

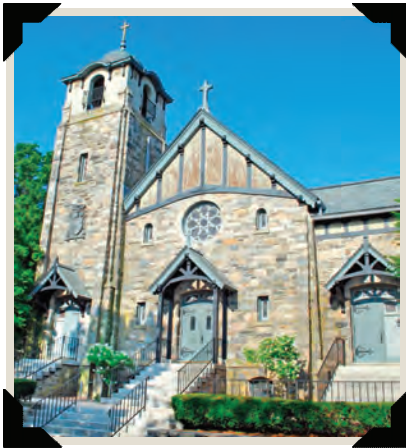
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This High  
Priest of ours  
is One who  
has taken  
His seat in  
heaven, on  
the right  
hand of that  
throne where  
God sits in  
majesty.

—Hebrews 8:1

## 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

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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.

welcome

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

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### St. Francis Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, May 21

4:30pm †Thomas Pullano  
(Birthday Remembrance)  
*Requested by Family*

#### Sunday, May 22

9:00am †Ann & Armand Michaud  
*Requested by Family*

11:00am †Barry Ewing

#### Monday, May 23

7:00am †Sister Myra Rodgers  
*Requested by Sisters of Divine Providence*

#### Tuesday, May 24

7:00am Mass for the People



### Ascension of the Lord

#### Thursday, May 26

7:00am †Deceased Members of the  
Perpetual Mass Association

7:00pm †Francesco, Nunziata & Gloria  
Luongo

*Requested by Family*

#### Friday, May 27

7:00am †Theresa McGrath  
*Requested by Eve Sweeney*

#### Saturday, May 28

4:30pm †Joseph Douglas  
(15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance)  
*Requested by Family*

#### Sunday, May 29

9:00am †Joao, Aldora & Alberto DeSousa  
*Requested by Family*

11:00am †Ann Kelley  
*Requested by Family*

### St. Romuald Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, May 22

10:00am †Martha & Blanche McElkenny  
*Requested by Family*

#### Saturday, May 28

5:30pm †Kathleen Dwyer  
*Requested by Family*

#### Sunday, May 29

8:00am †Robert & Mary Cochrane  
*Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci*

10:00am †Martha & Blanche McElkenny  
*Requested by Family*

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend at the 4:30PM Mass, we welcome a number of our brothers and sisters from Peace Dale Congregational Church. Our parish and theirs have a close bond over our work at the Peace Dale Dinner Table. This ecumenical endeavor feeds nearly 90 members of our community every Wednesday and Friday.

During Mass, we will present a recognition plaque from Bishop Tobin. In honor of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of our diocese, the Bishop is highlighting charitable efforts of Christians who are putting their faith into action. I am proud to be able to present this plaque to the hard working members of our community who live the Gospel message of "whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters, you do to me".

As a side bar, our summer Mass schedule will begin the last weekend of this month. Two additional Masses will be added at the chapel. As summer begins, our community will grow. I want to encourage you to reach out to neighbors and friends and invite them to be a part of our parish community while they are here this summer. Something as simple as "Hey, I'm going to Mass before we hit the beach. Would you like to join me?" can go a long way!

In the risen Christ,

*Fr. Young*



#### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (136)	-	\$5,483.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,120.00
Online Giving (# of donors-86)	-	\$3,173.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$9,776.00</b>

#### May 15

**2022 Catholic Charity Appeal Goal is \$104, 595.00. As of 5/12/22 the pledged amount is \$86,898.00 from 267 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.**

MAY 22, 2022



**SANCTUARY LAMP**

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James Smith.

**NEW HIGH SCHOOL IN RHODE ISLAND**

Opening its doors in Fall 2023. Chesterton Academy of Our Lady of Hope is a brand new high school offering a classical education rooted in the Catholic tradition. The school offers its students an integrated curriculum spanning the humanities, arts, and sciences, all set within the framework of a robust Catholic worldview. The aim of Chesterton is to produce virtuous citizens and intellectually mature Christians. Please register for the upcoming virtual information session on May 26, 2022, 7:00 PM by visiting [chestertonRI.org/may-update-registration](http://chestertonRI.org/may-update-registration). Participation from prospective parents is critical at this time to help us make important decisions about the school. Learn more about the school at [chestertonRI.org](http://chestertonRI.org), or you may contact them at [info@chestertonRI.org](mailto:info@chestertonRI.org), or by calling 401.290.7201.

