

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 19

4:30 pm †Ralph & Rose Calitri

Requested by Family

Sunday, August 20

8:00am †Jean Krul

Requested by Family

10:00am †Marilyn Ann Maley

Requested by brother, Richard Maley

12:00nn †William Brousseau (birthday remembrance)

Requested by Family

Monday, August 21

7:00am †Al & Alice Antone

Requested by Family

Tuesday, August 22

7:00am †Jean Krul

Requested by Jean McGair

Wednesday, August 23

7:00am Special Intention

Thursday, August 24

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, August 25

7:00am †Kathleen Brannon

Requested by Roger & Mary Grace Hood

Saturday, August 26

4:30 pm †Raymond Rogers (anniversary remembrance)

Requested by Family

Sunday, August 27

8:00am †Laura Webb

10:00am †Vincent Corio

12:00nn



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 19

5:30 †Lee Mainelli

Requested by Family

Sunday, August 20

8:00am †Kathleen Brannon

Requested by Judith Johansen Alaire

10:00am †Barney Fenaughty

Requested by Family

Saturday, August 26

5:30 †Raymond Quirk, Sr.

Requested by Family

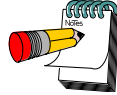
Sunday, August 27

8:00am †David Tyrrell

Requested by Joe & Ellen Schwab

10:00am †Dorothy Maddren

Requested by Kathleen Dwyer



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Ralph & Rose Calitri.

**O WOMAN,
GREAT IS YOUR FAITH.**

And behold, a Canaanite woman of the district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her....He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord help me."....Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.



End-of-Summer Breakfast

at the Community Field House, Matunuck

This Sunday, August 20, 2017

8:30AM TO 11:30AM

Adults: \$8.00—Children 6-12: \$4

Children 5 and under: FREE

Tickets can be purchased at the at the door!

Come Join Us For Good Food and Good Company!

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (248)	-	August 13 \$7,186.50
Loose Donations	-	\$1,948.00
Online Giving (# of donors—67)	-	\$1,886.00
Total Budget	-	\$11,020.50

Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

Budget envelopes used (168)	-	\$2,452.50
Loose Donations	-	\$ 856.00
Total	-	\$3,308.50

There is no second collection this week. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

From the Pastor

"We have not here a lasting city," says the great Epistle to the Hebrews. Here in our parish we are gearing up for two changes in personnel. We have been blessed this summer with the presence of Father Nathan Ricci, who has been an invaluable help to me and a great inspiration for the teens of our parish, especially those who attended the Steubenville East youth conference in July. He's been able to organize several events for them to help them retain some of the spirit of the event. He also taught in the confirmation program last month and was able to hold the attention of the 10th graders as they explored the teachings and implications of the Christian life. He prepared the parents and baptized the babies of several families and did more than his share of anointings, wakes and funerals. The only parochial experience we were not able to afford him was the pleasure of doing a wedding. He has also been great company for me and the staff and a pleasure to have in the rectory. There will be a farewell coffee an' after the 10 A.M Mass at the chapel next Sunday and another at the church on Labor Day weekend, his last weekend with us before he returns to Rome to complete his license in Canon Law. He has promised to return to us on Christmas Eve and celebrate the 4:30 vigil Mass.

The other change is more unexpected: our music director, Stephen Higgins, has announced that he will be leaving us at the end of the month to become the organist at the shrine of Our Lady of La Sallette in Attleboro. We wish him all the best in his new position and we thank him for all his labors among us over the last two and a half years.

So now we're in the process of searching for a new director of music, no easy task. In the meantime, Karen Graham, the organist at the chapel, has graciously agreed to cover most of the Masses in the church as well. Mark Castro and Jen Bernard have also been generous enough to fill in at the 10 A.M. until more permanent arrangements can be made. Please pray that we can find someone soon who can settle into the position and continue the work of leading the choir and enhancing the liturgy with worthy music.

Fr. Bodah

MSGR. MATTHEW CLARKE SCHOOL

Is it too late to apply?

