

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 19

5:30pm Frances and James Thomas

Requested by family

Sunday, November 20

8:00am Roland Levesque

Requested by Deborah Harig

10:00am Thomas S. Hogan

Requested by family

12:00NN Mass for the People

Monday, November 21

7:00am Rosemary Walsh

Requested by St. Francis Women's Club

Tuesday, November 22

7:00am Michael Posillo

Requested by family

Wednesday, November 23

7:00am Elizabeth Raitano

Requested by family

THANKSGIVING

Thursday, November 24

9:00am Rev. Francis C. Cooney

11th Pastor of St. Francis—18th Anniv.

Friday, November 25

7:00am Special Intention

Requested by Meehan family

Saturday, November 26

4:30pm Rev. Michael L. Ryan

7th Pastor of St. Francis—59th Anniv.

Sunday, November 27

8:00am Mass for the People

10am Martiniano & Palmiotto Families

Requested by family

12:00NN Rose & Amadeo Tella

Requested by family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 20

10:00am Owen and Maureen Rielly

Requested by family

Sunday, November 27

10:00am John and Grace Carpinelli

Requested by family



For Your Information

PARISH SUPPORT for November 13 was Budget—\$7,834; Ongoing Maintenance—\$1,431. This weekend's second offering—Campaign for Human Development. Thank you for your continued generosity.

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Marian & Emery Bragdon. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns in memory of John & Margaret Cavanagh.

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Today, we take up a Collection that helps fight poverty at its roots. For 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has provided funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. The Collection has helped secure funding for low-income day care centers, programs that emphasize education, and affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. It has contributed to efforts to implement laws that enforce fair wages. Fight poverty in America. Defend human dignity. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

A LETTER FROM RIGHT TO LIFE SERVICES

Dear Msgr. Theroux, Father Upton, and parishioners,

Thank you for your generous response to our "Baby Bottle Boomerang" Campaign. A grand total of \$3,370.70 was received from your parish family.

Since 1979, Right to Life Services has been making a difference in the lives of moms and their little ones by helping them with basic necessities, education, and referrals. Your donations will enable us to continue our ministry to God's most innocent, His babies.

God bless you all,

For Life,

Peggy Lavallee

Right to Life Services

REPENT, THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT HAND!

One of the best ways to prepare for the coming of Christ is to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession can be a great way to "tidy the house" for the coming of the great Guest at Christmas, Jesus Christ (not the in-laws)! Advent Penance Services with the opportunity for individual confessions will be held at the following times and places:

Tuesday, December 13 - 12:00PM at St. Thomas More

Wednesday, December 14 - 7:00PM at Christ the King

Monday, December 19 - 7:00PM at St. Mary, Star of the Sea

Wednesday, December 21 - 7:00PM at St. Francis of Assisi

NO BUY COAT DRIVE/EXCHANGE

There will be a No Buy Coat Drive in the lower church on the Friday following Thanksgiving, November 25th, from 10am-12pm. Please bring your donations of clean used coats to be donated to those in need on that day only. Thank you.

NOVEMBER 20, 2011

FROM THE PASTOR...

This week we will celebrate **Thanksgiving** – a civil holiday with a truly spiritual significance. While the day's festivities may highlight turkey, football and parades, I hope that everyone will remember to take some time to count their blessings and thank God for the many gifts that he gives us. I also hope that we will all be mindful of those who will find this Thanksgiving difficult due to financial problems or other personal issues. We have a Christian responsibility to keep them in our prayers and to offer assistance in any way that we can. I am grateful that many of our parishioners have been very generous in responding to the appeal for food and donations to help people in the community during this holiday season.

On **Thanksgiving Day**, Father Joe and I will celebrate **Mass at 9:00 AM** in our parish church. The word Eucharist is from the Greek verb "to thank" – every Mass is a celebration of thanksgiving. What a perfect way for families to begin their holiday feast by giving thanks to God along with other members of our faith community.

On a more personal note, as we approach Thanksgiving I would like to express my appreciation to all our parishioners who have been so welcoming since I arrived in July. Every week I feel more at home and grateful for the opportunity to serve as pastor of St. Francis Parish. Please know that you will all have a very special place in my prayers at Mass on Thanksgiving Day.

Don't forget, next weekend is going to be **Super Weekend** with so much happening around here...Women's Club **Christmas Bazaar** on Saturday morning...Saturday evening **Mass time changes to 4:30 PM**...we begin the **new translation of the Roman Missal**...we celebrate the **First Sunday of Advent**...we have our **Advent Wreath Workshop** on Sunday afternoon. Wow! Many great things happening at St. Francis Parish!

Msgr. Theroux



ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP

Where: Fr. Greenan Parish Center

When: Sunday, November 27th

Time: 1:00PM

Cost: \$12 / Advent Wreath Kit

Bring work gloves and clippers. Please join us for this enjoyable family preparation for Advent. Refreshments will be provided. Call the main office if you will be attending 783-4411.



Religious Ed. Notes

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sunday, November 20

8:50-9:50am GRADES 1 & 2

9:50-10:50am KINDERGARTEN

10:00am Grade 1 Teacher Mtg. (FGC)

10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-6

12:00pm Grade 3-6 Teacher Mtg. (FGC)

Monday, November 21

NO CLASS Confirmation I and II

7:00pm Conf. I & II Teacher Mtg. (FGC)

Wednesday, November 23

NO CLASS GRADES 3-8

REMINDER to Religious Ed. families:

If your child has been absent from class, missed work must be completed. All assignments may be found on the parish website:

stfranciswakefield.com under the Religious Education tab.



