

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 9

4:30pm Raymond Rogers

Requested by family

Sunday, August 10

8:00am Robert McMahon

Requested by a family friend

10:00am Michael Cooney

12:00NN Dorothy Korkuc

Requested by Deborah Giordano and family

Monday, August 11

7:00am Special Intention

Requested by Jim and Susan Meehan

Tuesday, August 12

7:00am Marion Maggio

Requested by family

Wednesday, August 13

7:00am Margaret Flynn

Requested by Kathleen and Jeff

Thursday, August 14

7:00am Mass for the People

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Friday, August 15

7:00am Rita and Tom O'Rourke and

Warren Behie—*Req. by family*

12:00nn Leona Kelley

Requested by family

Saturday, August 16

4:30pm Ralph and Rose Calitri

Requested by family

Sunday, August 17

8:00am Mary and Nelson Burke

Requested by family

10:00am Jeanne Craig

Requested by Castro family

12:00NN Special Intention for Deacon

Iacono and family-in appreciation



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 9

5:30pm Matilda and Michael Dunphy

Requested by family

Sunday, August 10

8:00am Robert and Mary Cochrane

Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci

10:00am Sabatino and Pearl Vacca and

Gino and Catherine Parente

Requested by family

Thursday, August 14

VIGIL MASS FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF BVM

6:30pm Cheryl Latham

Requested by Linda Latham

Saturday, August 16

5:30pm Lucille and James Ferry

Requested by family

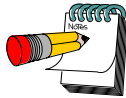
Sunday, August 17

8:00am John and Grace Carpinelli

Requested by family

10:00am Mary and Helen Coffee

Requested by the Dwyer cousins



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Ralph and Rose Calitri.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

During the summer months we are looking for donations of tuna and other canned meats, lunch snacks, pancake/Bisquick mix, and laundry detergent. Thank you for your continued generosity.

ASSUMPTION OF MARY: A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a Holy Day of Obligation. In order to accommodate the population of summer visitors in Matunuck, we have adjusted the schedule. Please take note. A Vigil Mass (which satisfies the obligation) will be celebrated on **Thursday, August 14, at 6:30PM at St. Romuald Chapel**. The Mass of the Day will be celebrated on **Friday, August 15, at 7AM and 12NN in St. Francis Church**. Please note: there will

be no evening Mass on August 15 in St. Francis Church.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Office of Life and Family will offer the *Our Lady of Sorrows* Bereavement Support program at St. Lucy Church, 909 West Main Rd, Middletown (Parish Center, main lot), each Thursday 7:00-8:30 p.m., September 11 through October 30. This support group provides a peaceful place to share and learn about grief, with the spiritual comfort of our Catholic faith. It is most appropriate for adults at least three months beyond their loss. There is no cost to attend! For registration/information, contact: Peter A. Magnotta at 421-7833, ext. 217.

PARISH SUPPORT— August 3

Weekly Support

		August 3rd
Budget envelopes used (304)	-	\$ 6,601.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 2,581.00
Online Giving (# of donors 39)	-	\$ 972.00
Total Budget	-	\$10,154.00

Peter's Pence

Envelopes used (194)	-	\$2,078.00
Other Donations	-	\$ 819.00
Total Peter's Pence	-	\$2,897.00

This weekend's second offering is the monthly offering for August. Thank you for your continued generosity.

AUGUST 10, 2014



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

On Friday, August 15th the Church Universal will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This solemn feast recalls that Mary was "assumed" body and soul into heaven at the end of her earthly life. Pope Pius XII defined the dogma of the Assumption on November 1, 1950: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The readings of the Mass will help us reflect on

Mary, our queen, who, because she belonged to Christ, was raised on high as a great sign for all who believe in her Son. In times past, it was common for the faithful to have the produce of their fields, gardens and orchards blessed on this day as a sign of Mary's continued fruitfulness in heaven through her powerful intercession. It is still a custom to recite the *Ave Regina Caelorum* on this day: "Hail, O Queen of Heaven. / Hail, O Lady of Angels / Hail! thou root, hail! thou gate / From whom unto the world, a light has arisen: / Rejoice, O glorious Virgin, / Lovely beyond all others, / Farewell, most beautiful maiden, / And pray for us to Christ."



