

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 22

4:30pm Irving P. Mason, Jr.

Requested by Concetta M. Wilson

Sunday, March 23

8:00am Mass for the People

10:00am Vincent McManus

Requested by daughter

12:00NN Russell Bazinet— 20th Anniv.

Requested by Joyce

Monday, March 24

7:00am Rev. James E. Greenan

9th Pastor—62nd Anniversary

Tuesday, March 25

7:00am Dr. Leonard Staudinger

Requested by family

Wednesday, March 26

7:00am Posillo brothers

Requested by family

Thursday, March 27

7:00am Frederick Cloos

Requested by Jim and Susan Meehan

Friday, March 28

7:00am Ned Carney

Requested by Jeff and Kathleen

Saturday, March 29

4:30pm Reinaldo "Ray" Flores

Requested by family

Sunday, March 30

8:00am Mass for the People

10:00am Rita Cormier

Requested by family

12:00NN Mary McGuire

Requested by a friend



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 23

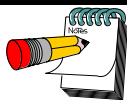
10:00am Constance Andrews

Requested by Galligan family

Sunday, March 30

10:00am Linda Guernon

Requested by family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Sean Mahoney. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of Irving P. Mason, Jr.

SCHEDULE OF REMAINING ECUMENICAL SERVICES

April 2 Christ United Methodist Church, 2291 Kingstown Rd., Kingston, RI; Rev. Raymond Bradley preaching. April 9 Wakefield Baptist Church, 236 Main St., Wakefield, RI; Rev. Miguel LaBoy preaching. All Services will start at 12Noon.

Disney's Beauty and the Beast

The Prout School Performing Arts Department proudly presents *Disney's Beauty and the Beast* on April 4 & April 5 at 7pm and April 6 at 2pm. General Admission: \$10; Students & Seniors: \$8.00. Tickets available online at www.theproutschool.org or at the door prior to performance. For more information call 789-9262 Ext. 514.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

We'd love to officially welcome you to our parish community! If you're new to the parish and have been worshipping with us but haven't yet contacted the parish office to register, please consider doing so (783-4411). Office hours: Mon.-Fri., 7:30am—4:00pm.



2014 CATHOLIC
CHARITY APPEAL

Please don't forget to return your Catholic Charity Appeal envelope with your donation. Every gift helps us toward our goal of \$103,070.

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PARISH SUPPORT— March 16, 2014

Weekly Support

	March 16
Budget envelopes used (319)	- \$ 6,494.00
Loose Donations	- \$ 1,711.00
Online Giving (# of donors 37)	- \$ 897.00
Total Budget	- \$ 9,102.00

Ongoing Maintenance

Budget envelopes	- \$ 2,191.50
Other donations	- \$ 509.00
Total Ongoing Maintenance	- \$ 2,700.50

Thank you for your continued generosity.

MARCH 23, 2014

From the Pastor...

Recently we were very pleased to learn that **William Harding**, our faithful coordinator at St. Romuald Chapel, **has been chosen to receive a *Lumen Gentium* Award for Parish Service.** This award is given to a person in the Diocese of Providence who has exemplified personal dedication and generous service to their parish community. For many years Bill has devoted much time and effort to the care of our Matunuck Chapel. His concern for the chapel is not only reflected in its impeccable upkeep, but is also expressed in his concern for the spiritual wellbeing of both seasonal and year-round participants. Bill's involvement with the Divine Mercy Cenacle, his pastoral care for the sick and the home-bound and his availability to assist both at the chapel and the church whenever needed are just a few indications of his outstanding dedication. His personal spiritual devotion is also reflected in his profession as an Oblate of the Camaldolese Benedictines founded by St. Romuald. **Bill is truly a man of faith, devotion and exemplary service and our parish is honored by his selection for this well-deserved distinction.**

Bill will receive his award from **Bishop Tobin** at the ***Lumen Gentium* Banquet on May 14th at the Twin River Event Center in Lincoln, RI.** You can learn more about the Award by going online to www.diocesepvd.org. Tickets and ads for the event are available at the website. The banquet is a diocesan fundraiser in support of parish food assistance programs throughout the Diocese.

Last weekend our parish hosted a **Marriage Preparation Program.** Seventeen couples from around the state participated. I wish to say a word of thanks to **Linda and Shaun Curry who planned and led the program along with several other couples who gave presentations and facilitated the weekend.** They all did a great job as was evidenced by the unanimously positive comments from the participating couples on their evaluation forms.

