

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 27

4:30pm William Brousseau

Requested by family

Sunday, August 28

9:00am Special Intention

Requested by DaSilva family

11am Clinton Salisbury

Requested by Elizabeth Salisbury

Monday, August 29

7:00am Candy Gootee

Requested by Susan and Jim Meehan

Tuesday, August 30

7:00am Marilyn Maley

Requested by parish family

Wednesday, August 31

7:00am Matilda Coppolino

Requested by family

Thursday, September 1

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Friday, September 2

7:00am Walter DiPrete

Requested by wife

Saturday, September 3

4:30pm Brian Fay

Requested by family

Sunday, September 4

9:00am Celebrant's Intention

11:00am Mass for the people



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 27

5:30pm Raymond Quirk, Sr.

Requested by family

Sunday, August 28

8:00am Joseph Cabral

Req. by wife Claire and daughter Cheryl

10:00am Bernard & Daniel Fenaughty

Requested by Mom and Dad

Saturday, September 3

5:30pm Norbert and Marguerite Jarbeau

Requested by Dan and Corinne McKinnon

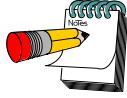
Sunday, September 4

8:00am Dufault family

Requested by family

10:00am Daniel Fenaughty

Requested by Pat McGovern



For Your Information

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will take place during the 10:00AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church beginning **September 25th** through April 30th. There will be a meeting for those interested in being a presenter on **Monday, Sept. 12th at 6:30** in Helen Bouchard Hall. We provide you with all of the materials and assistance in preparing for the Sunday readings. You would be responsible to present once every 5 or 6 weeks, depending on the number of presenters. If you want to learn more please contact Barbette in the Rel. Ed. Office at 792-8684 and come to the meeting!

FEATURE FILM FRENZY (F3)

We all know that media plays a vital role in identifying emerging cultural trends in everything from fashion to future technology. Sometimes the trends are against our family values. St. Francis' Feature Film Frenzy will help us discover some secular films that are dedicated to Christian values. Because Father Greenan Center provides a comfortable and stylish ambiance for entertainment, St. Francis will begin to showcase popular features, documentaries and shorts. F3 will not only be paying tribute to these films as works of art but also confirm that some media promotes superior values and Christian morality. Look for our first Feature Film Frenzy to begin soon. Synopses and ratings will be included.

BEER AND WINE TASTING

Whether you are an alumnus of Msgr. Clarke School or just want to support our regional Catholic elementary/middle school, you may do so by joining the Msgr. Clarke community at a Beer & Wine Tasting evening on Friday, September 16th from 6-9pm on the grounds of Msgr. Clarke School. Tickets may be purchased at the main church after Masses on September 3rd & 4th or through their website at www.monsignorclarkeschool.org

SUPER 50/50 RAFFLE

PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL TO SELL ALL 1,000 TICKETS FOR ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH ... \$20.00 per ticket. **THERE WILL BE 6 CASH PRIZE WINNERS-** Totaling \$10,000.00... (Based on the sale of 1,000 tickets).

1st Prize: \$5,000.00 and **Five 2nd Prizes:** \$1,000.00 Cash Prize winners! *ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH will receive \$10,000.00!* Drawing: St. Francis' Father Greenan Hall, South Kingstown, RI on October 14, 2016 during our Pasta Dinner Night.

***Winners are not required to be present at Super 50/50 Raffle.**

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

		August 21
Budget envelopes used (254)	-	\$ 7,076.50
Loose Donations	-	\$ 2,355.00
Online Giving (# of donors -55)	-	\$ 1,413.50
Total Budget	-	\$10,845.00

This weekend's second offering is the Ongoing Maintenance fund offering. Next weekend's second offering will be the Monthly offering for September. **As always, thank you for your continued generosity.**

AUGUST 28, 2016

From the Pastor

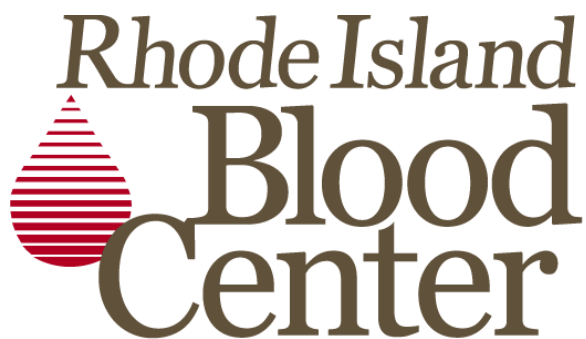
Last Sunday was a perfect day for our annual parish breakfast. Thanks to Gerri Marsocci and Ellen Schwab and their team of workers too many to be listed, the event went off smoothly—at least to my eyes. As of this writing, there are no statistics to share: number of tickets sold, number of people in attendance, number of workers, hours worked, net profit, etc. I hope to be able to share at least some of that next week.

We are closing in on a project that has been a whole year in the planning: putting a bannister on the outside of the stairs going down from the church to Helen Bouchard Hall. Some time ago a parishioner told me that she has to go down the stairs on the wrong side since she needs the support of the bannister, which is only on one side of the staircase. As the poet said, “the mills of God grind slowly,” and we are only now coming into the home stretch on the project. Or at least there is light at the end of the tunnel, as it were.

The religious education program is gearing up for the year and we are looking for teachers. If you have any interest or would like more information, please contact the Religious Education Office, whose number is on the front of the bulletin (with other items of general interest to which I could draw your attention.)

