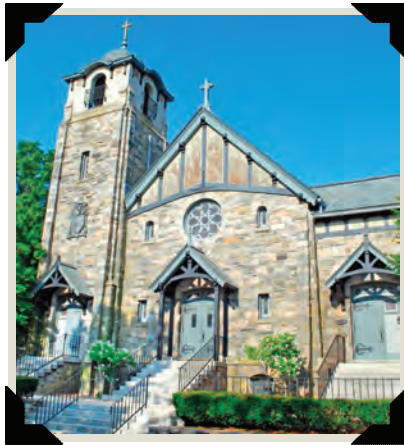


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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 7:00 am  
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Sunday ----- 9:00 am and 11:00 am

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Saturday ----- 5:30 pm\*  
Sunday ----- 8:00 am\* and 10:00 am  
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION  
Saturday at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in Saint Francis Church or by  
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM  
First Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY  
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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### St. Francis Mass Intentions



**Saturday, March 19**

4:30pm †Reinaldo Flores

*Requested by Holly & Angelica Flores*

**Sunday, March 20**

9:00am †Jose Do Rego Amaral

*Requested by Wife, Natalie and Family*

11:00am †Marguerite Sprague

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

*Requested by her Mother & Father*

**Monday, March 21**

7:00am Mass for the People

**7:00pm Lenten Mission**

**Tuesday, March 22**

7:00am †Vincent & Theresa Monti

*(Birthday Remembrance)*

*Requested by Family*

**7:00pm Lenten Mission**

**Thursday, March 24**

7:00am †Rev. James E. Greenan

*(9<sup>th</sup> Pastor)*

*70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance*

**Friday, March 25**

7:00am †Patricia Viveiros

*Requested by Lee Whicher*

**Saturday, March 26**

4:30pm †Jeanette DeLuca & Joe Luciano, III

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, March 27**

9:00am †Walter Thayer

*Requested by Family*

11:00am †Ann Perkins

*Requested by John & Patty Grimes*

### St. Romuald Mass Intentions

**Sunday, March 20**

10:00am †Martha McElkenny

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, March 27**

10:00am †Martha McElkenny

*Requested by Family*

Dear Parishioners,

In 1962, Pope St. John XXIII convened the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council. An Ecumenical Council is a meeting of all the bishops of the world which settle matters of church teaching, clarify what is confusing, and set a course for the Church. We believe the Ecumenical councils are binding Church teaching guided by the Holy Spirit from promoting error.

Pope St. John XXIII wanted to open the windows of the Church and better equip it to preach the unchanging Gospel in the changing world. Unfortunately, some myths have arisen surrounding what the documents of Vatican II actually said. I plan on spending the next few weeks discussing these myths.

The first common error is that Latin during Mass is "backwards" and "old fashioned". You may have noticed that during Advent and Lent, we have introduced a little bit of Latin to the Mass. It was the wish of Vatican II that, while Mass should be in the vernacular, Catholics would be familiar with the Latin Mass parts as part of our patrimony. As a Church that comes from the Apostles, it is a privilege to pray in the same words as the saints, martyrs, and faithful have prayed before us! If you are unsure of the words, just let yourself be carried up by the beautiful chant and reverent atmosphere.

In Christ,

*Fr. Young*



**Weekly Support**

Budget envelopes used (103)	-	\$4,011.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,538.00
Online Giving (# of donors-87)	-	\$2,833.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$8,382.00</b>

**March 13**

**2022 Catholic Charity Appeal Goal is \$104,595.00. As of 3/10/22 the pledged amount is \$57,232.00 from 161 donors.**

This week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance. There is no second collection next week.

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

MARCH 20, 2022



**SANCTUARY LAMP**

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Gloria & Edward Carney.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL**

Join us for a unique experience when we present the Stations of the Cross as seen through the eyes of Mary every Wednesday through April 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm at Saint Romuald Chapel in Matunuck. All are welcome.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT ST. FRANCIS**

On the six Fridays of Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross through April 8 at 7pm. On Good Friday, April 15 Stations will be at 3pm. All are welcome.



**PARISH LENTEN MISSION: "Via Dolorosa "**  
Presented by Fr. Liam Bradley

**THIS MONDAY, MARCH 21 AND TUESDAY, MARCH 22 AT 7:00PM**

Fr. Liam Bradley takes us on a journey to the foot of the cross, walking the way of the Via Dolorosa. However, unlike the traditional Stations of the Cross, he introduces us to some of the lesser-known characters, each of whom encountered the Christ. Having reached the Cross, he leads us in joining with Mary at prayer.

