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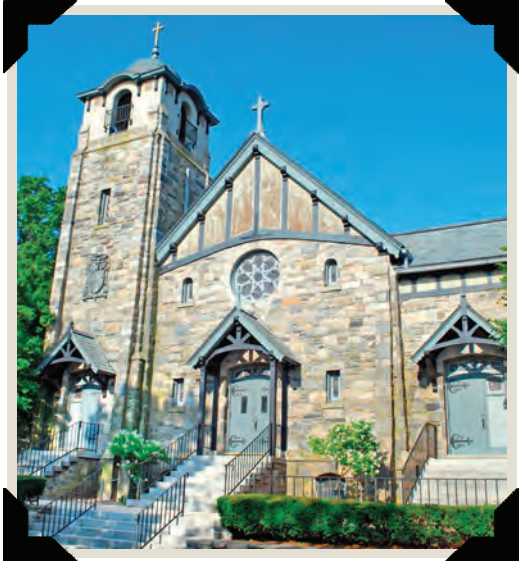
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Masses

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 / 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

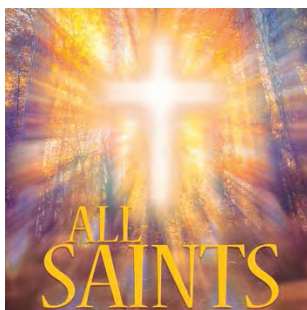
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welcome

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Friday From 9:00 am—12:30 pm

ALL SAINTS

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 31

4:30pm † Barbara Mulhern

Requested by the Apicerno-Pilkington Family

Sunday, November 1 (All Saints Day)

9:00am † Mr. & Mrs. Thu Chi Tran & John Ha

Requested by Family

11:00am † For the Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

Monday, November 2 (All Souls)

7:00am † Mr. & Mrs. Thu Chi Tran & Hung Ba Tran

Requested by Family

Tuesday, November 3

7:00am † John Dwyer

Requested by Family

Thursday, November 5

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, November 6

7:00am Eli Moretz

(Special Intention for Health)

Saturday, November 7

4:30pm † William & Genevieve Wajda

Requested by Family

Sunday, November 8

9:00am † Patrick Dufficy

Requested by Family

11:00am † Antonio & Maria Costa & Family

Requested by Natalie Amaral

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 1 (All Saints)

10:00am † Steven Schmidt & Lorraine Schmidt

Requested by John & Regina Blair

Sunday, November 8

10:00am † Kathleen Brannon

Requested by Family

SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Hung Ba Tran.

Intention for Sunday, November 1 at 11am

The Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

Yvonne Fanning

Paul F. Greene

Marilyn Maley

Edna Otto

Christopher Shafer

Daniel Shea

Laura Webb

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (84)	-	\$4,157.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,544.00
Online Giving (# of donors-73)	-	\$2,670.00
Total Budget	-	\$8,371.00

October 25

Budget envelopes used (57)	-	\$1,118.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 361.00
Total	-	\$1,479.00

Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget envelopes used (57)	-	\$1,118.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 361.00
Total	-	\$1,479.00

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 10/22/2020 we have received pledges of \$72,651.00 from 236 donors. Our goal is \$110,100.00. Consider giving online at givecentral.org/2020CCA

This week's second collection is for All Saints' Day. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

From the Pastor,

This has been a season of the diaconate. Last month Dan Mahoney was ordained to the “transitional” diaconate, meaning that he will go on to the priesthood; this month Joe Clossick was ordained to the “permanent” diaconate and has been assigned to the parish of St. Thomas More in Narragansett. Deacons are no longer laymen but are part of the ordained clergy of the Church. All or nearly all of them are married men who have received several years of training in theology, preaching, and pastoral practice and at the same time are holding regular jobs. Most of them are ordained when their children are grown and the demands of parenting have lessened.

