TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 17

4:30pm Howard Fanning

Requested by Yvonne Fanning

Sunday, September 18

8:00am John Bagge

Requested by parish family 10:00am Joseph Walton

Requested by Sharon Henderson
12:00nn Perpetual Mass Association
Members

Monday, September 19

7:00am Margaret Cook

Req. by Roger & Mary Grace Hood

Tuesday, September 20

7:00am Ned Carney

Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney

Wednesday, September 21

7:00am Betty Goodwin

Requested by Kathy Cawley

Thursday, September 22

7:00am Charles & Mary Cummings Requested by Champion Family

Friday, September 23

7:00am Celebrant's Intention

Saturday, September 24

4:30pm Leo H. Faucher Requested by family

Sunday, September 25

8:00am Bill Carney

Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney 10:00am Lionel Plouffe

Req. by Ralph & Maggie Riccio & fam. 12:00nn Clement & Rosalind Langloix Requested by family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 18

10:00am Jane P. Grimley

Requested by her father

Sunday, September 25

10:00am Lorette & Lionel Noel Requested by Mary C. Young



For Your Information

"THE ST. FRANCIS 5K WALK/RUN

After an eight year hiatus on *October 15, 9AM the St. Francis 5K with a new USATF-certified course* will resume. The course traverses the rural western portions of Wakefield, beginning/ending on Winter St. near Willard Ave. Merchandise prizes to the top 2 male and female runners in each of 5 age group categories with a \$100 cash prize to the first overall male and female finisher. Call 401-783-4411 for more information about the race or if you can help out on race day." You can go to www.stfranciswakefield.com to download an application".

LADIES OF THE PARISH

Please consider joining other women from our parish on the *weekend* of *November 4-6, 2016 at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center in Farmington, Ct.* Enjoy delicious meals prepared by Chef Joseph, participate in the sacraments, listen to conference talks, share with other women and reflect on this year's theme, "Embracing Joy: Learning to Bear the Beams of Love." This year's theme helps us to reflect on our encounters with God, who calls us Beloved, along with pondering our resistance and how we can live into and live out the tenderness of God in our own lives. Give yourself the gift of time for a powerful and grace-filled weekend. For more information, call Dana Hawkins @ 789-8479.

SUPER 50/50 RAFFLE

Please help us reach our goal to sell all 1,000 tickets for St. Francis of Assisi Parish ... \$20.00 per ticket. There will be **6 CASH PRIZE WINNERS- Totaling** \$10,000.00... (Based on the sale of 1,000 tickets).

1st Prize: \$5,000.00 and **Five 2nd Prizes**: \$1,000.00 Cash Prize winners! *St. Francis of Assisi Church will receive* \$10,000.00! Drawing: Father Greenan Center on October 14, 2016 during our Pasta Dinner Night. *Winners are not required to be present at Super 50/50 Raffle.

PARISH SUPPORT

 Weekly Support
 September 11

 Budget envelopes used (254)
 \$ 6,960.00

 Loose Donations
 \$ 1,637.00

 Online Giving (# of donors -59)
 \$ 2,018.50

 Total Budget
 \$10,615.50

Ongoing Maintenance

Envelopes used (172) - \$ 1,899.00 Other donations - \$ 612.00 Total Ongoing Maintenance - \$2,511.00

This weekend's second offering is the Priests' Retirement Fund . Next weekend's second offering will be Special Collection to assist the victims of the 2016 Louisiana Floods.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

From the Pastor

Well, we're back to the usual Mass schedule and after assessing with the finance council the results of the summer Mass schedule, I think it makes more sense to leave the schedule as it was in former years. If you've already booked Masses at 9 or 11 for your loved ones for next summer, please call the rectory and tell Jacki whether you'd prefer an 8, a 10, or a noon instead.

May the blessings of God descend in abundance on all who were loyal to the parish over the summer as we tried a new schedule!

Elsewhere in the news: thanks to the efforts of Greg Behie, we're going to revive the 5k run on the morning of October 15. There will be more information on the parish Web site http://stfranciswakefield.com/, as there will be info in this bulletin in the weeks to come. Registration forms should also be available at the doors of the church and the chapel.

Thanks again to all who worked to make Kelli McNulty's farewell receptions such a success. A gratifying number of people came downstairs to wish her the best on her new endeavor and many others have contacted her personally to express their well-wishes.

Fr. Bodah

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CIRCLE OF GRACE

Religious Ed. Families: Each year in response to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, we have a program for the safe environment education of children and young people supported



and mandated by Bishop Thomas Tobin and the Diocese of Providence. This program is called **The Circle of Grace Safe Environment Program. The Circle of Grace** is described as *the love and goodness of God that surrounds us and all others*. The program is meant to supplement and be integrated into our program for the formation of children and young people. The program helps our youth understand their own (and other's) dignity in mind, body and spirit. **Each grade** will participate in a Circle of Grace lesson throughout the year. For more program information and dates of the lessons, please contact Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro in the Religious Ed. Office.

