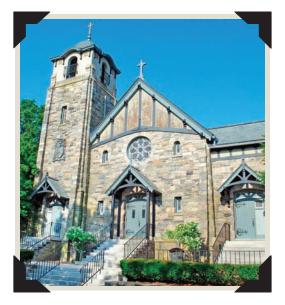
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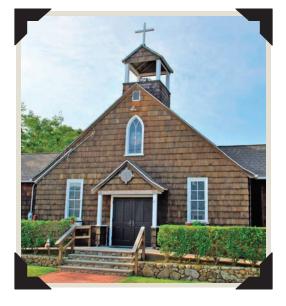
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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

| Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:00 am | |
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| Saturday 4:30 pm | |
| Sunday9:00 am and 11:00 am | |
| Saint Romuald Chapel | |
| Saturday5:30 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.

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Sacraments

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in Saint Francis Church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Third Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to speak with a priest. 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

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 13 4:30pm †Anna DeLuca Requested by Family Sunday, July 14 9:00am †Steve Hunt (Birthday Remembrance) Requested by Wife & Children 11:00am †Rick Soltysiak Requested by Family Monday, July 15 7:00am †Deceased Members of the Behie & O'Rourke Families **Tuesday, July 16** 7:00am †John Shiel Requested by the DaSilva Family Thursday, July 18 7:00am†Anne Bernice Farrell Requested by Joyce Reusch Friday, July 19 7:00am⁺Del Smith Requested by Irene & Bill Clark Saturday, July 20 4:30pm [†]Fred Robinson (Birthday Remembrance) & Arlene Robinson (Anniversary Rembrance) Requested by Family Sunday, July 21 9:00am †Bryan Maguire Requested by Family 11:00am †Ann Coleman Stadtler (Anniversary Remembrance) Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 13 5:30pm †Joseph Bianco (8th Anniversary Remembrance) Requested by Wife & Family Sunday, July 14 8:00am [†]Joyce Shiels (Anniversary Remembrance) Requested by Family 10:00am †Patricia Tarantano Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote Saturday, July 20 5:30pm †Édna P. Hopkins (Anniversary Remembrance) Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote Sunday, July 21 8:00am †Dean Jackson Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote 10:00am †Edward J. Correia Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote

We are blessed with every spiritual blessing in heavens.

At the beginning of the rite of baptism, the person who is about to be given this adoption in Christ is *called by name*. This reflects a truth that runs through all of our theology: We are here today because God has called us, by name, as individuals. God knows each of us and has created us to be a part of his loving plan for goodness.

In today's Gospel, we see the striking aftermath of this kind of a call. The disciples are sent, and they drive out many demons and cure many who are ill. They combat the powers of evil and darkness and bring God's goodness everywhere they go. They also anoint with oil-they offer tangible evidence of God's presence and share God's healing generously.

There is a temptation to relegate this pattern to the past, to assume such effects could only be manifested in the lives of great saints of other times. But God's power has not changed. God's capacity to work mighty deeds has not diminished.

And our calling is no different-we are created to be saints! Like Amos, we may be going about our own work, but God says to us, "Go."

Hearing this call requires us to stop and listen, to be formed in prayer, and to attune our hearts and minds to God's voice. God is calling us at every moment: calling us to relationship with him, calling us to love him and one another while sharing the Gospel, and calling us to a life of holiness in witness to the Gospel message.

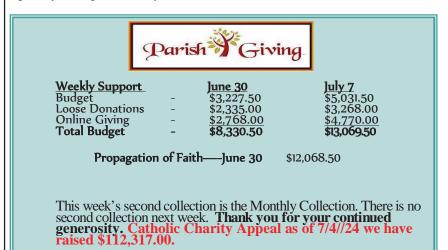
Lest we feel overwhelmed by such a mission, let us look to the Letter to the Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world.

God has lavished the riches of his grace upon us!

He calls us, and he never leaves us alone in that call. It is a call to be drawn to his side, swept up in his life, carried by his Spirit. Yes, God will ask much of us, but we should not be afraid of that ask. It is an invitation to live fully, richly, and generously. And we know that anything we give to God, any sacrifice we make in response to his invitation, will be returned and poured out on the world transformed by God's perfect love.

