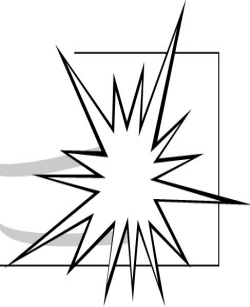


THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions

Epiphany



Saturday, January 6

4:30 †Anthony Ramieri

Requested by Wife & Children

Sunday, January 7

8:00am †Thomas Schoof

Requested by a Friend

10:00am

12:00nn

Monday, January 8

7:00am †Carol Cronin

Tuesday, January 9

7:00am Special Intention

Wednesday, January 10

7:00am †Kerri Bessette

Requested by Mom, Dad & Scott

Thursday, January 11

7:00am †Herman Card

Requested by Viola Card

Friday, January 12

7:00am Mass for the People

Saturday, January 13

4:30 †Charles "Bill" Evans

Requested by Obeline Plante

Sunday, January 14

8:00am

10:00am

12:00nn †Robert Stewart

Requested by Family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 7

10:00am †Robert McGale

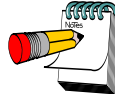
Wedding Anniversary Remembrance

Requested by Wife Lorraine

Sunday, January 14

10:00am †Dan & Barney Fenaughty

Requested by Family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Anthony Ramieri.



Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears his glory....Isaiah

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (236)	-	\$6,929.83
Loose Donations	-	\$1,436.00
Online Giving (# of donors-62)	-	\$1,586.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,951.83

December 24

Christmas Collection

Budget envelopes used (285)	-	\$13,496.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 4,690.00
Total	-	\$18,186.00

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (188)	-	\$6,213.50
Loose Donations	-	\$1,288.00
Online Giving (# of donors-71)	-	\$2,361.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,862.50

December 31

Solemnity of Mary	-	\$1,105.00
Christmas Flowers	-	\$2,325.00

This week's second collection is the Monthly collection. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

JANUARY 7, 2018

From the Pastor,

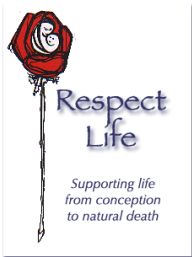
The defibrillators have arrived, thanks to the generosity of parishioners, and will be installed in the church, the chapel and the Father Greenan Center. Roberta Grundy was the first to come forward to donate one in memory of her husband, James A. Grundy; Lisa Rodier followed right after and donated one in memory of her father, Robert Rodier; Caroline Pucella Brown donated one in memory of her husband, Bob Brown. The defibrillator for St. Romuald's was donated by someone who wishes to remain anonymous.

Now we need people trained to use them. If you've been trained, or if you wish to be trained, please call the rectory and give us your contact information so that we can arrange for training sessions. If you can help with the training, please let us know that as well. God bless the work!

There has also been some question about the "Perpetual Mass Association." Over the last few years, several parishioners have left large bequests to the parish. In gratitude, we put a small portion of it amounting to \$5,000 per person, into a special endowment held by the diocese which will be used to pay for Masses for these generous donors. The original three were unmarried, and although one of them had nieces and nephews who have her remembered at the altar from time to time, none of the three donors had any children of their own to perpetuate their memories in the church.

So far, the Association consists of Laura Webb, Edna Otto, and Marilyn Maley, but it is open to all who would like to remember the parish in their wills. There are many pious and faithful Catholics whose families will not think or sometimes even care to have them remembered at the altar. This is a way of ensuring that their souls will be commended to the Lord throughout the year and their names held in remembrance in the parish.

Fr. Bodah



The Annual Diocesan Respect Life Mass

A Time of Prayer

For the Protection of All Human Life

Saturday, January 13, 2018

You are cordially invited to attend a 9:00am Mass

St. Paul Church

One St. Paul Place, Cranston

The Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop of Providence

Main Celebrant and Homilist

All are Welcome!

Your RSVP helps to better plan the event.

Contact C. Owens at 401-421-7833 ext. 218

or email: rl.outreach@dioceseofprovidence.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, January 7th

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

10:00am Mass Children's Liturgy

10:55-11:50am Grades 3-6 (FGC) will attend the Christmas Pageant with their class

Wednesday, January 10th

4:15-5:15pm Grades 3-6 (FGC)

7:00-8:15pm Grades 7 & 8 (FGC)

**No Classes next Sunday, January 14th
MLK Holiday**

Steubenville East Youth Conference -REVEALED

"In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him." - 1 John 4:9

Registration for the 2018 Steubenville East Youth Conference to be held on July 13-15 at the UMass, Lowell Campus will open up in mid-January. Our teens get a lot out of this weekend, here are some of their reflections: "It was nothing like I expected. I felt so close and connected to God. I definitely feel like a stronger Catholic and I think as many people that have the option to come should." Each year we reserve spots for our teenagers who are currently 8-12th grade students. We are trying to get a feel for how many spots to reserve so if you are interested in participating, contact the Religious Education Office before January 12th. At this point, you are not under any obligation to attend.



