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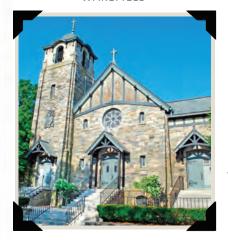
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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:0	00 am
Saturday 4:3	30 pm
Sunday9:00 am and 11:0	00 am

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL / Winter Schedule

Sunday------10:00 am

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

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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



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Saturday, March 27 4:30pm †Reinaldo Flores

Requested by Family

Sunday, March 28

9:00am† Edward Carney

Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney 11:00am †Tom Pullano

Requested by Family
Monday, March 29

7:00am †Jean G. Boisse

Requested by Family

Tuesday, March 30

7:00am †Jeannette DeLuca

Requested by Family



HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue until 11:00pm in Helen Bouchard Hall)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2

3:00pm Stations of the Cross

7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 3 3:00-4:00pm Confessions

7:30pm Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection



Sunday, April 4

9:00am[†] Patrick Dufficy

(Birthday Remembrance)

Requested by Mom & Family

11:00am †For the Deceased Members of

the Perpetual Mass Association

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 28

10:00am †Jeannette DeLuca

Requested by Family

Sunday, April 4

10:00am †Henry H. Thayer, Jr. & Margherita Rose Thayer Requested by the Limanni Family



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SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Jeannette DeLuca.

Intention for Easter Sunday, April 4 at 11am

The Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

> Yvonne Fanning Paul F. & Susan Greene Marilyn Maley **E**dna Otto Christopher Shafer Daniel Shea Laura Webb



Weekly Support
Budget envelopes used (82)
Loose Donations March 21 \$3,418.00 342.00 3,872.00 Online Giving (# of donors–84) **Total Budget** \$7,632.00

Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)
Budget envelopes used (46)
Loose Donations
Total \$784.00 \$ 49.00 **\$833.00**

Catholic Charity Appeal Goal for 2021 is \$104,595.00 As of 3/18/2021 the pledged amount is \$42,963.00.

This week's second collection is for Catholic Relief Services/ Operation Rice Bowl. Next week's second collection is the Easter Collection for the Diocese.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

March 28, 2021

From the Pastor,

As we celebrate the beginning of Holy Week I would draw your attention to a few things. First of all, I would invite you to consider attending the Holy Week services this week or following them by livestream. Holy Thursday Mass will be at 7 p.m. followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament downstairs in Helen Bouchard Hall until 11 p.m. The Good Friday service will be held at 7 p.m. and although we cannot come forward to kiss the image of the Crucified this year, there will be a moment when we can adore Christ together at the unveiling of the cross; communion will be distributed as usual. There will also be Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m., which will not be livestreamed.

Confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday from 3-4 p.m. and the Easter Vigil will begin at 7:30 with the blessing of the new fire. There are no baptisms or receptions into the Church this year and the Responsorial Psalms will not be sung, so the Vigil will be a bit shorter than usual.

Easter morning Masses will follow the usual Sunday schedule: 9 & 11 in the church; 10 a.m. in the chapel.

The Sunday after Easter celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. This year we will pray the Chaplet and the other prayers proper to the day before the 10 a.m. Mass at the chapel. This service and the Mass will be posted to our parish Facebook page and later transferred to the parish website especially so that Bill Harding will be able to join in the celebration from his room in the nursing home. Bill has a great devotion to the Divine Mercy celebration and, thanks to modern means of communication, I hope he will be able to be with us virtually that morning.

After the 11 a.m. Mass on that same Sunday after Easter, communion will be available in the parking lot of the church for those who have not been able to attend Mass because of the pandemic. Please register for this by calling 401-588-4192.

A blessed Easter to all!

Fr. Bodah



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard each Saturday afternoon at 3:30-4:00pm in St. Francis Church. All are welcome! On Holy Saturday, April 3, confessions will be heard from 3-4:00pm.



Sunday, March 28th Grades 1,3,4,5,6:

Complete at home, the Gospel Weeklies for **Palm Sunday.**

Online Class Assessments: to be submitted to your child's catechist <u>each</u> week.

Grade 2 will meet in person at 10am in FGC

Pray: I want to choose you, Jesus! Show me how to do what is right, even when others want me to do what is wrong. Amen.

Think: When have we gone along with the crowd, even when we knew it was not the right thing to do?

Act: As you read the Passion story, follow along and say the crowd responses strongly. Think about what it would have been like to be there when Jesus was crucified.

Reflect: How have your Lenten commitments helped you remember the sacrifices that Jesus makes?

COME HOLY SPIRIT! Confirmation is April 10th at 10am. Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin will be our celebrant. Please keep our Confirmation candidates and their families in your prayers.

FIRST COMMUNION Please keep *Rebecca Costanza, Harry Champion and Anthony Silvia* in your prayers are they prepare to receive Jesus for the first time on **Sunday, May 2**nd.





Monday, March 29

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

Tuesday, March 30

5-6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

Wednesday, March 31

12:30pm Stations of the Cross (St. Romuald Chapel)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph

Holy Thursday, April 1

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Church)

Good Friday, April 2

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

3:00pm Stations of the Cross (Church)

7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Church)

Holy Saturday, April 3

3-4:00pm Confessions (Church)

7:30pm Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection (Church)

Monday, April 5

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

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



Names of Loved Ones Easter Flower Offering

The names of the loved ones written on the Easter Flower Offering envelopes will be placed in a box on the altar at St. Francis Church and St. Romuald Chapel. Those members will be remembered and prayed for throughout Easter.

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.



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!*

Friday Dinners Available

The SVDP dinner program is providing Friday meals for pick up or delivery at no cost. Would you—or someone you know—like a cooked meal? We are in need of volunteers to deliver meals. Call 401-588-4192 or email esweeney1@cox.net to order a meal or volunteer to deliver. Call 401-588-4192.



DRIVE UP RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11^a, 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 obligated to receive Communion, use judgment on your own vulnerability. Please remain home if you are experiencing any symptoms or are ill. 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.

OPENING THE WORD HAS RESUMED

Would you like to develop a deeper understanding of the readings for the Sunday Liturgy? Every **Tuesday 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!



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