

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 18

4:30pm Fred Robinson

Birthday Remembrance

Sunday, July 19

8:00am William & Mary Apicerno

Requested by family

10:00am Susan Hogan

Requested by family

12:00NN Mass for the People

Monday, July 20

7:00am Hopie Votta

Requested by Melissa Maldonis

Tuesday, July 21

7:00am Donald F. Whicher

Requested by The Hood family

Wednesday, July 22

7:00am Bob Brown

Requested by Melissa Maldonis

Thursday, July 23

7:00am For all parish priests

Friday, July 24

7:00am Duncan Stephens

Requested by Mary and John Howard

Saturday, July 25

4:30pm John Champion

Requested by family

Sunday, July 26

8:00am Celebrant's Intention

10:00am Celebrant's Intention

12:00NN Concepcion "Connie" Castro



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 18

5:30pm Terrence, Elizabeth & John Simpson

Requested by family

Sunday, July 19

8:00am Margaret and James Ferry

Requested by Dr. Edward Ferry

10:00am Madeline and Walter Johansen

Requested by Jude and Bob

Saturday, July 25

5:30pm James H. Lynch

Requested by Anne Cooney

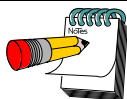
Sunday, July 26

8:00am Young/Geisel families

Requested by Mary C. Young

10:00am Mary Bielski

Requested by Kathleen Dwyer



For Your Information

PARISH SUPPORT

Parish support for July 12 was Budget—\$10,293. This weekend's second offering is the Ongoing Maintenance fund offering. Thank you for your continued generosity.

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of John Champion.

SUCCESS! AT THE CAR WASH

On Saturday, June 27th over 20 youth from the parish worked hard washing and shining the cars of the parish. A total of \$508.00 was raised for the Steubenville East Retreat and other Youth Group activities. This was the largest amount raised from any previous car wash. Our youths had a blast working and were successful in leaving the car wash soaking wet – water fights included! So THANKS to all the parishioners who supported us and thanks to the more than 20 youths who worked hard at the car wash. A great time was had by all!

FREE TO A LOVING HOME ...

Princess is seeking a caring and loving person or family to adopt. She is a 10 year old healthy energetic canine. She is a beautiful, medium-sized mix breed—one owner—must relocate—won't allow pets. For more information call 401-263-5270.

STEAK FRY AT THE KOFC HALL

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Steak Fry at the Council Hall, 1265 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown, on Saturday, July 25th, from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. All are invited. Meal includes: 10 Oz. Strip Steak, summer veggies, baked potato, and salad. Cost - \$11. Please call 295-0507 for reservations. Only 120 seats are available.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is sponsoring the ninth annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration honoring couples of the Diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2015.

The celebration will be held on Sunday, September 20th, 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence and will include Mass, renewal of the marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant. All registrations must be into the diocese by August 21st.

Please contact the parish office (783-4411) to register for this special celebration. If it is not possible for both husband and wife to be present, a certificate can be forwarded directly to the couple.

JULY 19, 2015

From the Pastor

Last week you may have noticed a letter from Bishop Tobin thanking us for exceeding our Catholic Charities goal. As of the last report from the diocese we had raised \$110,833.00 in gifts and pledges on a goal of \$103,070.00. A total of 395 donors participated, which represents 21% of our registered households.

I can't thank our chairwoman, Gerri Marsocci, enough for all her work in meeting and exceeding our goal. Gerri has been doing this for some years and her experience is invaluable. This year she faced the added challenge that the diocese, responding to suggestions that they not continue to use an out-of-state company, hired a RI-based entity to record the gifts. This newly-hired company managed to mess up the records of the earliest givers and it took some time and effort to sort things out.

I am particularly pleased that so many of you took advantage of this opportunity to help so many people through such widespread efforts of the Church in Rhode Island. God is never outdone in generosity and I pray that he will repay you, in the words of our Lord, "full measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over!"

Fr. Bodah

VBS 2015

A Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer was a great success! A huge thank you to our adult helpers: Mr. Kerry Wholey, Mrs. Jane Degnan, Mrs. Robin McGill, Mrs. Diane Rudegear and Mrs. Barbette Cullen for taking time out of your busy summers. Our sincere appreciation for the effort, time and most importantly, FUN, that you put into the week of camp. The children gain so much from the enthusiastic and unique sharing of your talents and faith.

