NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 6

4:30pm James Sweet

Requested by family

Sunday, August 7

9:00am Kerri Bessette

Requested by Mom, Dad and Scott 11:00am James Dware & John "Jack" Cain Requested by Barbara Potter

Monday, August 8

7:00am Walter DiPrete

Requested by wife

Tuesday, August 9

7:00am Allyn M. Greene

Requested by Catherine W. Pearson

Wednesday, August 10

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Thursday, August 11

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Friday, August 12

7:00am Margaret Flynn

Requested by Kathleen and Jeff Carney

Saturday, August 13

4:30pm Wayne Fanning

Requested by Yvonne

Sunday, August 14

9:00am Special Intention —

Maria Carmen Roxas birthday remembrance

11am Perpetual Mass Association

Members



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 6

5:30pm Craig Bento, James and Mary O'Rourke Requested by family

Sunday, August 7

8:00am Robert & Mary Cochrane
Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci

10:00am Michael Maggiacomo

Requested by Mary Ellen Maggiacomo

Saturday, August 13

5:30pm Matilda and Michael Dunphy Requested by family

Sunday, August 14

8:00am James and Lucille Ferry Requested by family

10:00am Alice and Hilding Munson Requested by family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

The sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Rose Calitri.

THE 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. Series' speakers and dates to follow.

ST CLARE'S COOPERATIVE PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Let's create an inexpensive and simple alternative to home babysitting. Together we provide supervised play in the kidfriendly Father Greenan Center and enjoy a parent-provided snack. Both the supervision and the snacks are provided by the families involved. This service would be for potty-trained children ages 3-12 years twice a month. We'll provide a simple meal and 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, etc. Four hours of fun for your kids! This includes a movie, diverse activities, dance party and pizza for dinner! We can accomplish this together! Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411, ext. 14 email or christinam.stfrancis@gmail.com.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, August 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Though it is not a holy day of obligation this year because it falls within 24 hours of your Sunday obligation, we will have Mass at St. Francis Church in honor of Our Lady's feast day at 7:00am and 12:00nn.

PARISH SUPPORT

 Weekly Support
 July 31st

 Budget envelopes used (261)
 \$ 6,567.50

 Loose Donations
 \$ 2,461.00

 Online Giving (# of donors -59)
 \$ 1,508.50

 Total Budget
 \$10,537.00

This weekend's second offering is the Peter's Pence offering for the Holy Father's intentions. Next weekend's second offering will be the Monthly offering for August. As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

AUGUST 7, 2016

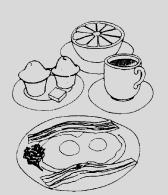
From the Pastor

A word of explanation: About 4 or 5 years ago, a parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous made a sizable donation to the parish to erect two statues outside the church, one of St. Francis and the other of our Lady. The landscaping around St. Francis was done when the statue was erected but the landscaping around the Blessed Virgin hasn't been done yet. The new wall along the west side of the walk leading to the south door is the start of that project. New shrubbery and flowering plants will be added, I hope before the end of the summer. This project is funded by that original generous donation; it does not come from parish funds.

A word of admonition: When the newsman Charles Kuralt was travelling around the USA, as he did for many years, interviewing people about life in our country, he went to the house of a farming family in the Midwest. This was in the early 1970s and on the wall was a photograph of President Nixon. Mr. Kuralt remarked that the farmer must be a Republican. "Why do you say that," asked the farmer." "You have a picture of Richard Nixon on your wall," said Mr. Kuralt. "No, sir," answered the farmer. "That's a picture of the President of the United States."

It is not wrong to have political convictions, but certainly the church is no place for partisan politics, still less for hatemongering, either toward the president or our elected official, or toward anyone running for office. Parishioners have voiced to me their discomfort with certain individuals attending services here and then attempting to browbeat them with political views that can only be described as hateful. Please leave your politics at the door of the church and let everyone worship in peace. God bless the United States!

Fr. Bodah



End-of-Summer Breakfast

at the Community Field House, Matunuck

Sunday, August 21st WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH SETUP AND CLEANUP!

We also need:
Pick-up trucks - Servers Pastry donations

If you would like to help but are unable to attend, please contact Gerri Marsocci at 783–2369 or Ellen Schwab at 789–7707.



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. Catholic school students in grade 2 must register for First Holy Communion class.

Students currently enrolled in the program automatically are promoted to the next grade and do not need register to again. Registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church. Please **9**th and 10th note: grade Confirmation classes were held in July.



Monday, August 8

No Adoration today. Parish Offices are closed.

Thursday, August 11

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

MATUNUCK BREAKFAST

TICKETS ON SALE

this weekend and next after all Masses at the church and chapel.

\$8—adults;

\$4—children ages 6-12; Children 5 & under—FREE



BOSTON RED SOX FANS:

Sandor Kopitz, the "inside sales representative" for Fenway Park, has invited us to the Baltimore Orioles game on September 12th at 7:10p.m. The tickets are as follows:

Bleachers-\$22/Grandstand-\$23/ Pavilion Reserved- \$61

Please contact Sandor Kopitz at skopitz@redsox.com if you are interested.

FAMILY MASS:

On August 20th at 4:30p.m., we will have our next Family Mass. The Family Gathering immediately following will celebrate "Family Olympics." In commemoration of the closing of the Brazilian



Summer Olympics, St. Francis families will have a chance to compete in our events. Prizes and rewards will be given. See you there!

Please contact Christina Moynihan about having your children participate in our next Family Mass. Children are invited to do the *Church Chores* of reading the prayers of the faithful, ushering, collecting offerings, bringing up the gifts, greeting and passing bulletins. Contact

christinam.stfrancis@gmail.com or 783-4411 ext. 14.



AFFAIRS OF THE ART:

Is your free time spent in creating things, focusing on your hobby? 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 parishioners to share their talents, work, crafts, and hobbies with our community. We, also, hope you are willing to teach classes about them.



Look for Diane Costanza to teach us how to paint wine glasses in November.

Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411, etc. 14.

DISCERNING RELIGIOUS LIFE

The Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth invite young women of high school and college age to learn about religious life and discern their vocation at St. Thomas More Church-Wednesday, August 10th- 9a.m. to 4 p.m. Please RSVP @401-421-7070.



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: 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.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE 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.