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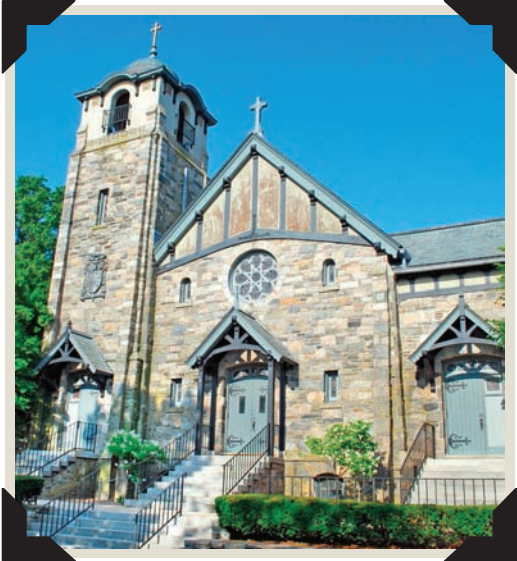
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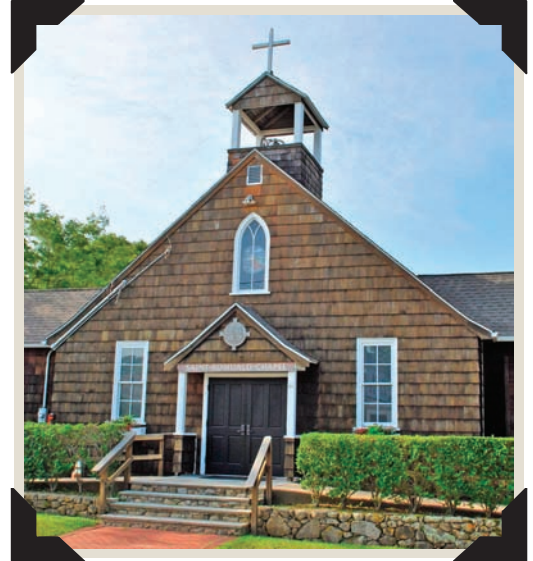
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Masses

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)

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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 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 20

4:30pm †Fred Robinson (Birthday Remembrance) & Arlene Robinson (Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Family

Sunday, July 21

9:00am †Bryan Maguire
Requested by Family
11:00am †Ann Coleman Stadtler (Anniversary Remembrance)
Requested by Family

Monday, July 22

7:00am †Charlie Moffitt
Requested by Family

Tuesday, July 23

7:00am †Peggy Burke
Requested by the Curry Family

Thursday, July 25

7:00am †Florence Guarducci
Requested by the Curry Family

Friday, July 26

7:00am †Rev. Edward M. Raftery (4th Pastor)
104th Anniversary Remembrance

Saturday, July 27

4:30pm †Beth-Ann Hamilton Asplund
Requested by Kelli

Sunday, July 28

9:00am †Sarah & James Folcarelli
Requested by Family
11:00am †Myra Connor
Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 20

5:30pm †Edna 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

Saturday, July 27

5:30pm †Thomas Butera
Requested by the Mancini Family

Sunday, July 28

8:00am †Madeline & Walter Johansen & Bob Alarie
Requested by Jude
10:00am †Rachel Passero & Jeanne Henthorn
Requested by Family

God hears our yearning & responds with goodness.

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Imagine the vibrant and perhaps even chaotic scenes in today's Gospel passage. First, the Apostles are gathering with Jesus and reporting to him *all they had done and taught*. We do not know the full report, but we can guess it included quite a bit of excitement, stories, and perhaps even loud talking over one another. After all, these were committed disciples who were not afraid of conversation, and Jesus' response was to tell them to come away and rest for a while.

Then, while they are trying to take this much-needed break, they arrive at their place of rest and see a vast crowd awaiting them. People who had seen them leave, and others from all the towns, had hastened by foot to arrive at their destination first. We can imagine this crowd of people coming from many different towns was likely not a quiet one.

