THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 9

4:30pm Branden DeLuca Requested by family

Sunday, April 10

8:00am William & June Kelly Requested by family

10am Edward Vallette

Requested by family

12:00pm Hugh McGee

Requested by The Boyle family

Monday, April 11

7:00am Connie Naccarato Requested by Agatha & Bernie Elliott

Tuesday, April 12

7:00am Kerri Bessette Requested by Mom, Dad and Scott

Wednesday, April 13

7:00am Rena Shackelford Requested by Linda Bessette

Thursday, April 14

7:00am Tom McGair Requested by Jean McGair

Friday, April 15

7:00am Daniel Fenaughty Requested by Joe & Ellen Schwab

Saturday, April 16

4:30pm Robert T. Connaughton Birthday remembrance

Sunday, April 17

8:00am Rose Gink

Requested by Dick and Julia Buckley 10:00am Dennis McGettigan

Requested by Burian family 12:00pm Joseph and Marion Cappuccio Requested by family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 10

10:00am Al Marchand Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci

Sunday, April 17

10:00am Tim and Mona Reilly Requested by Owen and Tom



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

The sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Trudy

BORN INTO GOD'S FAMILY

Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Aiden Patrick Bell and Bodhi Murphy Michael Merrick who were baptized last Sunday by Father Bodah at St. Francis Church. Your parish family rejoices with you!

PARENTS OF ALL 8TH GRADE STUDENTS

If you were unable to attend the special meeting regarding our Confirmation program on April 6th and have not contacted the religious education office to arrange a time to meet please do so by the end of April. This includes 8th grade students who are currently enrolled at Msgr. Clarke School. If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Education Office at 792-8684.

STEUBENVILLE EAST YOUTH CONFERENCE

There are three (3) spots left for any teenager currently enrolled in grades 8-12 to attend the Steubenville East Youth Conference on July 15-17, 2016. If interested, complete the registration packet which can be found in the youth ministry tab on our parish website and submit it to the Religious Education Office along with the \$100 deposit.

A WORD OF THANKS!

Carol Owens of the Office of Life and Family Ministry sent a letter to Father Bodah and the parish thanking everyone for our "donations" to the Diocesan Life & Family "pregnancy and beyond" outreach ministry—St. Gabriel's Call. Our generosity from the annual Baby Shower was much appreciated by Carol and by the mothers who received our donations. Thank you again for your generosity!



Your gift to the annual Appeal impacts the lives of 21,834 children and youth as well as 2,467 volunteer catechists and aides CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL through the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation.

CCA Report

2016 CCA PARISH GOAL: \$103,070 / pledged to date: \$65,218 # of gifts: 320; % of goal—63.28%; % Participation: 15.48% Please don't forget to turn in your pledge. Every little bit helps.

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support March 20 Budget envelopes used (224) \$5,948.00 **Loose Donations** \$1,674.00 Online Giving (# of donors – 64) \$ 1,819.50 Total Budget \$ 9,441.50

This weekend's second offering is the Monthly offering for April. Next weekend, we'll participate in the annual Mission Co-op plan. Maryknoll Lay Missionary Alicia Butkiewicz will be our guest speaker and will share with us about the Maryknoll mission of Jesus to live and work with poor communities in África, Asia, and the Americas, responding to basic needs.

As always, thank you for your generosity.

APRIL 10, 2016

From the Pastor

A new era is about to begin for St. Francis parish. With the support of both the pastoral and finance councils, I have hired (Mrs.) Christina Moynihan as the new pastoral assistant. A pastoral assistant does what an ordained assistant pastor would do, except of course for those things only a priest or deacon can do. She comes to us from nearly twenty years of working in the Haitian Project with her husband, Deacon Patrick Moynihan, where they worked with the local community and ran the L'Ouverture-Cleary School. They plan to make St. Francis's their parish, so I hope Deacon Moynihan will be able to assist whenever he's home even though he will continue to work for the Haitian Project, mostly out of his office in North Kingstown. Christina will assume her duties beginning on April 15 and the hospitality committee is working on planning some kind of welcoming reception for her in the near future.

I have asked her to focus on three areas of parish life especially: working with the religious education leaders to assist the parents in their vocation as Christian parents, members of a Christian community; making sure our older parishioners are taken care of; working with Diane Castro and the teens in a comprehensive youth ministry.

I know it will be confusing to some people, but the woman speaking for the annual mission appeal at Masses next weekend will not be Christina Moynihan but Alicia Butkiewicz, a lay associate of the Maryknoll Mission Society who will be here for the weekend.

