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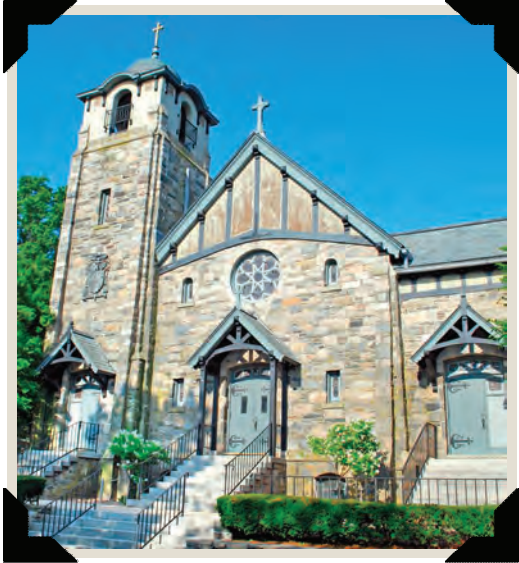
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Masses

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 / Summer Schedule

Saturday ----- 5:30 pm
Sunday ----- 8:00 am and 10:00 am

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

Washington County Office / Contact: -----Melanie Monteiro
----- 401-783-3149
Tuesday ----- 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 Young. Due to the reduction in priests we can no longer accommodate Sunday weddings.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory.



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

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, September 11

4:30pm †Charlie & Mary Cummings
Requested by Friends

Sunday, September 12

9:00am For the People
11:00am †James (Jamie) Rayta
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote

Monday, September 13

7:00am †Mr. & Mrs. Robert Parker
Requested by Ellen McElroy

Tuesday, September 14

7:00am †Jean G. Boisse
Requested by Family

Thursday, September 16

7:00am †Bill, James P. & Ned Carney
Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney

Friday, September 17

7:00am †Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie
Requested by Family

Saturday, September 18

4:30pm †Arlene F. Robinson
Requested by Family

Sunday, September 19

9:00am †Joseph Hung Ba Tran
Requested by Family
11:00am †Thomas Burke
Requested by Barbara McIntosh

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 12

10:00am †Norinne Costello
Requested by Jean Fenaughty

Sunday, September 19

10:00am †Frank Dupuis
Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Oliverio

Dear Parishioners,

On the weekend of October 2-3 we will be celebrating the life of our dear parish patron, St. Francis of Assisi. To be fair, his actual feast day is on the 4th, but I won't tell if you don't!

I hope we will be able to re-discover the unique discipleship of this man of God. One of my favorite stories is from his period of conversion. He had begun to give up his former life of partying and other vices which we shall not name on these pages! He visited a dilapidated chapel in the countryside that had obviously not been used in some time.

While he was inside saying a quick prayer, the crucifix spoke to him saying, "Francis. Go and repair my house which is in ruin". Young Francis took this to mean the small chapel so he renovated it to look like new. It became clear to him that the Lord had meant the Church Universal, and not the little chapel. It was at this moment he took his call to radical discipleship seriously.

Check out our parish Facebook page (search for St Francis Wakefield) and follow more posts about St. Francis this month!

In Christ,

Fr. Young



Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (130)	-	\$6,137.00
Loose Donations	-	\$2,025.00
Online Giving (# of donors-90)	-	\$4,505.00
Total Budget	-	\$12,667.00

September 5

Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

Budget envelopes used (90)	-	\$1,431.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 408.00
Online Giving (# of donors-10)	-	\$ 203.00
Total	-	\$2,042.00

This week's second collection is a special collection those suffering in Haiti. Next week's second collection is for the Priest's retirement.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

**Pasta Dinner
Friday, October 1st
5:00—7:30 PM**

Fr. Greenan Parish Center

Cost: \$12 Adults

\$8 Take-Out (does not include drink or dessert)

\$6 children (ages 6 to 12) Children under 6, FREE

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Don't forget to return your raffle tickets either by mail, placing them in collection basket or dropping them off at the rectory. Additional raffle tickets are available at the rectory. Tickets are \$1 each or (6) for \$5.



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Donations for the raffle baskets should be dropped off or placed in the containers at the church and chapel no later than **Monday, September 20**. **Donations of cash or gift cards should either be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the rectory.** **Do you have baskets you would like to donate?** If you have good size wicker baskets at home that you are not using please consider donating them. They will be used to assemble some of the beautiful gift baskets that will be raffled at the pasta dinner.



Come and try your luck at winning any of our great theme baskets: Holiday Entertaining, Fore the Love of Golf, Spa & Beauty, and many more...and the ever popular money tree loaded with lottery tickets! *Tickets for the baskets will be sold only at the dinner.*

Be sure to join us for this fun evening. What a wonderful way to support your parish. Come eat good food and enjoy good company!



