

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 22

4:30pm Pat Pezzelli

25th Anniversary Mass—Req. by family

Sunday, August 23

8:00am Luongo & DaSilva families

Requested by family

10:00am Michael J. Scarpellino

Birthday Remembrance

12:00nn Raymond Rogers

Requested by family

Monday, August 24

7:00am Sonny Goodwin

Requested by daughter Kathy Cawley

Tuesday, August 25

7:00am Special Intention

Requested by Jim and Susan Meehan

Wednesday, August 26

7:00am Mass for the people

Thursday, August 27

7:00am Mass of Thanksgiving

Friday, August 28

7:00am Walter DiPrete

Requested by wife

Saturday, August 29

4:30pm Matilda Coppolino

Requested by family

Sunday, August 30

8:00am Celebrant's Intention

10:00am Albert & Joan Montani

Requested by son Gerry

12:00NN Robert Joseph Lyons, Jr.

Requested by Patricia Schmidt



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 22

5:30pm Brian Fay

Requested by family

Sunday, August 23

8:00am Robert and Mary Cochrane

Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci

10:00am Galligan and Wynne family

Requested by family

Saturday, August 29

5:30pm Dorothy Maddren

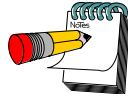
Requested by Kathleen Dwyer

Sunday, August 30

8:00am Special Intention

10:00am Joseph Cabral

*Requested by Claire Cabral
and Cheryll Catallozzi*



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

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

THE JONNYCAKE CENTER'S ANNUAL GALA

Breaking the Waves of Hunger will be held on Friday, September 11, 2015, from 6-9 pm, at The Dunes Club in Narragansett, RI. Cocktails on the oceanside lawn, dinner, live auctions, raffle baskets and more! Live music by Take It To The Bridge. All to benefit the Jonnycake Center of Peace Dale. Tickets are \$75.00 and there will be a cash bar. Seating is limited, so reserve early. Visit www.jonnycakecenter.org for tickets and more information, or call 789-1559 x 14.

ADULT ORIENTATION

If you would like to volunteer at the Jonnycake Center, the next Center's summer orientation will be held on September 17 at 10:30am, second floor of the Jonnycake Center. Please call Paula Thayer at 789-1559 x 17 or email her at volunteer@jonnycake.necoxmail.com to sign up. All are welcome!

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. Please come and pick up your copy.

A CELEBRATION HONORING PRIESTS

You're invited to Relevant Radio 550 AM's Fall Luncheon, "A Celebration Honoring Priests" on Friday, September 11, 2015 at Quidnessett Country Club, 950 North Quidnessett Road, North Kingstown. Keynote Speaker: Fr. Richard Simon, host of *Father Simon Says*. Reception/Registration: 11:30-Noon; Luncheon: Noon-2:00pm.

Register at www.relevantradio.com—keyword: Fall

Invite your favorite priest to lunch! They hope that you will join them for this special event.

PARISH SUPPORT— August 16, 2015

Weekly Support

		August 16
Budget envelopes used (276)	-	\$6,334.50
Loose Donations	-	\$2,592.50
Online Giving (# of donors 39)	-	\$ 917.50
Total Budget	-	\$9,844.50

This weekend's second offering is the Ongoing Maintenance fund offering for August. **Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.**

AUGUST 23, 2015

From the Pastor

Last Sunday's parish breakfast was a great success thanks to your support. Well over 300 attended and a whole cadre of parishioners of all ages provided the food and the service. There was a bittersweet moment when we all thanked Fran and Cathy Fitzpatrick, who have organized this event for the last 17 years. They are stepping down now and the torch has been passed to Gerri Marsocci and Ellen Schwab. We can't thank Cathy and Fran enough for their many years of work on this great event which is always such a success in bringing people together. I met any number of non-parishioners who came for the wonderful breakfast and to see their friends and neighbors. As the Fitzpatricks would be the first to say, this breakfast is entirely a team effort. Several dozen people helped to get the food, prepare it, and serve it. It was particularly gratifying to see a half-dozen of our confirmation candidates there to help serve the food. The weekend was very warm and humid but the open-sided tents had to be erected, and the tables and chairs had to be brought from the Father Greenan Center. And of course, everyone's favorite: the whole thing had to be dissembled and cleaned up. God bless the work and the workers!

