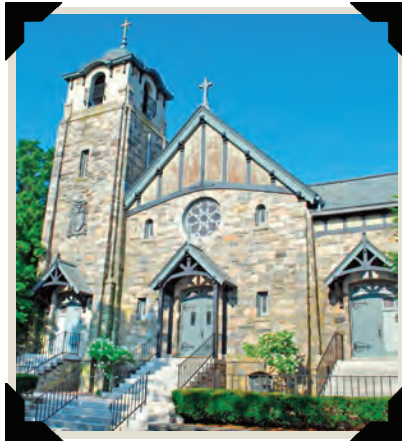


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Masses

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
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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

Second Sunday
of Advent

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

St. Francis Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 5

4:30pm † Bob & Concetta Wilson

Requested by Jean

Sunday, December 6

9:00am † Michael Dufficy

Requested by Wife and Children

11:00am † Miriam Quinn

Requested by the Grimes Family

Monday, December 7

7:00am † Thomas & Rita Monroe



Tuesday, December 8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00am † Mr. & Mrs. Thu Chi Tran & John Ha

Requested by Family

6:30pm † Rick Holland

Requested by a Friend

Thursday, December 10

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, December 11

7:00am † Tom McGair

Requested by his Wife

Saturday, December 12

4:30pm † Henrietta & Luke Pucella

Requested by Family

Sunday, December 13

9:00am † James & Sarah Folcarelli

Requested by Family

11:00am † Rebecca Milton

Requested by the Grimes Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 6

10:00am † Allan & Susan Marchand

Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci

Sunday, December 13

10:00am † Mary Marchand

(Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci

SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Michael Dufficy.



GIVING TREE

This year's Giving Tree will benefit our own St. Vincent de Paul chapter and the Jonnycake Center.

Tags have been placed on the trees at both the church and the chapel. Suggested gift certificates: Belmont's, Shaw's, Stop & Shop, Walmart, Job Lot and Visa. Gift cards in \$25 increments are recommended (easier to distribute).

Please return with offertory basket or to the rectory by the weekend of December 19/20. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Weekly Support

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| Budget envelopes used (59) | - | November 22 \$2,430.00 |
| Loose Donations | - | \$ 586.00 |
| Online Giving (# of donors-74) | - | \$2,675.00 |
| Total Budget | - | \$5,691.00 |

Second Collection (Catholic Campaign for Human Development)

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|----------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Budget envelopes used (29) | - | \$475.00 |
| Loose Donations | - | \$ 68.00 |
| Total | - | \$543.00 |

Weekly Support

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| Budget envelopes used (60) | - | November 29 \$4,360.00 |
| Loose Donations | - | \$ 549.00 |
| Online Giving (# of donors-73) | - | \$2,718.00 |
| Total Budget | - | \$7,627.00 |

Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

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|----------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Budget envelopes used (40) | - | \$ 828.00 |
| Loose Donations | - | \$ 213.00 |
| Total | - | \$1,041.00 |

This week's second collection is the monthly collection. Next week's second is for the Retired Religious.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

DECEMBER 6, 2020



RELIGIOUS
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Kallistos Ware, baptized Timothy in the Anglican tradition, is an English convert to Eastern Orthodoxy. He received the name of Kallistos when he was tonsured as a monk in the Greek Orthodox Church and he is now an Archbishop of that Church in the United Kingdom. Here is a brief reflection of his on “watchfulness,” a word about which we hear much in the season of Advent.

Be Watchful

Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24

Watchfulness means, among other things, *to be present where we are*—at this particular point in space, at this particular moment in time. All too often we are scattered and dispersed; we are living, not with alertness in the present, but with nostalgia in the past, or with misgiving and wishful thinking in the future. While we are indeed required responsibly to plan for the future—for watchfulness is the opposite of fecklessness—we are to think about the future only so far as it depends upon the present moment. Anxiety over remote possibilities which lie altogether beyond our immediate control is sheer waste of our spiritual energies. The watchful person is the one who understands this “sacrament of the present moment,” and who tries to live by it.—Kallistos Ware *The Orthodox Way*



HOLY COMMUNION

Next Sunday, December 13th-weather permitting-there will be a drive up, remain in your car, distribution of Holy Communion in the main church parking lot for those who have been uncomfortable or unable to attend Mass. You are not obliged to receive Communion; use judgment on your own vulnerability. Please remain home if you are experiencing any symptoms or are ill.

In preparation, you may watch the 9 am livestreamed Mass at the parish web site or review the readings, which are also available at www.usccb.com.

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

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

Sunday, December 6th

Sunday Grades 1-6: Gospel Weeklies-
Second Sunday of Advent.

Online Class Assessments: to be submitted to your child’s catechist each week.

Weekly coloring pages: to be emailed to Mrs. Cullen

Parents we hope you find that this time spent each week is a very special family time with our Lord.

Parents if you have trouble locating the family resources online for each lesson be sure to use the QR code in your child’s gospel weekly.



Wednesday, December 9th

6:30-8:30 Confirmation I-Grade 7 *Virtual* Class

Confirmation II Grade 8 *In Person* FGC

**FAMILY FAITH
FORMATION**



This Week

Monday, December 7

7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)

Wednesday, December 9

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph

Thursday, December 10

5:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting (HB)

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

PRAYER SHAWLS

The St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Shawl Group has many beautiful prayer shawls available. If you know of someone who could benefit from receiving a prayer shawl please contact Jean McGair at 401-783-1633.



Online Giving

Did you know that our parish offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.stfranciswakefield.com and selecting the Online Giving link.



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.

MASS OFFERINGS



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 relative or friend?

To make arrangements, please call the parish office at (401)783-4411 or send an email to saintfrancis00@aol.com

WEEKLY ADORATION RESUMES

Adoration has resumed on Mondays, from 7:30-11:00am Noon. (Will not be held on Monday holidays or in the event there is a funeral).



We have set up the schedule with half hour increments. If anyone would like to spend time with Jesus please contact our Adoration Coordinator, Liz Soltysiak at 792-9379 or if you don't want to make a permanent commitment know that you are welcome to stop by for a visit. Remember to wear masks and social distance.



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