

# THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions



**Saturday, November 11**

4:30 †Marcia Signorelli

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, November 12**

8:00am Mass for the People

10:00am †The Palmiotto & Martiniano Families

*Requested by Family*

12:00nn Prayers Answered for a Special Intention

*Requested by Barbara Potter*

**Monday, November 13**

7:00am †Michael Posillo

*Requested by Family*

**Tuesday, November 14**

7:00am †William Cloos

*Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan*

**Wednesday, November 15**

7:00am Special Intention

**Thursday, November 16**

7:00am †Jon DeGrace

*Requested by Family*

**Friday, November 17**

7:00am †James Flynn

*Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney*

**Saturday, November 18**

4:30 †The Feeny & Robinson Families

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, November 19**

8:00am †Madeline Boyle Reilly

*Requested by Jeanne & Dan Thompson*

10:00am †Michael Agius

*Requested by Michelle Hand*

12:00nn †Raymond Selwyn

*Req. by The Prout Girl's Volley Ball Team*



## St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

**Sunday, November 12**

10:00am †Owen & Maureen Rielly

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, November 19**

10:00am †Bob Alarie

*Requested by Jude*



## For Your Information

### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James Flynn. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of Chad O'Brien.

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.

### BUY NOTHING DAY COAT EXCHANGE



**WHEN:** Friday, November 24  
10am until 12NN

**WHERE:** St. Francis Church  
(114 High St., Wakefield)  
(Helen Bouchard Hall—downstairs in church)

**Need:** New and used in good condition  
Coats, Scarves, Hats,  
Gloves, Sweaters, and Sweatshirts



**Early drop off for coats**  
**Sunday, November 19 through Wednesday, November 22**  
(Helen Bouchard Hall—downstairs in church)

**If you have a coat to give, please drop it off!**  
**If you need a coat, please come and pick one up!**

## PARISH SUPPORT

### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes used (230)	-	<b>November 5</b> \$6,861.50
Loose Donations	-	\$1,270.00
Online Giving (# of donors—66)	-	<u>\$2,151.00</u>
<b>Total Budget</b>	-	<b>\$10,282.50</b>

### Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

Budget envelopes used (159)	-	\$1,849.00
Loose Donations	-	<u>\$ 754.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>\$2,603.00</b>

**Collection for All Saints: \$1,849.00**

This week's second collection is the ongoing maintenance. Next week's second collection is for Campaign for Human Development.

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

NOVEMBER 12, 2017

## From the Pastor,

Another mass shooting; this time in Texas. A few weeks ago Father Randall preached a homily at the 8 o'clock Mass at which he challenged today's society for the way it forms us to put ourselves first and to believe that we are not responsible to any common good or even to any authority outside ourselves, not even to the God who revealed himself to the world and who speaks to us through the tradition of the Church, especially the Sacred Scriptures. Something to think about.

In response to these not-infrequent shootings, there has been much talk about the second amendment to the US constitution. Has anyone actually read it? It is not simply about "the right to bear arms" as if that were all there was to it. This is what it says, "*A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.*"

The decisions of the Supreme Court on this subject have been as bizarre to a non-lawyer like myself as much of what they have decided from *Dred Scott* to *Roe v. Wade*. In *District of Columbia v. Heller* (2008), the Court ruled that the Second Amendment "codified a pre-existing right" and that it "protects an individual right to possess a firearm unconnected with service in a militia, and to use that arm for traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home" but also stated that "the right is not unlimited. It is not a right to keep and carry any weapon whatsoever in any manner whatsoever and for whatever purpose." So the reasoning of the Founding Fathers—that the right to bear arms follows upon the need for a well-regulated militia for public defense—was rejected by the Supreme Court in 2008 in a five to four decision along party line, the so-called "strict constructionists" rejecting the plain reasoning of the original text. Hmm.

Is it time to rethink the second amendment and repeal it as written so that we the people can decide what is needed in the present age for our security and peace?

