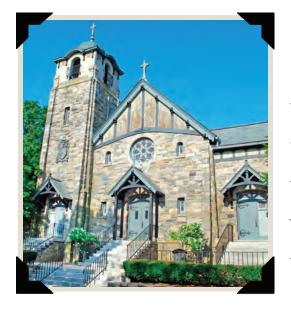
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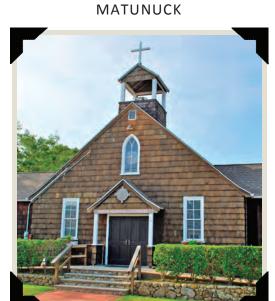
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Masses

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

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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 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 8

4:30pm †Ralph & Rose Calitri Requested by Family

Sunday, August 9

9:00am †James & Sarah Folcarelli Requested by Family

11:00am †Mary Emmott

Requested by Family

Monday, August 10

7:00am Mass for the People

Tuesday, August 11

7:00am †Jeannette DeLuca

Requested by Family

Thursday, August 13

7:00am †Margaret Flynn

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

Friday, August 14

7:00am †Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie

Requested by Family

Saturday, August 15

8:00am Mass for the Assumption of the **Blessed Virgin Mary**

(Mass to be streamed stfranciswakefield.com)

4:30pm †The Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

Sunday, August 16

9:00am †Mr. & Mrs.Thu Chi Tran & John Ha *Requested by Family*

11:00am †Norma Pezzelli

(Birthday Remembrance) Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 8

5:30pm

Sunday, August 9

8:00am †Margaret Dolan

Requested by the Galligan Family

10:00am †Michael Maggiacomo

(Birthday Remembrance)

Requested by Family

Saturday, August 15

5:30pm †Jeannette DeLuca

Requested by Family

Sunday, August 16

8:00am †Lucille & James Ferry

Requested by Family

10:00am †Nancy & Charles Galligan Requested by Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Rose & Ralph Calitri and the lamp at St. Romuald's burns in memory of Robert McGale.



Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of Matthew Paul Previty who was baptized on Sunday, August 2nd by Deacon John Dowd. Your parish family rejoices with you!



Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me."

On Saturday, August 1st another child from our First Communion Class received Jesus for the first time.

> Congratulations to Nathan Sekscenskí



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atholic Charity Appeal: As of 7/30/2020 we have received pledges of \$65,541.00 from 209 donors. Our goal is \$110,100.00.

There is no second collection this week. Next week's second collection is for the St. Vincent DePaul Society.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

AUGUST 9, 2020

Losing All That We Might Find All (Taken from Magnificat, July 2020)

What I am trying to say is that all is very well with you—God is detaching you, in the only way he could ever do it, from your deadly grip on your own "justice." I know that's an unfair way of putting it, but your trembling insecurities are kept in balance by a sort of hidden self-reliance....But these deep, deep clingings are beyond our own power—they can only be broken by the mystical action of the Spirit, as Saint John of the Cross never tires of insisting. Dark Nights and Mysitcal Deaths sound so beautiful when we read about them, or have the privilege, as I have, of seeing them in another—but they are the reverse of beautiful to experience.

As long as you have a sense of him to sustain you—as long as you feel that your prayer is achieving something in you,....let alone the question of external recognition and success, which means much to you precisely in its implicit "approval" of your spiritual course—well, as long as there are even some of these supports, you can never be thrown wholly on God, however earnestly and sincerely you desire it. All you can do now is hold your poor barren self constantly before him, thanking him for loving you, and believing that all you suffer *is* love.—*Sister Wendy Beckett*

Sister Wendy († 2019) was a South African-born British art expert, consecrated virgin, and contemplative hermit who lived under the protection of a Carmelite monastery in Norfolk, England.



Every year the Diocese of Providence hosts the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul. Sadly, this year due to COVID 19 this event has been canceled to avoid the risks to the health of the participants that would take part in this event.

In the meantime, the Diocese is eager to recognize those couples in the Diocese of Providence who are celebrating significant wedding anniversaries this year. If you are a couple who is celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more years of marriage please email our office at saintfrancis00@aol.com. Please provide us with your names, number of years married and mailing address. We will forward this information to the

Diocese and you will receive a signed certificate from the Bishop in recognition of your anniversary. God bless!

This Week

Sizzling Summer Sweepstakes drawings take place through the month of August—Winners will be announced in upcoming bulletins. Good luck to all and thank you for your support!

Monday, August 10—Office closed for Holiday Wednesday, August 12 7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC) Thursday, August 13 6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC) 6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting (HBH)



Saturday, August 15
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
Mary

There will be a Mass at St. Francis at 8:00am (This Mass will be streamed—go to stfranciswakefield.com)

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honor of the Virgin Mary, at whose Assumption the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.



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!*



THURSDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING

Come join us Thursday evenings at Helen Bouchard Hall from 6:00PM to 7:30PM for song, praise, prayer and sharing.

Each week Mark Castro leads us in song followed by either a live or video presentation and/or guest speaker. We then take a little time for group sharing and praying for anyone in need.

You can join us in person (we ask that you follow the Covid meeting requirements) or you can join us through Zoom, whichever makes you most comfortable. We look forward to being together. See you then!

For questions or further information contact
Deacon Dowd at
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We would like to congratulate Andrew Plante & Melea Petrarca who were recently married at St. Romuald Chapel. May God bless you!



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