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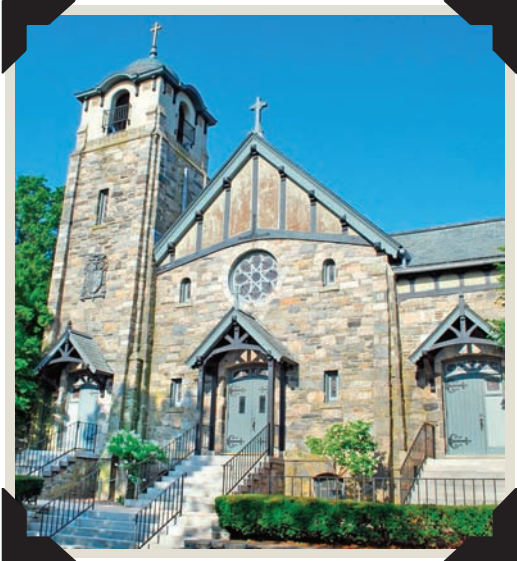
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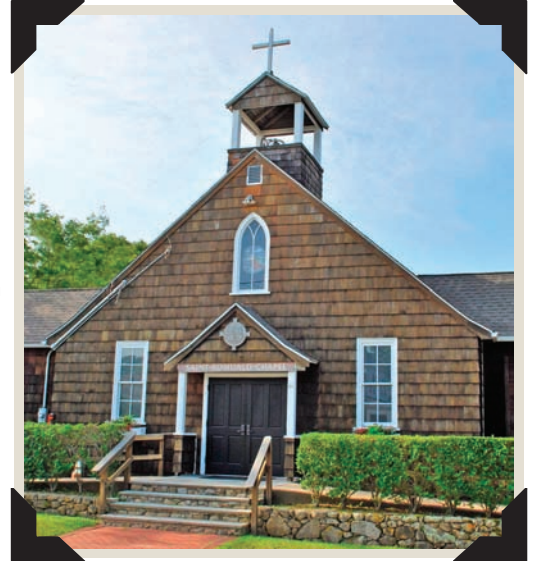
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Masses

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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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 and Friday 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

# THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## St. Francis Mass Intentions

**Saturday, September 21**

4:30pm †Jane & Vincent Grimley and  
Dorothy Levesque

*Requested by Robyn Hornstein*

**Sunday, September 22**

9:00am †Joseph Hungtran & Conan Luv

*Requested by Family*

11:00am †Kenneth Cook

(Anniversary Remembrance)

*Requested by Family*

**Monday, September 23**

7:00am †Joseph Turcotte

*Requested by Family*

**Tuesday, September 24**

7:00am †Ned & Bill Carney

*Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney*

**Thursday, September 26**

7:00am †Rick Holland

*Requested by a Friend*

**Friday, September 27**

7:00am †Helen Roque

*Requested by Jeanne Behie*

**Saturday, September 28**

4:30pm †Jim & Ted Sweet

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, September 29**

9:00am †Michael Dufficy

(Fourth Anniversary)

*Requested by Wife & Children*

11:00am †Elaine J. Faucher Raitano

(Second Anniversary)

*Requested by Family*

## St. Romuald Mass Intentions

**Sunday, September 22**

10:00am †Martha & Blanche McElkenney

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, September 29**

10:00am †John & Margaret Hayes

*Requested by Family*

*Please note that we have begun the winter schedule at the Chapel: 10 am Mass only*

## Around The Parish Updates

Dear Parishioners:

Our “Wine Tasting Gala Fundraiser” held at the Deepwell Manor was a huge success. I want to thank Roland Fiore and his staff for allowing us to use the Manor for the night. Many thanks to all who volunteered and supported this event. I also want to thank the parishioners from St. Thomas Moore Church who were instrumental in making this night a success.

I want to thank Fr. Jared Costanza, pastor of Christ the King Church, who informed me that their finance council approved \$25,000 to be used toward the renovation of the kitchen.

Also, I want to thank St. Thomas Moore Church as I was informed that their finance council approved \$25,000 for this project.

The “Bistro Brick Patio” is complete at Fr. Greenan Hall. Please visit the right side of the Hall to see the patio. Some of the memorial bricks have been placed within the patio. We are also in the process of completing the left side of the Hall with memorial bricks within the steps leading up to the large brick circle at the top. The hope is to have a lighted statue at the top.

The gymnasium is in the process of being completed. The basketball hoops are up along with the padding on walls and the shades on the windows above. There is more work to be done such as getting the hardwood floor redone and striped.

The sidewalk at St. Romuald Chapel should start any time soon. If there is interest, memorial bricks can be installed at a later date.

Since the town is no longer maintaining Community Road in back of the Chapel, we are looking at what can be done along with our neighbors in finding a path forward.

The wooden deck/steps on both entry ways on the right side of the Chapel need to be replaced. Hopefully we can get this started within a couple of weeks.

As soon as we get the numbers together, I will give an update on the amount of funds we have raised to date for the renovation of the commercial kitchen at Fr. Greenan Hall.

