

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 19

4:30pm Rose Calitri
Requested by family

Sunday, October 20

8:00am Clementina Birch
Requested by family

10:00am Thomas Grimes
Requested by Sue and Joe Pouliot

12:00NN Mass for the People

Monday, October 21

7:00am Everett Colerick
Requested by Rita Vachon

Tuesday, October 22

7:00am Theresa Gendreau
Requested by Mr. and Mrs. Grant

Wednesday, October 23

7:00am William P. McPhee
Requested by a friend

Thursday, October 24

7:00am Michael Posillo
Requested by family

Friday, October 25

7:00am William & Frederick Cloos
Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan

Saturday, October 26

4:30pm Fred Beauchaine
Requested by family

Sunday, October 27

8:00am Donald O'Brien
Requested by St. Francis Women's Club

10am Manuel J. & Philomena P. Raposo
Requested by Arthur and Emma

12:00NN Rosemarie Silva-McNulty
Requested by daughter



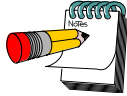
St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 20

10:00am William & Anna Cullinane
Requested by family

Sunday, October 27

10:00am Grace and John Carpinelli
Requested by family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Hilda Gilligan.

OCTOBER—MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Join us at St. Romuald Chapel weeknights at 7pm as we pray the Holy Rosary.

RSVP:

This weekend each of you were asked to make your commitment to our Church and community. If you have not yet done so, please respond with your commitment so we may share our gifts as a family of faith.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Office of Life and Family will offer the *Our Lady of Sorrows* Bereavement Support Group at St. Francis on Wednesdays through December 11th (except Oct. 30 & Nov. 27). Time: 7-8:30pm. There is no cost to attend. For registration/information, contact: Peter A. Magnotta at 421-7833, ext. 217.

WHO'S YOUR FAVORITE SAINT?

Maybe it is our patron saint, St. Francis of Assisi or St. Romuald.... In honor of All Saints Day on November 1st all children are invited to attend the **10AM Mass on Sunday, November 3rd**, dressed as a saint!!! Who will you be?

BORN INTO GOD'S FAMILY

Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Hailey Maria Cota, James Michael Gonsalves and Kennedy Claire Sherman who were baptized by Father Joe on Sunday, October 6th at St. Francis. Your parish family rejoices with you!

PARISH SUPPORT— October 13

<u>Weekly Support</u>	<u>October 13</u>
Budget envelopes used (314)	- \$ 5,407.00
Loose Donations	- \$ 2,077.00
Online Giving (# of donors 28)	- \$ 600.00
Total Budget	- \$ 8,084.00

<u>Monthly Offering for October</u>	
Budget envelopes used (212)	- \$ 1,936.00
Other Donations	- \$ 555.00
Total Monthly Offering	- \$ 2,491.00

This weekend's second offering is for World Mission Sunday. Next weekend's second offering will be the Ongoing Maintenance fund offering. **As always, thank you for your continued generosity.**

OCTOBER 20, 2013

From the Pastor...

I wish to offer special thanks to all the parishioners who completed the **Offertory Program Commitment Cards** this weekend. Your support for the parish is very gratifying and will help to insure that we are able to provide service to the community for years to come. I also know that many people took the card home to give it further thought. If you did so, I sincerely hope that you will prayerfully consider your ability to support our parish and complete your commitment card soon so that it can be returned to us in the collection next weekend.

I would also like to encourage parishioners to consider giving electronically. We presently have over sixty families taking advantage of this safe and convenient way to contribute to the parish. With online giving you can schedule your donations weekly or monthly with easy access on the internet. For more information or to sign up, visit our parish website at <http://stfranciswakefield.com>.

Msgr. Theroux

80th ANNIVERSARY OF DEDICATION

Tuesday, October 22, is a significant date in the history of our parish. 80 years ago, on Sunday, October 22, 1933, our parish church was dedicated and placed under the protection of Saint Francis of Assisi by Father O'Rourke. Father O'Rourke, who immediately preceded Father Greenan as pastor of Saint Francis, oversaw the construction of the present church building, which was begun in 1932.

An article from the diocesan newspaper, "The Providence Visitor" (as it was known at the time), dated September 24, 1936, notes that our parish church was recognized from the beginning as "one of the most attractive edifices in the diocese." The same Visitor article offers some wonderful details about our church: "The new edifice is in the style of the Medieval English country church and is built of native stone...The principal feature of the exterior is the tower on the left hand side of the front facade...Passing through the narthex one enters the nave, which is separated from the side aisles by arcades of moulded wooden column supporting massive wooden hammer beam trusses which span the width of the nave." From these beams, carved figures of the apostles look down on the congregation.

