

THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions



Saturday, November 10

4:30 †Matteo Calvito

Requested by Daughter

Sunday, November 11

8:00am †Dr. Dominic Coppolino

Requested by Family

10:00am †Patrick Sullivan Dufficy

Requested by Mom and Dad

12:00nn Mass for the People

Monday, November 12

7:00am †John Meehan

Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan

Tuesday, November 13

7:00am †Louis Maggio

Requested by Family

Thursday, November 15

7:00am †William Cloos

Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan

Friday, November 16

7:00am †Mark Gunning

Requested by Rick Soltysiak

Saturday, November 17

4:30 †Mary & Nelson Burke

Requested by Family

Sunday, November 18

8:00am †James Flynn

(25th Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

10:00am †Milton Kelley

Requested by Family

12:00nn Al Marchand (special intention)

Requested by Family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 11

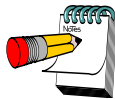
10:00am †Patrice Munson

Requested by Family

Sunday, November 18

10:00am †Owen & Maureen Rielly

Requested by Family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Patrick Sullivan Dufficy.

BUY NOTHING DAY COAT EXCHANGE

WHAT: Free coats and other winter clothing!

WHO: Anyone in need!

WHEN: Friday, November 23rd from 10am-noon

WHERE: St. Francis of Assisi Church
(downstairs in Hellen Bouchard Hall)

CLOTHING DONATIONS: New & used adult coats, scarves & sweatshirts in good, clean condition. Children's coats and sweaters. Please **NO** pants, shoes or t-shirts, nor dirty or torn garments.

DONORS: Please drop off donation Monday-Friday, November 19-23, downstairs in Helen Bouchard Hall at St. Francis Church



Always
&
Forever



Just a reminder that the remembrance book is in front of the statue of St. Francis. All are welcome to enter the names of their loved ones. They will be remembered during the month of November.



St. Francis of Assisi Campaign Goal: \$626,135.00

Pledged through 11/5/18: \$633,766.00

Percentage of Goal: 101%

Registered Family Count: 1,709; Donor Count: 166

Please pray about your participation, and make your response by dropping your pledge card in the offertory basket, mailing your card, or visiting the campaign website at: www.dioceseofprovidence.org/grateful-for-gods-providence-capital-campaign

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (235)	-	\$6,315.50
Loose Donations	-	\$1,372.50
Online Giving (# of donors-60)	-	\$1,921.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,609.00

Second Collection (2018 Hurricane Relief)

Budget envelopes used (155)	-	\$3,228.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 889.00
Total	-	\$4,117.00

All Saint's Collection: \$1,542.00

All Soul's Collection: \$ 509.00

This week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance. Next week's second collection is the Campaign for Human Development.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

From the Pastor,

Here's the report on last month's Pasta Dinner. The turnout was great: around 250 meals were served. It was fortunate that some people came early and then left to make room for others; I don't think we could have sat everyone at the same time. The net profit on the dinner was \$1,822; on the raffle, \$936; on the baskets, \$1,920. But even more important than the profit—for which we are very grateful—was the chance for people to get together and enjoy a pleasant time and a good meal with one another. Our thanks go again to all who made this such a success. God bless the work!

Many, many thanks also to all of you who support the parish. The most important contribution anyone can make is simply to attend weekend Mass. This public profession of faith and solidarity with the Church community makes such a difference in the life of any parish. God bless all who are able to contribute their time and talent as well. We could not do much of what gets done here without the dedication of our volunteers. Finally, of course, there is the need for financial support. Each of us must ask what percentage of our income should be given as a thank offering to God for our many blessings.

I have a printout of all the families in order of giving—greatest to least—to the first collections of each weekend. There are 39 pages with 43 households per page. The total annual giving for the last 25 pages—975 households—amounts to exactly \$0. The two pages before that are donations of less than a dollar a week. If you don't have budget envelopes, or give by check or through on-line giving, there is no way for us to credit you for your support. I also don't judge because for some people \$2 a week is a sacrifice, for which may the good Lord bless them.

People will sometimes say, very philosophically, that the Church of the future will be smaller but more fervent. That is probably true. But when it's their parish church that closes for lack of committed members, it's more difficult to take with such equanimity. Let's pray that we all may become more truly disciples of Christ and more committed members of the community of faith.

