Jane P. Grimley

Requested by her Father

Sunday, October 4

10:00am †Al Marchand

Requested by Jean Fenaughty

SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Margherita Rose Thayer.



Daniel Martin Mahoney was ordained a Deacon

by

His Excellency

The Most Reverend

Robert C. Evans, D.D., J.C.L.

Auxiliary Bishop of Providence

On Saturday, September 26, 2020

Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul

Deacon Daniel Mahoney will assist and preach at the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses this Sunday, September 27 at St. Francis Church in Wakefield.

The celebration of his ordination was live-Streamed at

www.youtube.com

“Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, RI”

Parish Giving

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (85)	-	\$4,010.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 437.00
Online Giving (# of donors-76)	-	\$2,873.00
Total Budget	-	\$7,320.00

September 20

Budget envelopes used (62)	-	\$2,440.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 603.00
Total	-	\$3,043.00

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 9/17/2020 we have received pledges of \$67,271.00 from 219 donors. Our goal is \$110,100.00. Consider giving online at givecentral.org/2020CCA

This week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance. Next week's second collection is for the Seminarians' Education.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

SEPTEMBER 27, 2020



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From the Pastor,

I'd like to express my thanks in a special way to the people who have agreed to be "greeters" at the doors of the church and the chapel. They are doing a great job making people feel welcome, finding them seats, and also giving the signal when the building is at capacity. No one likes to exclude anyone from worship. The guidelines in place for social distancing and mask-wearing are not from me or from the diocese; they are from the federal government and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The great majority of our people understand that the rules are there to help prevent, or at least slow, the transmission of the Covid-19 virus which has killed so many in our country and in the world. Yes, there are always a tiny minority who don't understand or who think that an exception should be made in their case or in the case of their family member or friend, but, thanks be to God, the vast majority have been understanding and cooperative.

People will sometimes ask "How many can the church—or chapel—accommodate?" We cannot give them a number, only an estimate. It depends entirely on whether people attend in family groups, or as a couple, or alone. Sometimes the building is at capacity several minutes before the Mass is scheduled to begin. There is not much we can do about that and I cannot agree that we must endanger people's health because we don't like to turn anyone away. We don't like it; but there it is in this weird and troubling time.

So again, my thanks to those who "guard the gates" and greet the people who come to our doors.

Fr. Bodah



Pflaum Gospel Weeklies: *A faith formation program centered on the Sunday liturgy that is engaging, easy to teach and involves the family.* This Sunday is September 27, 2020 • 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Parent Resources for weekly videos, assessments, and more, go to:

p-flaumweeklies.com/family/

*We would like
to congratulate
Joseph Carroll & Leigh
Finan who were
recently married at St. Romuald
Chapel. May God bless you!*



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This Week

Monday, September 28

7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (HBH)

Wednesday, September 30

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

Thursday, October 1

6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting (HBH)

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



GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS AND DRAWING DRAWING TO BE HELD, MONDAY OCTOBER 5

Just a reminder to return your grand raffle tickets. The drawing will take place on Monday, October 5 following the morning Mass that takes place at 7:00am. This Mass and the drawing will be streamed and can be seen on our website at stfranciswakefield.com. Thank you for your support and good luck to all!

HOLY COMMUNION

For anyone who has been uncomfortable or unable to attend Mass, there will be a drive up, remain in your car, distribution of Holy Communion on Sunday, October 18th beginning at 12:30 pm in the main Church parking lot. You are not obligated to receive Communion, use judgment on your own vulnerability. Please remain home if you are experiencing any symptoms or are ill.



In preparation, watch the 9am live-streamed Mass at the parish web site or review the readings, which are also available at www.usccb.com. Fast from food or drink for an hour before arrival.

Last names A-J are asked to arrive at 12:30 and K-Z at 12:45pm. Wear masks; enter the parking lot on Winter Street and exit on High Street. Please bring your own hand sanitizer.

If you plan to participate or have any questions, call, or text 401-588-4192 and leave your name, contact information and the number who will be receiving Communion.



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.

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS



October is one of Our Lady's months. All are invited to pray the rosary and Litany of Our Lady at St. Romuald Chapel weeknights at 6:30pm throughout the month of October. All are welcome!



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

The blessing of the animals will take place next Sunday, October 4 at 10:00am 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 Deacon Dowd! Remember to social distance and wear masks!



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