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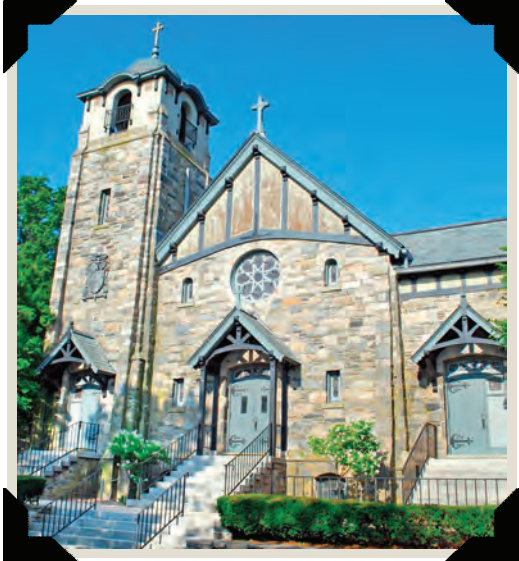
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Masses

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

Please call the rectory.

welcome

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

THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, November 14

4:30pm †Charles Moffitt
(Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Family

Sunday, November 15

9:00am †Margaret & James Stickley
Requested by Margot Ferry
11:00am †Margaret Marcoux
Requested by Georgette

Monday, November 16

7:00am Mass for the People

Tuesday, November 17

7:00am †James Flynn
Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

Thursday, November 19

7:00am †Chris Shafer & John Earley
Requested by Maria

Friday, November 20

7:00am †Patrick & Helen Sweeney
Requested by Family

Saturday, November 21

4:30pm Joann Steere
(Special Intention)
Requested by Cynthia Smyth

Sunday, November 22

9:00am †Alice Marcoux
Requested by Georgette
11:00am Mass for the People

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 15

10:00am †Louise Fichweg
Req. by Wallace & Marilyn Monahan

Sunday, November 22

10:00am †Dr. John & Constance Feely
Requested by the Fitzpatrick Family



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James Flynn. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of Chad O'Brien.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER BODAH

Early last week I had lunch in the rectory with a priest who later tested positive for the Covid-19 virus. So I am forced into quarantine. As of this writing, on Monday, I have taken the test and should get the results in another day or so. I was very fortunate to be able to find priests—and even a bishop—to cover the masses over the weekend and during the week, but I had to miss the confirmation ceremony for our 9th graders. So right now I am praying that the test is negative and I can return to a somewhat more normal schedule. What next? *Fr. Bodah*



ADVENT WREATH KITS

On the weekend of November 28/29, after all masses at the chapel and the main church we will be selling kits to make your family Advent wreath at home this year. Instructions will be provided. A wonderful way to begin your Advent season.

Cost is \$14 per wreath. Checks can be made out to 'St. Francis Church'.



Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (110)	-	\$4,376.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 511.00
Online Giving (# of donors-84)	-	\$4,165.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,052.00

November 8

Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget envelopes used (45)	-	\$686.00
Loose Donations	-	\$163.00
Total	-	\$849.00

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 11/5/2020 we have received pledges of \$73,786.00 from 237 donors. Our goal is \$110,100.00. Consider giving online at givecentral.org/2020CCA

There is no second collection this week. Next week's second collection is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

NOVEMBER 15, 2020



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From the Pastor,

Here are some words from Pope St. John Paul II about praying for the dead, "the holy souls."

In praying for the dead, the Church above all contemplates the mystery of the Resurrection of Christ, who obtains salvation and eternal life for us through his Cross....

To believe in the resurrection of the flesh is to recognize that there is a final end, an ultimate goal for all human life, which so satisfies man's appetite that nothing else is left for him to desire.... Joined to the merits of the saints, our fraternal prayer comes to the aid of those who await the beatific vision. Intercession for the dead, just as the life of those living according to the divine commandments, obtains the merits that serve the full attainment of salvation. It is an expression of the fraternal charity of the one family of God.... Contemplation of the lives of those who have followed Christ encourages us to lead a good, upright Christian life so that we can prepare ourselves each day for eternal life.

So, especially during this month of November, let us remember in a special way, those who have gone before us in faith and await the "resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."

Fr. Bodah



GIVING TREE

This year's Giving Tree will benefit our own St. Vincent de Paul's chapter, who reaches out to those needy families in our area, and the Jonnycake Center.

Tags will be placed on the trees at both the church and the chapel the weekend following Thanksgiving with the 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 or to the rectory by the weekend of December 19/20. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Sunday, November 15th

Virtual class today for Grades 1-6

Children should have their current Gospel Weeklies and their WCBT handbook available for class time.

Online Class Assessments: 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.

Wednesday, November 18th

6:30-8:30 Grade 7 Confirmation I Class to meet virtually

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

Due Today: Confirmation Saint Name and reflection as well as Sponsor Certificate are to be handed in today.



This Week

Wednesday, November 18

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

Thursday, November 19

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

5:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting (HBH)

7:00pm RCIA (rectory)

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

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.



*Tuesday, December 8
Feast of the Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary*

**Below are Mass times at the
Church**

**7:00am
(To be streamed)
6:30pm**

Thanksgiving Mass at the church. (9:00am)

Thursday, November 26

(Will be streamed)



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!***

OPENING THE WORD CONTINUES



Would you like to develop a deeper understanding of the readings for the Sunday Liturgy? Every **Thursday evening from 5:00-6:00pm in Fr. Greenan Center** we will be using a series called *Opening the Word* to help guide us in unfolding sacred scripture for the upcoming Sunday readings. Feel free to join us! No registration is required. All are welcome!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Peace Dale Congregational Church is resuming their Wednesday night free dinner program. St. Francis of Assisi SVDP Conference is planning to sponsor and prepare one Wednesday dinner each month. Dinners are take-out service only with curbside pickups between 4:30-5:30pm. The PDCC has worked with the RI Department of Business Regulation to develop detailed COVID precautions. The Church has a wonderfully equipped commercial kitchen with room for social distance.

We are asking for volunteers to join us for this group project, help our community and enjoy fellowship with other parishioners. There are multiple volunteer roles, both inside the kitchen as well as outside, with varying time commitments: food prep, cooking, servers, packers, runners to cars and traffic controllers. Several positions require only an hour time commitment.

Our currently scheduled SVDP meals are Wednesdays, December 2nd & December 30th. If you are able to help with these dates or future ones, call or text 401-477-6046 or email www.doinggoodinc@icloud.com by November 15th.



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