

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 21

4:30pm Robert Stewart

Requested by AnnMarie Piscopo

Sunday, March 22

8:00am Thu and Chi Thi Tran and
Thanh John Ha

Requested by family

10:00am Celebrant's Intention

12:00nn For Persecuted Christians
throughout the world

Monday, March 23

7:00am Thu Tran

Requested by Anne Cooney

Tuesday, March 24

7:00am Rev. James E. Greenan

9th Pastor—63rd Anniversary

Wednesday, March 25

7:00am Esther Capuano

Requested by Susan Hall

Thursday, March 26

7:00am Posillo Brothers

Requested by Posillo family

Friday, March 27

7:00am Mass for the People

Saturday, March 28

4:30pm Reinaldo "Ray" Flores

Requested by wife

Sunday, March 29

8:00am Ned Carney

Requested by Jeff and Kathleen Carney

10:00am Frederick Cloos

Requested by Jim and Susan Meehan

12:00NN Jane C. Healy

Margaret H. Cote



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 22

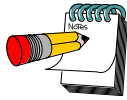
10:00am John and Grace Carpinelli

Requested by family

Sunday, March 29

10:00am Mary M. Lucas

Requested by St. Romuald Choir



For Your Information

PARISH SUPPORT

Parish support for March 15th was Budget—\$9,416; Ongoing Maintenance—\$2,594.50. Next weekend's second offering will be the annual Rice Bowl/Catholic Relief Services collection. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity to our brothers and sisters in need.

SANCTUARY LAMP

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

END OF LIFE DECISIONS

The Catholic teachings on end-of-life care has been updated and is contained in a new booklet reflecting the Christian hope of preparing for our eternal destiny. We are sending the newly revised booklet including information on MOLST (Medical Order for Life Sustaining Treatment) to every parish in the Diocese of Providence. For additional copies or if you have any questions, please call the Office of Life and Family Ministry at 421-7833 ext. 218.

EASTER FLOWERS

Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church and chapel for those who'd like to make a donation toward Easter flowers in memory of a loved one.

THE CARMELITE SISTERS OF BARRINGTON INVITE ALL TO THESE UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 1) A special hour of prayer for world peace - Thursday, March 26, 7:00-8:00pm – Come respond to the recent appeals of Pope Francis, Bishop Tobin, and the Carmelite Order to pray for peace in the world, and to hold up in prayer those persecuted Christians in the Middle East who are suffering at the hands of ISIS and other extremists.
- 2) A Mass of Thanksgiving for the Foundress of the Carmelite Order, St Teresa of Avila, in commemoration of the 5th centenary of her birth - Saturday, March 28, at 9:30am
- 3) A Panel discussion about the Carmelite Order and contemplative prayer - Sunday, April 26, 2-4:00pm.

All events will take place at the: Carmelite Monastery, 25 Watson Ave., Barrington, RI.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 12th, 2015 at 3 O'Clock

MASS CELEBRATED BY

FR. NICHOLAS P. SMITH, PASTOR EMERITUS
AT SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL, MATUNUCK

All are welcome to join us and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday at Saint Romuald Chapel with Fr. Nick. Please note, there will be no confessions heard on Mercy Sunday, so please take advantage of the one the last opportunities for confession before Easter listed on page 3 of the bulletin.



MARCH 22, 2015

From the Pastor

Here's a story from Fyodor Dostoevsky's novel *The Brothers Karamazov*.

"Once upon a time there was a woman, and she was wicked as wicked could be, and she died. And not one good deed was left behind her. The devils took her and threw her into the lake of fire. And her guardian angel stood thinking: what good deed of hers can I remember to tell God? Then he remembered and said to God: once she pulled up an onion and gave it to a beggar woman. And God answered: take now that same onion, hold it out to her in the lake, let her take hold of it and pull, and if you pull her out of the lake, she can go to paradise. The angel ran to the woman and held out the onion to her: here, woman, he said, take hold of it and I'll pull. And he began pulling carefully, and had almost pulled her all of the way out, when other sinners in the lake saw her being pulled out and all began holding on to her so as to be pulled out with her. But the woman was wicked as wicked could be, and she began to kick them with her feet: 'It's me who's getting pulled out, not you; it's my onion, not yours.' No sooner did she say it than the onion broke. And the woman fell back into the lake and is burning there to this day. And the angel wept and went away."