If it were one of us facing this group just as we arrived at our destination, intending to embark on a much-needed rest, would we feel sorry for *them* or for *ourselves*? Once again, Jesus' selfless and self-sacrificing actions show us the way. He is not upset when he sees the crowd before him. Rather, he is moved by their presence. *When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.*

*They were like sheep without a shepherd.* In the first reading, we heard the Lord condemning the bad shepherds in the world. They were the ones who did not care for their sheep and let them fall away from the flock. The Lord promises that he will send good shepherds who will care and ensure that no one is lost or will go missing. Jesus is the Good Shepherd that the Father sent, and he is taking care to ensure that no one goes missing, as we see him respond to this crowd.

As we hear the Gospel story today, we might consider all the ways in which God is revealing himself to us, and consider what is our relationship to him. At times we may feel like we are one of the throngs of people pursuing Jesus and his Apostles, with something in our lives that has us yearning for God's healing presence. In his infinite mercy and goodness, he responds—shepherding us, teaching us, leading us home.

Or maybe we are following Jesus as the Apostles did, joining him on a journey toward others in need, whether we see it ahead of time or not. In the moment of encounter, Jesus shows us the way, demonstrating compassion and giving us the grace for our hearts to be moved. In our noticing, God is calling us to a responsive action.

The Good Shepherd walked among us, and the Holy Spirit remains with us to guide and advocate for us. Wherever we see ourselves today, we can all relate to those who followed Jesus relentlessly. We are blessed that, in our yearning, we have the Eucharist, his holy presence offered to us at every celebration of the Mass. Furthermore, the Eucharist reminds us that we are sent to do God's work on earth. May we be attentive to God's calling wherever we may be this day.



### Weekly Support

|                                |   |                   |
|--------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Budget envelopes used (111)    | - | \$4,109.00        |
| Loose Donations                | - | \$2,766.00        |
| Online Giving (# of donors-78) | - | \$2,840.00        |
| <b>Total Budget</b>            | - | <b>\$9,715.00</b> |

### July 14

### Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

|                               |   |                   |
|-------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Budget envelopes used (90)    | - | \$1,764.00        |
| Loose Donations               | - | \$ 501.00         |
| Online Giving (# of donors-5) | - | \$ 51.00          |
| <b>Total</b>                  | - | <b>\$2,316.00</b> |

There is no second collection this week. Next week's second collection if for Ongoing Maintenance. **Thank you for your continued generosity. Catholic Charity Appeal as of 7/4/24 we have raised \$112,317.00.**

JULY 21, 2024

### SANCTUARY LAMP



This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Ralph Calitri.



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

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



### 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 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Pray: The Good Shepherd  
takes care of all my needs.  
He guides and protects  
me, and I grow strong  
in his care. When night  
falls I am not afraid, for  
he is with me and protects  
me from harm. Amen.**

Following are points regarding participation:

- ◆ The celebration is for couples observing their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> 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.**

### BASKETS NEEDED FOR PASTA DINNER

Do you have baskets you would like to donate? We are looking for clean, large size baskets to use for our basket raffle.



To donate, please drop them off at the rectory during office hours.





## This Week

### Monday, July 22

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

### Wednesday, July 24

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

### Thursday, July 25

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

*July 26-28: Steubenville Youth Conference—let's keep our youth in our prayers*

*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.



### BRINGING UP THE OFFERTORY GIFTS

If you have requested a Mass Intention for a Saturday or Sunday Mass and wish to bring up the Gifts at the Offertory, if possible please let one of the greeters, priest or deacon know before Mass.

You should go to the back of the church where the Gifts are located as the first collection is ending. Follow the cross bearer if there happens to be one at the Mass that you attend.

## 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)

### September 27:

Pasta Dinner (5-7pm)

### September 28/29:

Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins

### October 12/13:

Bethlehem Olive Wood Sale

### October 19/20:

Rose Sale for Mother of Life  
Center

### October 20:

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage  
(3:00pm)

### October 26:

Coat Drive

### 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



### 2024 SUMMER TENT REVIVAL GOD'S RADICAL LOVE

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### 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 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>**

**6:00–7:30pm at St. James Chapel**

**2079 Matunuck School House Rd, Charlestown, RI**

**Praise and Worship music with Mark Castro on  
the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> & John Polce on the 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**For additional information, please contact**

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Jubilee Year of Mercy

## THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

(For private recitation on ordinary rosary beads)

*Our Father ... , Hail Mary ... , The Apostles' Creed.*

Then, on the **OUR FATHER BEADS** you will say the following words:

**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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