Sincerely,  
Fr. Ranallo/Pastor



<b>Weekly Support</b>	<b>September 15</b>
Budget envelopes used (118)	- \$3,812.00
Loose Donations	- \$1,890.00
Online Giving (# of donors-80)	- \$3,453.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>- \$9,155.00</b>
<b>Second Collection (Priests' Retirement Fund)</b>	
Budget envelopes used (98)	- \$2,974.00
Loose Donations	- \$1,492.00
Online Giving (# of donors-8)	- \$ 565.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>- \$5,031.00</b>

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

# SEPTEMBER 22, 2024



## SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Edward & Bill Carney.

## WE HAVE A NEW EMAIL!

Our office email has been changed to office@stfranciswakefield.com  
Please make note of this. Thank You and God Bless!

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6



Blessing of the animals will take place Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, at 12:45 pm by the statue of St. Francis of Assisi on the side of the church.

Bring your dogs, cats, hamsters, gerbils, birds, fish, ferrets, chickens, turtles, etc., for a special St. Francis blessing!

## COME CELEBRATE WITH US

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI TRIDUUM  
"LET US SOW HOPE"

Wednesday, October 2, 6 pm - Fr. Joe Upton

Thursday, October 3, 6 pm - Fr. Tim Reilly

Friday, October 4, 6 pm - Liturgy of the Hours with Mass

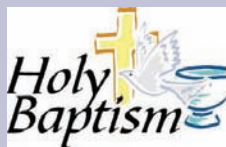
Wednesday and Thursday Guest Speakers Followed By Adoration & Benediction

## Join Us As We Celebrate St. Francis

(NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2)



**Congratulations** to the proud parents and godparents of Noah Thomas Yap who was baptized on Sept. 15 by Father Ranallo.



*Your parish family rejoices with you!*



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

## Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

GRADES K - 6<sup>th</sup> Classes 9:55-10:50am (FGC)

## Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

6:30pm Confirmation Grades 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>  
Parent and Student Orientation Meeting (FGC)

Looking ahead:

## Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>

GRADES K - 6<sup>th</sup> Classes 9:55-10:50am (FGC)



## NOTICE TO OUR FAITH FORMATION FAMILIES

Each year, in response to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' charter for the protection of children and young people, we have a program for the safe environment education of children and young people. This program is called **Circle of Grace**. It is meant to supplement and be integrated into our program for the formation of children and young people. This program helps our youth to understand their own (and other's) dignity in mind and spirit.

The Circle of Grace lesson, which is specific for each grade, will be implemented in each grade of our religious education program within the first few months of classes.

If a child is absent on the day that the lesson is given, the Circle of Grace material will be mailed home for the parents to teach.

Please contact Jamie or Cheryl at the Office of Faith Formation (401-792-8684) if you have any questions or want more information regarding the Circle of Grace program.

## This Week

### Monday, September 23

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

6:30 pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

### Wednesday, September 25

10:15am Womens' Prayer Group (FGC)

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

### Thursday, September 26

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

### Friday, September 27

5:00 pm Pasta Dinner (FGC)

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



### BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG WEEKEND OF SEPT 28/29

Please take one home and fill it with your spare coins (cash or checks are also much appreciated) and return the bottle to church the next weekend. Your generosity will help Right to Life Services to provide pregnancy tests, ultrasounds and support Maternity Hope Chest which services 300 mothers and families each month who have courageously chosen life!!

Thank you!



### PASTA DINNER

**THIS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**

5:00-7:00 PM

FR. GREENAN PARISH CENTER

If you would like to help serve or help with clean-up, please contact Jean at 783-1633 or Ellen at 789-7707.

Please be sure to return your raffle tickets either by placing them in the collection basket, dropping them off at the rectory or you can bring them the night of the dinner.

Be sure to join us for this fun evening! What a wonderful way to support our parish. Come eat great food and enjoy great company!

### OUR LADY OF CALVARY RETREAT CENTER

OLC Will Be Holding An Informational Meeting About Upcoming Retreats For Your Parish on September 25, 2024, with 10 am Coffee Hour, at St. Bernard's Parish Hall in Wickford, RI.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish's scheduled retreat is  
November 1-3, 2024

## SAVE THE DATE

**September 27:**

Pasta Dinner (5-7pm)

**September 28/29:**

Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins

**October 6:**

Blessing of Animals (12:45 -  
Church Parking Lot)

**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:**

SOC Food Drive Begins

**November 4:**

All Souls Mass for the departed  
(6:30pm)

**November 23:**

Bazaar (9am-2pm)

**November 29:**

Giving Trees to be placed in  
Church and Chapel



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### CHOIR ANNOUNCEMENT

Fellow Parishioners,

Would you consider becoming a member of our choir? I am excited to begin rehearsal on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30 in the Church Hall. We will assist that day at the 4:30 Mass.

The role of the Choir is to support the congregational singing (which is wonderful) and to offer choral music from the rich musical heritage of the Church. We plan on singing twice a month at the 4:30 pm liturgy. Being a choir member is a commitment, but as St. Augustine is often quoted "Singing is praying twice."

See me after Mass or text me at 401-474-6929 for schedule information and to ensure that music folders are prepared for all. May I expect you on the 28<sup>th</sup>? I hope to see you!

Most sincerely, Paula Haven Fontes



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## 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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