

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 23

4:30pm Aileen Capalbo

Requested by Mr. and Mrs. Murphy

Sunday, January 24

8:00am Evelyn Gauvin

Requested by family

10:00am Victor Signorelli

Requested by family

12:00pm Deacon Joseph G. Turcotte

Requested by family

Monday, January 25

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Tuesday, January 26

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday, January 27

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Thursday, January 28

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Friday, January 29

7:00am Matilda & Domenic Coppolino

Requested by family

Saturday, January 30

4:30pm Timothy McNulty

Birthday Remembrance

Sunday, January 31

8:00am Rev. Charles J. Burns

3rd Pastor—115 Anniversary

10:00am Mass for the People

12:00pm Nicholas Duckworth

Requested by Jim and Sandy Weeks



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 24

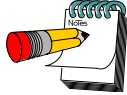
10:00am Mary Marchand

Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci

Sunday, January 31

10:00am Jay O'Connor

Requested by Patti O'Connor



For Your Information

PARISH SUPPORT

Due to early transmittal times, the collections had not taken place when the bulletin was sent to the printer. The collections for January 17 & 24 will be printed in next weekend's bulletin. Next weekend's second offering will be for the Church in Latin America.

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns for a special intention.

BABY SHOWER

The Social Outreach Committee is sponsoring a month-long Baby Shower throughout January. Please bring unwrapped baby items listed on the posters in the bulletin boards and place them at the main entrances of the church and chapel. The agencies benefitted are: The Gabriel Project, The Pregnancy Center of Westerly, and Right to Life Services, Inc. Any questions, please contact Anne Cooney at 783-7034.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST to benefit Msgr. Clarke School on Sunday, January 31st at Christ the King from 8:30-11:30am. All are welcome!

OPEN HOUSE

Monsignor Clarke School, 5074 Tower Hill Road, Wakefield for Grades PK-8 on Sunday, January 31st from 11AM to 1PM. For more information call 401.789.0860.

THE TRIUMPH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART



We're pleased to announce that this Lent, we'll be hosting Marian Father, Fr. David Gunter, MIC who will give a special Mission on the "Triumph" of the Immaculate Heart. This mission has been very well received at other parishes in the area and we look forward to Father Gunter's coming here to our parish.

So, mark those calendars. Father Gunter will be joining us from Sunday, February 14th through Wednesday, February 17th to preach his Mission: *The Triumph*.

The Triumph is a dynamic audio-visual presentation designed to encourage faithful Catholics to consecrate themselves to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Personal testimony, scripture, teachings from popes and saints make this a thoroughly Catholic program. Compelling insight will be given into the nature of the "Triumph". This program provides tremendous hope for a world turned upside down. Plan on joining us for this very special Mission!

Father Gunter will be joined by Marian Brother, Bro. John Luthe who will be selling books and Divine Mercy images from the Marians of the Immaculate Conception in Stockbridge.

JANUARY 24, 2016

From the Pastor

Here are some statistics for your information and consideration, especially in light of our recent increased-giving campaign. In the calendar year of 2015, 830 families (out of 1900+) contributed anything recordable to the parish. By "recordable" I mean that they used either the budget envelopes or on-line giving. Of those 830, 199 gave something between \$1 and \$100, i.e., less than \$2.00 a week; 631 gave \$2.00 or more a week. The rest of our weekend collections consisted of loose bills that cannot be credited to anyone in particular. We would have no way of knowing how much we can depend on the more than 1,000 households who will not either use the envelopes or give on-line.

We have 674 households that receive budget envelopes. Of these, approximately 400 never use them. So, since it costs us money to have these envelopes sent and we get nothing back on our investment, I think we should drop them. Don't you?

In any case, the blessing of God upon you who support your parish! "Give and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over" may they "pour into the fold of your garments." – cf. Luke 6:38. And in this blessing I include those who are unable to give financially but support us in other ways. "Time, talent and treasure!"

Fr. Bodah



Theology Discussion for Young Adults!