Also a heartfelt thank you to all the teen/tween helpers: Anna Hurwitz, Ari Ford, Bridget Clossick, Brooke Peasley, Christian Currie, Colin Fonseca, Eily Clossick, Jason Duckworth, Kayla Rossi, Marin McQuarrie, Megan Williams, Michael Duckworth, Michael Kelly, Olivia Diebold, Owen Degnan, Patrick Clossick, Sam Williams, Simone Cooper, Zachary Chofay. These young adults made the week lots of fun and safe and by sharing of themselves at VBS, they truly help spread Christ's message to our children. Lastly, a thank you to all the children who attended. It was 5 days of fun and learning! We hope to see you all participating again next year.

Sue Williams and Jen Bernard



Religious Education

The Religious Education Office is closed for the month of July.



This Week

Monday, July 20

7:30am-12nn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (SF)

Thursday, July 23

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

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me, I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me." ~ Revelation 3:20



We are glad that you are here with us this morning. Whether you moved here a while ago or are just here for a brief summer stay, we welcome you. We hope you enjoy your stay in beautiful South County.

For those of you who've been attending St. Francis/St. Romuald for a while but just haven't gotten around to registering, why not give the parish office a call this week.

Registration is a quick process that'll take about five minutes over the phone or you can see Father Bodah after Mass to register this weekend.

Parish Breakfast in Matunuck

They say that breakfast is the most important meal of the day because it is so beneficial to our health and overall well-being. This annual breakfast has proven to be very important to the community of Saint Francis/Saint Romuald as is witnessed by the great crowds who come out every summer to support it. Now in our 15th year of holding a summer breakfast in Matunuck, we look forward to seeing you all there. As we look to the last days of summer, this fine event brings together the in-town crowd, and the Matunuck chapel-goers and, of course, some of our valued summer guests – what a great way to celebrate the many dimensions of our parish community.

This year, we're teaming with the RHODE ISLAND BLOOD CENTER to offer FREE BREAKFAST to anyone who donates blood at our Blood Drive at St. Romuald Chapel the same morning as the breakfast.

The breakfast will take place on Sunday, August 16th from 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon at the Matunuck Community Field House on Matunuck Beach Road. As in previous years, tents will be set up to accommodate everyone and there will be plenty of parking. The Blood Drive will run from 8:45AM-12:45PM at St. Romuald Chapel. **Spread the word on this great deal! Donate blood and you will not only save a life, but breakfast will be on the Rhode Island Blood Center! It's a win-win situation!**

Whether you attend Mass at St. Francis Church or St. Romuald Chapel, please consider joining us for a fantastic breakfast, a welcome ocean breeze and the great company of families from both of our places of worship. We offer a special welcome to our summer visitors who are also an important part of our parish community.

For those of you who can't donate blood or just want to pay for your breakfast, the cost remains an amazing \$8 for adults and \$4 for children six to twelve. As always, children under five eat FREE. Tickets are available at the parish office and will be sold at the church and chapel in the coming weeks. We appreciate your getting tickets early so that we can get a good sense of numbers.

Hoping that you will join us for what promises to be another outstanding event!

Matunuck Breakfast Committee



ADORERS NEEDED

Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament are needed on Monday mornings from **10:30AM-11:30AM** with an **emphasis on the 10:30-11:00AM slot.** Please consider coming one, two, three or all four Mondays during a month. We had a tremendous response for our request for the first hour (7:30-8:30) and that shift is well covered. Please call Joe and Sharon Clossick at 782-2504 to learn more. Even if you can only come once a month, it is still a HUGE help. Thank you.



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Learn how the Holy Spirit works in our everyday life and can use your gifts and talents. Although the seminar started last week, it's not too late to join them at **ST. JAMES CHAPEL**, 2079 Matunuck Schoolhouse Road, Charlestown, RI **THURSDAYS, THROUGH AUGUST 13, 7 - 8:30pm.** Call 401-364-7214 to register. All are welcome!

CEMETERY IN NEED OF GATEKEEPERS

St. Francis Cemetery is looking for volunteers to close the cemetery gate on Thursday nights. If you or someone you know is interested, please call Carol McDole at 782-2711. Thank you.



Online Giving

Visit our website at:
www.stfranciswakefield.com
to sign up!