

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions



I can do
all things
in God
who strengthens me

Saturday, October 14

4:30 Mass for the People

Sunday, October 15

8:00am †James P. Carney

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

10:00am †Armando Martiniano

Requested by Family

12:00nn Mass of Petition for Confirmation II

Monday, October 16

7:00am †Valentine Ricker

Requested by the Sisters of Divine Providence

Tuesday, October 17

7:00am Special Intention

Wednesday, October 18

7:00am †Hope Hickey

Requested by May & Helen

Thursday, October 19

7:00am †Peter M. Donohue

Requested by Carole Potter

Friday, October 20

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

Requested by Family

Saturday, October 21

4:30 †Pamela Cox

Requested by Jean McGair

Sunday, October 22

8:00am †George Hobson

Requested by Jill Sabo

10:00am †Cecile Beaumier

Requested by Pat & Jim Noonan

12:00nn Mass for the People



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 15

10:00am †Tara Higgins (birthday remembrance)

Requested by Family

Sunday, October 22

10:00am †Madeline & Walter Johansen

Requested by Jude



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

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

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

Make a gift affirming the sanctity of human life. At the end of our Masses this weekend, **October 14/15** we will be distributing baby bottles. We are asking that you take them home, fill them with coins, cash or checks and return them to the church **the following weekend, October 21/22**. The Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign is used to fund Right to Life Services, a ministry of Rhode Island Right to Life that helps pregnant women, newborns and toddlers throughout R.I., with material needs, referrals, emergency baby food/formula, and with Ancora, a free mobile ultrasound pregnancy center. There will be a collection basket(s) located in the **entrance** of the church for when you return the bottles.



PRAYER SHAWLS

The St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Shawl Group has many beautiful prayer shawls available. If you know of someone that could benefit from receiving a prayer shawl please contact Jean McGair at 401-783-1633.



Food Drive



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The Social Outreach Committee will, once again, sponsor the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Thanksgiving Food Drive to benefit The Jonnycake Center of Peace Dale. The food drive will run for **two weeks again this year. The weekends for donations will be October 28/29 and November 4/5.**

The foods being requested are: Stuffing mix (box or bag), Gravy (NO GLASS PLEASE), Cake and/or Muffin mixes, Quick bread mixes, Pie crust mixes, Fruit pie filling, Cranberry sauce (NO GLASS PLEASE).

Please place food items in receptacles by the St. Francis statue in the church and by the front entrance at St. Romuald Chapel.

Each year during the holidays The Jonnycake Center distributes food to hundreds of families benefitting thousands of individuals. The need continues to be great. Our St. Francis of Assisi parish family has always been generous when called upon to help those in need. Thank you for your continued generosity!

PARISH SUPPORT

The collection information for the weekend of October 8 was not available due to early transmittal. This information will appear in next week's bulletin.

This week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance. Next week's second collection is for Mission Sunday.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

OCTOBER 15, 2017

From the Pastor,

It might be useful for me to say something about Eucharistic etiquette. First of all, genuflection—the bending of the right knee to the floor in respect, and in this case, adoration—is made toward the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle, not toward the altar or the crucifix. The custom is to genuflect to Christ in the Sacrament when entering or leaving one's pew. Certainly the genuflection should be made whenever we pass in front of the tabernacle, where the Blessed Sacrament, the Body of Christ, is kept.

When receiving communion, one hand should be placed over the other to receive the host, and the bottom hand should be used to raise the host to one's mouth. Two hands are needed for this, so anyone whose other hand is not free should receive on the tongue. Those receiving on the tongue should try to stand still and put out the tongue to receive the host. (Personally, I find communion on the tongue more appropriate where the communicants receive while kneeling, a custom no longer used in most of the world.)

The whole Christ is received under each form: of bread or of wine. The reason to have the Precious Blood also distributed is not because one would get more of Christ, but to show more clearly a sign of eating and drinking the Lord's Supper. Intinction—the dipping of the host into the chalice—is not permitted in the Roman Rite.

Adoremus in aeternum Sanctissimum Sacramentum! Let us adore forever the Most Blessed Sacrament!

Fr. Bodah

ST. FRANCIS CEMETERY

Winter hours for the cemetery begin on October 16 with hours being 8am to 4pm. At this time fall clean-up will begin. If you are interested in purchasing a plot or have any questions or concerns please contact the Cemetery Manager, Carol McDole at 782-2711.



