

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 5

4:30†Maryann Potts

Requested by Ollie & Ann

Sunday, May 6

8:00am†Francisco & Gloria Luongo

Requested by Family

10:00am†Chris Collins

Requested by the Clossick Family

12:00nn †Robert Francis Frye

Requested by Family

Monday, May 7

7:00am Special Intention

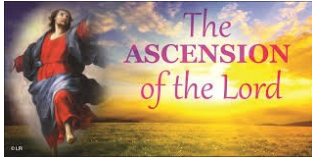
Tuesday, May 8

7:00am Mass for the People

Wednesday, May 9

7:00am†James & Margaret Flynn

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney



Thursday, May 10 The Ascension of the Lord

(Holy Day of Obligation)

At St. Francis Church

7:00am†Tina Marie Luciano

Requested by Family

12NN

At St. Romuald Chapel

6:30pm †For the Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

Friday, May 11

7:00am†Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie

Requested by Family

Saturday, May 12

4:30 †Anna & Andrew Sebastian

Requested by Family

Sunday, May 13

8:00am †Mr. & Mrs. Chi Tran & John Thanh Ha

Requested by Family

10:00am†The McLoughlin Family

Requested by Family

12:00nn †Corinne Bertrand

Requested by Barbara Potter



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 6

10:00am †Al Marchand

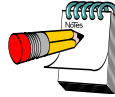
(Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Geri & Al Marsocci

Sunday, May 13

10:00am †Lucille Kennedy

Requested by Mary Lou Rossi



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James & Margaret Flynn.



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

Roses will be sold after all Masses next weekend/ Mother's Day Weekend. The cost is \$3.00 per rose or 2 for \$5.00.

2018 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

"Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2018 IS: \$115,000.00

As of 4-20-18 the amount raised is: \$98,942.00

Total # of gifts: 345; % of Goal—86.04%;

% of Participation—17.06%

Your support of the Catholic Charity Appeal helps 2,000 deaf and hard of hearing, 2,500 developmentally disabled and 800 blind individuals. Thank you for your generous gift!

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (219)	-	April 29 \$5,661.00
Loose Donations	-	\$1,322.00
Online Giving (# of donors—61)	-	<u>\$1,804.00</u>
Total Budget	-	\$8,787.00

The second collection this week is the Monthly Collection. There is no second collection next week

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

MAY 6, 2018

From the Pastor,

We do not have the luxury of living in a time when it is fashionable to go to church, to keep the "Lord's Day." Those who do go to church have now an added obligation: to try to communicate to the rising generation that we are grateful to God for all he has done for us and for the gift of the Mass, which our Lord Jesus left us at the Last Supper. St. Thomas Aquinas summed up the Eucharist succinctly: "O Sacred banquet at which Christ himself is the food! The memory of his passion is recalled, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us."

All of us—and not just the celebrant—have to work to overcome the lethargy of a former time when it was enough to follow the crowd and perform the minimum of Christian obligations with no particular thought or enthusiasm. I wonder what it's communicating to the younger generation, or to people whose faith may be a little weak or going through a rough patch, to see people running out of church before the Mass is ended. To save themselves only a couple of minutes of time, they help to undermine the faith and the enthusiasm of others. As to those who say fatuous things like: "You should be happy they come at all," I answer: "No! They should be happy they have the Mass." If you think that we can continue in the lackadaisical, half-baked way that has been for too long the way of many Catholics, you are living in a fool's paradise. Few vocations to the priesthood will emerge from people who do not value the Eucharist, and if we don't wake up, the day is coming when the Mass will be taken away and the churches will be closed. And we shall have brought this judgment upon ourselves. It's incumbent upon us to value this greatest of God's gifts and show our loyalty and enthusiasm to others. The Solemnity of Pentecost is coming on May 21-22; let's pray for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit to renew us in faith, hope, and love.

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



Calling all adults and youth grade 5 and up to help lead vacation bible school for the young children of our parish. June 28th, 29th and July 2nd and 3rd.

Our Directors: Mrs Williams and Mrs Bernard need you!

We have all the materials for a fun – faith - filled week of VBS – the only thing missing is YOU! IF you have musical and/or dance talent we could use your help leading the young children in song each day.

IF you are artistic, we could use your help decorating the halls.

IF you to like to act/perform, we could use your help leading skits for the young children.

IF you love working with young children, we could use your help in organizing and running games each day, helping with snack preparation or being a leader for a small group of children.

IF you are interested, please contact Mrs. Cullen at 792-8684.

Save the Dates for
**VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL** June 28th, 29th
and July 2nd, 3rd
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**. VBS registration forms may be found at the entrances to the church. You may find more information about this VBS program at <https://catchat.ca/> or call Mrs. Cullen at 792-8684.



Our next **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT** will be held on Sunday May 20th from 7-8:30pm in Fr. Greenan Center. This is a required gathering for all Confirmation candidates but is open to all high school teens!

This Week

Monday, May 7

7:30am Adoration (SF)

Tuesday, May 8

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (SF)

Thursday, May 10

9:00-10:30am Parish Staff Meeting (Office closed at this time)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)



DIocese of Providence Office of Life & Family DIVORCE & SEPARATION SUPPORT GROUP

ST. MARY CHURCH RECTORY
CAROLINA, RI

This Support Program provides a peaceful group environment for those who have experienced the impact of separation or divorce.

The group also provides a place for Catholics to grow and heal as individuals, share their experiences and feelings with others, and seek the faith-filled support, guidance and comfort offered through our Catholic faith.

The support group meets on the first and third Wednesday evening of each month from 7-8:30pm, at St. Mary Church, rectory (downstairs, side entrance). *Please note that each facilitator for this support group is either employed or approved by the Diocese of Providence.*

There is no cost to attend. All participants must preregister before attending. You can preregister by phone or get further information by contacting Peter A. Magnotta at 401-421-7833, ext. 217.

*We would like to
congratulate*

*Anthony J. Badessa &
Alexandra Marie Cerce who
were married at St. Francis
Church. May God bless you!*



MASS INTENTIONS

It is very much part a part of our Catholic tradition to have Masses offered for deceased relatives and friends. Parishioners are encouraged to practice and to continue this tradition. When was the last time you had a Mass offered for a deceased parent, grandparent, uncle aunt, brother or sister? To make arrangements, please call the parish office at (401)783-4411 or stop by during office hours 9am to 4pm.

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)

FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE JONNYCAKE CENTER: JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Please remember we are always in need of nonperishable food items (no glass or outdated items). Your donations may be placed in the baskets located at St. Francis or St. Romuald.

These items will be donated to the Jonnycake Food Pantry in Peace Dale. Thank you for your generosity.



**FEED THE
HUNGRY**



MONSIGNOR CLARKE GOLF OPEN School fundraiser May 21, 2018 Valley Country Club

Please support your parish Regional Catholic School. Join us to play golf or make a donation!

For more information: monsignorclarkeschool.org or 401-789-0860.

Interested in World Youth Day 2019?

Diocesan Pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Panama, January 21-28, 2019

Check out the flyer, brochure and registration from online at

www.discovercatholicfaith.org/world-youth-day-2019

For more information please contact Michael Aoyama at mjpaoyama@dioceseofprovidence.org

PAINT & VINO NIGHT May 18 from 6:30-9:00 pm St. Francis Father Greenan Center Cost is: \$35.00

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A night of fun and artistic expression. Leave with a canvas tote bag with white daisies painted on it. Join us for an evening of fun.

To Register: Call Diane Costanza at 401-783-5710 or Jacki at the rectory at 401-783-4411.