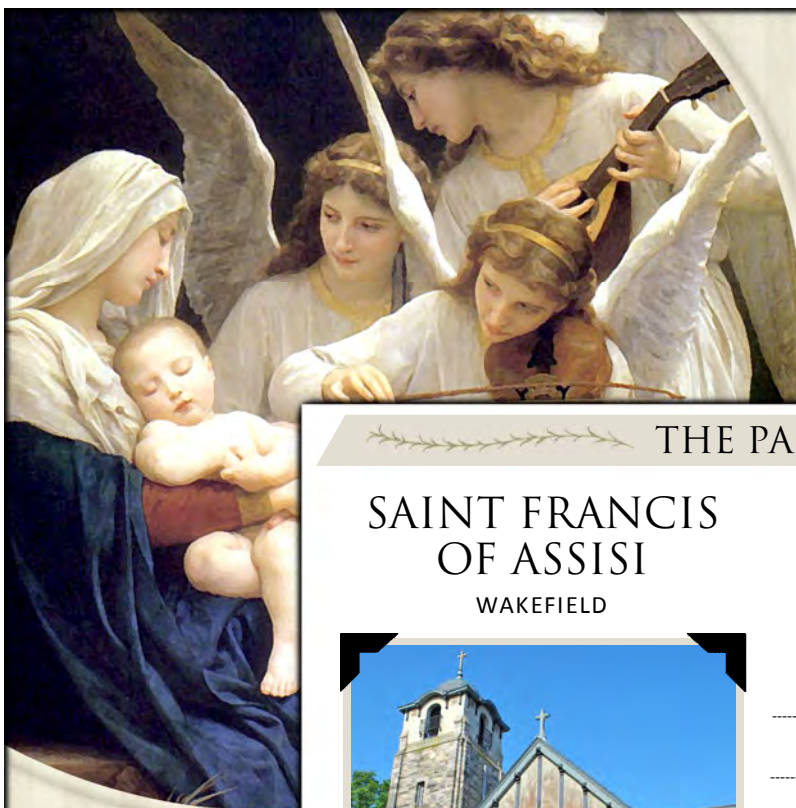


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Strength and
dignity are her
clothing, and
she smiles at
the future.

Proverbs 31:25

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Father Henry J. Bodah ----- *Pastor*
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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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, May 9

4:30pm

Sunday, May 10

8:00am †Nunziata Luongo

Requested by Family

10:00am †Jean G. Boisse

Requested by Family

12:00nn †Corinne Bertrand

Requested by daughter, Barbara

Monday, May 11

7:00am †Patricia Ostmo

Tuesday, May 12

7:00am †Daniel & Marie Mahoney

Requested by Ryan & Jen Bernard

Thursday, May 14

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, May 15

7:00am †Thomas & Rita Monroe

Saturday, May 16

4:30pm

Sunday, May 17

8:00am †Michael Ryan

Requested by Venerina & Jose DaSilva

10:00am

12:00nn

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 10

10:00am †Roger Fenaughty
(2nd Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Family

Sunday, May 17

10:00am †Rose Barravecchia
Requested by Family



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Clara E. Latowski.

Happy Mother's Day!



The moral and spiritual strength of a woman is joined to her awareness that God entrusts to her, in a special way, the human being.

— Pope St. John Paul II —

Reminder: During the month of May Father will be placing the Litany of Loreto daily around 11:30 on the website at www.stfranciswakefield.com.

Parish Giving

Weekly Support

Budget envelopes	-	May 3
Online Giving (# of donors—86)	-	\$4,770.00
Total Budget	-	\$4,110.00

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 4/30/2020 we have received pledges of \$55,350.00 from 186 donors.

This week's second collection is for St. Vincent De Paul. There is no second collection next week.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

MAY 10, 2020

From the Pastor,

Mothers' Day is upon us and our hearts go out to all the women who have been given the grace of motherhood but who, this year, may not be able to gather with family and friends as they have in the past. At times like this, we feel even more keenly the effects of this worldwide scourge. Our prayers go out to all the valiant women who have had a maternal relationship with others.

As I announced last Sunday at Mass, Bill Harding has asked to be released from the responsibility of being sole major domo of the chapel, a ministry he has performed for nearly 35 years. No one could have done a greater job than Bill and I cannot thank him enough for his years of faithful service, but certainly none of us could expect him to endanger his own health by trying to keep up everything he has done heretofore. As I also said on Sunday, it's not as though he were retiring and moving to Florida; he'll still be a valued and beloved member of our parish and of the St. Romuald community, willing to help in whatever way he can. When the restrictions are lifted, he certainly intends to resume bringing communion to those who cannot get out, a ministry that has brought him and them great consolation. As soon as we can gather again, we'll have a celebration to show our appreciation for him and all the work he has done for us.

As I write this on Monday morning, we're still waiting for some further words from the governor about the gradual relaxation of all the restrictions. I'm afraid that the churches and other places of worship will be among the last to be allowed to resume our previous schedules because of the difficulty of protecting crowds in such close quarters. In the meantime, I hope you're watching the Mass every day at our website (stfranciswakefield.com) or Facebook page ([Facebook/stfranciswakefield](https://www.facebook.com/stfranciswakefield)) and also tuning in for our brief daily prayers to Our Lady for the month of May. Still, we pray for the day when we can gather again around the altar of the Lord.

Fr. Bodah



*Father Bodah is available to hear confessions each Saturday at the church
from 3:30 to 4:00pm.*



The parish offices will be closed until further notice!

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St. Vincent DePaul Society

Just a reminder that our St. Vincent de Paul chapter here at St. Francis needs your help. They ask your help by using their poor boxes located in the church and chapel so that they can assist those in need in our area (Gift cards are accepted). If you know of someone in need of assistance, SVDP can be reached at 401-871-8936. Please keep them in your prayers!

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.



POSTPONED: Please note that the 50th Anniversary Mass for Fr. Richard Friedrichs, originally scheduled for June 14th at St. Catherine's church in Warwick, has been postponed until May 23rd of next year, 2021.

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