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

OCTOBER 3

Blessing of the animals will take place Sunday, October 3 around 12:15pm by the statue of St. Francis of Assisi on the side of the church. Bring your dogs, cats, hamsters, gerbils, birds, fish, ferrets, chickens, turtles, etc. for a special St. Francis blessing by Father Young!



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS YARD SALE (PUBLIC INVITED)
Saturday, September 18th from 8am to 2pm**

On Saturday, September 18th, from 8:00am to 2:00pm the Knights of Columbus will hold a yard sale at the Council Hall, 1265 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown. The Hall will be open to receive items between the hours of 5:00pm to 7:00pm, Thursday, September 16th and Friday September 17th. We can not accept TV's, appliances or clothing.



**FAITH
FORMATION
(401) 792-8684**



Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 19, 2021, and the theme is: "Say the Word and My Soul Shall be Healed."

St Francis of Assisi will celebrate Catechetical Sunday at the 9:00AM Mass. On this day, those who the parish community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry.

**SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
CLASSES BEGIN NEXT SUNDAY**

1st-6th Grade families will meet in the church for class assignment after the 9:00am Mass, pick up in FGC at 10:50.



Our Catechists are a key component of our Religious Education program. Their unselfish generosity of time and talent is a gift to the young parishioners of St. Francis Parish. We are in need of Catechists at various grade levels. Why not you? Call Barbette Cullen at 792-8684 for more information regarding teaching, as well as, other opportunities to serve in the Rel. Ed. program. Training and assistance are provided. We anticipate in person classes and will follow the CDC guidelines with mask wearing, washing of hands, hand sanitizer, no shared materials, etc. This year proves difficult to recruit catechists in light of Covid. We are in need of catechists for 1st, 2nd, 5th and 8th grade. Please consider giving of your time and share your love for your Catholic faith. Thank you.

This Week

Monday, September 13

7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)
6:30pm Event Committee Meeting (FGC)
7:00pm Finance Council Meeting (Rectory)

Thursday, September 16

6:00pm Opening the Word/Bible Study (FGC)
6:00pm Prayer Group Meeting (HBH)

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



Neighbors Feeding Neighbors Golf Tournament To Benefit the Peace Dale Dinner Table Program

**THIS Sunday,
September 12th, 2021**

Pinecrest Golf Course, Richmond, RI



Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference and PDCC will be sponsoring a Golf Tournament to help purchase food for the Peace Dale Dinner Table Program. Together, we have served more than 10,000 warm, nutritious meals in just under 8 months. We need your support to be able to continue this much needed service throughout the winter.

11:00am Shotgun Start. Red, White, and Blue Best Ball Team Scramble Format.

\$90 per golfer, "Meal Only" option \$30 per person. Includes 18 holes w/ cart, full dinner afterwards, prizes & fun!

Tee Sponsors \$150 Closest to the Pin Sponsors \$200 Putting Contest Sponsor \$250

Donations are welcome!

If you would like to be a sponsor or would like more information please contact us at 401-477-6046 or at doinggoodinc@icloud.com



INSTALLATION OF FR. ADAM YOUNG AS THE 17TH PASTOR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

On October 2nd at the 4:30pm Mass we welcome Bishop Evans, Auxiliary Bishop of Providence, to install Fr. Young as pastor. While he officially became pastor on July 1, it is an important liturgical ceremony. All are welcome to attend and support Fr. Young for his Profession of Faith and Oath of Fidelity. A light reception on the rectory lawn will follow!



October 1 (5-7): Pasta Dinner

October 2 (4:30): Installation for Fr. Young at Mass followed by a reception

October 3 (12:15): Blessing of the Animals

October 9: Distribution of baby bottles (Baby Bottle Boomerang)

October 23-31: Social Outreach Food Drive to benefit the Jonnycake Center

Oct. 29 (6:30-9pm): Paint Night with Diane Costanza

November 6 (9-2): Church Bazaar

November 26 (9-12): Coat Drive

November 27: Giving Tree to be placed in church

Month of January: Baby Shower

As always, as events draw near there will be more detailed information in the bulletin!



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.



NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION: PRIEST'S RETIREMENT FUND

After decades of faithful service, many retired priests continue to serve where they are needed, while others require assisted living, or nursing home care. Since priests are paid a very modest wage, they cannot rely upon Social Security to make ends meet. No longer able to rely upon parishes for basic living needs, senior priests depend on support from this fund. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of many who have served faithfully for many years in ministry—some of whom continue to serve well after their 'retirement.' The collection is also our way of saying "thank you" for that service.

At Masses on September 11 & 12, there will be a special second collection in support of the Senior Priest Retirement Fund. Please consider a generous donation in support of our senior priests. *Thank you!*

To learn how this fund benefits senior priests or to make an online donation, please visit www.srpriestri.org. *Thank you for your support!*



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