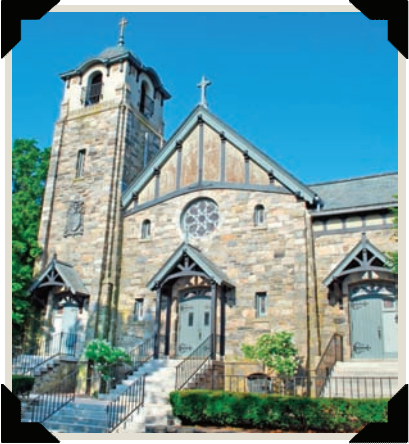


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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 7:00 am
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Sunday----- 8:00 am* and 10:00 am
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in Saint Francis Church or by
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Third Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to speak
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longer accommodate Sunday weddings.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Please call the rectory.

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welcome

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, May 18

4:30pm †Marsha Ducharme
Requested by Kelli

Sunday, May 19

9:00am †Thomas Pullano
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Family

11:00am †Jose Fernandez
Requested by Family

Monday, May 20

7:00am †Philip L. D' Ambra
Requested by a Family Friend

Tuesday, May 21

7:00am †Sandra Gaffney
Requested by Family

Thursday, May, 23

7:00am †Peter Wilkens
Requested by Family

Friday, May 24

7:00am †Hugo Mainelli, Jr.
Requested by Jean

Saturday, May 25

4:30pm †Mary & William Apicerno
Requested by Family

Sunday, May 26

9:00am †Ted Carney
Requested by Jeff & Kathleen
11:00am †Dolores Ramirez
Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 19

10:00am †Mavis A. Perkins
Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote

Saturday, May 25

5:30pm †Donald Jasinski
Requested by Fran Fitzpatrick

Sunday, May 26

8:00am †Barbara McCauley
Requested by Judy Alarie
10:00am †Al Marchand
(Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Al & Gerri Marsocci

*With new life in the Spirit, we are able to go forth
to love and serve the Lord.*

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Today is a great feast. It is one of the solemnities – a feast day of the highest ranking–of the Church year. This is the feast of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. It is a joyous celebration, with special colors and music. We give praise and sing, *Come, Holy Spirit, Come!*, as we recall the story of Pentecost and the power of the Holy Spirit in our Church and world.

As recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, the Holy Spirit descends on the Apostles appearing as tongues of fire and with the sound of a driving wind. The Spirit empowers the Twelve to speak the native languages of all those gathered. It says later in this same chapter that about 3000 people are baptized and given new life in the Spirit that day (2:41), and from here the community grows. We celebrate this as the beginning of the Church, borne by the Spirit into the world.

The Spirit has a history of giving life. The Spirit is the mighty wind that swept over the waters at creation. It is the breath of God that gave life to Adam. The Spirit anointed Israel's kings and spoke through the prophets. By the power of the Spirit, Jesus was born of Mary. The Spirit descends on Jesus at his baptism and remains with him throughout his ministry.

The Spirit not only gives life, but renews life. Consider the disciples in today's Gospel: hiding out, fearing for their lives, feeling the sorrow and guilt of not only losing Jesus but having abandoned and betrayed him. Locked up in their own misery, Jesus comes to them. He does not condemn or accuse them; rather, he offers them peace. He does not dismiss or deny what happened; rather he shows them his hands and side. He comes in love to be reconciled with his beloved disciples. He breathes the Holy Spirit onto them, speaks words of forgiveness, and sends them forth, just as his Father sent him.

The disciples are renewed. They are relieved of their sorrow and guilt. They are reconciled to Jesus, to themselves, and to one another. Their relationships are restored, and the community is healed. With the comfort and reassurance of the Spirit, they overcome their fear and return to their ministry. The Holy Spirit supports and sustains them, empowering them with gifts for the good of the Church.

The Holy Spirit has given us life, and given life to the Church. But we are not perfect; like the disciples we will always be in need of healing and comfort. Thus, the Spirit continues to be poured out upon us, to heal our wounds and give us strength anew. With every intercession the Spirit makes on our behalf, with every word of Jesus the Spirit reminds us of, and with every sacrament in which we participate, we are renewed. With new life in the Spirit, we are able to go forth to love and serve the Lord.

