

# SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, April 2

4:30pm Sylvia DeLuca

*Requested by Rosina LeVasseur*

### Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3

8:00am Trudy Manney

10:00am Patrick Sullivan Dufficy

*Requested by Mom and Dad*

12:00pm John "Jackie" Fallon

*Requested by Mom*

### Monday, April 4

7:00am Mass for the People

### Tuesday, April 5

7:00am Sonny and Betty Goodwin

*Requested by Kathy Cawley*

### Wednesday, April 6

7:00am Louise Joseph

*Req. by Mary Ann Denbow & Joan Marshall*

### Thursday, April 7

7:00am Karen Rapoza

*Req. by Linda and Tara Jane Bessette*

### Friday, April 8

7:00am Marjorie Meehan

*Requested by Jim and Susan Meehan*

### 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*



## St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

### Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3

10:00am Daniel Fenaughty

*Requested by Hood family*

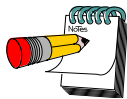
3:00pm Divine Mercy Mass with

Fr. Nick Smith

### Sunday, April 10

10:00am Al Marchand

*Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci*



## For Your Information

### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER/PROTEST

The Diocese of Providence Office of Life and Family Ministry and R.I. Right to Life will be co-sponsoring a prayerful event on Saturday, April 23 from 10 – 11:30 a.m. at Planned Parenthood, 111 Point Street, Providence. Please join us in this peaceful protest as we continue our efforts to create an awareness of the abortion industry in our state and our country. Abortion hurts two people: the mom and the baby! Call 421-7833 x 218 for more information or to RSVP.



## STEUBENVILLE EAST M&M FUNDRAISER

Our first fundraiser - the annual M&M sale - for the Steubenville Conference will be held after all Masses next weekend April 9 & 10 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 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](http://www.familyvocations.org) or email: [info@familyvocations.org](mailto:info@familyvocations.org).

**Bring the whole family!**



**CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL**  
*Supporting the work of the Church*

Your gift to the annual Catholic Charity Appeal supports over 20,760 individuals who received assistance and referrals from Project Hope. Thank you for your support.

### CCA Report

2016 CCA PARISH GOAL: \$103,070

Amount pledged to date: \$58,368

# of gifts: 298; % of goal—56.63%; % Participation: 14.38%

**Please don't forget to turn in your pledge. Every little bit helps.**

## PARISH SUPPORT

### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (258)	-	\$ 8,688.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 2,985.00
Online Giving (# of donors – 60)	-	\$ 1,520.50
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$13,193.50</b>

### Easter

Envelopes (263)	-	\$6,563.00
Other donations	-	\$ 955.00
<b>Total Easter</b>	-	<b>\$ 7,518.00</b>

Next weekend's second offering will be the Monthly offering for April. **As always, thank you for your generosity.**

APRIL 3, 2016

## From the Pastor

A change, even a temporary one, is often difficult. A year ago, when I found out for sure that we would lose a second priest, I had to make a decision about the Mass schedule. I knew that this summer, Fr. Randall would be in his ninetieth year and, please God, Fr. McKenna will turn 79 this September. Since then, Fr. Chew has had some health issues and Fr. Gelfenbein has dealt—very successfully, thank God—with some serious medical challenges. I was not sure at all that I would have priests to cover the customary 7 Masses we have here in the summer, especially when we have two Masses at 8 a.m. and another two at 10. If someone were to get sick, how could I cover two Masses at the same time? We faced this in February when Fr. Chew was away and the priest I had lined up to cover 3 of his Masses took ill and was unable to help. I contacted literally over a dozen priests but if Fr. McKenna had not been able to change his scheduled commitments, we would not have been able to have Mass at the chapel that last Sunday.

So I reluctantly decided that for the summer months we'll reschedule the Masses so that if worse comes to worst, one priest can say them all. Because the numbers at the chapel increase exponentially during the summer and decrease in the church, starting on Memorial Day weekend and running through Labor Day weekend, the Masses at St. Romuald's will remain at 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays and at 8 and 10 a.m. on Sundays; the Masses at St. Francis will be at 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and at 9 and 11 on Sundays. Both the 5:30 and the 8 at the chapel will be dropped after Labor Day when we'll return to the usual schedule.

All in all, we'll have six Masses every weekend, and although the Mass at the time you prefer may not be at the church you prefer, the only Mass that'll disappear temporarily will be the one at noon. As I said at the beginning, change can be annoying and difficult. Most of you, though, realize that the times are a-changin' and some things we've been used to may disappear. I hope you will do your best to accept these temporary readjustments graciously and try, with me, to make the best of them.