Fr. Bodah

COPING WITH GRIEF AT THE HOLIDAYS

Nothing can prepare us for the death of a loved one. Whether death results from a sudden accident or sustained illness, it always catches us off-guard. To help those that have lost a loved one, a workshop will be held on Monday, December 3, 6:30-8pm at Our Lady of Loreto Church, 346 Waterman Avenue, East Providence. Peter Magnotta, MSW LICSW, from the Office of Life and Family Ministry, will offer positive suggestions to help with the adjustment that must be made during the holiday season. This event is free, but pre-registration is required by November 30 to enable sufficient handouts. To RSVP call Peter at 278-2517.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, November 11

No Religious Education Classes today
No Children's Liturgy of the Word today

Wednesday, November 14

7:00pm Grade & 8 (FGC)



YOUTH NIGHT HOMELESS AWARENESS SLEEP OUT

The Homeless Awareness Sleep Out has been postponed until our April 27/28, 2019 meeting. In place of the originally scheduled November 16/17th Confirmation gathering, Confirmation students are to attend the high school youth night on Sunday, November 25th at 6pm in Fr Greenan Center. (All teens ages 13+ are welcome to participate.) The theme for the evening is gratitude.



There's only two more youth nights for the year! Make sure to save the dates and invite your friends to these amazing nights filled with music, an encouraging teaching, food, games, and prayer.

For more information or questions email youth minister, Emily Cuellar, at youthministrystmsfa@gmail.com

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Our 7th & 8th grade children and families will be reaching out to those less fortunate in the world to not only share what they have been blessed with but also to help share the love of God to others. They will be doing this by preparing Christmas shoeboxes with gifts for children ages 2-14. If you would like to make a donation of shoe boxes or gifts please see the flyers posted in the church. Donations need to be received by November 13th. Donation boxes will be located in the church and chapel..



This Week

Monday, November 12

HOLIDAY—OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED; NO ADORATION

Tuesday, November 13

7:30 am Finance Council Meeting (MCCR)

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Informational Night (FGC↑)

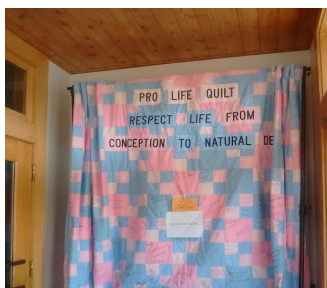
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Thursday, November 15

9:00-10:30am Staff Meeting (Office will be closed during this time)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC)

7:00pm RCIA (Rector)



The Respect Life Committee at Immaculate Conception Church in Westerly, RI was asked to construct a Pro Life Quilt in response to the Woman Project "Reproductive Health Quilt" which is circulating in RI. Sewers from all parishes were involved in its creation. The 10' by 10' Pro Life Quilt is being

signed to demonstrate strong support for Pro Life legislation and strong opposition to all legislation which would codify the standard established by Roe v. Wade into Rhode Island law. The Pro Life Quilt is traveling from parish to parish, making its way up to the RI State House in Providence for the next legislative session. Our plan is to present it to the legislature and have it displayed at the capital. Please take a moment to sign the Pro Life Quilt and the accompanying paper petition when it is hosted by your parish. Please pray that all who see the Pro Life Quilt will have a change of heart and begin to respect life from conception to natural death.

This quilt will be on display at St. Romuald Chapel this Sunday, November 11 and at St. Francis Church next weekend of November 17/18.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

A chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be started at Saint Francis of Assisi in Wakefield to minister to the poor in our neighborhoods.

Volunteers are needed for this initiative. No experience is necessary only a desire to grow in your faith. Mother Theresa said if you want to know Jesus better reach out to the poor. This is an opportunity for us to revive our faith, and help our neighbors in need.

For more information we will have an information table set up after the Masses this weekend, November 10th and 11th. There will be a more in-depth information night at the Father Greenan Center this Tuesday, November 13th at 7pm. You may also visit their website svdpri.org or call Buzz Corner at 248-4324.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

From

**The South Kingstown ELKS Lodge #1899
60 Belmont Ave., Wakefield, RI
On Thanksgiving Day 12:00nn to 4:00pm**



The ELKS will be serving a FREE Thanksgiving Dinner for ALL who wish to join them!

(This is not based on need or charity. It is for all who would like to have dinner!)

Please call (401)789-5400 ext. 808 to let them know how many are coming if. Also contact them if you need a ride or if you need your dinner delivered.

COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Charlotte Rose Whitney who was baptized on Sunday, November 4 by Fr. Henry Bodah. ***Your parish family rejoices with you!***



Southgansett Girl Scout Troop 657 is collecting items to support **Project Undercover**.

They need your help to collect as many undergarments as possible for **South County's** children living in poverty. They will be accepting donations of NEW, unopened packages of **socks, underwear, and diapers** for local children in need.

Project Undercover collection boxes will be placed at the entrances of St. Francis and St. Romuald on **November 17th & November 18th**

Thank You!

Olivia Kelly & Lillian Hogan, Troop 657

www.projectundercover.org