This Week

Sunday, November 20

9:50-11:50 Rel. Ed. Classes (see above)

1:30 Presentation on New Mass Texts by Father Joe (FGC)

5:30-7 Praise Rehearsal (FGC)

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, November 21

7pm Conf. I & II Teacher Mtg. (FGC)

NO CLASS Confirmation I & II

Tuesday, November 22

NO RCIA CLASS

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, November 23

NO Religious Ed Classes

Thursday, November 24

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

7pm Men of St. Joseph (Office Bldg.)

7pm Couples in Recovery (HBH)

NO Divine Mercy Cenacle at St. Rom's

Friday, November 25

9am-12pm—SFWC Hall Setup-Bazaar

10am-12pm - Buy Nothing Coat

Exchange in Helen Bouchard Hall

Saturday, November 26

8am-1pm Christmas Bazaar (FGC)

4:30pm NEW MASS TIMES STARTS

Sunday, November 27

The OFFICIAL start of the New Translation of the Roman Missal

CHRIST THE KING: KING OF OUR HEARTS

An excerpt from the 1925 encyclical *Quas primas* of Pope Pius XI, instituting the Solemnity of Christ the King: "It has long been a common custom to give to Christ the metaphorical title of "King," because of the high degree of perfection whereby he excels all creatures. So he is said to reign "in the hearts of men," both by reason of the keenness of his intellect and the extent of his knowledge, and also because he is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind. He reigns, too, *in the wills of men*, for in him the human will was perfectly and entirely obedient to the Holy Will of God, and further by his grace and inspiration he so subjects our free-will as to incite us to the most noble endeavors. He is *King of hearts*, too, by reason of his "charity which exceedeth all knowledge." And his mercy and kindness which draw all men to him, for never has it been known, nor will it ever be, that man be loved so much and so universally as Jesus Christ. But if we ponder this matter more deeply, we cannot but see that the title and the power of King belongs to Christ as man in the strict and proper sense too. For it is only as man that he may be said to have received from the Father "power and glory and a kingdom," since the Word of God, as consubstantial with the Father, has all things in common with him, and therefore has necessarily supreme and absolute dominion over all things created."

CALLING ALL HIGH-SCHOOLERS

The next youth group meeting will be held TONIGHT, Sunday, November 20th at 7:00PM in the Upper Room at Fr. Greenan Hall. Please be a part of our growing youth ministry program as we explore new opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship.



REMINDER ...

Please join us for a "last chance" preview of the new translation of the Roman Missal. You've been hearing about the translation for well over a year now. It's full implementation starts next Sunday, November 27th. Join us TODAY at 1:30PM in Father Greenan Parish Center for a special presentation by Father Joe on the NEW Mass texts. All are welcome.



THE GIVING TREE

Trees will be placed in St. Francis Church and St. Romuald Chapel NEXT WEEKEND. If you feel that you can share the gift of giving this Advent / Christmas season, take a decoration from one of the trees and bring back your UNWRAPPED gift, WITH ITS TAG on either Sunday, Dec. 4th or Sunday, Dec. 11th. Gifts will be dispersed Dec. 13-16 in Helen Bouchard Hall.

BISHOP HENDRICKEN INFORMATION NIGHT

Bishop Hendricken High School will hold an Information Night on Tuesday, November 29th from 6-8:00pm. You will have the opportunity to learn more about the Bishop Hendricken experience, tour the campus, and meet with current students and administrators. **Entrance Exam:** for prospective freshman and sophomore transfers will be held on Saturday, December 3rd at 8:30am. For more information or to pre-register, please call the Admissions Office at 739-3450 ext. 162.

DRIVERS NEEDED TO DELIVER FOOD BASKETS

call the Jonnycake Center of Peace Dale for more information (789-1559 x. 17).

NEW TRANSLATION COUNTDOWN

The new translation of the Mass will be implemented NEXT Sunday, November 27, 2011, the First Sunday of Advent.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Mass Readings for every day of the month can be found online at: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS READINGS

1st Reading: Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7;

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 1:3-9 ;

Gospel Reading: Mk 13:33-37

NOVEMBER: THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS

In the Church year, the month of November is set aside as a time to pray for the deceased members of the Body of Christ, all those who have gone before us "marked with the sign of the faith." November is also an ideal time for Catholics to have Masses celebrated for their deceased loved ones, to pray for them, and to visit their graves. **It is important to remember that the dead continue to need our prayers after their passing.** As we are instructed in Sacred Scripture, "It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead" (2 Maccabees 12:46)

Greens Needed!

If you have any bushes that need trimming, we would love to help you trim and gather greens for our parish Advent Wreath Workshop. Please call the Religious Education Office at 792-8684.



St. Francis of Assisi

Women's Club Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, November 27th

8AM - 1 PM

Father Greenan Parish Center

Featuring many crafters, large & small gift raffles, gifts, gift baskets, Christmas greens, cemetery baskets, pastries & lunch



Santa arrives at 11 AM

Children's Area, face painting, craft activities



Don't forget to check out
St. Francis on the Web:

<http://stfranciswakefield.com>

or

<http://facebook.com/stfranciswakefield>