SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 30

4:30pm Ruth Sweet

Requested by Rosina Leasseur

Sunday, May 1

8:00am Mass for the people

10am Wayne, Dana & Howard Fanning Requested by Yvonne

12:00pm Clinton Salisbury Requested by Elizabeth

Monday, May 2

7:00am Anthony Rose Requested by DaSilva family

Tuesday, May 3

7:00am Dennis Barlow Requested by Nee and Dillon family

Wednesday, May 4

7:00am Luke and Henrietta Pucella *Requested by family*

Ascension Thursday, May 5

7:00am Bob Brown

Requested by Carolyn Brown

7:00pm John Estes

Requested by family

Friday, May 6

7:00am Rita and Tom O'Rourke and Warren Behie—*Reg. by family*

Saturday, May 7

4:30pm Bob Brown

Requested by Carolyn Brown

Sunday, May 8

8:00am Eugenia Plymesser

Requested by family

10:00am Donna R. Blain

Requested by family

12:00pm Corinne Bertrand &

Mark Potter

Requested by Barbara Potter



St. Romuald Chapel

Sunday, May 1

10:00am Gertrude M. Roy

Sunday, May 8

10:00am Al Marchand

Requested by Gerri and Al Marsocci



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

The sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Sally Gallo.

ST. FRANCIS FRIENDS AVAILABLE TO VISIT

At a time when our family, friends, and neighbors are dealing with difficulties, St. Francis wants you to remember our parish's community outreach services. We can send a SFF (St. Francis Friend) to visit a loved one and provide encouragement, comfort, quality time, and the Holy Eucharist. Please reflect on those who are unable to attend Mass because of advanced age, handicaps, or illness and call us to arrange a visit at 401-783-4411.



MAY MONEY MADNESS LAST CHANCE FOR TICKETS!

Get your ticket before the first drawing. This is it! No tickets sold after May 1st! Don't miss out!

MAY DEVOTIONS

Please join us for the Rosary, Monday-Friday throughout the month of May at Saint Romuald Chapel at 6:30PM.

MAY CROWNING

Please join us next Sunday, May 8th at the 10:00AM Mass. Our First Communion students will participate in a special procession and traditional crowning in honor of our Blessed Mother Mary.



Through your generous gift to the Catholic Charity Appeal, Emmanuel House is able to provide a warm, safe place to sleep for CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL those without a home and no other place to

CCA Report

2016 CCA PARISH GOAL: \$103,070 / pledged to date: \$93,248.00 # of gifts: 375; % of goal—90.47%; % Participation: 18.01% Please don't forget to turn in your pledge. Every little bit helps.

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support April 24 Budget envelopes used (242) \$6,138.50 **Loose Donations** \$ 1,485.00 Online Giving (# of donors - 61)\$ 1,463.50 Total Budget \$ 9,087.00

Ongoing Maintenance

Envelopes (174) \$2,007.00 Other donations \$ 554.00 **Total Ongoing Maint.** \$2,561.00

This weekend's second offering is the Monthly offering for May. This Thursday is Ascension Thursday, a holy day of obligation. As always, thank you for your generosity.

May 1, 2016

From the Pastor

Good news. The bishop has agreed to assign Deacon Patrick Moynihan to our parish. He is committed to working for the Haitian Project for the next few years but will be able to diaconate here and help me with pastoral work, preaching, teaching, weddings, wakes and burials whenever he's in Rhode Island, which will be the bulk of the time.

Christina Moynihan has jumped right into her work as pastoral assistant and has visited the various residences of our older parishioners and led the residents at Indian Run for what she calls an Empowerment Session. We are working on systematizing our parish communion call list and will be sitting down with those who bring communion to the shut-ins to make sure everyone is being seen on a more regular basis and that everyone also gets to see the priest at least once or twice a year. In this regard, we'd really like you to let us know if any of your family members, friends or neighbors who are parishioners of our parish are no longer able to get to Mass. We cannot keep track of everyone and depend on you to let us know when you're in need.

Christina is also planning to gather the heads of the various ministries so that they can get to know one another and her, which is not only useful but a fun thing to do from time to time.

Also: please pray for our children who will be receiving First Holy Communion this coming Saturday at 10 a.m. and for their families. The children will also be invited to participate in the May crowning of the statue of the Blessed Mother immediately following the 10 o'clock Mass next Sunday. A welcome reception for Patrick and Christina Moynihan will follow the crowning. Come all ye!

