## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, October 10

4:30pm Feeny/Robinson family Requested by family

#### Sunday, October 11

8:00am Margaret Flynn

Requested by Jeff and Kathleen

10:00am Edward Craig

Requested by friends at work

12:00pm John Krafton

Requested by Jimmy and Ami Stockbridge

## Monday, October 12 – Columbus Day

7:00am Tom McGair

Requested by family

#### Tuesday, October 13

7:00am James Carney

Requested by Jeff and Kathleen

#### Wednesday, October 14

7:00am Martha Riley

Requested by Joe and Sharon Clossick

#### Thursday, October 15

7:00am Mass for the people

## Friday, October 16

7:00am Rita and Tom O'Rourke and

Warren Behie

Requested by family

## Saturday, October 17

4:30pm Dennis Capalbo

Requested by family

#### Sunday, October 18

8:00am Robert O. Tiernan

Requested by Lois Quinn

10:00am Mary Ann and Charles Farrell

Requested by family

12:00pm Armando Martiniano

Requested by family



## St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, October 10

5:30pm Gerry Holmes & Elizabeth Young-Whipple—*Requested by Mary C. Young* 

#### Sunday, October 11

10:00am John and Grace Carpinelli Requested by family

#### Sunday, October 18

10:00am Madeline and Walter Johansen Requested by Jude and Bob



# For Your Information

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Margaret Flynn.



#### OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

October is one of our Lady's months. All are invited to pray the rosary and Litany of Our Lady at St. Romuald Chapel weeknights at 7:00pm throughout the month of October

#### **BORN INTO GOD'S FAMILY**

Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Grayson David Roberts and Grace Emelia Whitney who were baptized last Sunday, the Feast of St. Francis by Deacon Paul O. Iacono. Your parish family rejoices with you!

#### MINISTRY WEEKENDS

This weekend, October 10/11, at St. Romuald Chapel and next weekend, October 17/18, at St. Francis Church have been designated ministry weekends for our parish. Check out the tables set up outside after each Mass and speak with representatives from the various ministries and clubs in our parish. All are looking for a little more help. Can you help? Can you give an hour or two once or twice a month? Many hands make light work. We are St. Francis Church ... a parish family. It is up to us to ensure that Fr. Bodah has the help he needs. So don't just walk by those tables...stop, have some coffee, and see what we do and how you might be able to help.

#### **BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG**

Make a "life affirming" donation for Respect Life Month. At the end of our Masses on -\_Oct. 17 /18 we will be distributing baby bottles from Right to Life Services. We are asking that you take them home, fill them with a check or cash, and return them to the church the *following* weekend October\_24/25. The Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign is used to fund Right to Life Services, a ministry that helps pregnant women, newborns and toddlers throughout R.I., with material needs, referrals and emergency baby food and formula.

# PARISH SUPPORT— October 4, 2015

 Weekly Support
 October 4

 Budget envelopes used (294)
 \$7,697.00

 Loose Donations
 \$1,723.00

 Online Giving (# of donors 41)
 \$1,840.50

 Total Budget
 \$11,260.50

#### Seminarians' Education

Envelopes used (179) - \$2,279.50 Other donations - \$598.00 Total Seminarians' Ed - \$2,877.50

This weekend's second offering is the Monthly offering. Next weekend is World Mission Sunday. As always, thank you for your generosity.

# **OCTOBER 11, 2015**

# Trusting God vs. Seeking Signs

The Spanish sailors who accompanied Christopher Columbus mutinied several times, going so far as to threaten him with death if he did not issue the order to turn back, long before they had reached the vicinity of San Salvador. Nothing less was needed for America to be discovered than the marvelous trust in God of this incomparable man, who said to the incredulous: "Give me three more days and I will give you a world."

But America was not the ABSOLUTE. It was a point of arrival where it would be possible to catch your breath, and from which in the end you would come back. The Absolute, on the contrary, is without return journeys. One does not come back from it because it is a journey without end.

The mystery is that the Absolute is not only an abyss opening on Eternity, but that it is at the same time the one and only point of departure, the starting place. One sets out from God to go to God, and this is the only shift in place which has any appreciable meaning, any usefulness. Everything else, that is, any journey in which one thinks one is going somewhere, is literally stupid, and the faster one goes, the more idiotic it is.