Fr. Liam is a priest of the Diocese of Menevia located in southwest Wales. He currently leads chaplaincy services for Dyfed-Powys Police and also acts as chaplain to a local hospital and a Trappist community of nuns. Formerly engaged in parish ministry, he's been ordained for nine years and for five of them was the diocesan Vocations Director. In his spare time Fr Liam's hobby is aviation and he enjoys flying Cessna aircraft. Join us to hear Father's wit and wisdom and we journey toward Easter!



**PALM SUNDAY CONCERT  
CONDUCTED BY ENRICO GARZILLI  
APRIL 10 AT 2:30PM IN THE CHURCH**

On Sunday April 10, at 2:30pm in St. Francis Church, the South County Chamber Singers will present a concert of sacred music featuring the Faure' Requiem. This piece is a beautiful work of faith, consolation, comfort and peace illuminating God's great love for us. The concert will also include sacred anthems and a new piece composed by Father Robert Randall. Join us for this special concert on Palm Sunday afternoon. It will be a perfect introduction to the holiest week of the year.



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**Sunday, March 20, 2022**

**9:55-10:50am** Grades 1-6 FGC  
**Step Up Close to Jesus** stations of the cross during class time. All are invited to attend.

**Pray: Lord, increase your love in me so that I may increase the fruits of your love. Amen**

**Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**6:30-8:15pm** Confirmation II  
Class in HBH (lower church)

**Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00am-5:30pm** Confirmation I & II Retreat FGC



St. Francis of Assisi's Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Easter Sunday morning at 10:00!! The Easter Bunny will supply the Eggs but we could use your help with some wrapped CANDY to fill them! If you can help with the candy, donation boxes will be at the main entrance to the church/ chapel and Fr. Greenan Hall. Thank you!

# This Week

## Monday, March 21

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

**7:00pm Lenten Mission (Church)**

## Tuesday, March 22

**7:00pm Lenten Mission (Church)**

## Wednesday, March 23

12:30 Stations (Chapel)

7:00-8:30pm Alpha Course (FGC)

## Thursday, March 24

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Church)

## Friday, March 25

7:00pm Stations (Church)

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



### Holy Thursday (April 14)

**7:00pm—Mass of the Lord's Supper**

*St. Francis Church*

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue until 11:00pm in Helen Bouchard Hall*

*Also at St. Romuald Chapel from 9-11:00pm*

### Good Friday (April 15)

**3:00pm—Stations of the Cross**

*St. Francis Church*

**7:00pm—Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

*St. Francis Church*

### Holy Saturday (April 16)

*(Confessions will be heard from 3:00-4:00pm)*

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

*St. Francis Church*

### Easter Sunday (April 17)

**9:00am and 11:00am**

*St. Francis Church*

**and**

**10:00am**

*St. Romuald Chapel*

# SAVE THE DATE

**April 30-May 8:** Social Outreach Food Drive to Benefit Jonnycake Center

**Month of May:** Rosary at the Chapel Monday through Friday at 6:30pm

**Month of May:** May Money Madness Drawings (Tickets will be on sale during the month of April)

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Confessions** are heard each Saturday afternoon from 3:30-4:00pm in St. Francis Church.

Our parish will also offer Confessions on Sundays during Lent at **St. Francis Church from 10:00am to 10:30am** and at **St. Romuald Chapel from 9:15am to 9:45am**.



### From the Choir Loft

**'I heard the Voice of Jesus say'...**

... is one of the most popular hymns in Christianity and is this week's offertory hymn. The text, written by Horatius Bonar is set to the hymn tune "KINGSFOLD" which is an English folk tune conceived during the middle ages. In 1893, it was published in *English Country Songs* by Lucy E. Broadwood and J. A. Fuller Maitland. It became a hymn tune in 1906 when Composer Ralph Vaughn Williams published it in *The English Hymnal*. He named the tune "KINGSFOLD" because he heard it in Kingsfold, Sussex, England. It can even be heard in his orchestral work, *Fives variations of "Dives and Lazarus"* commissioned for the 1939 world's fair.

If you are interested in learning more about sacred music and wish to participate in it, make sure you join our parish choir. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. This week's organ prelude: "*Celtic Lament*" -Noel Rawsthorne

### 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.

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