

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, August 23

4:30pm Feeny / Robinson families  
*Requested by family*

#### Sunday, August 24

8:00am Martha Mulligan  
10:00am William & Mary Apicerno  
*Requested by family*  
12:00NN Robert P. Reidy  
*8th Anniversary*

#### Monday, August 25

7:00am Michael Cooney  
*Requested by Jean McGair*

#### Tuesday, August 26

7:00am Mass for the People

#### Wednesday, August 27

7:00am Jeanne McDonald Craig  
*Requested by Alfred and Barbara Crudale*

#### Thursday, August 28

7:00am Sonny Goodwin  
*Requested by daughter Kathy Cawley*

#### Friday, August 29

7:00am Mary-Frances Esty & Nancy Caswell  
*Requested by family*

#### Saturday, August 30

4:30pm Howard Fanning  
*Requested by Yvonne Fanning*

#### Sunday, August 31

8:00am Matilda Coppolino  
*Requested by family*  
10am Special Intention for Jennifer DeSilva  
*Requested by Cynthia & Jack Smyth*  
12:00NN Rocco and Mary Gemma  
*Requested by family*



### St. Romuald Chapel

#### Saturday, August 23

5:30pm George "Buster" Rivera

#### Sunday, August 24

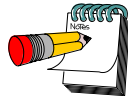
8:00am Alice and Hilding Munson  
*Requested by family*  
10:00am Michael J. Scarpellino  
*Requested by family*

#### Saturday, August 30

5:30pm Nancy and Charles Galligan  
*Requested by family*

#### Sunday, August 31

8:00am Billie Holland and Helen Mitchell  
*Requested by Mary C. Young*  
10:00am Barney Fenaughty  
*Requested by Mom, Dad and family*



### For Your Information

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

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

#### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION AND BENEDICTION



In an attempt to welcome and provide more people with the opportunity to adore the Lord on the first Friday of every month, we are changing the time for First Friday Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. The new time is 4:30 - 5:00PM. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be available during Adoration. Please stop in on your way home from work and spend a few minutes with Our Lord and receive His blessing.

#### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

After consultation with parish staff, the decision was made to discontinue the 8AM First Saturday Mass in St. Francis.

#### RHODE ISLAND BLOOD CENTER

Thank you for sponsoring your blood drives on August 17. Your support helped the Rhode Island Blood Center to ensure a safe and adequate blood supply to our hospitals. A total of **6** donors were able to give at St Francis and **13** at St. Romuald Chapel. Since one pint can save up to three lives, your **19** donations potentially benefited up to **57** people in Rhode Island and beyond! Great job! All blood donations will make a difference in someone's life. A significant amount of the blood collected at our blood drives will go towards treating children with leukemia, automobile accident victims and patients needing organ transplants. It is because of generous folks like yourself, who host blood drives, that we are able to give hope to patients and their families. Please extend my thanks to everyone else that helped with the drive. It was a pleasure working with you and I look forward to our next drive. ~ Jen Whelihan

#### PARISH SUPPORT— August 17

##### Weekly Support

		<u>August 17th</u>
Budget envelopes used (312)	-	\$ 6,726.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 3,268.00
Online Giving (# of donors 40)	-	\$ 982.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$ 10,976.00</b>

##### Assumption of BVM

Envelopes used (127)	-	\$ 1,401.50
Other Donations	-	\$ 516.00
<b>Total Assumption of BVM</b>	-	<b>\$ 1,917.50</b>

This weekend's second offering will be the Mission Coop Offering. We welcome Father David Powers, Sch.P. of the Piarist Fathers.

Next weekend's second offering will be the Ongoing Maintenance Fund Offering. As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

AUGUST 24, 2014



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU.

### WHAT IS DIVINE MERCY?

In the 1930's a special devotion began to spread through the Church. A young polish nun, now Saint Faustina Kowalska, was visited by Jesus who instructed her to spread the message of his "Divine Mercy."

The message is simple: **God loves us no matter how great our sins are.** This doesn't mean that he overlooks our sin, but he wants us to realize that his mercy is infinitely greater than us! Jesus instructed that an image be commissioned with Himself at the center, and two rays emanating from his Sacred Heart, one white ray (symbolizing the cleansing power of baptism) and one red ray (symbolizing the blood Jesus shed on the cross to save us from our sins). At the bottom of this image, Jesus instructed that the words, "Jesus, I Trust in You" be prominently displayed. Trust in Jesus' mercy and love is at the heart of this beautiful devotion.

This parish has a great devotion to Divine Mercy and offers several opportunities a month to learn more about Saint Faustina and the message she was asked to promote. The Divine Mercy Cenacle meets every 2nd and 4th Monday and Thursday at Saint Romuald Chapel and is led by Bill Harding. The Monday group meets at 1:00pm and the Thursday group meets at 7:00pm. The next Divine Mercy Cenacle will meet on Thursday, August 28th at 7:00PM at Saint Romuald Chapel. All newcomers welcome and encouraged to join us.



