

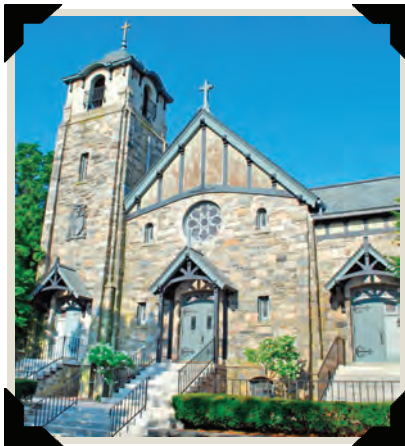
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John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

-LUKE 3:16

### Parish Staff

Father Adam A. Young S.T.L. ----- *Pastor*  
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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**  
Saturday ----- 5:30 pm\*  
Sunday ----- 8:00 am\* and 10:00 am  
\*Summer only (Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day Weekend)

**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  
**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY / Wakefield**  
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.

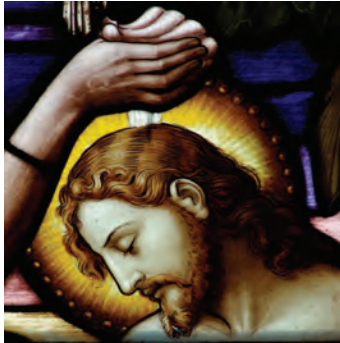
**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**  
Please call the rectory.

*welcome*

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

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## St. Francis Mass Intentions



### Saturday, January 8

4:30pm †Marie Champion

*Requested by Luanne Googins*

### Sunday, January 9

9:00am †Audrey Scuncio

(Anniversary Remembrance)

*Requested by Family*

11:00am †Elsie Clapperton

*Requested by her Son*

### Monday, January 10

7:00am †Kerri Bessette

*Requested by Mom, Dad & Scott*

### Tuesday, January 11

7:00am †Herman Card

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

*Requested by Viola*

### Thursday, January 13

7:00am For the People

### Friday, January 14

7:00am †Marie Champion

*Requested by Eve Sweeney*

### Saturday, January 15

4:30pm †Branden J. DeLuca

*Requested by Family*

### Sunday, January 16

9:00am †Anthony Rizzo

*Requested by the Gilman Family*

11:00am Jessica Palumbo (For Healing)

*Requested by Ed & Diane Rudegeair*

## St. Romuald Mass Intentions

### Sunday, January 9

10:00am †Jeanne A. Harrington

*Requested by Family*

### Sunday, January 16

10:00am †Owen & Maureen Rielly

*Requested by Family*

Dear Parishioners,

It was a cold and rainy morning January 6<sup>th</sup>, 1985. New parents were bringing their first born son to St. Bernard's parish in Wickford. He cried and wailed enough that no good pictures were taken. But from the moment the water poured over his head, he was a disciple of Christ.

That baby was your pastor (although I slightly embellished some details.) I was baptized on the feast of St. Andre Besette. The long road to the priesthood began that day. Do you know the date of your own baptism? Do you still have your baptismal candle? I suggest in honor of The Baptism of the Lord this weekend, you do some investigating.

The rite of baptism is a beautiful and ancient prayer. In addition to the pouring of the water, there are prayers to the saints, anointings with oil for protection, and the "ephphetha prayer" in which the priest blesses the baby's senses to hear and see Christ. As we celebrate Our Lord's Baptism which began his public ministry, let's celebrate our own baptism which began our own!

And since it's the last day of Christmas today...  
Merry Christmas!

*Fr. Young*



### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (96)	-	<b>January 2</b> \$2,937.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 692.00
Online Giving (# of donors-84)	-	\$3,676.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$7,305.00</b>

### Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

Budget envelopes used (27)	-	\$1,296.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 318.00
Online Giving (# of donors-6)	-	\$ 80.00
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>\$1,694.00</b>

**Solemnity of Mary: \$498.00**

This week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.  
Next week's second collection is for the Catholic University.

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

JANUARY 9, 2022



### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Anne Cottle.



