

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 21

4:30pm Howard Fanning

Requested by Yvonne

Sunday, September 22

8:00am Eva Izzi Conti

Requested by Tran family

10:00am Mass for the People

12:00NN Mario Silva

Requested by Mrs. Celeste Silva

Monday, September 23

7:00am Special Intention for Sr. Pia

Requested by Mom and Dad

Tuesday, September 24

7:00am Bill Carney

Requested by Jeff and Kathleen

Wednesday, September 25

7:00am Deirdre J. Peck

Thursday, September 26

7:00am Dorothy Benoit

Requested by John and Amy Mongillo

Friday, September 27

7:00am Joe Harris

Requested by Patricia Hunt

Saturday, September 28

4:30pm Freda Sweet

Requested by family

Sunday, September 29

8:00am Michael Coro

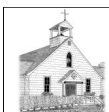
Requested by John and Jane Estes

10:00am Constance Egerton

Requested by family

12:00NN Vincent Joyce, Sr.

Requested by family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 21

5:30pm Brian Fay

Requested by Mom and Dad

Sunday, September 22

10:00am Jane P. Grimley

Requested by father

Saturday, September 28

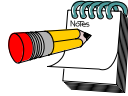
5:30pm William & Anna Cullinane

Requested by family

Sunday, September 29

10:00am Anna & John Rafferty

Requested by family



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Bill Carney. The sanctuary lamp at St. Romuald Chapel burns for peace in the Middle East.

20 WEEK CLUB DINNER & FINAL DRAWING

Saturday, October 5TH, 5:30pm in Father Greenan Parish Center with a wonderful meal provided by Ginger from Belmont's Catering. All PAID 20 Week Club membership ticket holders can attend the evening at no charge; Guests-\$25. Please be sure to let your team captains know if you plan on attending this wonderful event. Anyone who bought a ticket outside of the church or chapel can call the parish office (783-4411) to RSVP.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Office of Life and Family will offer the *Our Lady of Sorrows* Bereavement Support Group at St. Francis on Wednesdays, Oct. 9—Dec. 11 (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.

ATTENTION: LADIES OF THE PARISH

Please consider joining some of the 'regulars' to participate in our annual retreat at **Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House** (Farmington, CT) from Fri. evening at 7 p.m., **Nov. 1** to Sun. afternoon at 1p.m. **Nov. 3, 2013**. The theme '**In Your Light We See Light**' (Psalm 36:10) leads us to walk with the blind one, Bartimaeus. We will open our eyes and come to see the source of our light, Jesus. We will take some time to rest in the light, claim the light and to be filled with the light so we can carry the light into our world. I invite you and a friend to take some time and create some space to be with your Lord through conference talks, small gatherings, reflection time, beautiful walks through historic Farmington, companionship or just quiet time. For more information, call Dana Hawkins at 789-8479.

PARISH SUPPORT— September 15

Weekly Support

		<u>September 15</u>
Budget envelopes used (362)	-	\$6,457.00
Loose Donations	-	\$2,074.00
Online Giving (# of donors 36)	-	\$ 685.00
Total Budget	-	\$9,216.00

Priests' Retirement Fund

Budget envelopes used (279)	-	\$6,560.00
Other Donations	-	\$1,516.00
Total Priests' Retirement	-	\$8,076.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

SEPTEMBER 22, 2013

From the Pastor...

Over the past couple of years, **Jacqui Bertrand** has given much time and energy to developing a **strong and active youth program for our parish**. I am very grateful for her continued efforts to coordinate a variety of opportunities for both spiritual and social activities for our young people. We now have a good core group of youth and I hope that more will join them in the weeks and months ahead as we announce various activities that will be planned.

You can help support our youth group by coming by for our **Youth Car Wash** to be held on **Saturday, September 28th from 9 AM to Noon in the church parking lot**. You can have your car or van washed for only **\$5.00** or your SUV for **\$10.00**. What a bargain!! All donations will benefit various youth activities in the year ahead including the **Steubenville East Retreat, Mount 2000 Retreat, Youth lock-ins and Youth Outings**. Don't miss it.

Last weekend, with the Church throughout the United States, we observed **Catechetical Sunday**. We offered a special blessing for the men and women of the parish who give of their time to teach our young people. We have about 500 students in our program, so it is a major undertaking. I am grateful to **Mrs. Barbette Cullen and Mrs. Diane Castro** for their direction of the program and to the many volunteers who assist in passing the faith on to the next generation. We couldn't do it without you! I ask all our parishioners to keep our students and religious education teachers and staff in their prayers.

Not to forget adult education, I am very pleased that over 70 men and women signed up to participate in Father Joe's book study on **Pope Benedict XVI's *Jesus of Nazareth***. That is certainly an outstanding response and I know that the course will be very spiritually enriching for those who attend. This program is a very fitting way for our parish to draw to the close of the **Year of Faith**.

