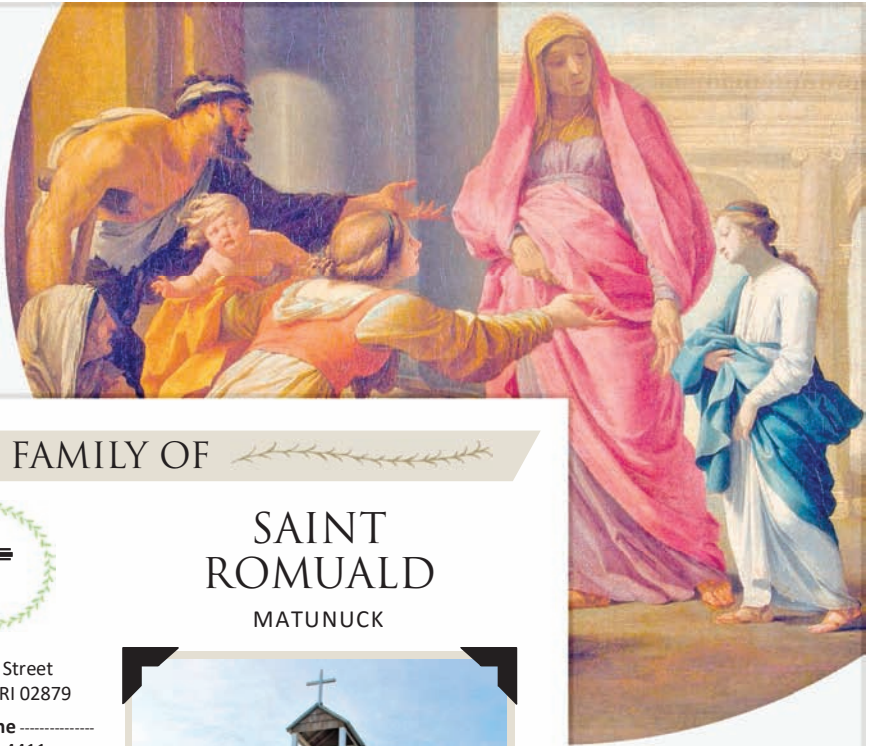


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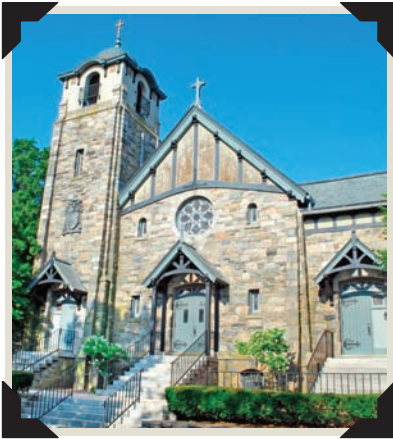


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SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

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

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Saturday----- 5:30 pm*
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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.

*Eternal Father,
we honor the
holiness and
glory of the
Virgin Mary.
May her prayers
bring us the
fullness of your
life and love.*

*We ask this
through our
Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who
lives and reigns
with You and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever
and ever.*

Amen.

welcome

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

THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, November 16

4:30pm †Deceased Members of the
Champion, Pucella & Brown
Families

Requested by Family

Sunday, November 17

9:00am †James Flynn

*Requested by Kathleen &
Jim Carney*

11:00am †Dorothy Fagnoli

Requested by Family

Monday, November 18

7:00am †Bill Bailey

Requested by Joe & Ellen Schwab

Tuesday, November 19

7:00am †Mae Bessette

Requested by Family

Thursday, November 21

7:00am †Steven Hunt

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

Friday, November 22

7:00am †Karen Clark

Requested by Family

Saturday, November 23

4:30pm †Charles Cinquegrana, Sr.

Requested by Family

Sunday, November 24

9:00am †Steve Hunt

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 17

10:00am †Owen & Maureen Rielly

Requested by Family

Sunday, November 24

10:00am †Jeannette DeLuca

Requested by Family

We must prepare our hearts to enter the kingdom of heaven.

In the Gospel it is written And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.

We do not know the day we will see Christ coming in the clouds. If we are not ready for his coming, we will not be part of the gathered elect, but rather part of those who live in everlasting disgrace that Daniel prophesied. The gates will be locked and we will not be able to enter.

When we hear about the end of the world and the second coming, some may feel fear, others excitement, but many feel uncertainty. How could we not feel these things? It is the great unknown.

Some of what we think and feel about the end of days arises from taking Jesus' words to heart: We know we need to be prepared for the Lord to bring us home.

Although we have no idea when that day will be, human nature lets us believe we have more time than we do. In addition, we have things to plan for here! Graduations, moves, weddings, births, jobs, retirement. After all, we live in this world, with all its necessities and demands.

