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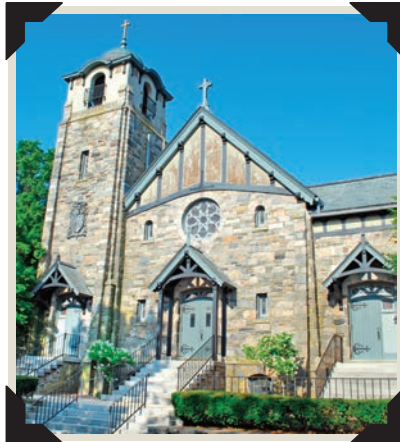
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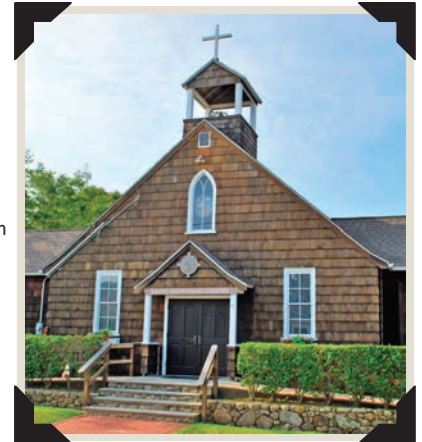
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Masses

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 and Friday 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Respect
Life

Jesus loves the
children of the
world, the born
and the unborn.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, January 18

4:30pm †Branden J. DeLuca

Requested by Family

Sunday, January 19

9:00am †William Nagel

Requested by Janet Hussey

11:00am †Andrew J. Stipicevic

Requested by Eve Sweeney

Monday, January 20

Holiday - Office Closed

7:00am †Catherine Dorothea Amaral

Requested by Norman Gardner & Family

Tuesday, January 21

7:00am †Dorothy Cloos

Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan

Thursday, January 23

7:00am †Catherine Dorothea Amaral

Requested by Norman Gardner & Family

Friday, January 24

7:00am †Catherine Dorothea Amaral

Requested by Norman Gardner & Family

Saturday, January 25

4:30pm †Domenic & Matilda Coppolino

(Anniversary)

Requested by Family

Sunday, January 26

9:00am †Chester Ball

Requested by Family

11:00am †Peter Reusch

Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 19

10:00am †Mary Marchand

(Birthday Remembrance)

Requested by Al & Gerri Marsocci

Sunday, January 26

10:00am †Barney Fenaughty

(Birthday Remembrance)

Requested by Family

Do whatever he tells you.

Mary, the mother of Jesus, has many titles. Mother of God. Our Lady of Sorrows. Mystical Rose. Queen of Peace. The list goes on and on, and each reflects something about who Mary is. Many of these titles also shed light on her role as our intercessor before God. In today's Gospel, we focus on Mary as a mother who intercedes for us.

Mary plays a discreet but essential role at the wedding at Cana. Indeed, it is through her intercession that Jesus performs his first miracle. She sees the need – the newlywed couple has run out of wine for their guests – and she knows what her son is capable of. They have no wine, she says to Jesus. Then, she is the one who tells the servers to do whatever Jesus tells them to do, even before he gives them any directives.

What follows is Jesus' first public miracle in the Gospel of John. We are accustomed to hearing of Jesus' miracles occurring when there is a need for healing or deliverance from some kind of physical or spiritual peril. But the placement of this miracle is striking. It signifies a new beginning as the guests celebrate a new life for this married couple. The miracle at Cana is heralding a new time as Jesus' public ministry begins.

This new time is described in the first reading from Isaiah. The prophet describes the time of the messiah. The Lord shall pronounce a new name for his people: My Delight and Espoused. What was once forsaken and desolate will now be the Lord's delight to whom he will unite himself as a bridegroom is united to his bride. There will be much rejoicing. This new time will initiate an unbreakable bond between God and his people. This time of rejoicing began with the Incarnation – and, in a sense, it could be said that it began publicly when Jesus performed his first miracle at Cana – and continues with us today.

Mary's words to Jesus (They have no wine) were an act of intercession on behalf of the married couple. She interceded for them with God and now she continues to intercede for us. Likewise, her words to the servers can help us on the path of discipleship. Each of us in baptism is called to do whatever God tells us to do. God speaks to us now, whether in small or big ways. Mary encourages us to listen to God's call and respond with our whole hearts.

Let us entrust ourselves with confidence to Mary. She will intercede for us and will obtain the graces we need to be faithful to God and do whatever he tells us.



<u>Weekly Support</u>	<u>January 12</u>
Budget envelopes used (114)	-
Loose Donations	\$3,039.00
Online Giving (# of donors-80)	\$1,605.00
Total Budget	\$3,122.00
Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)	
Budget envelopes used (98)	-
Loose Donations	\$1,415.00
Online Giving (# of donors-10)	\$ 300.00
Total	\$1,945.00

This week's second collection is for Catholic University.
The second collection next week is for Latin America.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

JANUARY 19, 2025



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Anna & Branden DeLuca.

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!

