

# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, May 20

4:30 pm JoAnn Spear (Special Intention-birthday)  
*Requested by Karen Koza*

### Sunday, May 21

8:00am †Laura Webb  
10:00am Sister Kelli Rose McNulty  
(birthday remembrance)  
12:00nn †Marguerite Sprague  
*Requested by Karen Koza*

### Monday, May 22

7:00am †Annie Maroney  
*Requested by Rita Harper*

### Tuesday, May 23

7:00am †Marguerite Sprague  
*Requested by John & Susan Meehan*

### Wednesday, May 24

7:00am †Shirley Sherman  
*Requested by Dennis & Linda Jalbert*

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### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 24 (VIGIL MASS AT CHAPEL)

6:30pm Mass for the People

#### THURSDAY, MAY 25 (MASSES IN CHURCH)

7:00am †Shirley Sherman  
*Requested by Dennis & Linda Jalbert*  
12NN Mass for the People

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### Friday, May 26

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

### Saturday, May 27

4:30 pm †Joseph Douglas  
*Requested by Family*

### Sunday, May 28

8:00am  
10:00am †Richard A. DeJoseph  
(2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary remembrance)  
*Requested by Wife*  
12:00nn †Paul and Lucy Winter  
*Requested by Family*



### St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

### Sunday, May 21

10:00am †James Whitehead  
*Requested by Judith Alarie*

#### Wednesday, May 24 (Vigil-Ascension of the Lord)

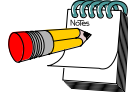
6:30pm Mass for the People

### Saturday, May 27

5:30 †John Feeley  
*Requested by Anne Cooney*

### Sunday, May 28

8:00am †Jeannette DeLuca  
*Requested by Jane Estes*  
10:00am Kathleen Dwyer (90<sup>th</sup> birthday)



## For Your Information

### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James W. Smith.



*With gratitude to Almighty God the Church in the Diocese of Providence joyfully announces and requests the honor of your presence at the*

*Presbyteral Ordination*

**Rev. Mr. Stephen M. Battey**

**Rev. Mr. Jean Joseph Brice**

**Rev. Mr. Brian J. Morris**

*Through the Imposition of Hands and the Prayer of Ordination by His Excellency*

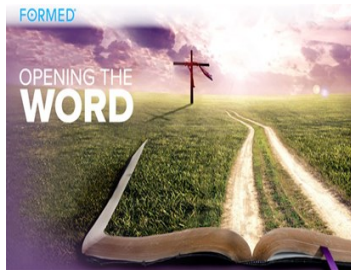
**The Most Reverend Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.**

Bishop of Providence

**Saturday, June 3, 2017 at 10:00am**

**The Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul**

**One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI**



Would you like to develop a deeper understanding of the readings for the Sunday Liturgy? Join us starting **Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 2-3pm in Fr. Greenan Center** for a journey through prayer and insights for the Sunday readings as shared with us through the Catholic gateway called *Formed.org*.

After reading the scriptures, you will be

presented with short videos which will encourage group discussion as we grow in faith together.

### 2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

*"Faith and Good Works"*

**OUR GOAL FOR 2017 IS: \$110,000.00**

**As of 5-5-2017 the amount raised is: \$91,252.00**

**Total # of gifts: 364; % of Goal—82.96%; % of Participation—17.50%**

**Please don't forget to turn in your pledge. Every little bit helps!**

## PARISH SUPPORT

### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (229)	-	<b>May 14</b> \$6,039.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,204.00
Online Giving (# of donors—66)	-	\$1,869.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$9,112.00</b>

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

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

MAY 21, 2017

## From the Pastor

First, many thanks to Diane Castro, the coordinator of our Junior High and High School faith formation, and to Barbette Cullen, the parish director of religious education, for researching **FORMED**, an on-line resource of faith formation for people of all ages. Below is something Barbette sent me to include in this week's bulletin:

*Welcome to **FORMED**. The Catholic Faith. On Demand.* Our parish has purchased an online subscription to a wonderful website that offers inspiring movies and video based programs, audio presentations and e-books from the Church's most compelling speakers and authors. Often called the "Catholic Netflix", **FORMED** offers each of us the opportunity to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ. With your free access to **FORMED**, 24/7 on your television, phone laptop, iPad or kindle you can enjoy movies as a family that are both nourishing and entertaining; help your children grow in faith and character with engaging children's materials, prepare for Mass each week with an insightful 5 minute video on the Sunday readings, engage in a study program complete with leader guides and so much more. **This subscription is a gift for you, for the whole parish!** We will have a formal kickoff in the fall but we want you all to benefit from it starting today! So rush home after Mass and log on to **FORMED.org** where the best Catholic teaching and a wealth of resources are all in one place and easily accessible.

**How to sign up:** To access **FORMED** on your computer go to [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org) and create an account by clicking: **Register. Sign up free using you parish code.** Our parish code is: 876N29.

You will also find a link to **FORMED** on our parish website: [www.stfranciswakefield.com](http://www.stfranciswakefield.com). If you need assistance call the Religious Education Office at 792-8684.

