

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

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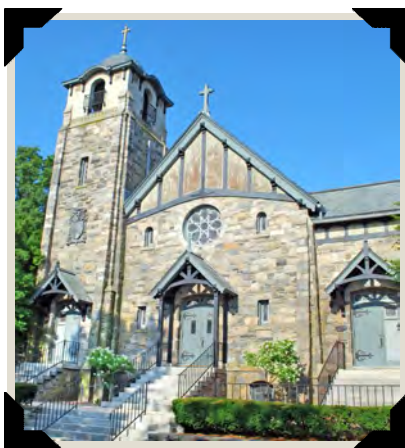
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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 7:00 am
Saturday ----- 4:30 pm
Sunday ----- 8:00, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL / Winter Schedule

Sunday ----- 10:00 am

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF RI

Washington County Office / Contact: Lisa ----- 401-783-3149
Monday, Wednesday & Friday ----- 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

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401-871-8936

Sacraments

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:30 - 4:00 pm in Saint Francis Church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to speak with Father Bodah. Due to the reduction in priests we can no longer accommodate Sunday weddings.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory.

welcome

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER/DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, April 18

4:30pm †Louis & Amelia DiSalvo

Requested by Family

Sunday, April 19

8:00am †Deceased Flynn Family Members

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

10:00am †Theresa Ramieri

Requested by Family

12:00nn †Joseph & Marion Cappuccio

Requested by Family

Monday, April 20

7:00am †Shirley Cummings

Requested by Jean

Tuesday, April 21

7:00am †Edith Boisclair

Requested by Family

Thursday, April 23

7:00am †Alan Marchand

Requested by Ellen McElroy

Friday, April 24

7:00am Mass for the People

Saturday, April 25

4:30pm †John Champion

Requested by Family

Sunday, April 26

8:00am †Vera Banks

Requested by Mark & Diane Castro

10:00am †Rita McCoy

Requested by Jeanne & Dan Thompson

12:00nn †Rita & Walter Devine

Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 19

10:00am †Bob Alarie

Requested by Jude

Sunday, April 26

10:00am †John H. Humphries

Requested by his Wife



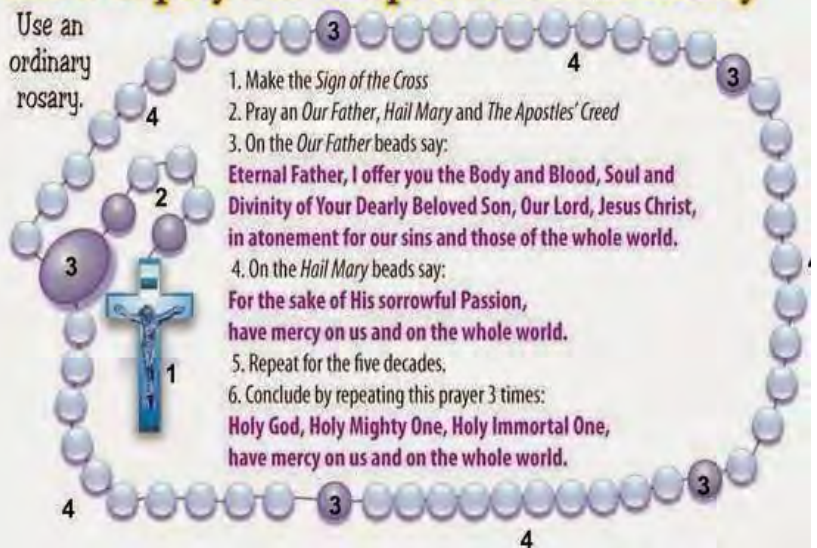
SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of William & Carmella Ford.



How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Use an ordinary rosary.



1. Make the Sign of the Cross
2. Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary and The Apostles' Creed
3. On the Our Father beads say:
Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
4. On the Hail Mary beads say:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
5. Repeat for the five decades.
6. Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.



Weekly Support

		April 12
Budget envelopes	-	\$3,381.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 920.00
Online Giving (# of donors-76)	-	\$3,270.00
Total Budget	-	\$7,571.00

Second Collection (Easter Collection)

Budget envelopes	-	\$1,038.00
Loose Donations	-	\$ 635.00
Total	-	\$1,673.00

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 4/9/2020 we have received pledges of \$41,324.00 from 148 donors.

