Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



7:30pm Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday, April 1

8:00am †For the Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

10:00am†Patrick Sullivan Dufficy Requested by Mom & Ďad

12:00nn †Lloyd Eden

Requested by Mark & Diane Castro ~~~~~~~

Monday, April 2

7:00am †Frederick Cloos

Requested by Susan & Jim Meehan

Tuesday, April 3

7:00am Mass for the People

Wednesday, April 4 7:00am Special Intention

Thursday, April 5

7:00am †Sylvia DeLuca

Requested by Rosemarie Allen

Friday, April 6

7:00am†Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie Requested by Family Saturday, April 7

4:30 †Branden DeLuca

Requested by Family Sunday, April 8

8:00am †Jonathan Rossi

Requested by Jose & Venerina DaSilva 10:00am†Marjorie Meehan

Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan

12:00nn †Édward Vallette

Requested by Family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1

10:00am †David Tyrrell

Requested by Family

Sunday, April 8

10:00am †Lynn Quirk Holland Requested by Anne Cooney



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Patrick Sullivan Dufficy.



Fr. Bodah and the Staff of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Romuald would like to wish you all a very Blessed Easter! Know that you and your families remain in our prayers!

> THE PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 2ND

2018 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL "Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2018 IS: \$115,000.00 As of 3-16-18 the amount raised is: \$57,305.00

Total # of gifts: 218; % of Goal—49.83%; % of Participation—10.43%

Christ has no body now on Earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours is the body through which He is to go about doing good; yours are the hands with which He is to bless people now. The Catholic Charity Appeal is a very practical means of "doing good."

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support
Budget envelopes used (264)
Loose Donations
Online Giving (# of donors–58)
Total Budget <u> March 25</u> \$6,909.50 \$1,494.00 \$1,564.00 **\$9,967.50**

The second collection this week the Easter Collection for the Diocese. The second collection next week is the Monthly Collection

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

APRIL 1, 2018

From the Pastor,

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! This past week, we commemorated the saving death of our Lord. "He died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures." (1 Cor. 15:3) Today we celebrate his glorious resurrection "and rose again for our justification." (Romans 4:25) St. Paul sums up this mystery also in Romans 8:34 "Christ who died, rather, was raised, who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us." We became partakers in the mystery of death and resurrection by baptism into the body of Christ. We belong to the Conqueror of Death, we share his life, and so have hope of resurrection unto eternal life. Today we also renew the promises of our baptism by which we received that hope of life. The Second Letter to the Thessalonians puts it thus: "This saying is trustworthy: If we have died with Christ, we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him. But if we deny him, he will deny us. If we are unfaithful [to God], he will still remain faithful, for he cannot deny himself." Glory be to him who overcame death by his death and brought us life by his resurrection!

I'll be away till Friday afternoon. Friday evening I hope to see many of you at the Pizza Bingo from 5-7 in the Father Greenan Center. It's great fun and a good way to get out, meet some fellow parishioners, and maybe even win something!

Fr. Bodah

We are glad that you are here with us this morning. Whether you moved here a while ago or are just here for a brief stay, we welcome you.

If you would like to become a part of this wonderful community, registering in the parish is a quick process that will take about five



minutes over the phone (783-4411) or you can see Father Bodah after Mass to inquire about registering. Again, welcome and God bless!



RELIGIOUS **EDUCATION CLASSES**

Sunday, April 1st

Happy Easter! No Religious Ed Classes today See you on the 8th.

Wednesday, April 4th 4:15-5:15pm GRADES 3-6 Our last Wednesday class is next week April 11th.

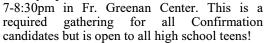


Wednesday, April 4th 4-8:15pm (HBH) RESCHEDULED **Middle School Retreat** for Grades 7 & 8

We were able to reschedule our middle school retreat with NET Ministries for Wednesday April 4th. If you haven't submitted your permission slip/\$25 fee please bring it with you. Just contact the religious education office to let them know that you will be coming. The retreat will be held in Helen Bouchard Hall promptly at 4:00pm and will end at 8:15pm. A light dinner (pizza, salad & desserts) will be provided as part of the evening.

Our next HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

NIGHT will be held on Sunday April 8th from



Msgr. Clarke 8th grade students

If you are currently an 8th grade student at Msgr.