Don't forget to spread the word that two weeks from now, the weekend *after* Labor Day, we return to the usual Mass schedule of 4:30, 8, 10 & noon in the church and 10 a.m. at the chapel.

Fr. Bodah



BLOOD DRIVE

First responders never take the summer off. When it comes to life-saving blood, YOU are the first responders.

WE NEED YOU ON DUTY!

Sunday, September 4th

AT ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL

Please plan on stopping by ... you just may be saving a life!
Sponsored by RI Blood Center.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

CATECHIST MEETING

Training session for Catechists in grades 5 & 6 on Thursday, Sept. 8th at 2:30 in Fr. Greenan Ctr.

Our **Religious Education Classes** will begin on **Sunday, September 18th** for Grades K-6 and **Wednesday, September 21st** 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 their child/ren. 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.

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: weekly participation at Sunday Eucharist, a generous heart, enjoyment of young people, and a willingness to share your faith.

Please call Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro at 792-8684 for more information. We will be waiting for your call! Training and assistance are provided.

LIQUIDATION SALE!

Because Kelli McNulty is entering religious life, she must let go of all earthly belongings. Freezer, small kitchen appliances and utensils, beds and sets, lamps, her 2013 Honda Crosstour with 36,000 miles, Harman Accentra 52i-Majolica brown—wood pellet stove, fireplace insert-(only used two winters...HUGE savings on oil!...went from 7 oil deliveries per winter down to one), Weber Deluxe grill, etc. are available for purchase. Call Christina Moynihan to set up a time for a pre-showing of the plethora of home goods we are selling: 783-4411 ext. 14.

AFFAIRS OF THE ARTS:

Is your free time spent in creating things, focusing on your hobby? Do you know line-dancing? Are you an avid stamp collector? Do you paint watercolors or acrylics in your free time? Is flora your passion? Can you fold paper into swans? Our St. Francis Parish asks all impassioned hobbyists to share their talents, work, crafts, and hobbies with our community. We, also, hope you are willing to teach classes about them. Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411, etc. 14.

Save these dates:

September 20th, Tuesday – 6:30-8:30 Knitting with the Sock Queen, Michelle Brousseau

October 13th, Thursday- 6:30-8:30 Oil Paintings with Sharon Clossick

November 4th, Friday – 6:30 -8:30 Glass Painting and Wine Tasting with Diane Costanza

November 12th, Saturday- 10-12:30 Nativity Peg Dolls with Barbette Cullen

November 27th, Sunday – 1-3 Advent Wreath Workshop with Barbette Cullen

BETTER PART PROGRAM

In Luke 10: 41- 42, Martha rushes to provide entertainment for Christ, while Mary listens. Sitting at Christ's feet signifies readiness to receive Christ's word and willingness to submit to the guidance of it. That is "the better part". Come spend an evening listening to empowering lectures with fellow parishioners and guest speakers as St. Francis Parish hosts *The Better Part Program*. Save the dates:

September 14th, Wednesday at 6:30 p.m!

Allison Tarzwell will be presenting: "Thanks for Having Me, Mom," sharing about her life as a person with Down's Syndrome. And...

September 29th, Thursday at 6:30 p.m!

Father Robert Randall will be presenting: "History Is Now," illustrating how the time of fulfillment promised by Christ is here.

Future Programs: October 20th, Christian Meditation with Maureen Corcoran; November 3rd, Missionary Life in Haiti with The Moynihan Family

If you have any ideas for empowering lectures, please call Christina Moynihan.

SAINT CLARE'S COOPERATIVE- PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Let's create an inexpensive and simple alternative to home babysitting. Together we provide supervised play in the kid-friendly Father Greenan Center and enjoy a parent-provided snack. With help of Teen volunteers and some adult parishioners, both the supervision and the snacks are provided by the families involved. This service would be for potty-trained children ages 3–12 years. We'll provide appropriate activities for children, while parents have some time off to go out on a date, catch a movie, hang out with friends, run errands, attend our Better Part Program, etc. A couple of hours of fun for your children! This includes a movie, diverse activities, dance party, and nourishment! We can accomplish this together! Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411, ext. 14 or email christinam.stfrancis@gmail.com.

ATTENTION YOUNG FAMILIES...

St. Francis Assisi Parish wants you to know that your family – **with** all of its LIFE like commotion, noise, crying, whispering, wiggling, fiddling, and fussing- is not simply tolerated in our church, it is a **VITAL PART** of our Catholic Community gathered together to worship our God as ONE. We remember and know it is an enormous task to come to Mass and we will all reach out to make you feel at home. After all, Church is not just a building; it is **all** of us: God's children coming together to express their love for their Creator. Thank you for your efforts! Keep coming!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO HOMEBOUND

This ministry provides Holy Communion to those who are unable to join the community at Mass, either temporarily or for an extended period. Lay ministers visit homes, hospitals, and nursing homes, uniting the homebound to the other members of the parish through the body of Christ. To request a visit or to volunteer for the ministry please contact Christina Moynihan.



This Week

Monday, August 29

7:30am-12:00nn Adoration

7:00pm Pastoral Council Mtg. (MCCR)

Thursday, September 1

6:30pm Prayer Shawl Group (MCCR)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

First Friday, September 2

10am-12nn Fr. Bodah's Pastoral Visits

Sunday, September 4

8-11am RI Blood Drive at St. Romuald Chapel