

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### Mass Intentions

#### **Saturday, April 25**

4:30pm John Champion

*Requested by family*

#### **Sunday, April 26**

8:00am Laura Webb

*Requested by May Tran*

10:00am John Fallon

*Requested by parish family*

12:00NN Timothy E. McNulty

*5th Anniversary*

#### **Monday, April 27**

7:00am Rose Gink

*Requested by parish family*

#### **Tuesday, April 28**

7:00am Norbert & Marguerite Jarbeau

*Req. by Dan and Corinne McKinnon*

#### **Wednesday, April 29**

7:00am Daniel McKinnon

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#### **Thursday, April 30**

7:00am Mass for the People

#### **Friday, May 1**

7:00am Dr. Leonard Staudinger

*Requested by family*

#### **Saturday, May 2**

4:30pm Edward T. & Florence E.

*Gallogly—Requested by family*

#### **Sunday, May 3**

8:00am Matilda Coppolino

*Requested by family*

10:00am Lena Iacobbo

*Requested by Dennis & Debra Ferreira*

12:00NN Mass for the People



### St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

#### **Sunday, April 26**

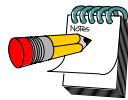
10:00am Joe and Deloris Clark

*Req. by Tencher and Clark families*

#### **Sunday, May 3**

10:00am Al Marchand

*Req. by Gerri and Al Marsocci*



## For Your Information

### PARISH SUPPORT

Parish support for April 19 was Budget—\$8,062.50. This weekend's second offering is the Ongoing Maintenance Fund Offering. Thank you for your generosity to the parish.

### SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Karen Vendetti. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of Margaret McNeill.

### GATEKEEPERS—ST. FRANCIS CEMETERY

We are need of gatekeepers at the cemetery. If you're available one morning or evening to open and/or close the cemetery gate, please call Carol McDole at the Cemetery Office (782-2711). Thank you!

### END OF LIFE DECISIONS

The Catholic teachings on end-of-life care has been updated and is contained in a new booklet reflecting the Christian hope of preparing for our eternal destiny. The newly revised booklet including information on MOLST (Medical Order for Life Sustaining Treatment) is available at the parish office. Pick up your copy Monday through Friday, 8am—4pm.

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Our Lady of Sorrows Bereavement Support Group of the Office of Life & Family will be offered at St Anthony Church, Parish Center, Pope St., N. Providence, Thursdays, May 7 through June 25, 7-8:30 p.m. This free group provides a peaceful place to learn and share their experiences and feelings, with the spiritual comfort of our Catholic faith - most appropriate for adults at least three months beyond their loss. Pre-registration required, please call Pat Owen, 274-3854.

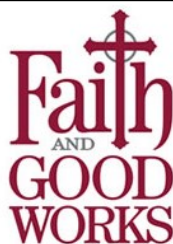
### MSGR. CLARKE SCHOOL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, MAY 3 from 7:30 am-11:30 am

Come support our Catholic school and enjoy a delicious breakfast served by Monsignor Clarke PTO, middle school Service Club students and families. Breakfast will be served at Christ the King Parish Hall. All are welcome. Cost \$5.00

### SYNOD ON THE FAMILY HOLY HOUR

A Eucharistic Holy Hour to be held May 7th from 4-5pm at St. Romuald Chapel, Matunuck. Please consider sharing in this lay initiative of a world-wide novena of holy hours on the first Thursday of each month in Preparation for the October 2015 Synod of Bishops "On the Family."



2015 Catholic Charity Appeal

Your gift to the annual Appeal impacts the lives of 32,600 children and youth as well as 4,160 volunteer catechists and aides through the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation.

2015 CCF PARISH GOAL: \$103,070

Amount pledged to date: \$ 73,767

APRIL 26, 2015

## From the Pastor

Well, as you heard last weekend, the ax has fallen. Fr. Joe will be moved to another assignment in the middle of June and will not be replaced. So it will be different here, as it has been for other parishes. We'll do our best to see that service to the parish is not interrupted even though it's obvious that the Mass schedule cannot continue indefinitely in its present configuration. For now and until the summer of 2016, we'll try to forge ahead as we have been with the help of retired priests. Pray that their (and my) health holds up so that we can go forward with as little disruption as possible. May this be a time to renew our loyalty and dedication to St. Francis of Assisi parish which has served the Catholics of our area since 1879.

