

# Happy Mothers' Day

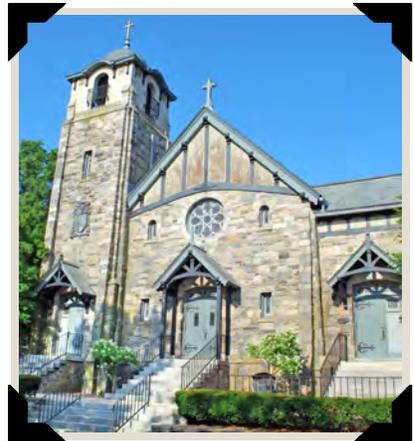


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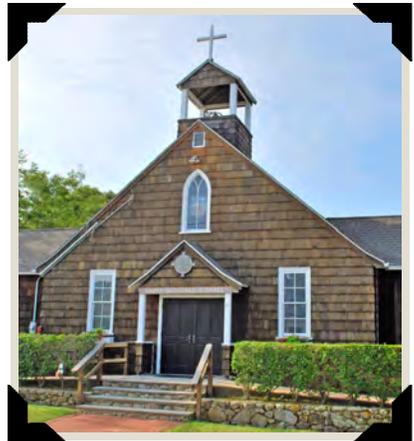
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Father Henry J. Bodah ----- *Pastor*  
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dignity are her  
clothing, and  
she smiles at  
the future.

Proverbs 31:25

### 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**  
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### 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 Ostmoe

**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  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Remembrance)

*Requested by Family*

**Sunday, May 17**

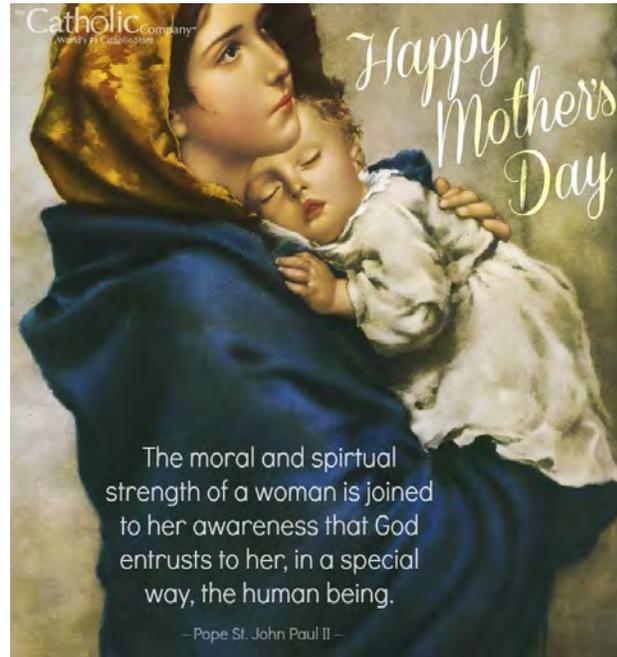
10:00am †Rose Barravecchia  
*Requested by Family*



## SANCTUARY LAMP

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

## Happy Mother's Day!



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](http://www.stfranciswakefield.com).

## Parish Giving

### Weekly Support

Budget envelopes	-	May 3	\$4,770.00
Online Giving (# of donors-86)	-		\$4,110.00
<b>Total Budget</b>	-		<b>\$8,880.00</b>

**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](http://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 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass for Fr. Richard Friedrichs, originally scheduled for June 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Catherine's church in Warwick, has been postponed until May 23<sup>rd</sup> of next year, 2021.





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