**ATTENTION PRAYER SHAWL KNITTERS**

Due to the increase in COVID cases in our area, it has been decided that the Prayer Shawl Ministry will continue to knit prayer shawls at home and not in person until COVID is under control. We welcome all new members and if you would like a pattern for the prayer shawl sent to you or have any questions, please contact Jean McGair at [jean@mcgair.com](mailto:jean@mcgair.com) or 401-783-1633. Completed prayer shawls should be left at the Rectory to be blessed before being passed along to friends and families in need of a prayer shawl.



**BIRTHDAY BRUNCH: STEUBENVILLE FUNDRAISER**

As we celebrate the birth of our Church on Pentecost, the Steubenville East youth will be hosting a coffee an' more between the two masses at the church on Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> to help raise funds for their youth conference. The event will be held outside the church (weather permitting) or in Helen Bouchard Hall (lower church).



**FAITH FORMATION**  
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*Mark your calendar!*  
**Vacation Bible School 2022!**

**When:** June 28<sup>th</sup>-July 1<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 8:30-11:30

**Who:** Children in grades K-4.

*Stay tuned for more information!*



**CAR WASH:**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>**  
**9:00AM TO 12NN**

**St. Francis of Assisi parking lot!**

Free will donations are accepted. All proceeds will benefit the youth of our parish going to the 2022 Steubenville Retreat! What a wonderful way to help support our parish youth!

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 4 AT 10AM**



Fr. Young will be holding an Altar Server Training on June 4 at 10am. Anyone who has received their First Communion is welcome to become an Altar Server. Come join this very special ministry.

# This Week

## Monday, May 23

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

## Wednesday, May 25

6:45-8:30pm Alpha (FGC)

## Thursday, May 26

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Church)

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

Intention for Thursday, May 26 at  
7:00am

*The Deceased Members of the Perpetual  
Mass Association*

*Yvonne Fanning*

*Paul F. & Susan Greene*

*Marilyn Maley*

*Edna Otto*

*Christopher Shafer*

*Daniel Shea*

*Laura Webb*



### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WITH CHURCH LINENS**

At this time we have one volunteer that takes care of the church linens on a weekly basis. We would love to have additional volunteers to help with this very special ministry so that we can provide a rotating schedule. If you are interested in helping with this task please contact Jacki at the office (401)783-4411. Training will be provided.

## SAVE THE DATE

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

**June 25:** Steubenville Carwash ( 9-Noon)

**October 7:** Pasta Dinner

**November 5:** Church Bazaar



*Congratulations to the following winners!*

### **MAY MONEY MADNESS WINNERS:**

May 8	Ted Kennedy	\$100
May 9	Pat O'Connor	\$50
May 10	Ed Foster	\$50
May 11	Brendan Degnan	\$50
May 12	Renny Simpson	\$50
May 13	James Murdocco	\$50
May 14	Jane Estes	\$50

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



### **ADORATION ADORERS NEEDED**

Jesus asked His Apostles to spend some time with Him as He prayed before His death. Today, He is also asking us to pray before Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Here at St. Francis you can do just that! Each Monday morning from 7:30 until 11:00 our Lord is exposed in the Monstrance. This gives parishioners and others in the community the opportunity to come visit Jesus on a more personal level, for quiet prayer and reflection. Father concludes Adoration with Benediction. This is a wonderful way to bring spiritual growth to oneself and the Parish as a whole.

If you can come for an hour or even a half-hour, we would love to have you!! We are especially looking to add to the 10-10:30 AM slot.

If you have any questions or would like to be an Adorer of the Blessed Sacrament, please feel free to email me: [lizsoltysiak@gmail.com](mailto:lizsoltysiak@gmail.com).



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