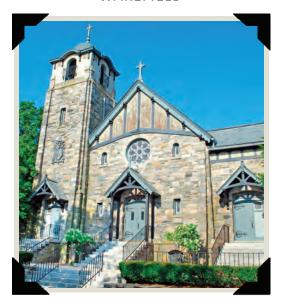
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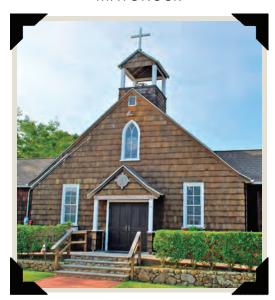
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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 7:00 am Saturday ----- No Mass until further notice Sunday ----- 9:00 am and 11:00 am

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL / Summer Schedule

Saturday------ No Mass until further notice Sunday------8:00 am and 10:00 am

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF RI/WASHINGTON COUNTY & ST. GABRIEL'S CALL.

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

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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.



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

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, July 11

4:30pm †Bob & Concetta Wilson Requested by Jean

Sunday, July 12

9:00am †Olga Mary Chmura Requested by Family

11:00am †Karen Clark

(Birthday Remembrance) Requested by Family

Monday, July 13

7:00am

Tuesday, July 14

7:00am Mass for the People

Thursday, July 16

7:00am † Nancy Sherman

Requested by Ellen Schwab

Friday, July 17

7:00am †Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren

Behie

Requested by Family

Saturday, July 18

4:30pm †Fred Robinson

Requested by Family

Sunday, July 19

9:00am †The Corner Family

Requested by Family

11:00am

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 11

5:30pm †Shirley Cummings

Requested by Obeline Plante

Sunday, July 12

8:00am †Lisa Torello

Requested by Family

10:00am †Richard J. Borrelli

Requested by Pat & Jim Noonan

Saturday, July 18

5:30pm

Sunday, July 19

8:00am †Ann Galligan Kelley

Requested by Ann Galligan

10:00am †Nina & Lou Argondizzo Requested by Kathleen Dwyer



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Keinaldo Flores.



Sunday

Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday

Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday

Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30

Friday

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21



Weekly Support
Budget envelopes used (84)
Loose Donations
Online Giving (# of donors–87)
Total Budget \$8,349.00

Second Collection (Monthly Collection) Budget envelopes used (48)

\$821.00 Loose Donations **Total** \$ 418.00 **\$1,239.00**

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 7/2//2020 we have received pledges of \$65,931.00 from 209 donors.

This week's second collection is for the Propagation of Faith/ Mission Co-op. There is no second collection next week.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

JULY 12, 2020

From the Pastor,

This year, by way of exception because of the shut-down and reduced Mass schedule, there will be no visiting preacher to solicit funds for the missions. We were scheduled to have a priest from the Diocese of Jackson, Mississippi, speaking on behalf of his diocesan home mission program.

Here are some of the facts and figures quoted from the notes that they sent me:

The Diocese of Jackson is the largest in territory east of the Mississippi River. From the cathedral in Jackson to the northernmost parish is about 250 miles.

The greatest challenges to the Church in Mississippi are poverty and racism since the state has one of the highest poverty rates in the county and the Catholic Church has become a prophetic voice against racism, on behalf of racial reconciliation, and for the poor. After the Civil War, the first schools to educate African-American children were the Catholic schools. The Church sponsored the first federally-subsidized housing for low-income families and two of the first shelters for battered women are still operated by the Catholic Church. So, the Diocese of Jackson face many of the same challenges as the foreign missions and are asking for our help in three particular ways:

- 1. Pray that the people may remain strong in the Faith. Less than 2% of the population is Catholic and there is a great deal of anti-Catholic sentiment among the general population, much of it fostered by certain forms of Protestantism.
- 2. Pray for vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate, the religious life, and the lay ministries. Half the parishes of the diocese of Jackson do not have a resident priest and 15 parishes do not have Mass every Sunday.
- 3. Contribute to the second collection this weekend. Your generosity will help the mission churches—some of them in store fronts and converted health clinics—remain open. They may provide something as simple as subsidizing gas expenses for priests who have to travel 150 or more miles a weekend to celebrate Masses, or a salary to a lay missionary who runs a parish, or keep open a mission school.

Remember these efforts in the second collection this Sunday. God bless all who can contribute to the work of the Church in our own country!

Fr. Bodah



Opening the Word is back! Would you like to develop a deeper understanding of the readings for the Sunday Liturgy? Every **Thursday evening from 6:00-7:00pm in Fr. Greenan Center** we will be using a series called *Opening the Word* to help guide us in unfolding sacred scripture for the upcoming Sunday readings. Feel free to join us! No registration is required. If you have any questions contact Harry Smith at hsmith328@hotmail.com. All are welcome!



Our Parish Office is now open Monday-Thursday from 9am to 4pm (Closed Friday) through Labor Day. After Labor Day 9am to 4pm Monday-Thursday and 9-12:30 on Friday!

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Stay well and God bless.



SIZZLING SUMMER SWEEPSTAKES!

Due to Coronavirus, our May Money Madness has become Sizzling Summer Sweepstakes!

Tickets will be available through July 31st at the office and will be sold after weekend masses during the month of July. Drawings will be held daily during the month of August. You are still welcome to cut out this form and mail into the parish office.

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

<u>Drawing Prizes</u>: Monday thru Saturday—\$50; Sunday—\$100; August 31 drawing—\$500.

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

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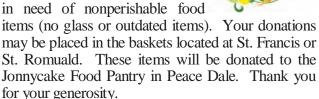
St. Vincent DePaul Society

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





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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