*Fr. Bodah*



## THANK YOU!

Our 16th Annual Easter Egg Hunt held on Holy Saturday morning was a great success! 40+ children and their families enjoyed an Easter story before going outside to "hunt" for candy filled eggs. Thank you to all who donated bags and bags of candy and to those who helped stuff over 900 eggs! Also, thank you to our youth, Olivia H., Michael S., Riley B., Nate W., Patrick C. and Bridget C. who gave of their time to help conduct the hunt and hide all the eggs! It was an enjoyable family event!



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Sunday, April 3rd

8:50-9:50am Gr. 1 & 2(FGC)

9:50-10:50 Kindergarten (HBH)

10:50-11:50am Gr. 3-6(FGC)

Gr. 8 (FGC)

### Wednesday, April 6th

4:15-5:15pm Gr. 3- 6

7:00-8:15pm Gr. 7-8

### PARENTS OF ALL 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS

A special meeting regarding our Confirmation program will be on Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in Fr. Greenan Center all parents whose children are currently in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. This includes those students who currently may be enrolled at Msgr. Clarke School. If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Education office at 792-8684.



## This Week

### Sunday, April 3

Rel. Ed. Classes—see schedule above

10:45am Coffee 'N following the 10am Mass (SFC)

11:00am—Gr. 4 Reconciliation

11:00am—Choir Rehearsal—(SRC)

1:00pm Baptisms by Fr. Bodah

### Monday, April 4

7:30am Adoration (SFC)

7:00pm Pastoral Council Mtg. (MCCR)

### Tuesday, April 5

6:00pm Social Outreach Mtg. (FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

### Wednesday, April 6

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

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

### Thursday, April 7

6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg. (MCCR)

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

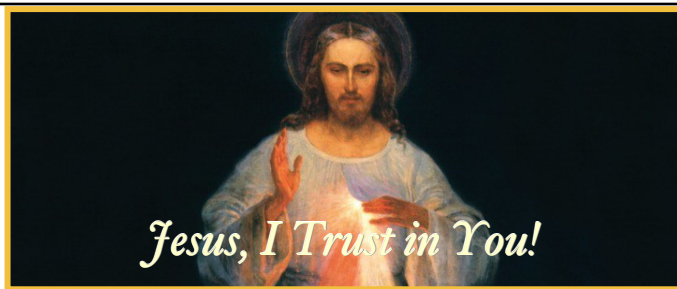
### Friday, April 8

5-7pm Bingo/Pizza Night (FGC)

7:00pm Parenting Group Mtg. (JFGC)

### Saturday/Sunday, April 9/10

Social Outreach Food Drive ~ Week 1 of 2



## JOIN US TODAY! DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today, April 3rd is Divine Mercy Sunday. The parish's Divine Mercy Cenacle group invites everyone to a special Mass at 3:00pm at St. Romuald Chapel celebrated by Fr. Nick.

**The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 1:00PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 2:50PM (materials will be provided). The afternoon concludes with the Celebration of Mass at 3:00PM, the hour of mercy, celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith, our Pastor Emeritus.**



### Pizza/Bingo Night

We will be hosting a Pizza/Bingo night on Friday, April 8 in Father Greenan Hall from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Admission is \$10 per person and \$5 per child for children under 10. The fee pays for two bingo cards, two delicious DB's pizza slices, beverage, salad and dessert. Prizes will be awarded. The event is open to all.

Join us for a night of fun, fellowship and laughs. This will be a fast-paced, enjoyable evening for children, parents, relatives and friends. We hope to see you there.

Tickets will be available at the door.

### MAY MONEY MADNESS RETURNS!

Tickets at \$10 each/book of six-\$50 and 12 for \$100 - will be sold throughout the month of April only. 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. Further information to follow on how you can purchase tickets.



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MARYKNOLL LAY MISSIONERS



**Alicia Butkiewicz**

Speaking:

**April 16-17, 2016**

Alicia was born in Bolivia; she became a Maryknoll Lay Missioner in 1982, joining efforts with her husband Bernie Butkiewicz, also a lay missioner. As a lay missioner Alicia focused much of her talents on the creation of faith-based communities and grass roots organizations with indigenous people in Bolivia and in leadership formation. She also served in the leadership team as a Director of Mission for the Maryknoll Lay Missioners. Currently, Alicia is the Manager of Church Relations for the Maryknoll Lay Missioners.

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.mkmlm.org](http://www.mkmlm.org)



**JOIN US FOR COFFEE 'N  
TODAY, APRIL 3RD**

**FOLLOWING THE 10:00AM MASS  
AT ST. FRANCIS CHURCH**

**COFFEE ... JUICE ... FOOD ... FELLOWSHIP  
YOU CAN'T BEAT IT!**

**HOSTED BY  
JEB + DEIDRA STROBLE OF THE PASTORAL COUNCIL**