A bulwark against getting distracted by the desires of this life, to the detriment of planning for the next, is the sacramental life of the Church. Through God's word and the Eucharist we participate in the communal life of faith, and so come to know, understand, and appreciate the end for which we were actually created: eternal life with God. To that end, we see our lives here as a gift.

We have the opportunity to prepare, and to receive the grace to do so. Will we do it perfectly? Unlikely. Will we do it well? With God's help. Will we do it all? That, in the end, is up to us.

Daniel prophesied that the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever. In other words, those living the way of the Lord and for the Lord will live eternally with him in the kingdom.

The wise are those who live continually preparing for the Lord's coming. They are spreading God's Good News, living the Gospel, and acting with charity, humility, and love. They are preparing with the goal of eternal salvation in mind. They are at the ready knowing that God could return any day at any moment. If we are always ready, we will have nothing to fear and no need for uncertainty.

We know the end is coming – that Christ will return. While we do not know when, we do not want to be caught with our lights out and doors locked when he does come back. We want our doors wide open for him and our lights burning bright with the knowledge that salvation is near.

Parish Giving

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (124)	-	\$3,445.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,250.00
Online Giving (# of donors-81)	-	\$3,174.00
Total Budget	-	\$7,869.00

November 10

Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget envelopes used (97)	-	\$1,476.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 301.00
Online Giving (# of donors-8)	-	\$ 205.00
Total	-	\$1,982.00

This week's second collection is for the Monthly Offering. The second collection next week is for the Camp for Human Development.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

NOVEMBER 17, 2024



SANCTUARY LAMP & ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James Flynn, and the flowers at the altar are given in loving birthday remembrance of Regina Blair.

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!

DINNER FUNDRAISER FOR BISHOP'S "KEEP THE HEAT ON" CHALLENGE

The Knights of Columbus St. Francis Council 2011 will hold a Pasta Dinner at the Council Hall, 1265 Tower Hill Road. North Kingstown, on **November 23 from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM.**

Proceeds will go toward the Bishop's "Keep the Heat On" Challenge! Pasta, Meatballs, Tossed Salad, Rolls and Butter, Coffee and Tea will be served.

The cost is \$15 per person. Children 6 and under free.
Please call 295-0507 for reservations by Thursday, Nov 20th."

GREAT FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS TO LA SALETTE TOUR

You are invited to join the Narragansett Senior Association on a Great Festival of Lights Tour to LaSalette on Friday, December 6. The trip includes bus fare, a dinner buffet, a Christmas concert, and a stroll through the stunning display of Christmas lights. For full details, see brochures which are available at our church entrances.



GIVING TREE

The Social Outreach Committee will again sponsor our annual Giving Tree beginning on the Sunday following Thanksgiving, December 1. Gift tags will be placed on the Advent trees in St. Francis Church and at St. Romuald Chapel.

The Giving Tree provides much needed support to our St. Vincent de Paul chapter here at St. Francis and to the Jonnycake Center which services local families providing basic necessities.

The gift cards need to be returned no later than the weekend of December 14/15. They can be placed in the collection baskets or left in the rectory. Please do not leave them by the trees.

Thank you in advance!



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Pray: Help me, Lord, to make loving choices every day as I wait for your return. Jesus, forgiving other people is hard to do. Help me follow your example of forgiveness. Amen.

Faith Formation K-6

Sunday, November 17th

9:55-10:50am—Grades K-6 classes will meet in Fr. Greenan Center

Reminder: First Communion Parents, our meeting today at 10am is in the Library at FGC.

Save the Date: Advent Wreath Workshop during class hours December 1st! (Scholarship available for Faith Formation families who find cost a burden. See Jamie.)

Confirmation I and II

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

Upcoming classes:

November 20

December 4 (Class and **Grade 8:** Saint Report is due)

December 18



Our Youth Group Meeting scheduled for November 24 will not be held due to the Thanksgiving Holiday Week. Volunteer Opportunities are available though - Please see Mrs. Sherman for details.

This Week

Monday, November 18

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

6:30pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Tuesday, November 19

6:30pm SVD Meeting (HBH)

6:30pm Pastoral Council Meeting (FGC)

Wednesday, November 20

10:15am Womens' Prayer Group (FGC)

5:00pm RCIA Class (FGC Library)

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

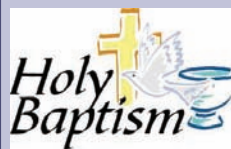
Thursday, November 21

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

Saturday, November 23

9:00am Church Bazaar

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



Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Lila Louise Carroll who was baptized on November 10 by Fr. Albert Ranallo.

Your parish family rejoices with you!

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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.

Call 401-588-4192 or email esweeney1@cox.net to order a meal or volunteer to deliver.

SAVE THE DATE

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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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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