**YOUTH GROUP – VISION BOARD WORKSHOP
JANUARY 19TH AT 4 PM (FATHER GREENAN HALL)**



**FUNDRAISER FOR
FATHER GREENAN CENTER**

We are raising money to help pay for future improvements to Father Greenan Center. To raise the funds, we are selling engraved bricks that will be placed in our new brick walkway. This is a great opportunity for you to give a gift that will last forever!

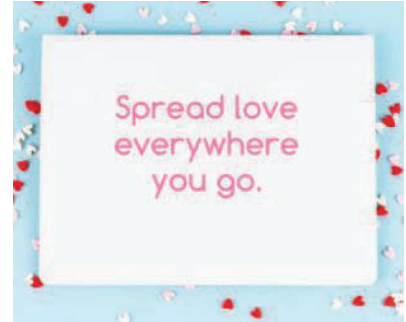
The bricks are 4" x 8" and will cost \$100 Each. They are available to all parishioners and their families. Just stop by the office for an order form.

**JOSEPH JACOME III COMMUNITY SERVICE
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Joseph Jacome III Community Service Memorial Scholarship will award \$1,000.00 to the student who best describes their experience of Community Service and how it impacted them and the community. Students who are enrolled Seniors at The Prout School and are planning to advance their education in a certificate program, trade or college, are eligible. Eligible candidates must be able to demonstrate their strong commitment to acts of service to the local, national, and/or international community. Contact the Prout School Guidance Department for an Application.



**FAITH
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Faith Formation K-6

Pray: Thank you for mercy and faithfulness, Lord. Guide me to hear your call. Amen.

Sunday, January 19th
K-6th No Classes Today: Martin Luther King Holiday

Sunday, January 26th
Celebration of Listening to God's Word Mass 9:00AM
(Attendance Required For Our First Communion Class)

First Communion Parent Meeting
10:00AM

**Confirmation I and II
Wednesdays: 6:30pm-8:15pm
(FGC)**

Upcoming classes:
January 22



Mark Your Calendar: The Youth Ministry Group will meet again on January 19th from 4-6pm for a Vision Board Workshop!

This Week

Sunday, January 19

4-6:00 pm Youth Faith Group Meeting (FGC)

Monday, January 20

HOLIDAY - Offices Will Be Closed

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

6:30pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Tuesday, January 21

6:30 pm SVDP Meeting (HBH)

Wednesday, January 23

10:15am Women's Prayer Group (FGC)

5:00pm RCIA Class (FGC)

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (HBH)

Thursday, January 24

6:00 pm Bible Study (FGC)

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



FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE JONNYCAKE CENTER

Please remember we are always in need of nonperishable food items (no glass or outdated items). Your donations may be placed in the baskets located at St. Francis or St. Romuald.



The St. Francis of Assisi Social Outreach Committee is sponsoring a Baby Shower during the month of January 2025 to assist St. Gabriel's Call. St. Gabriel's Call provides supportive services to women and families facing unexpected pregnancies. If you, or someone you know, is in need of baby items, please contact Melanie at the St. Francis Diocesan Office at 401-783-3149.

Items needed:

Diapers (All sizes up to 6/XL, especially sizes 4-6)

Warm Sleepers (0-24 months)

Warm Children's Clothing (Infant to 5T, especially 2-5T)

Baby Wipes

Bibs

Infant Onesies

Pacifiers

Baby Blankets

Baby Bottles & Bottle Brushes

(Cash donations and Gift Cards are gratefully accepted:

Checks to be made out to **Retreat House**)

Please place donations in the collection baskets located at the St. Francis Statue in the church and St. Romuald Chapel from January 1-31st.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

SAVE THE DATE

Month of January: Baby Shower
January 19: 4pm Youth Faith Group
March 5: Ash Wednesday

2025 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

It is said that many blessings come from spending time with our Lord. Here at St. Francis we give our parishioners the opportunity to do just that! Each Monday morning our Lord is exposed in the Monstrance from 7:30am until 10:00am including Holy Days of Obligation. (As of January 1st, there will no longer be Adoration on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month.) This gives parishioners, and others in the community, the opportunity to be able to come and visit Jesus on a more personal level. It is a time for quiet prayer and reflection. You can sign up for a 30 minute time slot (or more) by using the QR code or by contacting the parish office. Whether you only spend 30 minutes or an hour, each moment is a great treasure.



The 2025 Catholic Charity Appeal has officially begun. This year's theme, "Trust in Providence," is a powerful reminder of God's grace and the trust he has placed in us to serve others. Our parish goal remains the same as last year, \$104,595.00, with an overall diocesan goal of \$7.5 million. As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the appeal, let us reflect on a century of hope, compassion and support provided to all those in need throughout our state. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the appeal as we strive for 100% parish participation. Visit DioceseofProvidence.org/CCA to make your difference today.

As of 1/10/2025, we have raised \$6,202.00. Thank you!



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Jubilee Year of Mercy

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(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

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November 17, 1979 Bishop of Springfield, Mass.



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