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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, April 9

4:30pm †Branden J. & Anna DeLuca
Requested by Family

Sunday, April 10

9:00am †Edith Boisclair
Requested by Family

11:00am †Joyce Shiels
Requested by Family

Monday, April 11

7:00am †Tom McGair
(Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Jean

Tuesday, April 12

7:00am †Kerri Bessette
Requested by Mom, Dad & Scott



Holy Thursday, April 14

7:00pm Mass for the People
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
7:00pm Passion of Our Lord

Holy Saturday, April 16

3-4:00pm Confessions
(There is no 4:30 Mass)
7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 17

9:00am †Anne Cottle
Requested by Family
11:00am †Deceased Members of the
Perpetual Mass Association

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 10

10:00am †Al Marchand
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Al & Gerri Marsocci

Easter Sunday, April 17

10:00am †Martha McElkenny
Requested by Family

Dear Parishioners,

I remember my first Palm Sunday as a priest. After Mass an older woman went to the table where the palms were located and grabbed as much as her arms could hold. The pastor leaned over to me and said, "What is she going to do? Make soup with it??" It makes me chuckle 12 years later!

There are so many traditions associated with palms. The Italian tradition is to bring them to the gravesites of our beloved dead. French Canadians will often weave ornate cones out of the palm. In England, there is a tradition of Pax Cakes, where the priest would hand out a small loaf of bread and say "peace and good". Many of us place blessed palm behind picture frames in our houses to remind us that Christ is our King all year around.

Whatever your traditions are, it is an important Sunday for Catholics. Mass begins with the words "Hosanna to the Son of David". The original Aramaic is translated as something like "Praise and salvation from the Son of David!". Then we read the Passion account and we recall the road to Jerusalem ends with the Crucifixion. Palm Sunday, in conjunction with Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil gives us the FULL liturgical expression of what Jesus did for us. I highly recommend that you try to attend all the services of the Sacred Triduum. If you can't please read the Mass readings at home this week.

In Christ our King,
Fr. Young



Weekly Support		April 3
Budget envelopes used (116)	-	\$4,883.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,110.00
Online Giving (# of donors-92)	-	\$4,006.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,999.00

Second Collection (Monthly Collection)		
Budget envelopes used (74)	-	\$1,557.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 330.00
Online Giving (# of donors-8)	-	\$ 455.00
Total	-	\$2,342.00

2022 Catholic Charity Appeal Goal is \$104,595.00. As of 3/31/22 the pledged amount is \$66,334.00 from 208 donors.

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

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

APRIL 10, 2022



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Marcia Signorelli.



PALM SUNDAY CONCERT

CONDUCTED BY ENRICO GARZILLI

THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 10 AT 2:30PM IN THE CHURCH

This Sunday, 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. A suggested free will donation of \$15 would be appreciated.

ROSARY REPAIRS

We 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.



We are glad that you are here with us this morning. Whether you moved here a while ago or are just here for a brief stay, we welcome you.

If you would like to become a part of this wonderful community, registering in the parish is a quick process that will take about five minutes over the phone (783-4411) or you can see Father Young after Mass to inquire about registering. Again, welcome and God bless!



FAITH FORMATION
(401) 792-8684



9:55-10:50am Grades 1-6 FGC
This our last class for the year:
Grades 1,3,4,5 and 6

Pray: Lord, you suffered so much for us. Help us to be strong when we suffer and to unite our sufferings to yours. Amen.

The Religious Ed. Office will be closed during school vacation April 17th-23rd.

Confirmation was celebrated on April 2nd for thirteen of our families. It was so nice to be able to celebrate with the families, once again, at a lovely reception in Fr. Greenan Center, hosted by our Hospitality Committee. Thank you to the committee for the tasty fare and for your gracious hospitality.



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 over 500 eggs! Candy donation baskets are at the main entrances to the church/chapel and Fr. Greenan Hall. Thank you!

This Week

Monday, April 11

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

Tuesday, April 12

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

Wednesday, April 13

12:30 Stations (Chapel)

The Parish Offices will be closed Good Friday, April 15 and Easter Monday, April 18 (There will be no Adoration). We will reopen for normal office hours on Tuesday, April 19 from 9am to 4pm.

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

Intention for Easter Sunday, April 17
at 11:00am

The Deceased Members of the Perpetual
Mass Association

Yvonne Fanning
Paul F. & Susan Greene
Marilyn Maley
Edna Otto
Christopher Shafer
Daniel Shea
Laura Webb

It is very much a part of our Catholic tradition to have Masses offered for deceased relatives and friends. Parishioners are encouraged to continue this tradition. When was the last time you had a Mass offered for a deceased parent, grandparent, uncle, aunt, brother or sister?



To make arrangements, please call the parish office at (401)783-4411 or send an email to saintfrancis00@aol.com

SAVE THE DATE

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

May 21: Plant Based Breakfast Demo with Jen Costanza

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)

November 5: Church Bazaar

MAY MONEY MADNESS

Tickets For May Money Madness are being sold after masses this weekend and April 23/24.

They can also be purchased at the parish office, Monday through Thursday 9am to 4pm and Friday 9am-12:30pm. **The last day to buy tickets is April 30.**



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
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