

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 15

4:30pm Nancy Caswell

Requested by Team 2 & Counters

Sunday, February 16

8am 1st Lt. Richard L. McNulty,
Joseph L. McNulty, Donald V.
McNulty, Margaret M. Tefft
and John T. McNulty

Requested by Marilyn & Jack

10:00am Elaine Anterni

Requested by friend Agnes

12:00NN The Johnson Family

Requested by Iacono family

Monday, February 17

7:00am Doris Maroney

Requested by Dan Shea

Tuesday, February 18

7:00am Jaclyn Snow

Requested by Hood family

Wednesday, February 19

7:00am Alfred & Beatrice Bonin

Requested by Viola Card

Thursday, February 20

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, February 21

7:00am Dennis Tierney

Requested by family

Saturday, February 22

4:30pm Robert Wilson

Requested by Concetta

Sunday, February 23

8:00am John McLoughlin

Requested by Social Outreach Committee

10:00am Rita Cormier

Requested by parish family

12:00NN Neal Fiorio

Requested by family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 16

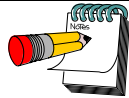
10:00am Leo and Dennis McGovern

Requested by family

Sunday, February 23

10:00am Sandy V. Arnone

Requested by John and Jane Estes



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Cheryl Latham. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of Mary McGuire.

CLEANING CREWS NOW RECRUITING

The church cleaning crews are in need of more volunteers. One of the teams is down to two members and is looking for you to join their team. Your commitment to the Cleaning Crew would mean that you'd be on to serve once every four to five weeks. If interested, please call the parish office. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

YOUTH MASS

Our next Youth Mass is scheduled for the Noon Mass on Sunday, February 23rd. This is the Mass of Petition for our teens who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on March 22nd. A reception for our Confirmation candidates and their families will be held in Helen Bouchard Hall immediately following the Noon Mass. All are welcome to attend.

THE FOOD/COMMODITY FOR THE MONTHS of February and March are: cereal, soup and paper products. As always thank you for your continued generosity to those in need.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Lenten Campaign Rally & March of the Surviving Youth: In preparation for the Lenten '40 Days for Life' campaign, a rally and 'March of the Surviving Youth' will be held on Saturday, March 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 pm at Cathedral Hall (Lower level of the Cathedral SS. Peter and Paul), Fenner Street, Providence. All ages are invited - we encourage youth, young adults and adults to join together in solidarity for this event. After a procession to Planned Parenthood to pray the Rosary there will be a rally in the lower level of the cathedral. For more information, directions and to R.S.V.P. contact: Carol Owens at 421-7833 x 218.

PARISH SUPPORT— February 9, 2014

Weekly Support

		February 9
Budget envelopes used (311)	-	\$ 6,111.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 1,434.00
Online Giving (# of donors 41)	-	\$ 1,217.00
Total Budget	-	\$ 8,762.00

This weekend's second offering is the Ongoing Maintenance Fund Offering. **Thank you for your generosity.**

FEBRUARY 16, 2014

From the Pastor...

I was recently notified by the diocesan Office of Catholic Youth Ministry that **Maria Zonfrillo, a member of our parish and a student at The Prout School, has been chosen as a recipient of the "St. Timothy Award"**. This is the highest national Catholic award given to youth. The award will be presented at the Catholic Youth Ministry and Scout Awards Celebration to be held at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence on Sunday, March 2, at 1:00 PM. We are proud that Maria is part of our parish community and that she is being honored in this way for living her Catholic faith with such conviction. **Congratulations, Maria!**

Our parish is blessed with many fine and talented young people. I am grateful that, under the direction and guidance of **Jacqui Bertrand, a number of our youth gather regularly for both spiritual and social activities**. Jacqui is very generous with her time, but can't do it alone. **Dan Mahoney** has also been very helpful in leading our youth group, but his commitments at the seminary limit his availability. **Therefore, we are looking for more adults who would be willing to assist with our youth program**. If you are interested or if you would like to inquire about what is involved without any obligation, please give Father Joe Upton a call.

As you may have noticed, Lent begins rather late this year with Ash Wednesday to be observed on March 5th. As in the past few years, we will be conducting the parish phase of the diocesan **Catholic Charity Appeal** during the season of Lent. However, **in the next few days many of our parishioners will receive a mailing directly from Bishop Tobin asking for your support for the 2014 Appeal**. This year, for the first time, that mailing will include a pledge card that you can complete and return with your donation or pledge to the diocese. I just want to assure you that whether you choose to respond to that mailing, contribute in the parish when we make the usual in-pew solicitation in March, or make a credit card contribution online at www.providencediocese.org, our parish will receive credit for your donation toward our goal. No matter how you choose to give, your donation will help meet the spiritual, educational and social needs of thousands of people throughout the State of Rhode Island. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

This winter we have had several overnight snow storms making it difficult for us to have the parking lot and sidewalks adequately cleared for the 7 AM weekday Mass. As a result, on some mornings there has been confusion about whether or not the Mass would be offered as scheduled. **Therefore, in order to provide a clearer policy in this regard, I have decided to follow the practice of a number of other parishes in establishing that if school is canceled due to snow in the local public school system, South Kingstown, the 7 AM Mass will be canceled that day as well**. If there is an intention for the Mass, one of the priests will celebrate the Mass privately at sometime during the day to fulfill the intention. Pray for an early Spring so we don't even have to be concerned about snow!!