Elsewhere in the news: I am happy to hear babies crying at Mass or seeing pre-school children with extra energy. It means that there are young families making this parish their spiritual home. I'm sure you will join me in making them feel welcome.

Fr. Bodah



2016 FOOD DRIVE

The Social Outreach Committee is again sponsoring a food drive to benefit The Jonnycake Center of Peace Dale's Vacation Breakfast and Lunch Program. The food drive will be running for two weekends: April 9/10 & April 16/17th. Foods being requested are juice boxes, jelly, cereal, peanut butter and healthy snacks or granola

bars. This program benefits client's children who participate in school nutrition assistance programs. Your generous donations will go toward helping these children enjoy healthy meals and snacks throughout their school vacations and their entire summer break. Please place donations in receptacles by the St. Francis statue in the church and by the front entrance at St. Romuald Chapel. Our St. Francis of Assisi parish family has always been generous when called upon to help those in need and we thank you for your continued generosity.



Sunday, April 10

8:50-9:50am Grades 1 & 2 9:50-10:50am KINDERGARTEN 10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-6

Wednesday, April 13

4:15-5:15pm Grades 3-6—LAST CLASS

7:00-8:15pm Grades 7 & 8—LAST CLASS

No Class and No Children's Liturgy next Sunday, April 17th School Vacation



Sunday, April 10

Rel. Ed. Classes—see schedule above 11:00am—Gr. 3 Reconciliation 11:00am—Choir Rehearsal—(SRC)

Monday, April 11

7:30am Adoration (SFC)

Tuesday, April 12

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, April 13

4:15-5:15pm Classes Gr. 3-6 (FGC)

7-8:15pm Classes Gr. 7 & 8 (SF)

Thursday, April 14

7:00pm Evangelization Mtg. (MCCR)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Friday, April 15

10:45am Pastoral Visit to PD House



We are glad to have you here with us this morning. If you're new to the area and have been thinking about registering, please see Fr. Bodah after Mass or call the parish office during the week at 783-4411.



MAY WONEY WADNESS

Tickets are \$10 each/book of six-\$50, 12 for \$100 and will be sold throughout the month of April following all weekend Masses at the church and chapel. Tickets will also be available to purchase through the parish office, Monday through Friday from 9am to 4pm. Beginning May 1st, there will be weekly drawings, Monday through Saturday - \$50 and on Sunday - \$100 and on May 31st there will be a grand drawing of \$500. Daily winners will be eligible for all future drawings.





Alicia Butkiewicz Speaking: April 16-17, 2016

Alicia will speak at all Masses on April 16-17 in St. Francis of Assisi parish. She will share her experience of mission life as part of the Missionary Cooperation Plan 2016. The second collection will be taken to support Maryknoll Lay Missioners. Your kind welcome and generous support is most appreciated.

Maryknoll Lay Missioners is a Catholic organization inspired by the mission of Jesus to live and work with poor communities in Africa, Asia, and the Americas, responding to basic needs and helping to create a more just and compassionate world. To learn more, visit www.mklm.org

STEUBENVILLE EAST



M&M FUNDRAISER

Thank you for purchasing M&Ms from our youth to help them attend the Steubenville East summer conference.

Steubenville East is an event they'll carry with them for life.

Please remember to return the tubes with a donation toward their future next weekend. Your donation helps to build up their faith and in doing so, you are helping to plant seeds for future generations. Thank you for your generosity!

(M&M sales will be held in July at St. Romuald).

LATE HAVE I LOVED THEE ...



The Vocation Office of the Diocese of Providence presents a family vocation day on Saturday, April 16th at Sts. John and Paul, 341 South Main St., Coventry, RI from 9am—3:30pm. Day

includes Mass, confessions, free lunch and entertainment. Several clergy and Religious will be in attendance. Questions? Call 1-800-818-0584. Registration is requested by April 14th. Visit: www.familyvocations.org or email: info@familyvocations.org.

Bring the whole family!

CELEBRATING

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

The South Kingstown Elks #1899 invites all Seniors, Age 60 plus

to a **DINNER DANCE** at the

SOUTH KINGSTOWN ELKS LODGE, 60 BELMONT AVE., WAKEFIELD

THURSDAY, APRIL 28TH

4-5pm Music & Social Hour; 5-6pm Pot Roast Dinner; 6:15-6:30pm Speaking Program; 6:30-8pm Music & Dancing

Pre-Registration REQUIRED!

Reservation period: 4/1/16-4/18/16.

Call 789-0268 to pre-register

Transportation available for South Kingstown residents.

Meals can also be prepared for anyone who'd like to arrange pick-up.

THERE IS NO CHARGE TO ATTEND THIS EVENT!