But, once again, the Absolute is a journey without homecomings, and that is why those who start on it have so few companions. Think of it! Always to want the same thing, always to go in the same direction, to walk night and day, without even once veering to right or to left, and—were it only for an instant—to conceive the whole of life, all thoughts, all feelings, all acts down to the least heartbeat, as the perpetual working out of an initial decree of the all-powerful Will.

LÉON BLOY

Léon Bloy (†1917) was a French novelist, essayist, pamphleteer, and poet. [Source: MAGNIFICAT Magazine, October 2015, Meditation of the Day, pp. 169-170.]





No Religious Education today Columbus Day Holiday Weekend No Children's Liturgy of the Word today Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 4:15-5:15pm Grades 3-6 FGC No Classes Grades 7 & 8

There are no evening classes for grades 7 & 8 on Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Noon Mass on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> is the Mass of Petition for our candidates who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Sponsors are welcome to attend.



#### Sunday, October 11

10:45am Ministry Fair & Sign-up (SR) 11:00am Chapel choir rehearsal (SR) 11am-1pm—Flu Clinic (SR)

## Monday, October 12 COLUMBUS DAY OBSERVED

**All parish offices closed** NO Adoration following Mass

7:00pm October Marian devotions (SR)

#### Tuesday, October 13

6:30pm Event Committee Mtg. (HBH)

7:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

7:00pm Choir rehearsal (loft)

7:00pm October Marian devotions (SR)

#### Wednesday, October 14

4:15-5:15pm Classes Gr. 3-6 (FGC)

7:00pm October Marian devotions (SR)

#### Thursday, October 15

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (\JFGC)

7:00pm Women's Club Mtg. (FGC)

7:00pm October Marian devotions (SR)

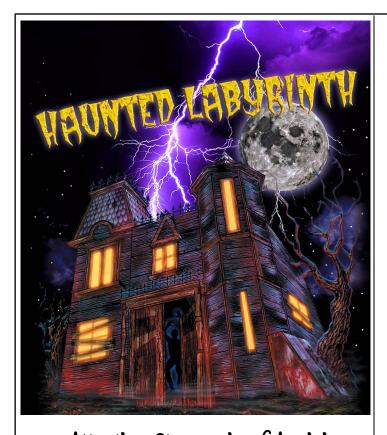
#### Friday, October 16

7:00pm Parenting Group Mtg. (†FGC)

7:00pm October Marian devotions (SR)

#### Sat. & Sun., Oct. 17/18

Baby Bottle Boomerang bottle distribution Ministry Fair Weekend at St. Francis



Attention St. Francis of Assisi 7th and 8th graders... The Haunted Labyrinth/Pizza party Sunday, October 18th cost: \$9.00 per person Where: CYO Center at 804 Dyer Ave, Cranston Will meet at 5:30pm at Fr. Greenan Center We will begin the evening with pizza dinner. Bring a friend with you!

Let us know if you are planning to come by calling the religious education office at 792-8684 or emailing us at Castro\_stfrancis@verizon.net. Adult Chaperones and drivers are needed! This is the first of monthly activities we are planning for our middle school students!



# Friday, October 23rd 4:30-7:30 PM Fr. Greenan Parish Center

Cost: \$10;

\$7 Take-Out (no drink or dessert included); \$6 children 5-12\*; Children under 5, FREE





# ORGAN RECITAL

Featuring Stephen Martorella October 28, 2015 7:00PM

For more information call 401,792,8301 or Email: StFrancisWakefieldMusic@Gmail.com



Another successful car wash was held by the youth of our Parish on September 26th. Our first fundraiser for Steubenville, 2016 raised \$501.00. A BIG thank you to all those who came out to support our event.

Thanks to the 11 youths who worked hard washing cars: Kelby Anderson, Megan

Bodziony, Bridget and Patrick Clossick, Christian Currie, Lauren Hubert, Mayayi Izzo, Michael Kelly, Katarina Kitchell, Jimmy McLaughlin and Michael Shea. We are already getting excited for the 2016 Steubenville East Conference!