FAMILY MASS

We invite all children ages 9 to teens to participate in our Family Mass on **September 25**th at the 10 a.m. service. Your children are encouraged to do the Church Chores of reading the prayers of the faithful, ushering, collecting offerings, bringing up the gifts, greeting, and passing bulletins. Call Christina Moynihan to register child's name and chore: 783-4411 or email at christinam.stfrancis@gmail.com.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH First day of Classes: We will begin in church

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

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

Wednesday, September 21st

4:15-5:15 Grades 3-6 (FGC) Begin in church

7:00-8:15 Grades 7 &8 (FGC) Parent/
Student orientation mtg. We begin
our catechetical year this Wednesday
evening, September 21st at 7pm in
Fr. Greenan Center. Both parent &
child are requested to attend. If you are
unable to, please contact the religious
education office to schedule an
appointment.

Sunday, September 25th

First Eucharist Parent meeting next Sunday, September 25th at 9:00 in the lower church. If your child was not baptized at St Francis please bring a copy or your child's baptismal certificate. All students must be represented at this meeting.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place during the 10:00AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church beginning **September 25**th! This is how it goes: At the conclusion of the opening prayer, but before the first reading is proclaimed. Father will call the children age 4-2nd grade (adults involved will come forward at this time as well) to come forward for a blessing and proceed downstairs where they will celebrate their own Liturgy of the Word. This will enable the children present to hear the word of God in a manner more suited to their age and ability to understand. The children will join the rest of the congregation in time for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Please call Barbette Cullen or Diane Castro at 792-8684 for more information.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO HOMEBOUND

This ministry provides Holy Communion to those who are unable to join the community at Mass, either temporarily or for an extended period. Lay ministers visit homes, hospitals, and nursing homes, uniting the homebound to the other members of the parish through the body of Christ. To request a visit or to volunteer for the ministry please contact Christina Moynihan.



Sunday, September 18

Religious Education Classes begin (see schedule on page 2)

Monday, September 19

7:30am Adoration (SF)

Tuesday, September 20

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Thursday, September 22

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

BIBLE STUDY will begin again on *Tuesday evening*, *September 27*, *2016 at 7:00 p m at FGC*. We will be studying Acts of the Apostles. We are happy to welcome Deacon Patrick Moynihan to open up our first meeting with a wonderful message to us about this chapter of the bible and how it is relative to our world today.

Please join us and help our study group by praying for us during this new year of study. All are welcome, and as always are welcome to attend our weekly meetings. Any questions you may contact Montanivicky@gmail.com

BETTER PART PROGRAM

In Luke 10: 41- 42, Martha rushes to provide hospitality for Christ, while Mary simply listens to His lessons. Sitting at Christ's feet signifies readiness to receive Christ's word and willingness to submit to the guidance of it. That is "the better part". Come spend an evening listening to empowering lectures with fellow parishioners and guest speakers as St. Francis Parish hosts *The Better Part Program.* September 29th, Thursday at 6:30 p.m.! Father Robert Randall will be presenting: "History Is Now," illustrating how the time of fulfillment promised by Christ is here and now in this moment!

Future Programs:

October 20th, Christian Meditation with Maureen Corcoran November 3rd, Missionary Life in Haiti with the Moynihan Family. If you have any ideas for empowering lectures, please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411.



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT Don't Forget! Our first HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT is this Sunday Sentember 18th and is

is this Sunday, September 18th and is open to <u>all</u> high school students

(Confirmation candidates are required to come). We will be having a movie night out on the green to the right of Fr. Greenan Center starting at 7pm. Bring chairs/blankets and some snack to share.

THE VISITATION PROGRAM

Our parish is in great need of people willing to visit our brothers and sisters who are unable to leave their homes. We have 3 men on our volunteer list. We are in need of some women who can visit our homebound companions. Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411.

AFFAIRS OF THE ARTS

Is your free time spent in creating things, focusing on your hobby? Do you know line-dancing? Are you an avid stamp collector? Do you paint watercolors or acrylics in your free time? Is flora your passion? Can you fold paper into swans? Would you like to LEARN any/all of these? Our St. Francis Parish asks all impassioned hobbyists to share their talents, work, crafts, and hobbies with our community. Not interested in teaching? We invite you simply to share your talents. Please call Christina Moynihan at 783-4411.

SAVE THESE DATES

October 13th, Thursday- 6:30-8:30

Canvas Paintings with Sharon Clossick

November 4th, Friday – 6:30 -8:30

Glass Painting with Diane Costanza

November 12th, Saturday- 10-12:30

Nativity Peg Dolls with Barbette Cullen

November 27th, Sunday – 1-3

Advent Wreath Workshop with Diane Castro



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Kelli R. McNulty

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GOD BE PRAISED!