The first deacons of the Church were set aside by the Apostles to supervise the distribution of the contributions of the faithful and to make sure that orphans and widows were taken care of. The Acts of the Apostles records the thinking of The Twelve: “It is not right for us to neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables, “and seven men were chosen to organize this practical ministry. To this day, pastoral and administrative work is essential to the diaconate. Deacons also have a liturgical role, proclaiming the gospel, peaching from time to time, and assisting the celebrant at the altar. They can also administer baptisms, preside at weddings, conduct funeral rites apart from the Mass, and perform the rites of burial at cemeteries.

In our parish we have been blessed with the ministry of a number of deacons over the years and now have the blessing of Deacon John Dowd, who, in addition to the roles mentioned above, also ran our last Alpha Course and has kept the group together in the ensuing months. He also gives a very practical, down-to-earth and faith-filled homily for which all of us are most grateful.

God bless the deacons and all their labors on behalf of the People of God!

Fr. Bodah



SATURDAY NIGHT MASS RESUMES

Reminder that the Saturday 4:30pm Mass at St. Francis has resumed! Please remember to wear your mask and to social distance!



**RELIGIOUS
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Sunday, November 1st

Grades 1-6

Thank you Parents for taking on the responsibility of teaching your child's faith formation at home. We hope you find that this time spent each week is a very special family time with our Lord.

Parents please remember to submit your child's online class assessment to his/her catechist each week. Also, weekly coloring pages are to be e-mailed to Mrs. Cullen.

The next virtual class for grades 2-6 will be on **Sunday, November 15th**.

Grade 1: We need a catechist to meet once a month virtually with our First Graders. If you are interested in teaching, please call the Rel. Ed Office at 792-8684.

Wednesday, November 4th

6:30-8:30: Grade 7 Confirmation I class to meet in person 2nd floor FGC

6:30-8:30: Grade 8 Confirmation II class to meet virtually

Thursday, November 5th

6:00pm Confirmation Rehearsal (Church) All candidates and sponsors must attend.



Saturday, November 7th
Confirmation at 10am

This Week

Wednesday, November 4

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

Thursday, November 5

9-10:30am Staff Meeting—Office closed during this time

5:00pm 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.



If you know “someone”, a spouse, relative, friend, neighbor who might be interested in becoming a Catholic, or is a Catholic but has not received all the sacraments of initiation, please let them

know that our parish will be starting a Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program.

Our goal is to hold the classes in person following safety protocols. Due to the pandemic, we will suspend the information night this year. Please pass the word to anyone you know who may be interested in joining us. ***If interested in this program or would like more information please contact Pat Lefoley by November 2, 2020 at plefoley1@cox.net or 401-339-3858. You may also call the parish office at 401-783-4411.***

BUY NOTHING DAY COAT EXCHANGE POSTPONED

Heeding the advice of the RI Department of Health, the Annual Buy Nothing Day Coat Exchange event has been postponed this year due to Covid-19. It has been tentatively moved to January 2021 as more is learned about the spread of the virus. We will inform you with more information as it is received.



Fall Back



Set your clocks back one hour before bed on Sunday.

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 1.



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!***



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE FOR THE JONNYCAKE CENTER

The Social Outreach Committee is sponsoring the Parish Thanksgiving Food drive to benefit The Jonnycake Center of Peacedale. The food drive will run for two weeks, from Saturday October 31st until Sunday November 8th. Each year during the holidays the Jonnycake Center distributes food to hundreds of families benefitting thousands of individuals. The pandemic has made this need even greater.

The foods being requested are: stuffing mix-box or bag, turkey gravy-can or package; cranberry sauce, canned vegetables, canned pumpkin or other pie filling, quick bread mixes and pie crust mixes. **PLEASE NO GLASS PLEASE!**

There will be receptacles in the church and St. Romuald's for donations. ***Please keep in mind that the church is open during the day. Donations may be dropped off at any time before the church closes at 4pm.***

Our St. Francis family has always been generous when called upon to help those in our local community who are most in need. Thank you for your continued generosity especially during these trying times.

Just a reminder that the remembrance book is in front of the statue of St. Francis. All are welcome to enter the names of their deceased loved ones. They will be remembered during the month of November.





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