

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 4

4:30 †James E. Sweet
Requested by Family

Sunday, August 5

8:00am †Kerri Bessette
Requested by Mom, Dad & Scott

10:00am †Jean Silvia
Requested by Frank & Joan Donahue

12:00nn †James Dware & John Cain
Requested by Barbara Potter

Monday, August 6

7:00am †Manuel Soares
Requested by Mary & Louie Pavao

Tuesday, August 7

7:00am Lucille Olson
(Birthday Intention)

Wednesday, August 8

7:00am †Dr. Domenic Coppelino
Requested by Family

Thursday, August 9

7:00am Mass For the People

Friday, August 10

7:00am †Mary Jane Beal
Requested by Jean McGair

Saturday, August 11

4:30 †Rose & Ralph Calitri
Requested by Family

Sunday, August 12

8:00am †Marion Maggio
Requested by Family

10:00am †Leona Kelley
Requested by Family

12:00nn †Lee Mainelli
Requested by Family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 4

5:30pm †Craig Bento, James & Mary O'Rourke
Requested by Family

Sunday, August 5

8:00am †The Deceased Members of the
Marchand & Marsocci Families
Requested by Gerri & Al Marsocci

10:00am †Alice & Hilding Munson
Requested by Family

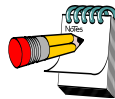
Saturday, August 11

5:30pm †Matilda & Michael Dunphy
Requested by Family

Sunday, August 12

8:00am †Michael Maggiacomo
(Birthday Remembrance)
Requested by Family

10:00am †Jeannette DeLuca
Requested by Family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Rosemary Flynn Walsh.



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Holy Day of Obligation)

NEXT WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15:

MASS TIMES ARE:

(At St. Francis Church)
7:00am and 12NN

(At St. Romuald Chapel)
6:30pm

... So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."—John 6:24-35



On behalf of my family, I would like to sincerely thank all of you for your kind words of sympathy and for your prayers concerning the passing of my grandfather. It has meant a great deal to me and my family to have your prayerful support during this time. May God bless you abundantly for your kindness and generosity! *Fr. Dufour*



PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support		July 29
Budget envelopes used (223)	-	\$6,317.00
Loose Donations	-	\$2,616.00
Online Giving (# of donors-55)	-	\$1,712.00
Total Budget	-	\$10,645.00

This week's second collection is for the Holy Father—Peter's Pence. Next week's second collection is the Monthly Collection.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

AUGUST 5, 2018

From the Pastor,

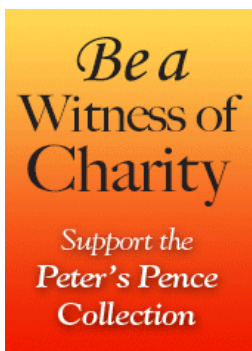
On some moral issues there can be no compromise. They are deeds that are “inherently evil” and can never be justified for any reason whatever. Politically, though, many, if not all, issues must be a matter of compromise and each point of view has to be given a voice if we are to respect the democratic process. It is unfortunate that in our contemporary world, we seem to have lost the will to listen to other points of view, and each side, right or left, tries to silence the other.

Now there is some hope or fear, depending on one’s stance that *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court decision that the right to procure an abortion is included in the right to privacy, might be overturned. The rhetoric is predictably overheated. I heard a woman on the radio, from the steps of the Capitol, screaming (literally) that this would mean that woman would be forced to bear children they didn’t want. Come on. Would it really mean the outlawing of contraception? Or the forcing of women into unwanted sex acts with men? Shouldn’t we try to maintain some little connection to reality?

The overturning of *Roe v. Wade* will mean that each state will be allowed to engage in a democratic process that takes into consideration the needs of women plus the datum that the fetus is a human being at the early stages of development. So far, pro-abortionists have used the Supreme Court decision to silence anyone who points out this inconvenient truth. Can you think of any other medical procedure, even the giving of an aspirin, that can be performed on an under-aged girl without her parents’ knowledge or even over their objections? Before what other procedure is a physician *forbidden* to inform the patient of possible negative aftereffects? There seems to be some bad faith going on here, as if in their heart of hearts the pro-abortion people know that this is a grotesque and degrading way of dealing with the problem of an unplanned pregnancy.