Saint Clare of Assisi

Tomorrow, Monday, August 11th, the Church Universal celebrates the memorial of Saint Clare of Assisi, an early follower of Saint Francis. She was the first female Franciscan, having been received into the Order by Saint Francis at the "Portiuncula" despite the objections of her family. Eventually, other women gathered around her to live out the Franciscan ideal. The nuns went barefoot, slept on the ground, ate no meat and observed almost complete silence. (Later Clare, like Francis, persuaded her sisters to moderate this rigor: "Our bodies are not made of brass.") The greatest emphasis, of course, was on gospel poverty. They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions. When even the pope tried to persuade her to mitigate this practice, she showed her characteristic firmness: "I need to be absolved from my sins, but I do not wish to be absolved from the obligation of following Jesus Christ." A well-known story concerns her prayer and trust. She had the Blessed Sacrament placed on the high wall of the convent when it faced attack by invading Saracens. "I beseech you, dear Lord, protect these whom I am now unable to protect." To her sisters she said, "Don't be afraid. Trust in Jesus." The Saracens fled. Saint Clare died in 1253.



Religious Education

Need for Catechists & Aides

Our teachers and aides are a key component of our religious education program. Their unselfish generosity of time and talent is a gift to the young parishioners of St. Francis Parish. We are in need of teachers at various grade levels. *Why not you? Team teaching is an option so invite a friend to join you! Newly confirmed teens, this is your chance to give back to the community the gifts of your faith that were passed on to you.*

The qualifications needed are: a generous heart, enjoyment of young people, and a willingness to share your faith.

Training and assistance are provided. Please call Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro at 792-8684 for more information.



This Week

Sunday, August 10

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, August 11

All parish offices closed.

Tuesday, August 12

6:30pm Event Committee Mtg. (HBH)

Wednesday, August 13

6:30-8pm PRAISE! Rehearsal (HBH)

Thursday, August 14

1:30pm Mass at South Bay Manor

6:30pm Vigil Mass for Assumption at St. Romuald Chapel

Friday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
A Holy Day of Obligation

Masses at St. Francis: 7am and 12nn

6:30pm Stations of the Cross (SR)

7:00pm Rosary (SR)

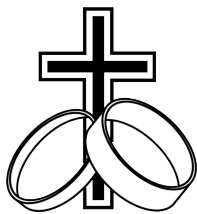
Saturday, August 16

8am Set-up Community Field

House for Parish Breakfast

Twilight Taizé

Our next Twilight Taize prayer service will be held in St. Francis Church on Monday, August 18 at 7PM. The Taize musical ensemble is growing and we are looking forward to featuring a violinist for the first time! We hope you can join us!



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Providence cordially invites you and your spouse to celebrate your 25th, 40th, 50th or OVER Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, September 21st 2014 at 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence, RI. The 2014 Wedding Anniversary Celebration includes: Mass, renewal of wedding vows, a personalized certificate and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant. All registration forms must be turned into the parish office by August 20th in order to have the names of those participating printed in the Mass Booklet. For more information or to sign up for the celebration, please contact Kelli in the main office (783-4411).



Don't miss the annual

MATUNUCK BREAKFAST

NEXT SUNDAY

August 17th from 8:30am to 12Noon

Breakfast includes scrambled eggs, sausage, ham, beans, hashbrowns, fruit salad, muffins and other breakfast pastries, juice, coffee & more. Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend and will be available at the door. Adults-\$8; Children 6-12-\$4; Children 5 and under FREE.

COME ON DOWN!

Restore Life ... Donate Blood!



The parish will be hosting dual
BLOOD DRIVES
next

Sunday, August 17th

9am-1pm at St. Francis

9-11am at St. Romuald

Don't forget to bring your driver's license or another form of identification when you donate.

The Rhode Island Blood Center's policy regarding donor identification requires one of the following:

- ~ A driver's license
- ~ School issued identification
- ~ Passport
- ~ State issued identification
- ~ Military identification
- ~ Birth certificate
- ~ Work/security picture ID

Repeat donors can simply show their blood donor card, and in the case of 16-year-old donors, parent/guardian confirmation, along with the donor card.

Baptized into God's family

Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Zachary Connor Marques and Genevieve Xuan Tran who were baptized last Sunday at St. Francis Church by Fr. Upton. Your parish family rejoices with you!



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FRIDAYS AT 6:30PM FOLLOWED BY

**ROSARY AT 7:00PM AT
ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL**