PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions

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

Monday, March 30

7:00am Thu Tran

Requested by Jim and Susan Meehan

Tuesday, March 31

7:00am Esther Capuano

Requested by Marilyn Favali

Wednesday, April 1

7:00am Dr. Leonard Staudinger Requested by family

HOLY THURSDAY, April 2

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper with Adoration until 11pm

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3

3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St. Romuald Chapel

7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's
Passion at St. Francis Church

HOLY SATURDAY, April 4

8:00pm Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

8:00am Special Intention for Patricia Dunleavy~Req. by McElkennys

10:00am Patrick Sullivan Dufficy

Requested by mother and father

12nn John "Jack" Cain and James Dware Requested by Barbara Potter



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 29

10:00am Mary M. Lucas

Requested by St. Romuald Choir

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3

3:00pm Solemn Service of our Lord's Passion and Death

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5

10:00am John and Grace Carpinelli Requested by family



For Your Information

PARISH SUPPORT

Parish support for March 22nd was Budget—\$8,448.50. This weekend's second offering is the annual Rice Bowl/Catholic Relief Services collection. The Good Friday collection is for the Holy Land. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity to these collections.

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Ned Carney.

EASTER FLOWERS

It's not too late to donate toward Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church and chapel.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Parents & Guardians, now is the time to get your Tuition Assistance forms from your child's Catholic Elementary School. Stop by your child's school office sometime in the next couple of weeks and pick up that form. Turn the completed form into the parish office by March 31st so that we can begin to work on our budget. Parish Assistance is awarded on a need basis for children in Grades K-8. Grades 9-12 may apply for assistance directly from the diocesan school office. Contact the school office for details.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

All are welcome to join us for Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12th at 3pm at St. Romuald Chapel. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Nicholas P. Smith, Pastor Emeritus. Please note, there will be no confessions heard on Mercy Sunday. If you went to confession during Lent, that suffices for the condition of the Promise of Divine Mercy Sunday: the remission of guilt and the punishment of sins.

STEUBENVILLE EAST YOUTH CONFERENCE

Reserve your spot! Registration is now open to all high school teens, grades 8-12, for the July 17-19th Conference at the Tsongas Center, UMass, Lowell. (Note the change in location). Contact Joe Clossick at 782-2504 for more information or to register. Theme: "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." ~ John 10:10

MAY MONEY MADNESS - a unique parish event.

Tickets at \$10 each/book of six-\$50 and 12 for \$100 - will be sold throughout the month of April only. Beginning May 1st, there will be daily drawings, Monday through Saturday - \$50 and on Sunday - \$100 and on May 31st there will be a grand drawing of \$500. Daily winners will be eligible for all future drawings. Further information to follow on purchasing tickets.



Your support of the Catholic Charity Appeal will enable the Interfaith Community Dire Emergency Fund to continue to serve 22,080 clients annually. Thank you!

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

2015 Catholic Charity Appeal

March 29, 2015

From the Pastor

First of all, let me join Fr. Joe (cf. elsewhere in this bulletin) in encouraging you to attend the Holy Week services. They are the central celebrations of the liturgical year and the solemn commemoration of the mysteries of our salvation.

Also, please remember to send in your Catholic Charities pledge card. It will take the cooperation of all our parishioners to reach our goal.

Elsewhere in the news: We are happy to announce that Carol McDole has been hired as the new director of our parish cemetery. Carol is a resident of Narragansett and a long-time member of Christ the King parish. She comes to us with a solid background in accounting as well as a record of service to others. We wish her a long and happy tenure in this important work. Thanks, too, to the members of the finance council who helped in the hiring process.

I cannot go without expressing my gratitude to Laurie Friel, who has been our cemetery director for the last 7 years. Laurie has been a model, not only of organization and administration, but, equally important, of ministry to others. Her patience in service to those who are in grief, to the various funeral directors, and to those who simply want to plan for the future, has been a great blessing. She has continued the tradition that has helped to make our cemetery a model. She continues to be a loyal parishioner and we wish her and her husband, Mark, many years of good health and happiness.

Father Bodah

COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?