### CHOIR REHEARSALS START TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

*He who sings prays twice! Is this the season you try praying twice with our joyful choir? Come check out a rehearsal; it is relaxed, yet filled with the music of the Holy Spirit! Bring a friend :) No experience needed... any questions, just stop up to the loft after Mass to chat or call me, Mimi Battey, at 792-8301. **Welcome back, returning choir ministers! Looking forward to a wonderful year of song, fellowship, ministry, and praise to the Lord!! See YOU in the loft!***



### SILENT AUCTION?????

A social event is being planned for the fall. The event committee is seeking auction items for a silent auction. Example: a week or weekend at summer / winter home or condo/timeshare; event tickets or any type of services. If you can help with this endeavor, please contact Jean McGair at 783-1633 or Ellen Schwab at 789-7707. We're also looking for new faces to help out with event planning. Please call the office (783-4411) or Ellen if you'd like to help.



## Religious Education

### CLASSES BEGIN:

Our Religious Ed classes will begin on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Students currently enrolled in the program are automatically promoted and do not need to register. A mailing was sent this past Monday. If you have a child entering First grade or a Catholic school student in grades 2, 9 and 10 you must register now so they will be assigned a class. Please call the Religious Education Office to register. For more information, please call Barbette or Diane at 792-8684.

### NEED FOR CATECHISTS

Won't you please prayerfully consider being a catechist this year? Team teaching is always an option and encouraged. The qualifications needed are: a generous heart, enjoyment of young people, and a willingness to share our Catholic faith. Training and assistance are provided.

We need catechists and substitutes at various grade levels 8 catechists in grades 1-6 and 5 in grades 7-10. Please call Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro at 792-8684.

**VOLUNTEER SHEETS** for Religious Ed. have been placed at the entrances of the church this weekend. If you feel called to help out with the Religious Ed. program but teaching just isn't your cup of tea, pick up a volunteer sheet and see all the many different areas we could use your help that don't necessarily involve being a catechist. Of course, we're always in need of additional catechists and aides too. Whatever your gift, there's a place for you!



### A WORD OF THANKS

Thank you to all the cleaning teams who help us each weekend at St. Romuald Chapel. Your devotion to St. Rom's is much appreciated. - Bill Harding

### SPEAKING OF CLEANING TEAMS ...

ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL cleaning teams would like to add some new members to their crews. Please consider volunteering! You will be assigned to a four or five member team and will only be scheduled about once every six weeks. The cleaning normally takes place on Saturdays mornings and it takes about 90 minutes. Please call Mary Grace Hood at 401-782-6501 or email me at [mary\\_grace@cox.net](mailto:mary_grace@cox.net) if you need more information or if would like to help. You can also leave your name and number in the sacristy at the chapel. Thank you!

### ST. FRANCIS CHURCH CLEANING TEAM would also like to add some new members.

Please consider volunteering to help keep our church looking beautiful! You will be assigned to a team and will only be scheduled about once every four to five weeks. The cleaning normally takes place on Saturday mornings. Please call the parish office (783-4411) or Cleaning Team Coordinator Jean McGair at 783-1633 or email her at [jean@mcgair.com](mailto:jean@mcgair.com) if you'd like more information. Thank you.

### INQUIRY NIGHT

Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic? Perhaps a relative or friend who has inquired about the Catholic faith and possibly has questions about what the requirements are to become a Catholic? If you know anyone who fits this description, please tell them about the **Inquiry Night** being held here at St. Francis Church on **Thursday evening, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** in the parish office building.

### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

This ministry began at St. Francis/ St. Romuald in October 2008. Since then we have been meeting the **1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month** to knit (and chat). We continue to work on the shawls at home. As the Prayer Shawls are knit or crocheted, we pray for the person who will receive it. Once completed, the prayer shawls are blessed and ready to be given away. If you know of someone who would benefit from a shawl (perhaps battling an illness or suffering a loss), please call Kathy Carney at 294-6775. **New knitters are always welcome.** NEXT MEETING – Thursday, September 4th at 6:30pm. Call the Kathy Carney at above number for more information.



## This Week

### Sunday, August 24

7:00pm AA (HBH)

### Monday, August 25

7:30-12Noon Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (SFC)

1:00pm Divine Mercy Cenacle (SRC)

### Wednesday, August 27

7:00pm Grade 7/8 Teacher Mtg. (FGC)

### Thursday, August 28

7:00pm Divine Mercy Cenacle (SRC)

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

7:00pm Confirmation Gr. 9 &10 Teacher Mtg. (FGC)

### Friday, August 29

6:30pm Stations of the Cross (SR)

7:00pm Rosary (SR)



### 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.



## MASS schedule change

Beginning Sunday,  
September 7th

Mass at St. Romuald Chapel will be:  
Saturday, 5:30PM &  
Sunday, 10:00AM

Be sure to visit us at:

[http://](http://stfranciswakefield.com)

[stfranciswakefield.com](http://stfranciswakefield.com) or

[http://facebook.com/](http://facebook.com/stfranciswakefield)

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