The ongoing saga of the parking lot: work is now scheduled to begin on May 9, a week from this Monday, and should be done before the following weekend.

Fr. Bodah



ASCENSION OF THE LORD

This Thursday, May 5th, the Church observes the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a holy day of obligation. This special day commemorates the return of the Risen Jesus to the Father. Masses will be celebrated at 7:00AM and 7:00PM in Saint Francis Church.



FINAL DAY OF SUNDAY CLASSES

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

Monday, May 2nd

6pm First Communion Rehearsal All students and parent(s) please report to the lower church no later than 5:50pm.

Saturday, May 7th

First Holy Communion at 10:00AM

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Sunday, May 1

Rel Ed Classes see above schedule 11:00am—Choir Rehearsal—(SRC)

Monday, May 2

7:30am Adoration (church) 6:00pm Rehearsal for First Communion

Tuesday, May 3

6:00pm Social Outreach Mtg. (FGC) 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

ASCENSION THURSDAY, May 5

A Holy Day of Obligation
7:00am & 7:00pm Mass at St. Francis
6:30pm Prayer Shawl Mtg. (MCCR)
7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (\pmodformalfond{FGC})
7:15pm Steubenville East Mtg. (HBH)

Friday, May 6

10am-12nn Pastoral Visits

Saturday, May 7

10:00am First Communion

WELCOME HOUSE METRIC CYLING



On May 21st, Joe Dziobek, parishioner and Executive Director of Welcome House, and several other cyclists will be riding in a 100km cycle through South County as a fundraiser for Welcome House. This event is to help raise money in order to meet the many demands for services in our community. If you would

like to sponsor Joe or one of the other cyclists, you can donate online at:

http://www.welcomehouseofsouthcounty.org or send a donation to Welcome House, 8 North Rd., Peace Dale, RI 02879. What a great opportunity to help our neighbor, Welcome House! Thank you very much!

STEUBENVILLE EAST YOUTH CONFERENCE ATTENDEES & PARENTS

A planning meeting will be held on Thursday, May 5th immediately following the 7pm Ascension Thursday Mass in Helen Bouchard Hall. Fund raising plans and general conference information will be discussed. It is important that you attend.

SUMMER CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Registration for our summer Confirmation program is ongoing. If you have a child who is currently in enrolled in 8th grade at Msgr Clarke, please contact the religious education office. Classes will be held as follows:

<u>Summer Session One</u>: Monday, June 27th – Friday, July 1st from 9-12:30am

<u>Summer Session Two</u>: Sunday, July 31st – Thursday, August 4th from 5-8:30pm

Registration forms can be found on our parish website under the Confirmation tab.

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

for all Confirmation Two need to be submitted to the religious education office **by June 1st**. Please make sure your sponsor completes the sponsor form and has <u>their</u> parish priest sign it. (This can be accomplished by speaking with him after Mass or making an appointment with him during the week.)



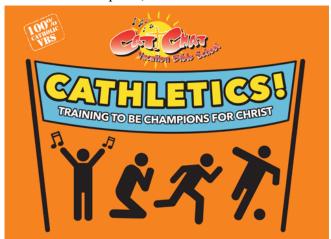
We are glad to have you here with us this morning. If you're new to the area and have been thinking about joining our parish, please introduce yourself/selves to Fr. Bodah

after Mass and call the parish office during the week to register (783-4411). Welcome to our parish family!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is BACK!

June 21st-June 24th

All children in Kindergarten through 4th grade are invited to attend. If you have an older child that would like to help out, we'd love to have them!



WHAT: This sports-themed VBS is packed with rock-solid songs, unforgettable games, cool crafts and interactive lessons that will motivate kids in grades K-4 to run the great race of faith. Just as it takes hard work to train for the Olympics, it is also important to get the right training to live out our Catholic faith.

WHEN: Tues., June 21st through Fri., June 24th

TIME: 8:30am-11:30am. **COST**: \$40.00 per child.

HOW: Registration forms can be found at the main entrances to the church.

Why not invite a friend?

Call the Religious Ed. Office with any questions 792-8684.



STEUBENVILLE EAST YOUTH CONFERENCE

There are **2 spots left** for any teenager currently enrolled in grades 8-12 to attend the Steubenville East Youth Conference on July 15-17, 2016. If interested, contact the Religious Education Office as soon as possible. Remaining spots are on a first come first serve basis. Don't miss out on this experience!