How shocking to find our governor calling for a special off-season session of the RI legislature to enshrine the *status quo* in state law just in case *Roe v. Wade* is overturned, and to silence those who want the humanity of the child at least take into consideration. There should be little fear on the left that all abortions will be outlawed—public opinion would not support this--, but can no one be allowed to speak at all for the unborn child developing in the womb?

Fr. Bodah



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disaster. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today.

For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.



SECOND SESSION SUMMER CONFIRMATION CLASS

The second session of Confirmation class for grades 9 & 10 students will be held from 9am-12:30PM from Monday, August 6th through Friday, August 10th in Fr. Greenan Center. If you are entering the 9th or 10th grade and have not signed up for Confirmation classes please do so by calling the Religious Education office at 792-8684 and leave a message. There are still openings for the classes to be held from August 6-10.

This Week

Monday, August 6

7:30am Adoration (SF)

Thursday, August 9

6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

Monday, August 13

HOLIDAY—NO ADORATION; PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is sponsoring the annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration honoring couples of the Diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2018.



The celebration will be held on Sunday, **September 23, 2018, 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul, Providence.** It will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant and homilist.

Following are points regarding participation:

- ◆ The celebration is for couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER wedding anniversary in 2018.
- ◆ One or both of the spouses need to be Catholic, with the marriage recognized by the Church.
- ◆ The celebration is for couples; if it is not possible for both to be present, a certificate can be forwarded directly to the couple.

Please contact the parish office at 783-4411 to register for this special celebration. **Registration deadline is August 17.**

COMING TO McVINNEY AUDITORIUM!

Father Larry Richards: Changing your life forever!

Fr. Larry Richards, a popular speaker and pastor from Erie, PA, will be at McVinney Auditorium, (43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence, RI) Thursday, August 16 at 6:00pm. Fr. Larry is the founder of "The Reason for Our Hope Foundation" and has many media presentations as well as EWTN Radio "The Reason for Our Hope," "Father Know Best," and "Open Line." At all his presentations Fr. Larry promises two things: one, you will never be bored and two, your life will be changed forever.

Come and experience this truth for yourself. Sponsored by Diocesan Office of Faith Formation and Relevant Radio. Tickets at www.mcvinneyauditorium.com or the McVinney Box Office 401.278.4588.

SIX FLAGS CATHOLIC YOUTH AND FAMILY DAY



The Diocese of Springfield will host Catholic Youth and Family Day at Six Flags New England on Friday, August 10. The day includes a discounted admission price, lunch, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Mitchell Rozanski of Springfield

Package Price is \$44.24 per person plus tax (you save over 50%).

Package includes:

- ◆ Entry into morning Mass (Begins at 9:30)
- ◆ Free Parking
- ◆ All Day Admission to Six Flags New England & Hurricane Harbor Water Park
- ◆ All-You-Can-Eat Buffet:
Hamburgers/Cheeseburger, Hot Dogs, Side Dishes, Condiments, Ice Cream Bars, Coca-Cola/Fountain Beverages (Meal Time 12:30-1:30pm)

Purchase tickets online at:

SIXFLAGS.COM/NEWENGLAND—enter Code: Catholicday18

For more information please call Joanne McCormick at 413-786-9300 X3524



SAVE THE DATE!

End-of-Summer Breakfast

at the Community Field House, Matunuck

Sunday, August 19, 2018

8:30AM TO 11:30AM

Adults: \$8.00—Children 6-12: \$4

Children 5 and under: FREE

Tickets to be sold after all Masses NEXT weekend, August 11/12.

Tickets can also be purchased at the rectory or at the door the day of the breakfast.

Come join us !