Fr. Bodah

**Congratulations** to the proud parents and godparents of Gabriella Murray and Emerson Avery Myszak who were baptized on Sunday, November 5 by Fr. Henry Bodah. *Your parish family rejoices with you!*



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

### Sunday, November 12th

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

8:55-9:50am Grade 7 (FGC-Library)

9:00am **First Reconciliation Preparation Parent Mtg.—HBH. All First Eucharist children must be represented at this meeting**

10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:55-11:50am Grades 3-6 (FGC)

Grade 8 (FGC-Library)

### Wednesday, November 15th

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

5:20pm Catechist Mtg. for Advent (FGC)

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

### Save the date

### Advent Wreath Workshop

Will be held on Sunday,

December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1-3pm in

Fr. Greenan Parish Center.

It's a great family event to

prepare ourselves for the season of Advent.

Bring garden gloves, hand clippers, and a

dessert to share.



## High School Youth Night

For our November youth night we will be travelling up to Bishop McViney Auditorium for Fr. Leo's witness. Buses will be leaving St. Francis Church at 5:45pm. All high school students are welcome to join us! Those who are in our Confirmation program should have received the registration packet via email. If you need a registration form, see the youth ministry page on [www.stfranciswakefield.com](http://www.stfranciswakefield.com) or call the Religious Education Office. Parents are welcomed as chaperones!

### This Week

**Monday, November 13**

7:30am Adoration (SF)

**Tuesday, November 14**

7:40am Finance Council Meeting (MCCR)

7:00pm Bible Study (↓FGC)

**Thursday, November 16**

7:00pm RCIA (MCCR-at rectory)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)

**Friday, November 17**

7:00pm Parenting Group (FGC)



### For Deceased Veterans

O God,

by whose mercy the faithful departed find rest,  
look kindly on your departed veterans who gave their  
lives in the service of their country.

Grant that through the passion, death, and resurrection of your Son  
they may share in the joy of your heavenly kingdom  
and rejoice in you with your saints forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

### For the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God,

those who take refuge in you will be glad  
and forever will shout for joy.

Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties.

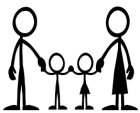
Protect them with the shield of your strength  
and keep them safe from all evil and harm.

May the power of your love enable them to return home  
in safety, that with all who love them,  
they may ever praise you for your loving care.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

*Taken from the website of United States Conference of  
Catholic Bishops (USCC)  
[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)*

### PARENTING GROUP



The parenting group will meet this Friday,  
November 17 at 7:00pm in the library in Father  
Greenan Center. The discussion will be *"The  
High School Years Continued"*. All those that  
are interested are welcome!

***Thanksgiving Day Mass, November 23,  
will be held at St. Francis Church at  
9:00am. All are welcome to "Give  
Thanks"!***



### MSGR. CLARKE SCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR BAKERS!



Are you interested in donating your time  
or talent to help support catholic educa-  
tion? Msgr. Clarke School is looking for  
a representative in our parish to organize bakers that  
might be interested in donating baked goods for our an-  
nual Christmas festival on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. If interested in  
baking or helping to coordinate, please contact Sara Mar-  
shall 401-789-0860 or

[smarshall@monsignorclarkeschool.org](mailto:smarshall@monsignorclarkeschool.org).

### COLLECTION FOR CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week, our second collection will be for the  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over  
46 million people in the United States live in pov-  
erty. This collection supports programs to empower  
people to identify and address the obstacles they  
face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty.  
By supporting this collection you give people a  
hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development at  
[www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

### FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Christmas is quickly approaching so how about joining  
us as we visit The LaSalette Shrine in Attleboro Mass in  
order to enjoy the quietness and holiness of the season.  
On Thursday, December 14, 2017, we will be boarding  
a bus to take us to see this beautiful Shrine and light  
show. The bus will leave promptly from the church  
parking lot at 4:30 pm and return at 8:30 pm. The cost  
will be \$10 per person and it is based on a first come  
first serve basis as the bus holds only 49 people. If inter-  
ested in attending, please clip and fill out the form be-  
low completely. You may return the form by mail,  
bring it to the rectory or simply drop it the collection  
basket including your payment.

Thank you and if you have any questions please contact  
Kerry Villanis at (401) 743-9616 or [kav3@cox.net](mailto:kav3@cox.net).

### CLIP & FILL OUT FORM & RETURN WITH PAYMENT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Amount (\$10 per person): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_