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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, April 13

4:30pm †Palma Larney
Requested by her Husband

Sunday, April 14

9:00am †Ann Cottle
Requested by Family
11:00am †Al Marchand
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci

Monday, April 15

7:00am †Louis & Amelia DiSalvo
Requested by Family

Tuesday, April 16

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

Thursday, April 18

7:00am †Rev. Jerome Daly
Requested by Kathleen Carney

Friday, April 19

7:00am †Edith Boisclair & Laura Webb
Requested by Family

Saturday, April 20

4:30pm †Dec. Members of the Champion,
Pucella & Brown Families
Requested by Family

Sunday, April 21

9:00am †Dorothy Cloos
Requested by May, Helen & Ben
11:00am †Carmen Espailat
Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 14

10:00am †Joan Flynn
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote

Sunday, April 21

10:00am †Claire C. Abbate
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote

We respond to God's saving presence with our mind, our heart, and our body.

Every time we pray the creed, we proclaim that we *look forward to the resurrection of the dead*. Today's Gospel invites us to reflect on this tenet of our faith. What exactly are we looking forward to?

In this Gospel, the disciples are wrestling with what might be a common, even if unconscious, concern. Is the resurrection a promise of some kind of ghost-life? Is it something somehow less-real than the life we are living here and now?

Jesus' embodiment in this passage tells us the answer is "no." The promise of the kingdom is one that includes an understanding that the next life, not this one, contains the fullness of the kingdom. We have more to look forward to, not less. Jesus is living new life, but in a glorified body. We do not know what such a body will look like, exactly, or how we are meant to exist in it.

What we do know is that "We believe in God who is creator of the flesh; we believe in the Word made flesh in order to redeem the flesh; we believe in the resurrection of the flesh, the fulfillment of both the creation and the redemption of the flesh" (CCC 1015). Or, as the early Christian author Tertullian says, more succinctly, "The flesh is the hinge of salvation" (1015).

In Genesis, God creates humans, forming our bodies from the dust of the earth and breathing his very breath to give us life. God looks at us, body and soul, and declares that we are "very good." Again and again in the Scriptures, we hear how Jesus is the fulfillment of all of God's promises of salvation. And, in this Gospel story, Saint Luke highlights that Jesus will save us, body and soul. He has come to save us, our whole self.

This means that our body is not some sort of hindrance or burden that keeps us from Jesus' promise. On the contrary, our souls, separated at death from our human body, will be reunited on the last day, and we will begin life anew immortal, incorruptible, perfected in senses (Cf., CCC 1016; St Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Theologica*,

Supplement, 82-85). This is why we physically come to Mass, why we engage in corporate, public worship. This is why the liturgy is not just thoughts or work we somehow do in our hearts. The work of our mind and our heart in this liturgy is vital, but it is intrinsically connected with our physical responses. We kneel, we use our vocal chords to respond, we make a throne of our hands to receive our King, we bow before our Lord in the Eucharist. We respond to God's saving presence here with our mind, our heart, *and* our body. And God acts in all of this to save us, body and soul.

This is the promise of Christ's defeat of death. It is a victory over all that would separate us from God-physical or spiritual. May we, in this Eucharist, open our hearts to receive God's saving grace as we taste and see his presence with us today. May we draw ever nearer to the promise of salvation in the resurrection of the dead. May we, like the disciples, touch and see Christ's loving action here with us today.

Parish Giving

Weekly Support

	March 31	April 7
Budget envelopes	\$3,797.00	\$4,666.50
Loose Donations	\$2,051.00	\$2,581.00
Online Giving	\$3,230.00	\$4,071.00
Total Budget	\$9,078.00	\$11,318.50

Good Friday: \$602.00
Easter Collection: \$3,688.00

There is no second collection this week. Next week's second collection is the Monthly Collection (*Date is incorrect—it is dated April 28/should be April 21*) Thank you for your continued generosity.

APRIL 14, 2024



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Louis & Amelia DiSalvo.



For our brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Providence; May the intercession of our Blessed Mother help us to embrace the charity of Christ as we consider our participation in the Charity Appeal.

Together we can help pass on the faith by making a generous gift to the 2024 Catholic Charity Appeal Dioceseofprovidence.org/CCA

As of 4/4/2024 we have raised \$93,384.00. Our goal is \$104,595.00. Thank you!