## Parish Giving

### Weekly Support

|                                |   | May 12            |
|--------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Budget envelopes used (144)    | - | \$5,250.00        |
| Loose Donations                | - | \$1,025.00        |
| Online Giving (# of donors-80) | - | \$2,835.00        |
| <b>Total Budget</b>            | - | <b>\$9,110.00</b> |

### Second Collection (St. Vincent DePaul)

|                               |   |                   |
|-------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Budget envelopes used (96)    | - | \$1,991.00        |
| Loose Donations               | - | \$ 558.00         |
| Online Giving (# of donors-7) | - | \$ 150.00         |
| <b>Total</b>                  | - | <b>\$2,699.00</b> |

**Ascension: \$843.00**

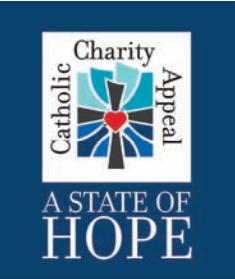
There is no second collection this week. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance. **Thank you for your continued generosity.**

MAY 19, 2024



**SANCTUARY LAMP**

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



*In giving gratitude for the many blessings our most generous God has bestowed upon us, may we respond generously to 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](http://Dioceseofprovidence.org/CCA)

**5/9/24 we have raised \$109,162.00. Our goal is \$104,595.00. Thank you! WE WENT OVER OUR GOAL!!**



**YOUTH MINISTER WANTED !!!**

Duties include building up our Youth Ministry Program, organizing youth events, coordinating with other parish-based youth ministries, raising up leaders and working with our Religious Education Coordinators.

Must be an adult and available for youth ministry gatherings on Sundays 4 to 6pm during the year. Gathering times can be flexible. A stipend is paid on a per-diem basis. If interested, please call the parish rectory at 401-783-4411.

*Fr. Ranallo*

**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.



**FAITH FORMATION  
(401) 792-8684**

**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**



4:00-6:00 G1 Youth Group gathering at Fr. Greenan! For youth in grades 7-12. Come and enjoy Game Night!! Bring a friend or two!



**BIRTHDAY BLAST!  
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This VBS program instills an awareness of God's amazing creation and the beauty and dignity of the human person. Kids will receive life-giving lessons on what it means to be a child of God.

**Save the Dates for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

When: June 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>

Who: Children completing Grades K-4

Time: 9:00-12:00

Cost: \$50.00

Registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church.

**VBS Volunteers**

Calling all youth in grade 5 and up and adults.... if you are interested in helping with VBS contact Barbette at 792-8684 or email:

[Cullen\\_stfrancis@verizon.net](mailto:Cullen_stfrancis@verizon.net)

## This Week

### Monday, May 20

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

6:30pm Men of St. Joseph (JFGC)

### Tuesday, May 21

7:00pm SVD Meeting (HBH)

### Wednesday, May 22

10:15am Women's Prayer Group (FGC)

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

### Thursday, May 23

6:30pm Alpha (FGC)

### Saturday, May 25

9:00am-Noon Car Wash: Steubenville Fundraiser

*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.



Teens that will be attending the Steubenville Youth Conference this summer are hosting a car wash on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> from 9am-noon in the church parking lot to help finance their retreat. It is a free will donation. Payment is in the form of cash or a check made out to St. Francis Church with Steubenville Fundraiser written on the memo line. Watch for other upcoming fundraising events.

## SAVE THE DATE

### May 25:

Car Wash (9-noon)  
Steubenville Fundraiser

### Month of May:

May Money Madness

### Month of May:

Rosary at the Chapel (each week night during the month of May at 6:30pm)

### June 14:

Paint Night (6:30-9:00pm)

### July 4 & 5:

**Office closed**



## May Money Madness Winners!!

|        |                |       |
|--------|----------------|-------|
| May 8  | Kim Diaz       | \$50  |
| May 9  | Sue Mittendorf | \$50  |
| May 10 | James Murdocco | \$50  |
| May 11 | Patrick Healy  | \$50  |
| May 12 | Diane Castro   | \$100 |
| May 13 | Jean Fenaughty | \$50  |
| May 14 | Donald Packer  | \$50  |



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](mailto:saintfrancis00@aol.com). The donation for a weekday Mass is \$10 and \$25 for a weekend Mass.



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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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