Something else to consider: the position of Catholic chaplain at URI, which Fr. Joe will assume on July 1, is funded by Catholic Charities. Please consider making a pledge to support this worthy cause.

*Father Bodah*

## From today's readings...

*"...all...should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. ... There is not salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."*



### MISSIONARY CO-OPERATIVE

St. Francis of Assisi welcomes Sr. Margaret Holleran SSC, Missionary Sisters of St. Columban to our parish on the weekend of May 16-17. The Columban Sisters work in the Far East and their efforts support

the Gospel message of Jesus. She will be inviting you to help the missionary work of the Church and of her order. Our second collection will be taken for the Mission. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you.



## Religious Education

### CLASS SCHEDULE

No classes today.

TODAY is our last day of Sunday classes.



## This Week

### Sunday, April 26

LAST CLASSES

7:00pm AA (HBH)

### Monday, April 27

7:30-12:00nn Adoration (SFC)

6:00pm Rehearsal for 1st Communion

10am liturgy

### Tuesday, April 28

6:00pm Rehearsal for 1st Communion

1pm liturgy

7:00pm Choir rehearsal (loft)

### Thursday, April 30

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC)

### Friday, May 1

7:00pm May Devotions (SRC)

7:00pm Parenting Group (FGC)

### Saturday, May 2

10 & 1pm First Communion Mass



This Friday is May 1st. For the past several years, May Devotions have been offered at Saint Romuald Chapel in Matunuck during the month of May. Join us at 7:00pm each weeknight for the Recitation of the Most Holy Rosary and the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All are welcome!



**Sign up now for**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
 and join us for **A Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer!**

Each morning you will enjoy crafts, snacks, music, fun  
 and games all while learning about your faith!!

**When:** June 26, 29, 30 and July 1 and 2

**Time:** 8:30-11:30am

**Where:** Helen Bouchard Hall & Fr. Greenan Hall  
 For children in Kdg-Grade 4

**Cost** is \$35.00 per child

Call the Religious Ed. Office for more information 792-8684.

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**MAY MONEY MADNESS**

Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend and next!~ also available during the week through the rectory office but will only be sold during the month of April.

Daily weekday drawings throughout May of \$50;  
 Sundays—\$100 and \$500 on May 31st.

Tickets-\$10ea. or \$50 for ten or \$100 for twelve.

**GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!**

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**Online Giving**

Visit our website at:  
**[www.stfranciswakefield.com](http://www.stfranciswakefield.com) to sign up!**



**STEUBENVILLE  
 EAST YOUTH  
 CONFERENCE**

Registration is open to all teens in grades 8-12. To reserve your spot, send a \$75 deposit (checks made out to St. Francis Church) by **May 1<sup>st</sup>** to the Religious Education Office. The conference will be held on July 17-19<sup>th</sup> at the Tsongas Center on the UMass Lowell campus.

Our first fundraiser - the annual M&M sale - for the Steubenville Conference will be held after all Masses the weekend of May 2 & 3 at the main church. Buy a container of M&Ms for \$2, enjoy the treat and then return the container with a donation for our high school teenagers who will be attending the summer conference.

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

**Catherine of Siena**

Feast Day ~ April 29

St. Catherine of Siena is an amazing Italian 14th century saint and Doctor of the Church. At the age of seven, she consecrated her virginity to Christ and she became a Dominican Tertiary aged 16. A mystic, philosopher and theologian, she worked to bring the papacy back from Avignon, France to Rome. Below are quotations of St Catherine, taken from "The Letters of Catherine of Siena" and "Catherine of Siena: The Dialogue":

- ~ "Do not be satisfied with little things, because God wants great things!" Letter T127
- ~ "Is God not more ready to forgive than we are to sin?" Letter T178
- ~ "Holy Spirit, come into my heart, and in your power draw it to you." Prayer 6
- ~ "You, God, made yourself lowly and small to make us great!" Dialogue 134.
- ~ "It is only through shadows that one comes to know the light." Prayer 24
- ~ "A full belly does not make for a chaste spirit." Dialogue, 125.
- ~ "Out of darkness is born the light." Letter T211
- ~ "The soul is in God and God in the soul, just as the fish is in the sea and the sea in the fish." Dialogue 2
- ~ "The human heart is always drawn by love." Dialogue 26