Msgr. Clarke School is still accepting last minute registrations for grades Pre-K to 8th. Limited Space Available. To find out more about the school that's been providing 50 years of Faith Based Academic Excellence, contact our Admissions Director, Sara Marshall at:

(401) 789-0860 or admissions@monsignorclarkeschool.org.

Msgr. Clarke School Celebrates 50 Years!

Join us on Saturday, September 16th from 6-10pm for *A Tasteful Evening* to benefit Msgr. Clarke School. Join us under the stars on the back lawn and enjoy live music, great food, plenty of beer & wine to sample from local vendors, raffles, games and silent auction. This is a 21+ event. Purchase your tickets today on our website or consider sponsoring our event by going to www.monsignorclarkeschool.org.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STARTUP

Our classes begin on Sunday, **September 17th** for Grades K-6 and Wednesday, **September 20th** 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 for classes.

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

Registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church as well as online <http://stfranciswakefield.com/religious-education/>. Students currently enrolled in the program are automatically promoted to the next grade and do not need to register again.

An information packet will be mailed the third week of August to all registered families.

Please call Barbette or Diane at the Religious Ed Office at 792-8684 if you have any questions.



Our Catechists 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 Catechists at various grade levels. **Why not you?** Maybe you will be more inclined to teach if you team teach with a fellow

parishioner or friend, invite someone to join you or ask us to pair you up with someone!

Newly confirmed teens, this is your chance to give back to the community the gifts of your faith. **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 regarding teaching, as well as, other opportunities to serve your parish. Training and assistance are provided. We will be waiting for your call!**

Children's Liturgy of the Word

will take place during the 10:00AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church beginning **September 24th**!



You, a Children's Liturgy of the Word presenter?

We are eager to welcome any adult interested in becoming a children's liturgy of the word presenter. We provide you with all of the materials and assistance in preparing for the Sunday's readings. You would be responsible to present once every six or seven weeks, depending on the number of presenters. **For more information contact Barbette at 792-8684 and/or come to our organizational meeting on Sept. 18th at 6:30 in HBH**

This Week

Monday, August 21

7:30am Adoration (SF)

Wednesday, August 23

7:00pm Praise Practice (FGC)

Thursday, August 24

2:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)

Saturday, August 26

8:00am Youth Mass



SPECIAL RELIGIOUS DEVELOPMENT (SPRED)

We invite and encourage you to join the Special Religious Development (SPRED) ministry to share your faith in a small faith-community with people with developmental and intellectual disabilities. The communities and centers listed below welcome parishioners from other parishes, both persons with developmental and intellectual disabilities and catechists to join them in the SPRED Ministry.

The diocesan SPRED office provides training that helps catechists to understand how to share their faith. Please call if you would like more information about SPRED as a catechist or for someone with cognitive or developmental disabilities. There are so many waiting to be welcomed! If interested please contact Martha Dwyer at 295-1437.

blood drive!

St. Romuald Chapel

Sunday, September 3, 2017

7:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Bloodmobile

61 Atlantic Avenue, Matunuck

Don't forget to bring your driver's license or another form of identification when you donate.

Visit www.ribc.org to make an appointment,
Sponsor Code **2487**.



Every day in RI, 200 people are needed to donate blood in order to meet the needs of patients at local hospitals. Blood components do not last long. This is why new, healthy blood is needed every day. If you are not sure if you can donate, please call 453-8307 to find out.

Giving blood is a wonderful way to give of oneself and help save lives in our community!

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Some say that Rabbie, the carpenter's son, is a dreamer; but Rabbie says he works from his heart, carving not what is, but what could be. When Rabbie goes to a distant town to sell his carvings, he finds the town besieged by a fierce and destructive giant. The townspeople despair, but Rabbie suggests that if the giant were treated like a king, he might behave like one. The message of this heart-warming fable is charming: that which is loved will reveal its loveliness.

The Giant King is an ideal choice for children in kindergarten through 4th grade. Its underlying themes of belonging, kindness, and peacemaking can be tied into many aspects of a school's curriculum: social studies, reading, writing, art, research activities, and drama. The associated Educators' Guide helps parents and teachers choose one or several areas to focus on depending on the child's grade level and interest.

Can be found on Formed.org.

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