No matter where we are today, going about our work like Amos, following Christ like the Twelve Apostles, or somewhere in between, we have been summoned here by God. He has drawn us here to nourish us, to give us nothing less than his whole self so we can answer that call and participate in God's work in the world. As we prepare to receive him in this holy Eucharist, let us listen for Christ's call, and ask for the grace we need to answer courageously, to respond actively, and to transform our world with his love.



JULY 14, 2024



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Anna & Branden DeLuca.



MEMORIAL CANDLES

There are still Memorial Candles available for November through January.

If you would like to secure a memorial candle for a deceased loved one or for an entire family just call the office. The offering is \$45.00. They will all be lit at the same time every three months. A memori-

al name tag for the deceased loved one(s) will be placed right in front of a white candle.



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is sponsoring the annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration honoring couples of the Diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2024.

The celebration will be held on Sunday, **September 22, 2024, 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul, Providence**. It will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Richard G. Henning will be the main celebrant and homilist.

Following are points regarding participation:

- The celebration is for couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER wedding anniversary in 2024.
- One or both of the spouses need to be Catholic, with the marriage recognized by the Church.
- The celebration is for couples; if it is not possible for both to be present, a certificate can be forwarded directly to the couple.

Please contact the parish office at 783-4411 to register for this special celebration. *Registration deadline is August 16.*



FAITH FORMATION (401) 792-8684

The Faith Formation Office is closed for the month of July.



Pray: Lord Jesus, help us to share your message of love and truth with the people we meet each day. Amen.





Monday, July 15 7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church) 6:30pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC) Wednesday, July 17 6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH) Thursday, July 18 6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

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 <u>esweeney1@cox.net</u> to order a meal or volunteer to deliver.

THANK YOU

Dear Father Albert Ranallo, Jr. Dear Deacon John Dowd Dear Parishioners of Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Romuald

It was a true pleasure and a blessing meeting all of you as I visited your two communities for the missionary appeal. I was touched by your words of encouragement, support and prayers. Thank you very much for your generous contribution to our missionary work. Through your generosity the lives of so many will be changed. Be assured of my prayers for all of you. May God continue to bless you.

Sincerely, Yours in Christ *Father Francois X. Eale* (Diocese of Kikwit) Saint Francis of Assisi: 29 Northgate Drive Greenlawn, NY 11740 fxeale@gmail.com

"AGING GRACEFULLY-HOW TO BE HAPPY & HEALTHY"

All are welcome to attend a talk, "How to be Happy & Healthy; A Spiritual and Psychological Approach" by Rev. Dr. Joseph Mappilamattel on Thursday, July 25 from 9:30-11 am in the parish hall (after the 9AM Mass). St. Thomas More Church, 53 Rockland St., Narragansett. Refreshments will be served. stthomasmoreri.org

SAVE THE DATE

July 29-31 Summer Tent Revival-Charlestown August 4: Welcome Mass (9am) August 25: Parish Breakfast in Matunuck 8:30-11:30am) Pasta Dinner (5-7pm) September 27: Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins September 28/29: Bethlehem Olive Wood Sale October 12/13: **October 19/20:** Rose Sale for Mother of Life Center October 20: Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage (3:00pm) Coat Drive October 26: November 2: All Souls Mass for the departed (10am)November 2: SOC Food Drive Begins November 23: Bazaar (9am-2pm) November 29: Giving Trees to be placed in Church and Chapel



through the GIFTS and FRUITS of the Holy Spirit

Guest presenter DEACON ART MILLER

Deacon, author, radio host, revivalist Deacon and retired businessman, Deacon Art Miller is the former director of the Office for Black Catholic Ministries for the Archdiocese of Hartford. In addition to his assigned parishes, he is also the Catholic chaplain at Hartford's Capital Community College. A nationally known preacher of God's Holy Scripture, he has traveled throughout the country raising the need of conversion to "Radical Love". The kind of self-denying love that can only be accomplished through the grace and power offered to us through Jesus Christ. Deacon Miller has preached throughout the United States - from New England to the Katrina-ravaged Gulf Coast of Mississippi, from the Rocky Mountains of northern New Mexico, to the south side of Chicago; he teaches and preaches Christ's call to His life-changing "Radical Love".

St. Mary's and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes invites all to join us July 29th, 30th and 31st 6:00–7:30pm at St. James Chapel 2079 Matunuck School House Rd, Charlestown, RI

Praise and Worship music with Mark Castro on the 29th and 30th & John Polce on the 31st. For additional information, please contact Deacon John Dowd 401-783-4411



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