In light of the recent tragic events in the United States and elsewhere, the Diocese of Providence will have a special Mass this Sunday, October 15 at 10:00 AM in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul in Providence. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will celebrate the Mass for all those who are suffering from the recent hurricanes in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, the earthquake in Mexico and the Las Vegas shooting spree. Everyone is invited to attend.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, October 15th

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

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

10:00 Mass Children's Liturgy of the Word (HBH)

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

10:55-11:50 Grade 8 (FGC-Library)

12:00 Mass of Petition

Wednesday, October 18th

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

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

October Book Sale TODAY

Come downstairs to **Helen Bouchard Hall** after any Mass this weekend and browse the selection of books offered by **Mother of Mercy Catholic Center**.



All are invited to the 10:00 **Mass of Belonging** next Sunday, October 22nd.

We will welcome in a special way the First Communion class who will reflect with us on the importance of belonging to God's family.

This special liturgy formally marks the beginning of their preparation to receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time in the spring.



Family Halloween Fun Night

October 22, 2017 4-7pm

Fr. Greenan Center

For Children pre-K to Grade 4

**Come dressed in
your Halloween Best!**
**Free will donation to benefit
Youth Ministry!**



ADULT COFFEE HOUR

There will be an Adult Coffee Hour for all parents of religious education students during class times on Sunday mornings.

This is a social event intended to give parents an opportunity to chat with other parents. If you're dropping your child off at the Father Greenan Center for religious education, please stay and have a cup of coffee!

This Week

Monday, October 16

7:30am Adoration (SF)

Tuesday, October 17

7:00pm Bible Study (JFGC)

Thursday, October 19

5:45pm Opening the Word (JFGC-Foyer)

7:00pm RCIA (MCCR-at rectory)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (JFGC-Foyer)

Sunday, October 22

1-8:30pm Youth Night



OCTOBER DEVOTIONS



October is one of our Lady's months. All are invited to pray the rosary and Litany of Our Lady at St. Romuald Chapel weeknights at 6:30pm throughout the month of October. All are welcome!

WOMEN'S RETREAT

'Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace', a weekend women's retreat, will take place at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center in Farmington, CT beginning Friday evening November 3 at 7pm through Sunday, November 5 until 12 noon.

The powerful and timely theme is taken from the well-loved peace prayer of St. Francis. Our retreat will explore how we can place ourselves in the center of the storm and be an instrument of peace.

There are large group presentations, time for reflection, small group sharing, Mass, reconciliation, beautiful grounds with area to walk, relaxation, etc. Do as much or as little as you want/need. For more information, call Dana Hawkins @ 789-8479.



Ocean Tides School: Join Us for Open House & Reception at Christian Brothers Center 635 Ocean Road, Narragansett October 20, 2017 from 6-9pm

Help provide Hope, Opportunity & Transformation! Each young man arrives, as they have for over 40 years, with his own story of hurt, neglect and being in trouble. Each arrives needing our help in a particular and special way. Ocean Tides needs your help and support to make sure we can continue to give them the hope and opportunity they need to turn the corner and have a better and brighter future: so that each young man leaves Ocean Tides ready to be a positive and contributing member of their community. *Your support helps us to continue transforming young lives!*

SVET, the Electro Hip-Hop Violinist from NBC's America's Got Talent at McVinney

SVET, the Electro Hip Hop Violinist from America's Got Talent performs for one night only at McVinney Auditorium, 43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence, Friday, October 20 at 7:30pm. This special concert will also feature the instrumental talents of the students from two Providence schools – the Trinity Academy for the Performing Arts (TAPA) and LaSalle Academy! Tickets and information at mcvinneyauditorium.com. Special rates for groups of 10 or more. Presented by McVinney Auditorium and Advanced Production & Design, sponsored in part by Navigant Credit Union.



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The Diocese of Providence will be having the 11th annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration at the Cathedral of Ss. Peter & Paul this Sunday, October, 15 at 1:00pm hosted by the Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment.

Let us congratulate and pray for our parishioners, William and Patricia Crandall who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year. *May God bless you, Bill and Pat!*

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



BISHOP HENDRICKEN, WARWICK

October 22 at 12NN

November 19 at 12NN

LA SALLE ACADEMY, PROVIDENCE

October 22 at 12NN

THE PROUT SCHOOL, WAKEFIELD

October 22 at 1pm

ST. MARY ACADEMY/BAY VIEW, EAST PROVIDENCE

Oct. 29 at 12NN

ST. PATRICK ACADEMY, PROVIDENCE

November 5 at 3pm

MOUNT ST. CHARLES, WOONSOCKET

November 6 at 12NN

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.

