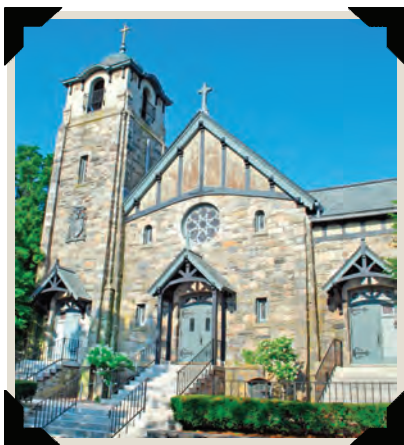


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Masses

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

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Sacraments

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Saturday at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in Saint Francis Church or by appointment.

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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

When they saw the star,  
they rejoiced exceedingly  
with great joy.

Matthew 2:10

# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## St. Francis Mass Intentions



### Saturday, January 2

4:30pm Mass for the People

### Sunday, January 3

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

*Requested by Family*

11:00am † Theresa & Bob Boss

*Requested by Ed & Diane Rudegeair*

### Monday, January 4

7:00am † Claire Ciliano

*Requested by John O'Hale*

### Tuesday, January 5

7:00am † Mary & Sam Johnson

*Requested by Family*

### Thursday, January 7

7:00am Mass for the People

### Friday, January 8

7:00am † Herman Card

(4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance)

*Requested by Viola*

### Saturday, January 9

4:30pm † Edward F. Sweet

*Requested by Family*

### Sunday, January 10

9:00am † Mr. & Mrs. Gerard McDavitt, Sr.

*Requested by May Tran*

11:00am † Kerri Bessette

*Requested by Mom, Dad & Scott*

## St. Romuald Mass Intentions

### Sunday, January 3

10:00am † Elizabeth DeLucia

*Requested by Jane Estes & Family*

### Sunday, January 10

10:00am † Sister Rita Kiernan

*Requested by Gail Dandurand*

## SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Alice Marcoux



***The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe*** will be visiting various parishes throughout the Diocese of Providence from Thursday, January 7 through Saturday, January 30, 2021.

The schedule will be available beginning January 4<sup>th</sup> by contacting 401-278-2518 or [LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org), and by visiting the diocesan website at [www.dioceseofprovidence.org](http://www.dioceseofprovidence.org).

### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (69)	-	\$3,325.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 557.00
Online Giving (# of donors-75)	-	\$2,950.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$6,832.00</b>

### December 20

### Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget Envelopes used (38)	-	\$666.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 82.00
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>\$748.00</b>

This week's second collection is the monthly collection. The second collection next week is for ongoing maintenance.

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



## From the Pastor,

I'm writing this on Monday, December 28, 2020 and I'm rather glad to see the end of 2020 approaching. Like everyone else, I'm looking forward to the Year of Our Lord 2021. It's been a rollercoaster of a year and an unprecedented interruption in much of what we thought of as "business as usual." Still, it's been a reminder of how unpredictable life can be and of what "trust in the Lord" can mean from day to day. Let's hope that the widespread use of the vaccines can halt the spread of the virus and protect people from the worst of the outcomes of infection. Let's also hope and pray that by the coming summer we'll be able to remove the tape from the pews and throw open the doors to all and sundry.

In the near future I'll say more about the livestreaming system and thank those who contributed to that effort. Right now, because of problems with the sound in the new equipment, we'll continue streaming Mass through Ryan Bernard's computer. I have been told that those who designed and installed the new system are hoping to get the kinks out of the new system by next weekend. We shall see.

A very happy and healthy new year, everyone!

Fr. Bodah



## Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>

**At home:** Grades 1-6: Gospel Weeklies-The Epiphany of the Lord

**Pray:** Today, we remember Jesus' birth. Please be born in our hearts today, Lord. Amen.

**Think:** How is Jesus a gift in your life?

**Act:** Think about what it was like for the shepherds to see angels and hear about Jesus' birth.

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

**Weekly coloring pages:** to be emailed to Mrs. Cullen

**The Domestic Church:** It is in the context of the family that we first learn who God is and to prayerfully seek His will for us. Allow your children to witness you in private prayer. Encourage your children to pray daily on their own, to listen for God's call, and if heard, to respond. (for more information on how to build up the domestic church, search for **Tools for Building a Domestic Church**, USCCB.org)

## Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

**6:30-8:30** Grade 7 Confirmation I Class to meet in person 2<sup>nd</sup> floor FGC

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



# This Week

## Monday, January 4

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

## Wednesday, January 6

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph

## Thursday, January 7

9:00-10:30am Staff Meeting (Office closed during this time)

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



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](http://www.stfranciswakefield.com) and selecting the Online Giving link.

Just a reminder that there are inspirational *Catholic media CDs* available at the side entrance (parking lot side) in the main church and at the chapel. Please be sure to take a moment to look them over.



## 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.



## ANNUAL BABY SHOWER

Our Social Outreach Committee is sponsoring their annual baby shower during the month of January to benefit *St. Gabriel's Call*—an outreach of the Office of Life and Family Ministry that provides needed resources for women in need.

Following are items that are needed: Diapers (Sizes for new born, 1, 4, 5 & 6), wipes, new born clothing, clothing 6-9 months & up; bibs, pacifiers, blankets & crib sheets, baby tubs, bottles & sippy cups.

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