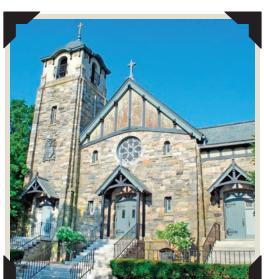
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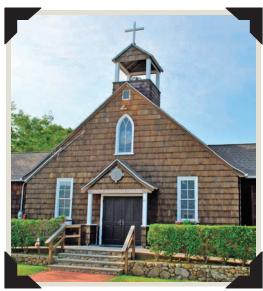
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Third Sunday of each month.

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SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory.



Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 4:00 and Friday 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 19

4:30pm †Francis Dunn, Jr.

Requested by John & Patty Grimes

Sunday, October 20

9:00am †Helen Roque

Requested by St. Francis SVDP Conference

11:00am †Jeanne Harrington

Requested by Family

Monday, October 21

7:00am †Gregory Macedo Requested by Family

Tuesday, October 22

7:00am †Mary & Michael Moriarty Requested by Family

Thursday, October 24

7:00am †Deceased Members of Behie & O'Rourke Families

Requested by Family

Friday, October 25

7:00am †Bob & Concetta Wilson

Requested by Jean Saturday, October 26

4:30pm †Vincent & Elvira Moses Requested by Children

Sunday, October 27

9:00am †Maria & Nhvong Tran & John Thanh Ha

Requested by Family

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11:00am †Arlene Robinson Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 20

10:00am †Madeline Johansen

Requested by Jude

Sunday, October 27

10:00am †Eileen Ullrich

Requested by Maggie Hayes-Cote

The greatest "greatness" is servant humility.

The ambitious desires expressed by James and John in today's Gospel probably take a different form in our hearts and minds depending on our personalities and experiences. We're not immune to their lure, however.

There are so many pressures that surround us: impress others, demonstrate how capable you are, rise to the top, take care of yourself, be noticed, grab that spotlight. It is exhausting to list them, let alone try to live them!

In contrast, the Church gives us the true path to freedom: servant humility, the greatest "greatness." Isaiah prophesies a Savior who will suffer – one through whom the will of the Lord will be accomplished because of his affliction. He is a servant, who in his obedience shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear.

This is a different kind of Savior, a different kind of ruler than what the people expected. It would take Christ's death on the cross for God's people to begin to understand. He is a ruler covered not with costly gems and garments, but with affliction. He is a ruler crowned not with gold, but with thorns. Christ is a ruler whose power comes not from violence or domination, but from love. And we are called to subject ourselves to the rule of this powerful love.

In contrast to the pressures to grasp for power, comfort, and fame, our Church proclaims humble service. As disciples, we understand that the only path to greatness in the kingdom of God is the path of self-giving love.

This is the secret of life. A good life lies not in rising to the top, but rather, in pouring oneself out in love for others. This is certainly a counter-cultural call, and it is not always easy.

But our Church also proclaims grace. The woundedness of our nature is powerful and so the pressure of these cultural forces is strong. The challenges of giving ourselves in this world are many. But our Church reminds us that in every struggle and in every temptation, we can approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

In the Letter to the Hebrews, we are told that Jesus is a high priest who can sympathize with our weaknesses, who has been tested in every way, yet without sin.

When being a servant to others seems a heavy burden, we are reminded that Jesus is there to carry that weight with us.

Let us, in receiving this holy Eucharist, draw near to Christ who pours himself out to us. Let us receive his strength so that we might be great as he is great: powerful in love, crowned by sacrifice, made holy in the giving of all we are. Let us invite Christ to rule our lives, so that in humble service for his kingdom, we may participate in his salvation.



 Weekly Support
 October 13

 Budget envelopes used (102)

 Loose Donations

 Online Giving (# of donors-82)

 Total Budget

 Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

Budget envelopes used (76) - \$1,213.00
Loose Donations - \$478.00
Online Giving (# of donors-3) - \$26.00
Total - \$1,717.00

This week's second collection is for Mission Sunday. The second collection next week is for Ongoing Maintenance. **Thank you for your continued generosity.**

OCTOBER 20, 2024



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of our deceased loved ones.

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

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ANOTHER PASTA DINNER THANK YOU!

We can't forget to thank Brickley's Ice Cream for donating to our ice cream sundaes! Thank you so much!

SOCIAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE: THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE tial Outreach Committee is sponsor

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



Family Prayer: Open my eyes, Lord, to see the needs of others and to grow in my desire to serve them. Amen.

Faith Formation Classes

Faith Formation K-6



Circle of Grace Classes today in FGH 9:55-10:55am

Confirmation I and II

Upcoming classes:

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

November 6th- Grade 8 your Sponsor Certificate is due. NET Retreat Permission forms are due.

Saturday, November 16th 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.



Monday, October 21

7:30-9:00am Adoration (Church)

6:30 pm Events Committee Mtg.(FGC)

6:30 pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Wednesday, October 23

10:15am Womens' Prayer Group (FGC)

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

Thursday, October 24

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

6:30pm RCIA Information Night (↓FGC)

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

ADORATION TIME CHANGE

On Mondays, adoration will be from 7:30 am to 9:00 am

Starting Friday, November 1st, adoration will be on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 7:30 am to 9:00 am, in addition to our normal Monday schedule.

If you would like to take a time slot (1/2 hour increments), please call the office.

K OF C Breakfast (Public Invited)

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Breakfast at the Council Hall, 1265 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown, on Sunday, November 3rd, from 7:30-10:30am.

Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Home Fries, Sausage, Baked Beans, Breakfast Pastries, Orange Juice, Coffee and Tea will be served.

The cost is \$10.00, children 6 and under are free.

St. Francis de Sales Parish Yard Sale

St. Francis de Sales Parish is holding its annual indoor Yard Sale on Saturday, October 26th, and Sunday, October 27th, from 8am to 1:30 pm, rain or shine. Items include jewelry, housewares, toys, games, electronics, CD's, furniture, books, and baked goods. Our kitchen will be open for refreshments. Join us for a great time and great bargains! The parish is located at 381 School Street in North Kingstown.



Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Myles Rufos King who was baptized on October 13 by Deacon Brian Callahan.

Your parish family rejoices with you!

SAVE THE DATE

Month of October: Rosary at the Chapel, Weeknights

at 5:00 pm

October 19/20: Rose Sale for Mother of Life

Center

October 20: Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage 3 pm October 24: RCIA Information Night (FGC)

October 26: Coat Drive

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 to be placed in

Church and Chapel

Pro-Life Rose Sale

Long stem red roses will be available after Masses on Saturday and Sunday, October 19th & 20th.

All proceeds from the sale will benefit Catholic, pro-life Mother of Life Center in Providence. The center provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, counseling, material goods for babies and moms, and much more. The suggested donation is \$3 per rose. Contributions will also be gratefully accepted. Thank you for your generous support.

PROUT SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The Prout School will be holding an Open House for Admissions on Sunday, October 20 from 1-4pm. Register online at the proutschool.org. Come meet faculty, students, and coaches. Tour the campus. Learn about our outstanding academics, amazing arts programs and athletic opportunities.



St. Francis of Assisi Parish Coat Drive

WHAT: Free Coats & Outerwear

WHO: ANYONE IN NEED Children and Adults

WHERE: St. Francis of Assisi Church

WHEN: Saturday, October 26, 2024

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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

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