Father Bodah

South County Chamber Singers Sacred Music Concert TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND at 3:00PM at St. Francis Church

On Sunday, March 22nd at 3:00PM the South County Chamber Singers will present a concert of Sacred Music at St. Francis Church under the direction of Dr. Enrico Garzilli. The concert will include music of Bach, Mozart, Garzilli and Forest. The featured work will be the beautiful Coronation Mass of Mozart. Originally performed in the Cathedral of Salzburg, the work was presented in 1985 at St. Peter's in Rome with St. John Paul II as celebrant. Please consider coming to this inspiring and enjoyable Lenten meditation. There will be a free will offering.



Religious Education

CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 22nd

8:50-9:50am GRADES 1 & 2 (FGC)
GRADE 8(FGC)
10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-6 (FGC)
Sacrament of
Reconciliation during
class time
GRADE 7 (FGC)

Monday, March 23rd

7:00-8:30PM Conf. I (FGC)

Wednesday, March 25th

4:00-5:00 pm GRADES 3- 6
7:00-8:15 pm GRADE 7-8
Sacrament of
Reconciliation during
class times for Gr. 3-8

Thursday, March 26th

6:00pm Confirmation rehearsal begins
in the main church for the
Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Sponsors and candidates need
to be present.

Saturday, March 28th at 10am

Sacrament of Confirmation
with Bishop Tobin presiding
Sponsors and candidates please report
to the Lower Church by 9:30.
Reception immediately following
Confirmation in Fr. Greenan Hall.

**First Communion Banners are
due next Sunday, March 29th.**



2015 Catholic Charity Appeal

Through your support of the Catholic Charity Appeal, 1,204 youth attended 42 retreats from over 68 parishes and 2 Catholic schools. Thank you for your generosity.

2015 CCF PARISH GOAL: \$103,070
Amount pledged to date: \$ 21,520

Please don't forget to turn in your pledge.
Every little bit helps.

Lent

MORNING PRAYER

Every Wednesday during Lent, immediately following the 7AM Mass, we will pray *Morning Prayer* in Saint Francis Church. Booklets will be provided.

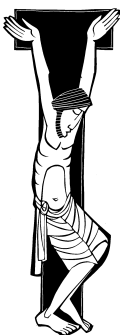


ADORATION W/EVENING PRAYER

Join us each Tuesday and Thursday evening during the Lenten Season for Adoration w/Evening Prayer at 6:30PM at Saint Romuald Chapel, Matunuck.

ROSARY—SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed each Friday morning during Lent, immediately following the 7AM Mass at St. Francis Church.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross with Benediction will be offered on the Friday evenings of Lent at 7PM in St. Francis Church. Saint Romuald Chapel offers an afternoon opportunity to pray the Stations on Wednesdays throughout Lent at 12:30PM.

PARISH CONFESSIONS

Remaining opportunities for confession before Easter are this Thursday, March 26th from 5-6:00pm and next Saturday, March 28th at 3:30pm at St. Francis Church.



LENTEN PRAYER

Transfigure us, O Lord — Transfigure us, O Lord.
Break the chains that bind us; speak your healing word,
and where you lead we'll follow.
Transfigure us, O Lord.

Hippitty, hoppitty,

Easter's on its way...

our Annual Easter Egg Hunt is

Saturday, April 4th from 10:00-

11:00am

at Fr. Greenan Center.

Come rain or shine!

Toddlers to Second Graders welcome!

Donations of wrapped CANDY are needed and are gratefully accepted.

Collection box located at the entrance to the church.



This Week

Sunday, March 22

Rel. Ed. Classes—see schedule on page 2

11:00am Choir Rehearsal (SR)

11:00am Sacrament of Penance Gr. 3 & 6 (FGC)

3:00pm Sacred Concert w/So. County
Chamber Singers ~directed by
Dr. Enrico Garzilli (SFC)

5:30pm Rehearsal Seder Meal (↑FGC)

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, March 23

7:30-12:00nn Adoration (SFC)

6:30pm Event Committee Mtg. (HBH)

7-8:30pm Confirmation I Class (FGC)

Tuesday, March 24

6:30pm Adoration & Evening Prayer (SR)

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, March 25

12:30pm Stations of the Cross (SRC)

4-5pm Rel. Ed. Classes Gr. 3-6 w/

Sacrament of Penance during class (FGC)

7-8:15pm Gr. 7/8 Class with Sacrament of
Penance (FGC)

Thursday, March 26

9am-2pm PROUT Senior Retreat (FGC/SFC)

5-6:00pm Confessions (SFC)

6:00pm Confirmation Confessions followed
by Confirmation Rehearsal (SFC/HBH)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC-↓)

Friday, March 27

7:00pm Stations of the Cross (SF)

Saturday, March 28

10:00am CONFIRMATION with
Bishop Thomas J. Tobin
(SFC/↓FGC)