This week's second collection is the Monthly collection. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

From the Pastor,

Easter Monday is a holiday in most traditionally Catholic countries. In Italy it's called la Pasquetta, Little Easter. I the pre-Vatican II Mass, the gospel for today was of the two disciples who meet the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus, and Palestinian Catholics always held picnics at Emmaus to celebrate that event. In Ireland, it's also celebrated as Independence Day since it was on Easter Monday of 1916 that a band of revolutionaries took over the Central Post Office in Dublin and declared an independent Irish republic. Although the insurrection was extremely small, had little support from the public, and was quickly quashed by the British, the subsequent executions of the participants inflamed Irish public opinion against British rule and led to the creation of the Irish Free State and ultimately to the Republic of Ireland. Easter was as late as possible that year, April 23; so the takeover of the post office was actually on April 24. Still, Easter Monday, no matter what the date, is always Independence Day in Ireland and my predecessor Fr. Nick Smith, of Drogheda in County Louth/County Meath, always gave the staff the day off. This is no longer an option since the office has been officially closed since the beginning of the shutdown and most of the staff long for the day when things open up again.

Thanks to all who tuned in to watch the Holy Week service. We'll continue to livestream the weekday morning Masses. Thanks, too, to all who have been able to keep up their financial support of the parish and to make their annual pledges to Catholic Charities. God help those who are out of work! Let's continue to pray for those who are ill, for those who care for them, and for the speedy passing of this crisis. And let's all do our part not to expose ourselves and others to this virus. Mary, Health of the Sick and Comforter of the Afflicted, pray for us!

Fr. Bodah

PRAYER SHAWLS

The St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Shawl Group has many beautiful prayer shawls available. If you know of someone who could benefit from receiving a prayer shawl please contact Jean McGair at 401-783-1633.



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Taken from Cat Chat Blog:

Without Busyness

In Matthew 22, Jesus tells us a parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast* for his son.

* He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. For a second time he sent other servants, saying, "Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast." Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business.

Christ has a banquet prepared for us, but so often we are too busy with our own affairs. We are consumed by distractions and do not listen to the voice that calls us to the feast.We are now home together with very little on our calendar. This gives us time to reflect on who we truly are as a family.

What was it in our schedule that we took our identity in? What kept us so busy that we were not able to spend quality time together? Busyness can no longer be the excuse that we use to skip out on family prayer and meals together or meaningful conversations with each other. Christ is calling us higher.

READ the entire article here: <https://catchat.ca/blog/without-busyness-family-blog>

This Week

All upcoming parish events/meetings have been canceled until further notice. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Parish Office: 401-783-4411 or saintfrancis00@aol.com

Emergency Financial Assistance: Lisa Cooley at 401-783-3149 or St. Vincent DePaul at 401-871-8936

CEMETERY OFFICE: 401-782-2711

The parish offices will be closed until further notice! Stay well and God bless.

Buy Tickets Now!

MAY MONEY MADNESS IN JUNE!

"Due to the Corona Virus and directives, May Money Madness tickets will now be sold after Masses in May with the drawings to be held in June. You can still continue to mail your forms and money to the Rectory.

Ticket prices are: \$10 each, 6 for \$50 or 12 for \$100. A fun parish event with prizes awarded daily throughout the month of May.

**Drawing Prizes: Monday thru Saturday—\$50;
Sunday—\$100; May 31st drawing—\$500.**

Fill out the form below and include payment. Return through the weekly offertory or mail to: May \$ Madness, St. Francis Church, 114 High St., Wakefield, RI 02879. Tickets will be forwarded to you.

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For I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I will help you."
Isaiah 41:13

While we are not currently making home visits, we continue to receive calls and determine need through phone interviews. Our focus has been responding to emergencies arising from the COVID 19 pandemic—food, car gas and medications.

Our members have been meeting through Zoom online conferences and adapting our procedures and policies to the COVID 19 crisis.

Our conference has purchased material for fellow Vincentian and spiritual advisor, Sister Marilyn Bergt, to use for making masks. She has coordinated with parishioners and community members to make cloth masks for local medical facilities.

Some recent cases included a client who requested help with a special phone to communicate with a hearing-impaired spouse in a nursing home with restricted visitors. A conference member worked with the home's social worker and activities director to facilitate a call once a day. We have provided several families with food gift cards and assisted a family who had recently relocated due to domestic violence. They needed food assistance as well as basic supplies for their apartment which had been left behind in the urgency of their move. Members donated towels, sheets, blankets, pots and pans, and cleaning supplies. This client thanked our organization for "the overwhelming kindness. We never expected to feel so welcome to a new community and will pay it forward when we are able." Another client commented that the SVDP visitors were "such kind, caring people and a shining example of the people of their Church."

We gratefully pass on these expressions of gratitude on to you—our generous donors. Thank you for supporting us in this most gratifying work for our neighbors in need.

FOOD DONATIONS FOR THE JONNYCAKE CENTER: JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Please remember we are always in need of nonperishable food items (no glass or outdated items). Your donations may be placed in the baskets located at St. Francis or St. Romuald. These items will be donated to the Jonnycake Food Pantry in Peace Dale. Thank you for your generosity.





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