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT

Many teens (and sometimes even adults) have asked 'How do I defend my faith?' in school, on the field or the work place. Join us on Sunday, January 21st from 7-8:30pm at Fr. Greenan Center to find out how! Invite a friend to join you!

This Week

Monday, January 8

7:30am Adoration (SF)

6:30pm Event Committee (FGC)

Tuesday, January 9

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (SF)

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

Wednesday, January 10

7:00pm Baptism Preparation Class (Rectory)

Thursday, January 11

7:00pm RCIA (MCCR-at rectory)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)

Sunday, January 14

12NN Praise Mass

Monday, January 15

Holiday (MLK) Parish Offices Closed/No Adoration



HOST FAMILIES NEEDED for NET Ministry Team



NET Ministries, a national evangelization team consisting of 12 young adults will be leading our Confirmation Retreats again this year. They will be in our diocese for the week from February 6-14, 2018 leading retreats. Our parish is responsible for providing lodging during their stay in Rhode Island. Team members travel with their own sleeping bag so they are just looking for floor space, hot showers and a meal. Spending time with these young adults is a real blessing! If you are interested in hosting some of them, please contact Diane Castro at our Religious Education Office by phone (792-8684) or email (castro_stfrancis@verizon.net).



March for Life

Pro-Life March

Washington, DC

Thursday, January 18-Friday, 2018

Arrive at St. Thomas More Church/Narragansett (January 18) at 5:30am for Prayer Service and then depart from St. Thomas More at 6:00am. Arrival at Catholic University around 2-3:30pm.....proceed to check into DuFour Center at CUA at 4:00pm.

Friday, January 19—Lights on 5:45am...depart for Verizon Center...Pro-Life March from the National Mall to Supreme Court at 1:00pm. Meet at bus at 2:45pm—Depart for Narragansett at 3pm to arrive at St. Thomas More between 11-11:30pm. **Cost is \$75 per person. Note: Participants are responsible for their own meals. For information contact Joe Robenhymmer: atjr@annobrienrealty.com or 401-741-5553.**

THE CHOIR NEEDS YOUR VOICE!

All voice parts are welcome, but men's voices are especially needed.

The choir rehearses on Tuesday nights from 7:00 - 8:30PM and sings at the 10AM Mass on Sundays, as well as major feasts and celebrations throughout the year. No choral experience necessary - but if you have it, that's a plus!

There is no audition; however, you must be able to match pitch. If you are interested, call or email our choir director, Tony Romeo: 401-379-2355, tonybromeo@gmail.com. **Those who sing pray twice!**

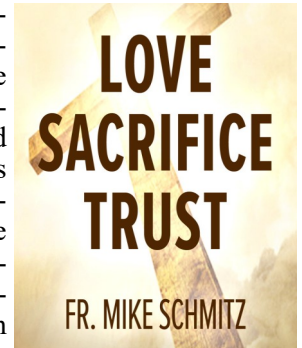


Get **FORMED** Now! It's EASY and **FREE** to Register!

- Visit 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)

Fr. Mike Schmitz shares important insights on the meaning of Christ's Cross. He shows how God's rescue mission for us includes the need for each person to embrace his own cross in order to reestablish trust in the Father and the understanding that love requires sacrifice. It also includes a bonus segment on Stations of the Cross, which features reflections on the Lord's Passion and Death, accompanied by moving audio dramatizations from the Truth and Life Audio Bible. (**Find this on FORMED**)



BABY SHOWER

The Social Outreach Committee continues the **Baby Shower 2018** through the month of January. Please bring unwrapped items such as diapers, toiletries, sleepers & toddler clothes. Please place donations at the entrance of the church and chapel. The agencies benefitted are: The St. Gabriel Call, The Pregnancy Center of Westerly, and Right to Life Services. Any questions, please contact Anne Cooney at 783-7034.

Thank you Saint Francis knitters for your contribution to South County Health of infant red hats in honor of February, Heart Health Month.



Please bring your donations of hats to the rectory by January 26th. Again, thank you and God bless!