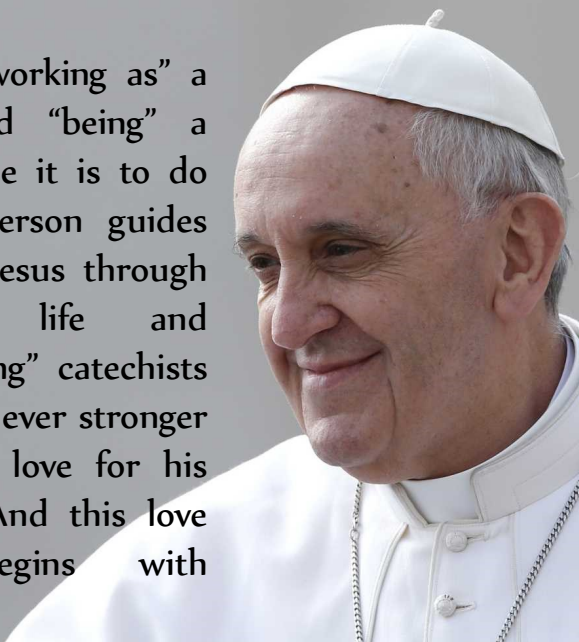
I'm also happy to report also that 16 people gave blood last Sunday.

Religious Education is gearing up to begin next month. Please make sure all the children are registered. We're always looking for more teachers, so please think about making this your ministry for the coming school year. Barbette Cullen, our director, will provide teacher training and support, so one needn't be a trained educator to serve in this way.

Fr. Bodah

Pope Francis:

I did not say "working as" a catechist, I said "being" a catechist, because it is to do with life. A person guides others towards Jesus through their words, life and testimony. "Being" catechists requires love, an ever stronger love for Christ, love for his holy people." And this love necessarily "begins with Christ".



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

will begin on **Sunday, September 20th** for Grades K-6 and **Wednesday, September 23rd** for Grades 7&8 and those students already enrolled in Wednesday classes for Grades 3-6. Those families new to the parish and families with children entering First Grade must register. Catholic school students in grade 2 must register for First Holy Communion class. Students currently enrolled in the program are automatically promoted to the next grade and do not need to register again. Registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church. Please note: 9th and 10th grade Confirmation classes were held in July.



This Week

Monday, August 24

7:30am-12nn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

6:30pm Event Committee Mtg. (HBH)

Thursday, August 27

6:30pm Children's Liturgy of the Word Mtg. for presenters (HBH)

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



If you'd like to become a part of this wonderful community, registering in the parish is a quick process that'll take about five minutes over the phone (783 -4411) or you can see Fr. Bodah after Mass this weekend to register.



CATECHISTS & AIDES NEEDED

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 on Sundays: Grades 1 & 2 from 8:50-9:50 and Grades 3-6 from 10:50-11:50 and Wednesday: Grades 3-6 from 4:15-5:15 and Grades 7&8 from 7:00-8:15. *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: weekly participation at Sunday Eucharist, 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.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED

We are in need of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, at all Masses but especially at the 4:30 Mass on Saturday and the Noon on Sunday. EMs must be Roman Catholics in good standing, confirmed, and attending Mass regularly in the parish. If married, they must be married according to the laws of the Catholic Church. They must be in good health and trying to live lives in consonance with the law of God. Training will be provided. Please consider this important ministry. If interested, please contact the rectory at (401) 783-4411 or email us at saintfrancis00@aol.com. Thank you.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

will take place during the 10:00AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church beginning **September 27th**! There will be a meeting on **Thursday, August 27th at 6:30** in Helen Bouchard Hall for those adults interested in being a presenter. We provide you with all of the materials and assistance in preparing for the Sunday readings. You would be responsible to present once every six or seven weeks, depending on the number of presenters. If you want to learn more please contact Barbette in the Religious Education Office at 792-8684 and come to the meeting!



MONSIGNOR MATTHEW F. CLARKE REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

is expanding and has openings in all grades for 2015-16 school year! MCS is the flagship elementary school owned and operated by the Diocese of Providence enrolling students of **all faiths** from Washington, Kent, and Newport Counties. Generous scholarships are available for qualified families. MCS is the "**Cure for the Common Core**". Visit their website (www.monsignorclarkeschool.org) or call 401-789-0860 to arrange a school tour at YOUR convenience.