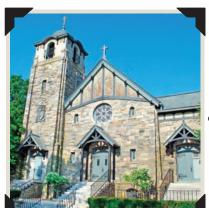


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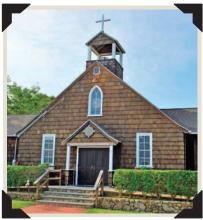
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#### SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ------ 7:00 am Saturday------ 4:30 pm Sunday------ 9:00 am and 11:00 am

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Third Sunday of each month.

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#### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

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## VOCATION AWARENESS



*In which direction is God leading you?* 

#### THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### St. Francis Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, November 2

4:30pm †Roy & Ann Dessaint Requested by Family

#### Sunday, November 3

9:00am †Deceased Members of Flynn & **Carney Families** Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney 11:00am †Mr. & Mrs Albert Ranallo Requested by Family

#### All Souls Day

#### Monday, November 4

7:00am †Thomas Savage Requested by Family **6:30pm** For the People

#### Tuesday, November 5

7:00am †Fran Fitzpatrick Requested by Lee Whicher

#### Thursday, November 7

7:00am †Augostino Gouveia Requested by Family & Friends

#### Friday, November 8

7:00am †Joe & Steven Savage Requested by Family

#### Saturday, November 9

4:30pm †Victor & Catherine Signorelli Requested by Family

#### Sunday, November 10

9:00am †Nick Coppolino (Birthday Remembrance)

Requested by Sister

11:00am †Patrick Dufficy

(39th Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Mom & Family

#### St. Romuald Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, November 3

10:00am †Martha & Blanche McElKenney Requested by Family

#### Sunday, November 10

10:00am †Nicholas Fiasconaro Requested by Mark & Diane Castro

### You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Which is the first of all the commandments? This question. posed to Jesus by a scribe in today's Gospel, has us thinking that this might be another "test" by a learned Jewish scholar. In fact, the Gospel of Matthew explicitly calls it such (Mt 22:35), and it appears within the context of several such tests by the Pharisees and scribes. But the Gospel we read today is Mark's and his account of this exchange is much more collegial, and he does not call it a test.

Jesus answers the scribe with a Scripture verse that would have been familiar to any faithful Jewish person. It comes from the Book of Deuteronomy, and we heard it in the first reading: love God with all your heart, soul, and strength – your whole being. In that time of our salvation history, Moses was teaching God's people how to live and prosper within the covenant.

The foundation for the covenant is love: God's love. God loves his people and is working wonders to save them. He freed them from slavery and led them out of Egypt. He is caring for them as he leads them to the Promised Land.

God has proven his great love and fidelity for his people; he asks for their love and fidelity in return. If they take this to heart, and love God with all they've got, everything will be all right. It is for their own wellbeing, Moses tells them. All God wants to do is love them, care for them, and bring them into the land flowing with milk and honey. What they need to do is be open and cooperative and not turn their backs on God. They need to keep focused on loving God, fully and faithfully. The same is true for us: keep focused on loving God and letting him love us.

The second commandment Jesus offers is from Leviticus, another book of law given through Moses. God's people are to love their neighbors as themselves. Again, this law is rooted in God's love. God has treated his people with much love, mercy, and justice, and he expects them to treat one another the same way, cooperating with him in establishing peace and prosperity. This command is connected to the first, since when we love God fully and faithfully, we want to follow his ways, do as he does, and love like he loves.

In answering with these two commands, Jesus reinforces that God's law is a law of love. It is not a weapon to condemn or instill fear and anxiety, but rather is intended for our well-being. It is both a prescription and a description: God loves and cares for us, and we are to love and care for one another. This is how Jesus teaches us to understand and use the law, and when we do, we come closer together to the kingdom of God's love and peace, the foretaste of which we share in this Eucharist.

## Parish F Giving

Weekly Support October 27 Budget envelopes used (132) Loose Donations Online Giving (# of donors-79) Total Budget \$3,832.00 \$1,027.00 \$2,766.00 **\$7,625.00** 

Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)
Budget envelopes used (94)
Loose Donations \$ 347.00 \$ 255.00 Online Giving (# of donors-14) **Total** \$2,132.00

There is no second collection this week. The second collection next week is for Ongoing Maintenance. **Thank you for your continued generosity.** 

## NOVEMBER 3, 2024



#### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Our Loved Ones who have passed.

#### 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!

### ALL SOULS MASS OF REMEMBRANCE Monday, November 4, at 6:30pm

Won't you consider joining us as we observe All Soul's Day? **Monday**, **November 4**, is All Soul's Day, a day set aside for special prayers and Masses for the deceased. Consider participating in our annual Mass of Remembrance at 6:30pm at St. Francis Church when we will remember our parishioners who passed away during this past year. A candle will be given in their memory to each family to take home. All parishioners are welcome to participate. There is no better gift we can offer our deceased loved ones than our prayers. Please join us!

Just a reminder that the remembrance book will be placed in front of the statue of St. Francis during the month of November. All are welcome to enter the names of their deceased loved ones. They will be remembered during the month of November.

## SOCIAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE: THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The Social Outreach Committee is sponsoring the Parish Holiday Food Drive to benefit the Jonnycake Center for Hope. The food drive will run for two weeks, from November 2nd thru Nov 10th.

The foods being requested are: Turkey gravy, canned vegetables: corn, green beans, carrots. Boxed stuffing, cranberry sauce, quick bread mixes. Pie crust mix, fruit pie filling (pumpkin), canned yams, boxed mashed potatoes. There will be receptacles in the church and St. Romuald's for the donations.

Each year during the holidays the Jonnycake Center distributes food to hundreds of families and seniors benefitting thousands of individuals. Our St. Francis family has always answered the call when asked to help others less fortunate in our community. Thank you for your continued generosity!



FAITH FORMATION (401) 792-8684

#### **Faith Formation K-6**

November 3<sup>rd</sup> Reminders: K-6<sup>th</sup> Classes in FGH 9:55-10:50am



Join us at 12:30 pm for our ALL SAINTS PARTY! Games, Prizes, Pizza!

**Reminder:** K-6th Classes WILL be held on November 10<sup>th</sup> Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, is Veteran's Day

#### **Confirmation I and II**

Upcoming classes:

Wednesdays: 6:30pm-8:15pm (FGC)

**November 6<sup>th</sup>-** Grade 8 your Sponsor Certificate is due. NET Retreat Permission forms are due.

**Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> NET Retreat:** Christian Brothers Center: 635 Ocean Rd., Narragansett 10am-5:30pm (4:30 Mass)

## 4th Grade Catechist & Volunteers Needed

Our Faith Formation program is in need of a Fourth Grade Catechist.

If you feel God calling you to serve our students please contact Jamie Friel at <u>Jamie.friel</u>
@stfranciswakefield.com

We are also in need of volunteers to lead Children's Liturgy at the 9 am Mass.

A minimum of two volunteers per liturgy are necessary. Please email Jamie if you are interested in Children's liturgy.



Sunday, November 3

12:30 pm All Saints Party, K-6 Grade, (FGC)

Monday, November 4

7:30-10:00am Adoration (Church)

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

6:30 pm Remembrance Mass for All Souls

Tuesday, November 5

6:30pm SVD Meeting (HBH)

Wednesday, November 6

10:15am Womens' Prayer Group (FGC)

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

Thursday, November 7

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

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

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS

On Tuesday, November 12th, there will be a Memorial Mass for the deceased members of St. Francis Knights of Columbus Council 2011. The Mass will take place at 7:00pm at St. Francis De Sales Church in North Kingstown, RI. All are invited to attend and to honor our Brother Knights who have gone on to their eternal reward. There will be a light collation following Mass in Driscoll Hall.



Just a reminder that the remembrance book is in front of the statue of St. Francis. There will also be a book at the chapel. All are welcome to enter the names of their deceased loved ones. They will be remembered during the month of November. Also the All Souls envelopes with the names of your

loved ones will be placed on the altar at the Church and the Chapel during the month of November.

#### 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.



**November 2:** SOC Food Drive Begins

**November 4:** All Souls Mass for the departed

(6:30pm)

**November 15:** Paint & Vino Night (6pm)

November 23: Bazaar (9am-2pm)

**November 29:** Giving Trees will be placed at

Church and Chapel for

Donations

**Month of January:** Baby Shower



## DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE'S WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

December 7th, 8:30am-3:30pm

Registration is open. The conference will take place at The Cathedral of SS Peter and Paul. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Infants in arms are welcome! Hear insightful and inspiring talks from this year's speakers: National speaker, author, EWTN talk show host, and journalist, Teresa Tomeo, and Professor of Theology at Providence College, Dr. Holly Taylor Coolman, PhD. Enjoy the musical talents of Liz Cotrupi Pfunder. Visit evangelizeri.org/womens-conference to learn more and register.



Saint Francis of Assisi Bazaar: Saturday, November 23, 9am-2pm, at Father Greenan Hall

This event includes: craft/vendors tables, a silent auction, and a cafe for drinks and a lunch menu.

Our crafters include pottery, jewelry, cards, ornaments, small paintings, knitting, candles, wood products, coastal decorations etc. Silent auction items include a week in a beautiful condo in Myrtle Beach and themed baskets. Come join the fun!

**Attention Bakers** - We need donated baked goods for our bake table. Please bring wrapped, labeled goods to the Father Greenan Hall either November 22nd from 4-6pm or the morning of November 23 after 8am. All proceeds from the bake sale go right to our parish.

**Volunteers Needed:** If you are willing to volunteer on the day of the bazaar please contact Jean McGair at 783-1633 or Ellen Schwab at 374-7445. Thank you in advance for your help.



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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:

**H**oly 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

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