As Lent continues, I hope that all will consult their parish Lenten Calendar and take advantage of the various offerings. I particularly call your attention to the **Evening of Prayer and Song this Sunday evening at St. Romuald Chapel at 6:30 PM.** This Taizé style service provides the opportunity for quiet, reflective prayer. Also, don't forget that we offer **Stations of the Cross with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday evening at 7 PM in church.**

Msgr. Theroux



Religious Education

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

Sunday, March 23

8:50-9:50am GRADES 1 & 2 (FGC)
GRADE 8(FGC)
9:50-10:50am GRADE K (HBH)
10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-5 (FGC)
GRADE 6 (HBH)
GRADE 7 (HBH)

Monday, March 24

No Confirmation II class. Confirmation I will meet on March 31st in the lower church.

Wednesday, March 26

4:00-5:00 pm GRADES 3- 6 Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time. Please meet in the church.
7:00-8:15pm GR. 7 & 8 Sacrament of Reconciliation please meet in the lower church



This Week

Sunday, March 23

9:00am Coffee N Cameos (HBH)
11:00am Reconciliation Gr. 5/6 (FGC)
5:30-7:00pm Praise! Rehearsal (FGC)
6:30pm Taize-style Prayer & Song (SRC)
7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, March 24

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

Tuesday, March 25

6:30pm Adoration & Evening Prayer (SRC)
7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)
7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, March 26

12:30pm Stations of the Cross (SRC)
4pm Reconciliation Grades 3-6 (FGC)
5-6:15pm Child's Choir Rehearsal (loft)
7pm Reconciliation Grades 7 & 8 (FGC)

Thursday, March 27

2:00pm Mass at Brightview Commons
6:30pm Adoration w/Evening Prayer (SRC)
7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC)

Friday, March 28

7:00pm Stations of the Cross (SFC)

Saturday, March 29

9:30-11:30am Fra Angelico Institute Workshop (HBH)
5:30-8pm Martha's Helpers Dinner in Father Greenan Hall to benefit teens going to Steubenville East (*see insert for details*)

Lent

LENTEN CALENDAR

If you did not get a copy of our purple Lenten brochure and calendar, please take one today from one of the entrances of the church or chapel. The brochure is also available at our parish website:

<http://stfranciswakefield.com>.



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.

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**. "Step Up Close to Jesus," the Stations of the Cross for children, will be offered in Fr. Greenan Center on March 30th at 11AM. The "Living Stations," presented by our seventh graders, will be offered on April 9th at 7PM in St. Francis Church. And this year, **Saint Romuald Chapel** offers an afternoon opportunity to pray the Stations on **Wednesdays throughout Lent at 12:30PM**.



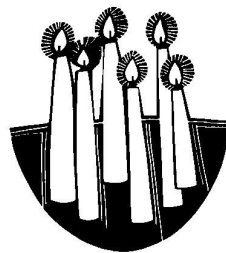
L-EN-T: LEARN, ENGAGE, TRUST

Lent provides the perfect opportunity to grow in our understanding of our Catholic faith. *Learn* more about what the Church teaches, *engage* that teaching in application to your own life and *trust* that God gives us the grace we need to be the people he is calling us to be! A great resource is the CD rack found by the elevator in St. Francis Church or at the rear entrance to St. Romuald Chapel. The racks are constantly updated with CD's exploring a wide range of Church teaching and doctrines. Get one or two for the car rides to work during Lent!

COFFEE & CAMEOS: PLEASE JOIN US!



Today, **March 23 at 9:00am**, we will gather in Helen Bouchard Hall (lower St. Francis Church) for a presentation on **The Women of Jerusalem**. Next Sunday, **March 30**, we will gather for a presentation on **Simon of Cyrene**. Please join us for Coffee and Cameos as we explore the characters that are often overlooked in the passion narratives!



EVENING OF PRAYER & SONG

Come join us for a quiet evening of Lenten prayer, song and reflection TONIGHT, Sunday, March 23rd at 6:30PM at Saint Romuald Chapel. If you've been to one of the Taize prayer services at the church over the past few years and really got into the "quiet" atmosphere of prayer, you'll love this evening.

WATCH, O LORD...

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give Your Angels and Saints charge over those who sleep. Tend Your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest Your weary ones, Bless Your dying ones, Soothe Your suffering ones, pity Your afflicted ones, Shield Your joyous ones, And all for Your love's sake. Amen.

Remaining opportunities for Confession before Easter:

Saturday, March 29th, April 5th &
12th at 3:30PM and on
Thursday, April 10th
from 5-7:30PM

at Saint Francis Church

(An outside priest will be available.)

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TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY,
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