Clarke School, please contact the religious education office at 792-8684 or by emailing castro stfrancis@verizon.net to register for our Confirmation program.



Steubenville East Youth Conference attendees & parents

A meeting will be held on Sunday, April 8th

from 6-7pm in Fr. Greenan Center for all teens (and their parents) who will be attending the 2018 Steubenville East Youth Conference this summer. Fund raising plans and general conference information will be discussed. It is important that you attend.

This Week Monday, April 2

OFFICE CLOSED -<u>NO ADORATION-THERE IS</u> A FUNERAL ON MONDAY

Tuesday, April 3

6:00pm Social Outreach Committee Meeting (FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (SF)

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

Thursday, April 5

7:00pm RCIA (MCCR-at rectory)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (\psi FGC-Foyer)

Elementary School Tuition Aid

Now is the time to turn in tuition assistance applications for the **2018-2019** school year. If you have not yet received your forms from the school, please call the school and inquire about them.

Regarding Catholic School Assistance:

The Diocese of Providence urges all parishes to support Catholic Schools by giving aid, as far as possible, when parents request it. As believers in the value of Catholic Schools, we are happy to do that, both to the fullest extent allowable, and to the extent that the parish can afford. Some things to note, however! Eligibility for consideration requires that families:

- 1. Complete the Facts Form from the Catholic School Office. (No applications will be considered if the Facts Form has not been completed)
- 2. You must be registered parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Parish & contributing members for at least a one year period.
- 3. Attend Mass regularly.
- 4. Be actively involved in St. Francis of Assisi parish life.
- 5. All requests are to be turned into the parish office, whether your child has been accepted or not, <u>no later than April 30</u>.

Please submit your assistance request by mail to St. Francis of Assisi, 114 High St., Wakefield, RI 02879 . NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE! You must state in this request how you are active in this parish. You will be notified by MAIL regarding your request! Thank you.

MAY MONEY MADNESS

Tickets For May Money Madness will be sold beginning next weekend after masses and every weekend in April. The last day to buy a ticket is April 30th. Ticket prices are: \$10 each, 6 for \$50 or 12 for \$100. A fun parish event with prizes awarded daily throughout the month of May.



Drawing Prizes: Monday thru Saturday—\$50; Sunday—\$100; May 31st drawing—\$500.

PRAYER SHAWLS



The St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Shawl Group has many beautiful prayer shawls available. If you know of someone that could benefit

from receiving a prayer shawl please contact Jean McGair at 401-783-1633.

Pizza Bingo Night at St. Francis of Assisi (Father Greenan Center) Save the Date! April 6



We will be hosting Pizza/Bingo night this Friday, April 6 in Father Greenan Center from 5:00-7:00pm.

Admission is \$10 per person and \$5 for children under 10. The fee pays for two bingo cards, two delicious pizza slices, beverage, salad & dessert. Prizes will be awarded.

Join us for a night of fun, fellowship and laughs. Tickets will be sold at the door.

APRIL 2018 FOOD DRIVE

The Social Outreach Committee is again sponsoring a food drive to benefit The Jonnycake Center of Peacedale's Vacation Breakfast and Lunch Program. The food drive will be running for two weekends: *April* 14/15 & *April* 21/22. This program



benefits client's children who participate in school nutrition assistance programs. Your generous donations will go toward helping these children enjoy healthy meals and snacks throughout their school vacations and their entire summer break. Foods needed are juice boxes, jelly, cereal, peanut butter and healthy snacks. Please place donations in receptacles by the St. Francis statue in the church and by the front entrance at St. Romuald Chapel. Our St. Francis of Assisi parish family has always been generous when called upon to help those in need and we thank you for your continued generosity.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Next Sunday, April 8th is Divine Mercy Sunday. Everyone is invited to a special Mass next Sunday at 3:00pm at St. Romuald Chapel celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 1:00pm. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 2:50pm. (materials will be provided)

The afternoon concludes with the Celebration of Mass at 3:00pm, the hour of mercy, celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith, our Pastor Emeritus.

Confessions will not be offered. Please note that if you went to confession during Lent, within 20 days prior to Divine Mercy Sunday or within 20 days following Mercy Sunday, you are covered under the conditions for a plenary indulgence.

Refreshments will be served following this service.