#### “TO THE PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN:

- ◆ Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel like you have to suppress it in God's house.
- ◆ Sit towards the front where it's easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. They tire of seeing the backs of heads.
- ◆ Quietly explain the parts of the Mass.
- ◆ Sing, pray, and voice responses. Children learn by copying your involvement!
- ◆ If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but come back! As Jesus said, “let the little children come to me.”
- ◆ Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home here.

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION:

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents!”

### ROSARY REPAIRS

We now have an anonymous volunteer who has offered to repair rosaries. If you have a rosary that you would like repaired please place the rosary in an envelope and place your name and phone number on the outside of the envelope so that when the repair is complete you can be notified. Please drop your envelope off at the rectory or place it in the black mailbox next to the rectory door.

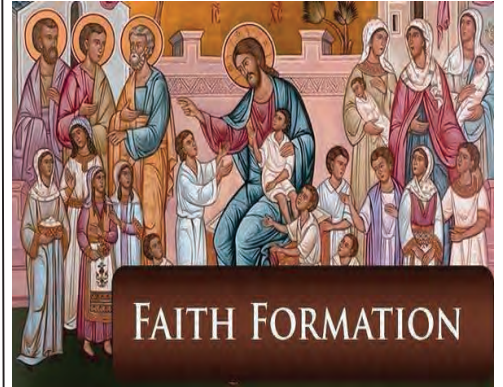


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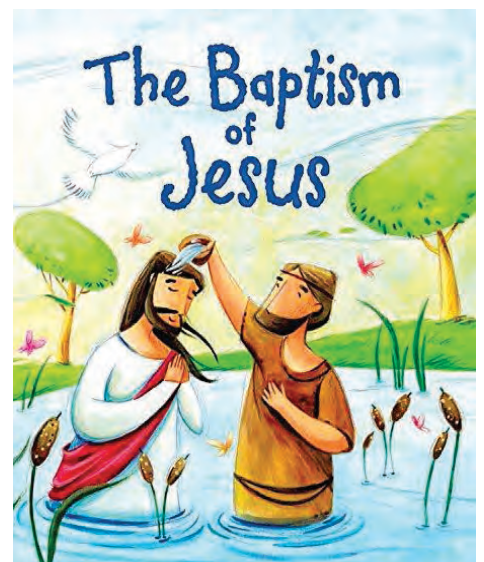
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**Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:55-10:50am** Grades 1-6 FGC  
**6:30-8:15pm** Confirmation I  
(Gr. 7) FGC



# This Week

## Monday, January 10

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

## Tuesday, January 11

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

## Wednesday, January 12

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

## Monday, January 17

**NO ADORATION-HOLIDAY (OFFICES CLOSED)**

*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 [esweeney1@cox.net](mailto:esweeney1@cox.net) to order a meal or volunteer to deliver.



### Annual Respect for Life Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC - "Equality Begins in the Womb" January 20-22

Advance registration required, space is limited, first come, first served.

#### Basic Itinerary:

Thurs. evening, Jan. 20 - bus leaves RI to DC

Fri., Jan. 21 - Mass, Rally and March in DC

Early morning, Sat., Jan. 22 - return to RI

Please contact 401-278-2518 or

[LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org) to register and for all details. *Groups are encouraged to register ASAP.*



**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.



The St. Francis of Assisi Social Outreach Committee (SOC) is sponsoring a Baby Shower during the month of January. Please place donations in collection baskets located in St. Francis Church & St. Romuald Chapel during the weekends in January. **Thank you for your support!**

### COLLECTED ITEMS WILL BENEFIT:

**The St. Gabriel Call**

### SUGGESTED BABY SUPPLY DONATIONS

**Diapers (All sizes up to 6/XL)**

**Baby Wipes**

**Warm Sleepers (0 to 24 months)**

**Baby Lotion**

**Warm Children's Clothing (2T-4T, 5-6)**

**Baby Wash**

**Infant Onesies**

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*Cash donations also gratefully accepted—checks to be made out to Retreat House (memo line St. Gabriel Call)*



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