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAINING: MANDATED BY THE DIOCESE: NEXT SATURDAY, APRIL 20 AT 10:00AM AT THE CHURCH

All Extraordinary Ministers are requested to attend a training session that is mandated by the Diocese on April 20 at 10am in the Church. *This session is to include ALL Extraordinary Ministers that serve at the Church (both weekends and daily Mass), Chapel, those that bring Communion to the hospital and to the homebound.* Please mark your calendars so that you will be available to attend this important training on April 20 at 10am. **Email Jacki at saintfrancis00@aol.com ONLY IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND.**



St. Vincent DePaul Society

Recently, we helped a grandmother on Social Security, who fell behind on her rent, because she was helping her son, a single parent, who could not work because he was staying home with his autistic son who is suffering from severe disabilities. We paid a month rent for her to avoid eviction from her home.

From December 2023-February 2024 we received 45 emergency call: 30 households received aid (includes 2 homeless families), rental assistance \$12,146; total assistance \$13,1802 and the dinner table delivered approximately 3000 meals. *The work of the St. Francis of Assisi Conference of St. Vincent de Paul is supported by parish donations. Thank you for your support.*



FAITH FORMATION (401) 792-8684



No Classes today. School Vacation week. Classes resume on Sunday, April 21st

Pray: Jesus, help us to remember you are a real friend to us. Amen.

The Faith Formation Office will be closed during school vacation, April 14-20th

Confirmation was celebrated here on Saturday, April 6th for 15 of our families, 13 families from St. Mary Star of the Sea and 12 families from Christ the King.

A lovely reception was held in Fr. Greenan Center, hosted by our Hospitality Committee. Thank you to the committee for your gracious hospitality and delicious and plentiful treats!

This Week

Monday, April 15

7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)
6:30pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Tuesday, April 16

7:00pm SVD Meeting (HBH)

Wednesday, April 17

10:15am Women's Prayer Group (FGC)
6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

Thursday, April 18

6:30pm Alpha (FGC)

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

CEMETERY GATE KEEPERS NEEDED

Dear Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi parish, I am reaching out to ask for one or two volunteers to be Gate Keepers for our Cemetery. I am looking for someone to **close the gate** on **Wednesday** and **Saturday** evenings. The **winter hours** for the cemetery are from October 16th to April 30th from 8am to **4 pm**. The **summer hours** are from May 1st to October 15th from 8am to **7pm**. Please consider this request. Many parishioners have loved ones at St. Francis Cemetery and frequent it religiously. If you can help out, please contact the cemetery office at cemeteryoffice@aol.com. Thank You, Bob Moniz/Cemetery Manager

Kick Off Gala For Kitchen Renovation

Will take place at St. Francis Father Greenan Center
Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 5:30-7:30pm
Cost for the event is \$35.00

Come and enjoy

Music

Wine and soft drinks

Hot and cold appetizers (Hors d'oeuvres)

Charcuterie Board

You will also have a chance to participate in our live auction that includes: a charter fishing boat trip, a dinner for 6 at the Coast Guard House and a week at a condo in Myrtle Beach.

If you are interested in attending this Gala please fill out this form and return it with your payment (\$35.00).

You may place it in the collection basket, mail it to St. Francis of Assisi, 114 High St., Wakefield 02879 or drop it off at the rectory.

*Space is limited so be sure to return your form early!
Deadline is April 24.*

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Address: _____

THANK YOU!

SAVE THE DATE

April 13-21
April 27:

Spring Food Drive
Kick Off Gala for Kitchen Renovation (5:30-7:30pm):
May Money Madness
Rosary at the Chapel (each week night during the month of May at 6:30pm)
Paint Night (6:30-9:00pm)

Month of May:
Month of May:

June 14:



MAY MONEY MADNESS

IT IS ALMOST MAY MONEY MADNESS TIME!

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
Tickets will be forwarded to you.

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. Tickets will be sold after ALL Masses during the month of April.

Proceeds to help fund Father Greenan Hall/Kitchen Renovation

Drawing Prizes: Monday thru Saturday—\$50;
Sunday—\$100; May 31 drawing—\$500.

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Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
On the **HAIL MARY BEADS** you will say the following words:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.
In conclusion **THREE TIMES** you will recite these words:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

From the Diary of the Servant of God Sr. Faustina - Note Book I, p 197
IMPRIMATUR: + Joseph F. Maguire
November 17, 1979 Bishop of Springfield, Mass.

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