

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## Mass Intentions



## Preach the Gospel

### Saturday, April 28

4:30 †Norbert & Marguerite Jarbeau  
Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon

### Sunday, April 29

8:00am †Paul & Lucy Winter  
Requested by Family

10:00am †Nicholas Baccari  
Requested by Elaine & Tony Varrecchione

12:00mn †William B. Clarke  
Requested by Family

### Monday, April 30

7:00am †Bob Brown  
Requested by Wife

### Tuesday, May 1

7:00am Special Intention

### Wednesday, May 2

7:00am Mass for the People

### Thursday, May 3

7:00am †Mary & Sam Johnson  
Requested by Family

### Friday, May 4

7:00am †Luke & Henrietta Pucella  
Requested by Family

### Saturday, May 5

4:30 †Maryann Potts  
Requested by Ollie & Ann

### Sunday, May 6

8:00am †Francesco & Gloria Luongo  
Requested by Family

10:00am †Chris Collins  
Requested by the Clossick Family

12:00mn †Robert Francis Frye  
Requested by Family



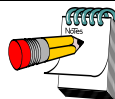
## St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

### Sunday, April 29

10:00am †Daniel F. McKinnon  
Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon

### Sunday, May 6

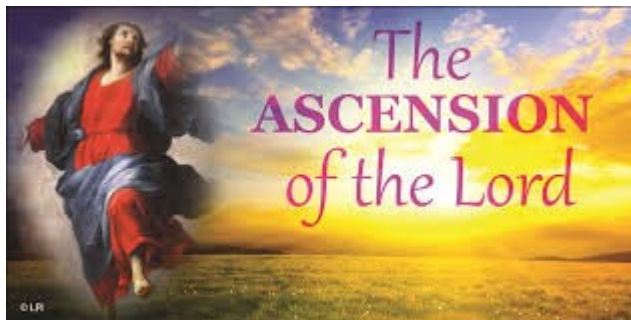
10:00am †Al Marchand  
(Anniversary Remembrance)  
Requested by Geri & Al Marsocci



## For Your Information

### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Selma Gallo.



## The Ascension of the Lord, Thursday, May 10 (Holy Day of Obligation)

### Following is the Mass Schedule

7:00am at St. Francis

12NN at St. Francis

6:30pm at St. Romuald Chapel

### 2018 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL "Faith and Good Works"

**OUR GOAL FOR 2018 IS: \$115,000.00**  
**As of 4-13-18 the amount raised is: \$98,892.00**  
**Total # of gifts: 345; % of Goal—85.99%;**  
**% of Participation—17.00%**

Through your support of the Catholic Charity Appeal, 732 youth attended 8 multi-parish gathered thematic retreats from over 66 different parishes. Thank you for your generosity.

## PARISH SUPPORT

### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (236)	-	April 22 \$7,728.50
Loose Donations	-	\$1,153.50
Online Giving (# of donors—59)	-	\$1,624.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$10,506.00</b>

### Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget envelopes used (141)	-	\$1,683.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 686.00
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>\$2,369.00</b>

There is no second collection this week. Next week the second collection is the Monthly Collection.

**As always, thank you for your continued generosity.**

APRIL 29, 2018

## From the Pastor,

On Saturday, June 30, the Diocese of Providence will ordain one young man to the priesthood, Philip Dufour, who has been studying at the North American College in Rome, and who was ordained to the diaconate last fall. I am happy to announce that the bishop has chosen our parish for his summer assignment before he returns to Rome for one more year to complete his Licentiate in Sacred Theology, after which he'll receive a full-time assignment somewhere here in Rhode Island.

Here is a message he sent from Rome for our bulletin:

*I am Deacon Phillip Dufour. I grew up in Bristol, RI and attended Our Lady of Mount Carmel School, before moving on to Bishop Stang High School in North Dartmouth, MA. In 2010, I entered Our Lady of Providence Seminary and began studying at Providence College, graduating in 2014 with a B.A. in Philosophy. Later that year, I was sent by Bishop Tobin to the Pontifical North American College in Rome for theological studies. I received my S.T.B. in Sacred Theology from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in June of 2017. In September of 2017, I was ordained a transitional deacon by Bishop James Checchio, Bishop of Metuchen, NJ, at the Papal Basilica of St. Peter.*

*On June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Bishop Thomas Tobin will ordain me to the priesthood at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul. Currently, I am pursuing a licentiate in Sacred Theology (S.T.L.) in Spiritual Theology at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas and will return to Rome in September to complete my studies. I enjoy spending time with family and friends, reading, studying history, skiing, and tennis. I thank Bishop Tobin and Fr. Bodah for the opportunity to be a part of this parish community. I look forward to meeting you all and to soon be serving you as one of your parish priests. God bless you all!*

As you recall, we were blessed last summer with the ministry of Fr. Nathan Ricci, who is finishing his license in Canon Law and will be coming home in June to begin his permanent assignment. We pray for soon-to-be Father Dufour that he will be equally a blessing to us and we to him as he begins his first priestly assignment!