Msgr. Theroux



Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Providence begins on Thursday, September 26, 2013 from 12:00 Noon until 5:00PM in the Chapel of the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence, 485 Mt. Pleasant Ave., Providence, RI. All are invited to pray before Our Lord for priests, seminarians, and vocations to the priesthood every Thursday afternoon during the academic year.



Religious Education

Sunday, September 22nd

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, September 23rd

7-8:30 Confirmation II (FGC)

Wednesday, September 25th

4:00-5:00 Grades 3-6 (FGC)
7:00-8:15 Grades 7 and 8 (FGC)

Saturday, September 28th

10:00-12:00 Confirmation II
Candidate and Sponsor
morning (FGC)



This Week

Sunday, September 22

8:50-11:50am Rel Ed Classes
(see above)
9:15am First Eucharist Parent
Meeting (HBH)
6:00pm Praise Rehearsal (FGC)
7:00pm AA (HBH)

Monday, September 23

7:00pm Confirmation II Class

Tuesday, September 24

6:30pm Jesus of Nazareth Study
(FGC)
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (loft)

Wednesday, September 25

4-5pm Grades 3-6 Religious Ed
Classes
6:30pm RCIA Inquiry Night (MCCR)
Thursday, September 26
2:00pm Mass at Brightview Commons
7:00pm Men of St. Joseph
(FGC Library)

Saturday, September 28

9am-12nn Youth Group Car Wash
Church Parking Lot
10-12nn Confirmation Candidate/
Sponsor Mtg. (FGC—2nd Floor)

20 Week Club Winners:

Week 18 Winners:

#107—ANN PORTER
#235—LUCY SOUTHWICK



SAVE THE DATE!

St. Thomas More Parish invites you to a Day of Reflection for men and women on Monday, October 7th from 9:00am-3:15pm at the Christian Brothers Center on Ocean Road, Narragansett. In honor of the Feast of the Holy

Rosary, our own Pastor Emeritus, Fr. Nick Smith, will present a "Marian" theme. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. To register call Jackie at 783-4383 or the parish office at 789-7682.

UPCOMING MINI-RETREATS

Nestle Don't Wrestle

(Theme: God's love helps us love ourselves) will be held at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA on Wednesday, October 9. *Cling to Nothing* (Theme: Learning to let go) will be held at La Salette in Attleboro, MA on Tuesday, October 15. Both retreats led by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out* are part of the ever-popular *Spirituality for Everyday Living Series*. Time: 10:00AM to 12:30PM. Fee: \$20. Pre-registration required. Contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or timeoutretreats@comcast.net. For more information and retreat descriptions, visit www.timeoutretreats.com.

God's Plan for a Grace-filled Marriage

A Natural Family Planning Mission Weekend

October 19-20, 2013

St. Pius X Parish

44 Elm St

Westerly, RI 02891

Guest speaker & homilist:

Fr. Daniel McCaffrey,
Founder of NFP Outreach
(www.nfpoutreach.org)

Open forum & light refreshments after the 10:30 Mass.

Any questions, please call:

Robin & Darren Blier 596-9582, dblier@verizon.net or
Lora & Pete Brodeur 596-3443, lorajbro@cox.net

(CCL certified NFP teaching couples)

RCIA Program and Adult Confirmation

Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic? Perhaps someone has inquired about the Catholic faith and has questions about the requirements to become a Catholic. Or maybe you know someone who was **baptized a Catholic as a child**, but never followed through with other sacraments and now, as an adult, is more interested in having faith as a part of their life.

For anyone who fits this description, there will be an **Inquiry Night** here at St. Francis Church this **Wednesday evening, September 25th** in the parish office building. This informal gathering will provide the opportunity to ask questions and get information about becoming a Catholic. We will give a short presentation on ***The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)***, a program of classes and activities to prepare participants to be received into the Catholic Church at Easter. Our parish RCIA program is led by Deacon Paul Iacono who, over the years, has proven to be an excellent teacher and guide for those preparing for reception into the Church. Please call 783-4411 to let us know if you wish to attend.

In a similar vein, **if you are an adult who was raised Catholic but never received the sacrament of Confirmation and would now like to be Confirmed**, please speak to Deacon Iacono or to one of the parish priests. We will be making provision for a program of preparation for adult Confirmation. It's never too late to seek Confirmation and it can be a great opportunity to renew and strengthen your faith and participation in the Church.

Youth Mass

The 12Noon Mass on Sunday, September 29th will be a Youth Mass.



The food of the month for September and October is hot/cold cereal and soup. Donations may be dropped off at the main entrance of the church and chapel. As always, thank you for your continued generosity to those in need.