THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 7

4:30

Sunday, October 8

8:00am †Laura Webb

10:00am

12:00nn †Jack Fallon

Requested by Mother

Monday, October 9

7:00am Special Intention

Requested by Kathleen Carney

Tuesday, October 10

7:00am †Margaret Flynn

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

Wednesday, October 11

7:00am †Tom McGair

Requested by Jean McGair

Thursday, October 12

7:00am †Matilda Manocchia

Reg. by Roger & Mary Grace Hood

Friday, October 13

7:00am Special Intention

Requested by Kathleen Carney

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



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 8

10:00am †Elizabeth Young-Whipple/ Gerry Holmes

Requested by Mary C. Young

Sunday, October 15

10:00am †Tara Higgins (birthday remembrance)

Requested by Family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

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

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

Make a gift affirming the sanctity of human life. At the end of our Masses on *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.



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

 Weekly Support

 Budget envelopes used (228)
 \$6,989.00

 Loose Donations
 \$2,342.00

 Online Giving (# of donors-62)
 \$1,806.00

 Total Budget
 \$11,137.00

Second Collection (Monthly Collection)

Budget envelopes used (155) - \$2,378.00 Loose Donations - \$546.00 **Total \$2,924.00**

This week's second collection is for the Seminarians' Education. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

OCTOBER 8, 2017

From the Pastor,

First of all, thanks to all who came to the rosary and benediction on Monday evening to pray for all those effected by the recent natural disasters in the US and abroad. By Monday, we also needed to add the victims of a man-made disaster: the shooting in Las Vegas. Rosary (without benediction) continues every weeknight during October at 6:30 in St. Romuald's.

Since October 7 is the Feast of the Holy Rosary I could pass on these words of St. John Paul II:

"It could be said that each mystery of the rosary, carefully meditated, sheds light on the mystery of man. 'Cast your burden on the Lord and he will sustain you' (Ps 55:23). To pray the rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful hearts of Christ and his Mother. The rosary does indeed 'mark the rhythm of human life,' bringing it into harmony with the 'rhythm' of God's own life, in the joyful communion of the Holy Trinity, our life's destiny and deepest longing. Through the rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer." —Saint John Paul II

Fr. Bodah

RCIA Information Night at St Francis

If you know someone-a spouse, relative, friend, neighbor who might be interested in becoming a Catholic, or is a Catholic but has not received all the sacraments of initiation, please let them know that our



parish will be starting a Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program. Before we formally begin the RCIA program, we will hold an information night for all interested.

Our parish RCIA Information Night will be held this Thursday, October 12th at the rectory starting at 7pm. Please pass the word to anyone you know who may be interested in joining us. If anyone would like further information please contact Pat Lefoley at plefoley1@cox.net or 401-339-3858. You may also call the parish office at 401-783-4411.



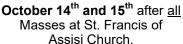
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, October 8th

No Classes today No Children's Liturgy of the Word

Wednesday, October 11th 4:15-5:15 Grades 3-6 (FGC) 7:00-8:15 Grades 7 & 8

October Book Sale next Weekend!





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

Selections include: Bibles, books, DVDs, & CDs for adults and books, DVDs, Advent calendars, and Christmas puzzles for children.

The books for adults include *catechisms*, *Church documents*, *theology*, *philosophy*, *spirituality*, *prayer*, *lives* & *writings of the saints*, *marriage*, *family and parenting*. Something for everyone!

TRICK TRICK

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!



This Week Monday, October 9 HOLIDAY-NO ADORATION OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, October 10 7:00pm Bible Study (↓FGC)

Wednesday, October 11

7:00pm Baptism Prep Class(MCCR)

Thursday, October 12

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

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

7:00pm RCIA Inquiry Night (MCCR-at rectory)

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

Friday, October 13

7:00pm Parenting Group (FGC-Library)

GET YOUR FLU VACCINE!

Flu Clinic takes place:

This Sunday, October 8

9:00am-1:00pm at St. Francis Church in Helen Bouchard Hall



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!

Do you have a passion for mothers and their children, born and unborn? A passion for those who are disabled, sick and dying? For those who are imprisoned and for those they have harmed? A passion for all who are in need: the hungry, the thirsty, the homeless? Then you should consider joining the **Respect Life** committee. We will be holding our first meeting on **Monday**, **October 16 at 6:00p.m. at St. Romuald's Chapel**. (The rosary will be immediately after our meeting). Please consider joining us! If you have any questions, feel free to email Maureen Rooney at mochocolate5@gmail.com.

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.



PARENTING GROUP

The parenting group will meet this Friday, October 13 at 7:00pm in the library in Father Greenan Center. The discussion will be "The High School Years". All those that are interested are

welcome!



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)

In light of the recent tragic events in the United States and elsewhere, the Diocese of Providence will have a special Mass on 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.

On Tuesday, October 10, 7 PM, Immaculée Ilibagiza, will speak at McVinney Auditorium, 43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence, RI. Immaculée is a survivor of the 1994 Rwandan genocide and best -selling author of Left to Tell and Led by Faith. She is an internationally known speaker and retreat leader. St. Patrick Academy and its discipleship Club 3107 are sponsoring the event. Immaculée's message of reconciliation is unforgettable. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, you may do so by visiting www.saintpatrickchurch.net/lefttotell, or by calling 401-421-7070.

Join us at The Prout School Open House for prospective students on Sunday, October 22 from 1:00pm-4:00pm and Monday, November 9, from 6-8pm.

Discover the Prout advantage! Prout is the only high school in Rhode Island to offer the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) Program. We offer rigorous academics, a strong spiritual culture, amazing theatre, music and dance programs, competitive athletic teams, and numerous clubs and extracurricular activities.

For more information, please call Admissions Director Sharon DeLuca at 789-9262, Ext 514 or go to www.theproutschool.org.

We would like to congratulate two couples who were recently married: Gregory O'Connor & Brittany Calvanese who were married at St. Francis Church & Dugan Reagan & Ashley Murphy who were married at St. Romuald Chapel. May God bless you!