Msgr. Theroux



Religious Education

NO CLASSES this week—School Vacation.



This Week

Sunday, February 16

5:30-7:00pm Praise Rehearsal (FGC)

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, February 17

7:30-12Noon—Adoration of the Most

Blessed Sacrament (SFC)

Tuesday, February 18

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, February 19

NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

Thursday, February 20

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC)

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

March 28, 29, 30: The Office of Life and Family Ministry will be offering a weekend retreat that provides post-abortive participants an opportunity to process their pain and sorrow following an abortion experience and to form a spiritual connection with their child (ren). The weekend is an experience of compassion and forgiveness through the love of Jesus that can begin the journey toward healing. If you are interested in learning more about this special confidential retreat weekend, call Carol Owens at 421-7833 x 218.

To Love and To Cherish

The Office of Life and Family is offering the To Love and To Cherish program for married Catholics. The free program provides topics/discussions designed to improve and enrich marriage in a sharing group environment. (Please note, this program does not take the place of marital counseling.) It will be offered each Thursday over five weeks, March 13 through April 10, 7-8:30p.m. at Saint Catherine Church, upper back entrance, 3252 Post Rd., Warwick. For information/registration, contact: Peter A. Magnotta at 421-7833, ext. 217.

Theology Discussion for Young Adults!



THEOLOGY ON TAP

Thursday, February 20, 2014
Welcoming Young Adults, single or married, in their 20's and 30's!
Cancun Mexican Restaurant, 175 Putnam Pike, Johnston
6:30 – 7:00 PM Arrival; 7–8:30 PM Speaker and Q&A

“POPE FRANCIS: EVERYTHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN”

Guest Presenter: Dr. Holly Taylor-Coolman,
Theology Department, Providence College

Pope Francis has captured the attention of the world, but in the race to determine whether he is “liberal” or “conservative,” many have missed the way in which he has revived some of the most basic themes of the gospel message.

There is no fee for this event. No registration necessary. A free-will donation will be collected to support Young Adult Ministry. Participants are welcome to purchase food and beverages. Must be 21 to order alcoholic beverages.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Providence Young Adult Ministry. For more information, visit www.discovercatholicfaith.org or contact Michelle Donovan at mdonovan@dioceseofprovidence.org.

Yes, You Really Are An Artist!



Join artists Peter Spaine and Deacon Paul Iacono as they teach you the simple process of painting a rose. This series of two one-hour exercises are intended to open your heart and mind to the process of painting sacred art and to consider participating in future sacred art workshops.

When: Two one-hour sessions on Saturday morning, **March 1st and 8th**, from 10 to 11 in the lower hall of St. Francis of Assisi Church 114 High Street Wakefield.

Materials Cost: \$20.00. Checks payable to St. Francis of Assisi Church and in the memo section please insert *Fra Angelico Institute for the Sacred Arts*. **Reservations Required!** Reserve a seat by leaving a phone message with Deacon Paul Iacono at **782 - 6129**, or email at frainstitute@cox.net by **Wednesday, February 19th**. Please leave name, phone number and number coming and visit the Institute's website at fraangelicoinstitute.com

St. Therese of Lisieux said: *“When I die, I will send down a shower of roses from the heavens, I will spend my heaven by doing good on earth.”*

Come and paint one of her roses with us and discover the artist within!

RESERVE YOUR SPOT!



Registration is now open to all High School Teens (grades 8-12)

STEUBENVILLE EAST YOUTH CONFERENCE

JULY 18-20, 2014

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
KINGSTON, RI

(NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION)

CONTACT:

JACQUI BERTRAND 782-3505

God indeed is my salvation. I am confident and unafraid. For the LORD is my strength and my might, and he has been my salvation.

~Isaiah 12:2



Online Giving

We now offer a secure and convenient way for you to contribute to St. Francis Parish!

Online donations may be made at any time from the privacy and comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Online donations are credited to your tax statement for the end of the year (except when made anonymously), and each user can change his or her preferences or desired donation amounts at any time!

Visit our website for more information on how to get started: www.stfranciswakefield.com