Fr. Bodah

### MAY DEVOTIONS

May is the month of Mary. Once again the rosary will be recited at 6:30pm Monday through Friday at St. Romuald Chapel. The Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary will also be recited at the closing followed by the Salve Regina. All are welcome!



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

**8:55-9:50am** GRADES K, 1 & 2 (FGC)

**10:00am Mass** Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass

**10:55-11:50am** GRADES 3-6 (FGC)

**Today is our last class and our last Children's Liturgy of the Word**

**Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00pm** First Communion Rehearsal

All students and parent(s) please report to the lower church no later than 5:50pm.

**Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

**First Holy Communion at 10:00AM** Please continue to keep our 22 Second graders and their families in your prayers as the children prepare their hearts to receive Jesus.

**MAY CROWNING on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

Please join us next Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00AM Mass. Our First Communion students will participate in a special procession and traditional crowning in honor of our



**Save the Dates for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**TIME: 8:30-11:30 Cost: \$45.00**

**BIRTHDAY BLAST: A CELEBRATION OF LIFE!** Our VBS is packed with awesome music, unforgettable games, cool crafts, and interactive activities for kids **ages 4-11**. Children in grades 5 and up are encouraged to volunteer... we could use your help at the various stations; crafts, snacks, music, faith, games and the popular skits! For more info call Mrs. Cullen at the Rel. Ed Office at 792-8684. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!** VBS registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church. You may find more information about the VBS program at <https://catchat.ca/>

### Steubenville East Youth Conference

Spots are going fast! **We have 4 spots** left for the 2018 Steubenville East Youth Conference. Teenagers who are currently 8-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are eligible to attend. The conference will be held on July 13-15 at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell. If you are interested in participating in this powerful retreat, registration forms and your deposit need to be submitted to the Religious Education Office as soon as possible.

**This Week**

**Monday, April 30**

7:30am Adoration (SF)

**Tuesday, May 1**

5:30pm Social Outreach Committee Meeting (Panera Bread)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (SF)

**Thursday, May 3**

6:30pm Prayer Shawl Committee Meeting (Rectory)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)



**MAY MONEY MADNESS**

*This is the last weekend that tickets will be sold after masses. The last day to buy a ticket is April 30<sup>th</sup>. 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 31<sup>st</sup> drawing—\$500.**

Fill out the form below.

Return through weekly offertory or mail to:  
May \$ Madness, St. Francis Church, 114 High St.,  
Wakefield, RI 02879  
Tickets will be forwarded to you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Tickets: \_\_\_ \$10 each \_\_\_ 6 for \$50 \_\_\_ 12 for \$100

**OPEN HOUSE AT MSGR. CLARKE SCHOOL**

**Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 12-2pm**

Now Enrolling from 18 months to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. Come see our facility, meet our teachers, learn about our core values and see what makes us the right choice for you!

Visit our website [www.monsignorclarkeschool.org](http://www.monsignorclarkeschool.org)  
or contact Sara Marshall, Director of Admissions & Development 401-789-0860  
[smarshall@monsignorclarkeschool.org](mailto:smarshall@monsignorclarkeschool.org)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST (PUBLIC INVITED)**

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Breakfast at the Council Hall, 1265 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown, on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, from 7:30 to 10:30.

Eggs: Scrambled or Fried, Sausage, French Toast, Home Fries, Baked Beans, Orange Juice, Coffee and Tea will be served.

The cost is \$10.00, children 6 and under are free.

Get **FORMED** Now! It's EASY and **FREE** to Register!

- Visit [formed.org](http://formed.org) with a web browser
- Click on Register (lower right of page)
- Enter Parish Access Code: 876N29

Enter your email and create a password (you need this to login later)



*Celebrate your mother by celebrating life.....buy a rose or two at our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale to benefit The Westerly Pregnancy Center.*

Roses will be sold after all Masses on Mother's Day Weekend, May

12/13. The cost is \$3.00 per rose or 2 for \$5.00.

**Elementary School Tuition Aid  
Final Reminder: Deadline April 30**

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, no later than April 30.**

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.**