For 80 years our beautiful parish church has stood as a beacon of faith, hope and charity in South County. Countless souls have been reborn in baptism within its walls, been instructed in the faith, worshiped Jesus living among us in the Blessed Sacrament, had their sins forgiven in our confessionals, and have been sent home to God through the Church's funeral rites. Our church is truly a sacred space, a small piece of our neighborhood set aside for God alone. As the mother church of South County, may it continue to be a house of prayer for all people.



Religious Education

CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 20th

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

9:50-10:50am GRADE K (HBH)

10:50-11:50am GRADES 3-5 (FGC)

GRADE 6 (FGC)

Monday, October 21st

7-8:30 Confirmation I (FGC)

Wednesday, October 23rd

4:00-5:00 Grades 3-6 (FGC)

7:00-8:15 Grades 7 and 8 (FGC)

Saturday, October 26th

Confirmation II Retreat 11:00-4:30 at FGC



This Week

Sunday, October 20

Religious Ed. Classes see above

5:30pm PRAISE! Rehearsal (FGC)

7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, October 21

7:00pm Confirmation I Class (FGC)

7:00pm Holy Rosary (St. Rom's)

Tuesday, October 22

6:30pm Jesus of Nazareth Book Study

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

7:00pm Holy Rosary (St. Rom's)

Wednesday, October 23

4-5pm Grades 3-6 Religious Ed Classes (FGC)

7-8:15am Class Grades 7 & 8 (FGC)

7-8:30pm Bereavement Support Group (HBH)

7:00pm Holy Rosary (St. Rom's)

Thursday, October 24

2:00pm Mass at Brightview Commons

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC-L)

7:00pm Holy Rosary (St. Rom's)

Friday, October 25

7:00pm Holy Rosary (St. Rom's)

Saturday, October 26

11am-4:30pm Confirmation II Retreat (FGC)



FAMILY LITURGY: MASS OF BELONGING

Please join us next Sunday, October 27, at the 10AM Mass in Saint Francis for our monthly Family Liturgy. We will welcome in a special way the First Communion class

who will reflect with us on the importance of belonging to God's family. This special liturgy formally marks the beginning of their preparation to receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time in the Spring. All are welcome!

INCREASED OFFERTORY PROGRAM

Thank you for celebrating with us this weekend. Your commitment to our parish through our *Increased Offertory Program* will continue to bring life to our community. If you were unable to complete your commitment card, you will be mailed an invitation to respond with your gifts this week. And if you have not yet done so, join with many others and give your gift online. Please call the parish office with any questions.



Blessed John Paul II

Did you know that Tuesday, October 22nd is the Feast Day given to commemorate our beloved late pontiff John Paul II?

It also happens to be a very a special day in the life of our parish as on this day in 1933, St. Francis of Assisi Church was dedicated. Though founded in 1879 the present building we're worshipping in was dedicated by then pastor Father O'Rourke. See the story on page 2 of the bulletin.

On April 27th, 2014, Pope Francis will canonize the Great Mercy Pope on the Feast of Divine Mercy. What could be more fitting?

As we celebrate both the dedication of our present church and the life of this great man, may we give glory and honor to God through the intercession of our parish patron St. Francis of Assisi and our soon to be saint, John Paul II the Great. *Blessed John Paul II, pray for us!*



Christmas Bazaar

Mark Those Calendars!

The St. Francis Women's Club Christmas Bazaar will take place on Saturday, November 30th from 8am—1pm in Father Greenan Parish Center. We are working very hard but are still in need of the following:

- Handmade items & crafts from the knitters, and crafters among us
- homemade jellies, jams, sauce
- Small and medium sized baskets
- Unused items such as school supplies, teacher gifts, children's items, toys, candy, toiletries etc.
- Gift certificates & Christmas decorations

For questions or to donate call Anne Cooney at 783-7034 or Kathleen Puchalla at 783-1132.

Thank you!

YOUTH MASS

Sunday, October 27th

12:00NN

with the music ministry PRAISE!



We now offer a secure and convenient way for you to contribute to St. Francis Parish!

Online donations may be made at any time from the privacy and comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Online donations are credited to your tax statement for the end of the year (except when made anonymously), and each user can change his or her preferences or desired donation amounts at any time!

Visit our website for more information on how to get started: www.stfranciswakefield.com.

Be sure to visit us at:

<http://stfranciswakefield.com> or
<http://facebook.com/stfranciswakefield>