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

6:00 - 8:30 PM

Welcoming Young Adults, single or married, in their 20s and 30s!
Agaves Mexican Grill, 444 Quaker Lane, Warwick, RI 02886

Ten Reasons to Celebrate Our Catholic Faith

Come join us for a conversation on the joys of Catholic identity.

Fellowship at 6:00 PM and presentation at 7:00 PM.

Guest Speaker: Rev. Joseph Upton, Catholic Chaplain, University of Rhode Island

There is no fee for this event. A free-will donation will be collected. 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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, January 24th

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

9:00am First Communion Parent Meeting in Helen Bouchard Hall. All students must be represented at this mtg.

9:50-10:50am Grade K (HBH)

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

Grade 8 (FGC)

Wednesday, January 27th

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

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



This Week

Sunday, January 24

Religious Ed Classes

see schedule above

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

11:00am Choir Rehearsal (SR)

Monday, January 25

7:30-12nn Adoration (SF)

7pm Pastoral Council Mtg. (MCCR)

Tuesday, January 26

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, January 27

4:15-5:15pm Classes Gr. 3-6 (FGC)

7-8:15pm Gr. 7 & 8 Classes (FGC)

Thursday, January 28

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



baby shower

just a little reminder that your baby-toddler items may be dropped off in one of the receptacles at the church and chapel entrances.



thank you





HOST FAMILIES NEEDED for NET Ministry Team

NET Ministries, a national evangelization team consisting of 12 young adults will be leading our Confirmation Retreats again this year. They will be in our diocese for the week from March 1-8 leading retreats. Our parish is responsible for providing lodging during their stay in Rhode Island. Team members travel with their own sleeping bag so they are just looking for floor space, hot showers and a meal. Spending time with these young adults is a real blessing! If you are interested in hosting some of them, please contact Diane Castro at our Religious Education Office by phone (792-8684) or email (castro_stfrancis@verizon.net).

TO LOVE AND TO CHERISH

The Office of Life and Family is offering the *To Love and To Cherish* program for married Catholics. This free program provides topics/discussions designed to enrich and strengthen marriage in a sharing group environment. It will be offered Mondays, February 22 through March 21, 7-8:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph Church (Rectory), 854 Providence St., W. Warwick. For information, contact: Peter Magnotta at 421-7833, ext. 217. (Please note, this program is not for marriage counseling.)

PERMANENT DIACONATE

Jesus says: "Whoever serves me, must follow me, and my servant will be with me wherever I am" (Jn 12:24-26). The permanent diaconate is a calling to be a servant of Christ and His church. The Diocese of Providence has begun recruitment for a new permanent deacon class. For more information about the newly announced permanent deacon formation program, please log on to <http://dioceseofprovidence.org/deacon-formation-program>.

Clothes for Souls



Mission: St. Francis Parish and I will be hosting a clothing drive during January/February that will give those in our community clothing on their backs.

Clothes can be from any season and can be used or new! However, it is preferred that the clothes are clean.

Items Needed:



Adults

- Women sizes can range from medium to the max size.
- Men sizes can range medium to the max size as well.



Underwear

- No preference.
- However, must be **New**.



Kids

- Sizes can range from 6 months to High School level.
- Articles of clothing can either be used or new.

Questions?

- Contact me, Adeline Wilkinson @ (401) 363-2995 if you have any questions or concerns.

Extras:

- For babies, we are asking for any sizes in clothes and/or diapers.
- Blankets and sheets (any size) are welcomed as well.

Adeline Wilkinson is a 10th grade honor student at South Kingstown High School. As part of her National Honor Society membership she is required to organize a project demonstrating her leadership skills. A recently confirmed member of St. Francis Parish, Adeline is planning a clothing drive to benefit clients of the satellite office of the diocesan Office of Catholic Charities and Social Ministry located in our church basement. Donations may be dropped off in the specially marked bins at the entrance of the church and chapel. Thank you.

Christ Has No Body

Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth
but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with
which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with
which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which
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Christ has no body now on earth but yours.
~ Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)