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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, April 17 4:30pm †Louis & Amelia DiSalvo *Requested by Family* Sunday, April 18 9:00am⁺Francesco, Nunziata & Gloria Luongo *Requested by Family* 11:00am For the People Monday, April 19 7:00am † Margaret Levesque Requested by Kathy & David Del Sesto Tuesday, April 20 7:00am †Walter Reusch Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci Thursday, April 22 7:00am †Mary Goretti Soonae Lee Req. by the Sisters of Divine Providence Friday, April 23 7:00am †Ted Carney Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney Saturday, April 24 4:30pm †John Champion (Birthday Remembrance) *Requested by Family* Sunday, April 25 9:00am[†]Anthony Hoa Van Tran Requested by Family 11:00am For the People

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 18 10:00am †Al Marchand (Birthday Remembrance) *Requested by Al & Gerri Marsocci* Sunday, April 25 10:00am †Tony Kieon (2nd Anniversary Remembrance) *Requested by Sister, Susan*



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Louis & Amelia DiSalvo.



Make a gift now

2021 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL IN-PEW WEEKENDS ARE THIS WEEKEND AND NEXT WEEKEND

WILL YOU JOIN US BY MAKING YOUR GIFT ON IN-PEW WEEKENDS?

The Catholic Charity Appeal funds over 30 programs and ministries each year to serve thousands of people in Rhode Island. Catholic social services provides immediate support like food, heating and rent assistance, diapers, formula, clothing and more. The Appeal also funds Emmanuel House home-less shelter, St. Martin de Porres Senior Center, Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, evangelization programs, St. Gabriel's Call for expectant mothers, Life and Family Ministry, St. Clare's nursing home in Newport, and many other vital programs.

"Our compassion is an expression of faith and a proclamation of hope for our troubled times."~ BISHOP TOBIN



<u>Weekly Support</u> Budget envelopes used (94) Loose Donations Online Giving (# of donors–81) **Total Budget**

<u>April 11</u> \$6,248.00 \$ 563.50 <u>\$3,216.00</u> **\$10,027.50**

Catholic Charity Appeal Goal for 2021 is \$104,595.00 As of 4/8/21 the pledged amount is \$54,423.00. 186 Donors.

This week's second collection is the Monthly Collection. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

APRIL 18, 2021

From the Pastor,

Here are some snippets from the much longer Easter message of our Holy Father Pope Francis.

The risen Christ is hope for all who continue to suffer from the pandemic, both the sick and those who have lost a loved one. May the Lord give them comfort and sustain the valiant efforts of doctors and nurses. Everyone, especially the most vulnerable among us, requires assistance and has the right to have access to necessary care. This is even more evident in these times when all of us are called to combat the pandemic, and vaccines are an essential tool in this fight. In a spirit of the fact that the vaccine should be international, in a spirit of global responsibility, to commit to overcoming delays in the distribution of vaccines and to facilitate their distribution, especially in the poorest countries.

The crucified and risen Lord is comfort for those who have lost their jobs or experienced serious economic difficulties and lack adequate social protection. May the Lord inspire public authorities to act so that everyone, especially families in greatest need will be offered the assistance needed for decent sustenance.

The pandemic has increased the number of the poor. All of the poor need to be able to hope again, as John Paul II said during his apostolic visit to Haiti, and especially to the dear Haitian people go my thought and my encouragement so that might not be overcome by difficulties, but might look to the future with trust and with hope. I would say that my thought, especially goes to you, my dear brothers and sisters in Haiti, that I am near you, I'm near to you, and I hope that the problems might be resolved definitively for you.

Dear brothers and sisters, once again this year, in various places, many Christians have celebrated Easter under severe restrictions, and at times, without even being able to attend liturgical celebrations. We pray that those restrictions, as well as all the restrictions on freedom of worship and religion throughout the world may be lifted, and that everyone may be allowed to pray and praise God freely.

Fr. Bodah

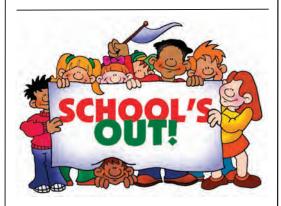


MAY DEVOTIONS

May is the month of Mary. Once again the rosary will be recited at 6:30pm Monday through Friday at St. Romuald Chapel. The Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary will also be recited at the closing followed by the Salve Regina.

All are welcome!





Sunday, April 18th

The Religious Ed Office will be closed during school vacation April 18th-24th.

Sunday, April 25th

First Communion Class at 10:00 FGC





Monday, April 19

7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)
7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (HBH)
Tuesday, April 20
5-6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)
Wednesday, April 21
7:00pm Men of St. Joseph
Thursday, April 22
6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting
7:00pm RCIA (Rectory)

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

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 <u>esweeney1@cox.net</u> to order a meal or volunteer to deliver. Call 401-588-4192.

JOB POSITION AVAILABLE AT BISHOP HENDRICKEN



Bishop Hendricken High School is searching for a new Campus

Minister for the 2020-2021 School Year. It will be a full time, paid position.

If interested, please contact Hendricken Chaplain Fr. Brian Morris at <u>bmorris@hendricken.com</u>

MAY MONEY MADNESS

Tickets For May Money Madness are being sold after masses *this weekend and again on April 24/25*. They can also be purchased at the parish office, Monday through Thursday 9am to 4pm and Friday 9am-12:30pm. <u>The last day to buy a ticket is April 30</u>.



Ticket prices are: \$10 each, 6 for \$50 or 12 for \$100. A fun parish event with prizes awarded daily throughout the month of May.

Drawing Prizes: Monday thru Saturday—\$50; Sunday—\$100; May 31- drawing—\$500.

Fill out the form below and include payment. Return through the weekly offertory or mail to: May \$ Madness, St. Francis Church, 114 High St., Wakefield, RI 02879 Tickets will be forwarded to you.

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name:

Address: _____

Phone No. _____

No. of Tickets: _____\$10 each____6 for \$50 ____12 for \$100

HEALING MASS FOR THE LOSS OF A CHILD

The Respect Life Ministry at St. Philip Church, Greenville, will be hosting a **Healing Mass** for pregnancy and infant loss. We invite parents, grandparents, siblings and family who grieve the loss of children from the causes of miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion and early infant death. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Phillip Dufour on Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at St Philips, 622 Putnam Pike, Greenville, RI 02828. Social distancing and mask wearing will be observed. For more information please contact Ashley Codding at 401-533-3455.





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