Second, we'd like to offer **Opening the Word** beginning on Thursday, June 15, from 2-3pm in the Father Greenan Center. This is a program that studies and meditates on the Mass readings for the coming weekend. I'll lead the first session and others will take it thereafter. This is the kind of thing that doesn't demand commitment to a group, so you can drop in whenever your schedule permits.

## Fr. Bodah

### Holy Hour for Vocations

Please join Rev. Mr. Stephen Battey, Rev. Mr. Jean Joseph Brice, and Rev. Mr. Brian Morris on the eve of their ordination to the priesthood as we pray for priestly vocations in the Diocese of Providence at a Holy Hour for Vocations at 7:00 PM on June 2, 2017 at Holy Apostles Church, 800 Pippin Orchard Road, Cranston, RI.



RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION  
CLASSES

**9:50-10:50** St. Francis' Little Friends Child Care in HBH: Child care will continue through June!

**First Communion banners may be picked up downstairs in HBH this week.**



**Save the Dates for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Cool Kingdom Party "Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus" June 26th-June 30th Time: 8:30-11:30**

*You're officially invited to spend a royal week with the King and Queen of Heaven and earth. Enter through the gates of the kingdom and learn all about Mary, and how she leads us closer to her Son the King of Kings.*

*All children in Kindergarten through 4th grade are invited to attend. Registration forms may be found at the entrance to the church. For more info call Rel. Ed Office at 792-8684.*

**CALL BARBETTE CULLEN OR DIANE CASTRO AT 792-8684 FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

**This Week**

**Monday, May 22**

7:30am Adoration (SF)

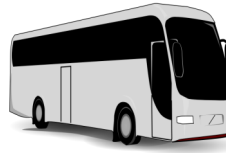
7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (MCCR)

**Tuesday, May 23**

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Loft)

**Thursday, May 24**

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)



HOP ON THE BUS...to the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul for the ordination to the Priesthood of Stephen Battey. Let's show our support by filling the bus! Call Jacki at 783-4411 if you want to hop on the bus!

It sure beats driving "all the way up there!" There is limited seating. First-come, first-serve. To defray the cost of the bus we would ask an offering of \$10 per seat.

The bus leaves the church parking lot at 8:30am on Saturday, June 3rd. We will leave Providence for home at 1:00pm with an estimated arrival of 1:45pm. **All Aboard!**

## St. Francis and St. Romuald Summer Schedule

**BEGINNING THE WEEKEND OF MAY 27 & MAY 28 WE WILL BEGIN OUR SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:**

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH**

**Saturday, 4:30pm**

**Sunday, 8:00am, 10:00am and 12NN**

**ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL**

**Saturday, 5:30pm**

**Sunday, 8:00am and 10:00am**

Also, beginning Friday, June 2 the Parish Office will close at noon rather than 4:00pm. Winter hours will resume on Friday, September 8 (closing at 4:00pm).

**AS YOU HAVE SHARED IN HIS PREPARATION FOR THE PRIESTHOOD, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO HIS STEPHEN MICHAEL BATTEY'S FIRST MASS OF THANKSGIVING**

Sunday, June 4, 2017

At 4:00pm

Saint Francis of Assisi Church  
114 High Street, Wakefield

A light reception and first blessing to follow in the Father Greenan Parish Center.

**All are welcome to attend!**

***Letter from Rev. Robert Perron, Director of The Society for The Propagation of the Faith***

Dear Father Bodah:

Nothing energizes this office more than the annual Rice Bowl Appeal, and our partnership with Catholic Relief services. To witness young and old people donate to the poor in this unique way is very gratifying to me personally. I receive requests, weekly, from places all over the world seeking our assistance and it is great that you and your parish have responded so generously.

I am extremely grateful to you and the members of St. Francis of Assisi Parish for your donation of \$4,259.10.

I am confident that any relationship with the poor changes us. This is an inevitable result of giving oneself to another. As we move forward to meet the ever increasing demands of our needy brothers and sisters, we must live in confidence that God blesses our work and brings it to completion. Thank you for your help.

I would be remiss if I did not remind you of the fact that the Rice Bowl collection sends 75% of all that is collected to the missions throughout the world, while 25% of the money collected remains here in our own Diocese. It supports local organizations that reach out to our own population that struggles daily to survive.

Thank you for building bridges between your local community and the world. You can take great comfort in the fact that your support, through CRS, keeps us vigilant in responding to our brothers and sisters daily and especially when a crisis arises.

"I thank God, through Jesus Christ, for you." (Romans 1:8)

*Rev. Robert P. Perron*, Director



**MAY MONEY MADNESS WINNERS:**

- May 8 John O'Rourke \$50
- May 9 Barbara McNulty \$50
- May 10 Jeanne Behie \$50
- May 11 Maureen Littlefield \$50
- May 12 Amy Davis \$50
- May 13 Charlie Sweet \$50
- May 14 Jean Fenaughty \$100

**CONGRATULATIONS!**