For many years, the custom of visiting seven churches on Holy Thursday night to adore the Blessed Sacrament was observed. After attending the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, plan on staying for a short time with the Blessed Sacrament in Helen Bouchard Hall. A guide for reflection will be provided for those who wish to stay for prayer. You are encouraged to then visit the other churches in our area, as well, for a brief period of silent prayer and adoration. If you'd rather go home immediately after Mass, you are welcome to return to Helen Bouchard Hall for adoration later in the evening. The hall will remain open for adoration until 11:00PM. Please plan on spending some time on Holy Thursday in adoration of our Blessed Lord. ~ Fr. Upton

St. Francis of Assisi's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 4th

10:00-11:00 Rain or Shine!! Fr. Greenan Parish Center

Toddlers to Second Graders Welcome

<u>Donations of candy and plastic eggs gratefully accepted.</u>

Collection box located at the entrance to the church.

Thank you for your generosity!





Religious Education

CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 29

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

10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-6 (FGC) GRADE 7 (FGC)

First Communion Banners due today.

Monday, March 30

3:30 Fill Easter Eggs (FGC) 7:00-8:30 Confirmation Dinner with Guest Speaker (FGC)

Wednesday, April 1

4-5pm GRADES 3-6 (FGC)

7-8:15 CLASSES GRADES 7/8 (FGC)



Sunday, March 29

Rel. Ed. Classes—see schedule above 11:00am Choir Rehearsal (SR) 7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, March 30

7:30-12:00nn Adoration (SFC) 7-8:30pm Confirmation II Dinner (FGC)

Tuesday, March 31

6:30pm Adoration & Evening Prayer (SR)

7:00pm Last Bible Study Class (FGC) 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, April 1

12:30pm Stations of the Cross (SRC) 4-5pm Rel. Ed. Classes Gr. 3-6 (FGC) 7-8:15pm Gr. 7/8 Class (FGC)

HOLÝ THURSDAY, April 2

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper with Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 11:00pm (SF)

8:30-11:00pm Adoration (SRC)

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3

3:00pm Stations of the Cross (SF) 3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (SRC)

7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (SF)

HOLY SATURDAY, April 4

10:00am Easter Egg Hunt (FGC) 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass (SF)

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5

Masses will be celebrated at St. Francis at 8am, 10am and 12nn and at St. Romuald Chapel at 10am



morning prayer

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





ADORACION W/EVENING PRAYER

Join us Tuesday evening for Adoration w/Evening Prayer at 6:30PM at Saint Romuald Chapel, Matunuck.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saint Romuald Chapel, Wednesday at 12:30PM. **Saint Francis Church**, Good Friday at 3:00pm.

YOU ARE INVITED

Please join us on Saturday, April 4th, 2015, for

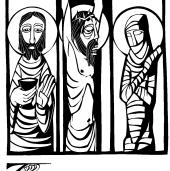
THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

at 8:00PM

in St. Francis Church

Please make every effort to be with us as we greet the Resurrection of the Lord in Solemn Vigil

Holy Week is the climax of the entire liturgical year. Today, Palm Sunday marks the beginning of the Holy Week, when commemorate Christ's royal entry into Jerusalem.





On Holy
Thursday, Lent ends and the Sacred
Triduum begins. The Sacred Triduum, the
three sacred days marking the final events of
our Lord's earthly life, forms the core of
Holy Week.

On Holy Thursday evening, we will celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM in St. Francis Church. This special Mass commemorates the institution of the Holv Eucharist and the Ministerial Priesthood. At the conclusion of the Mass, the Blessed Sacrament is carried in procession to the "repository" which is located in Helen Bouchard Hall, where adoration will continue **11:00PM**. Meanwhile, the altar is stripped of its appointments, as a remembrance of Christ's being stripped of his garments.

On Good Friday, we recall with great solemnity the death of Jesus on the cross. Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 3:00PM in St. Francis Church. This is the only day of the year that Mass is not celebrated! The Celebration of the Lord's Passion will be held at two different times: first at 3:00PM at St. Romuald Chapel and again at 7:00PM in St. Francis Church. This distinctive service, which is *not* a Mass, contains the familiar Veneration of the Cross and the distribution of Holy Communion.

On Holy Saturday, the most sacred night of the year, we will gather at **8:00PM** in Saint Francis Church for the **Easter Vigil**, the mother of all vigils, when we watch for Christ's resurrection. This Mass begins in total darkness with the blessing of the Easter Fire and the lighting of the Easter Candle. We hear several readings, retelling us the story of our salvation and the mighty power of God's work in the course of the world's history. All present will renew their baptismal vows. ~ Fr. Upton