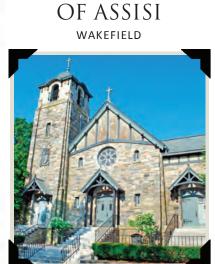
CELEBRATE LABOR DAY





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Masses

401-871-8936

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:00 am
Saturday No Mass until further notice
Sunday9:00 am and 11:00 am

SAINT ROMUALD CHAPEL / Winter Schedule Sunday------ 10:00 am

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF RI/WASHINGTON COUNTY & ST. GABRIEL'S CALL. Washington County Office / Contact: ----- 402-783-3149 Monday, Wednesday & Friday ----- 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY / Wakefield

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.

GOD BLESS OUR WORKERS

welcome Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Friday From 9:00 am—12:30 pm

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, September 5 4:30pm Mary & Charles Cummings Requested by Family Sunday, September 6 9:00am †The Corner Family Requested by Family 11:00am †Angelo Gaudio (25th Anniversary Remembrance) Requested by Family Monday, September 7 7:00am †Rev. Jerome E. Daly $(10^{\text{th}} \text{ Pastor})$ 35th Anniversary Remembrance Tuesday, September 8 7:00am †Jean G. Boisse Requested by Family **Thursday, September 10** 7:00am †Alfred & Beatrice Bonin *Requested by Viola* Friday, September 11 7:00am Mass for the People Saturday, September 12 4:30pm⁺Louis & Amelia DiSalvo Requested by Family Sunday, September 13 9:00am †Bill Carney Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney 11:00am †John & Jean Dwyer Requested by Family

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 5 5:30pm Sunday, September 6 8:00am †David Torello Requested by Family 10:00am †Helen & Mary Coffey Requested by the Dwyer Cousins Sunday, September 13 10:00am †Jeanne Dorie Marvin Requested by Kathleen Dwyer



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of James P. Carney



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 <u>Deacondowd@stfranciswakefield.com</u>



<u>Weekly Support</u> Budget envelopes used (89)

Loose Donations Online Giving (# of donors-74) **Total Budget** August 30 \$4,228.00 \$625.00 \$2,745.00 \$7,598.00

Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance) Budget envelopes used (48) -Loose Donations -Total -

\$ 746.00 <u>\$ 320.00</u> **\$1,066.00**

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 8/27//2020 we have received pledges of \$65,981.00 from 211 donors. Our goal is \$110,100.00.

This week's second collection is the Monthly Collection. There is no second collection next week.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

From the Pastor,

Many thanks to all who have been able to renew their usual Catholic Charities pledge or donation this year. As you can imagine, the Charity Fund is not doing as well as it usually does: people have been out of work; others depended on the in-pew solicitation to make their donation. So I have great news! The diocese has designated next Sunday, September 13, for an in-pew solicitation. Woohoo! Now, because of pandemic precautions we are not going to leave the forms in the pews but will have them at the entrance of the church and of the chapel for those who have not yet given. Please take them home with you and bring them back the following Sunday. God bless the work!

My sincere thanks to Fr. Albert Duggan, OP who has been such a help over the summer months. I don't know what we would have done without him. He is an alumnus of Brown University's class of 2003 and was ordained to the priesthood in May of 2013. For the last five years he has been the chaplain of the Brown-RISD Catholic Community and has managed to do what none of his predecessors could: raise the funds to purchase a building as a Catholic Center. His provincial superior has now decided that he is to be transferred to a position in the administration of the province. So in January he will be moving to New York City and we wish him Godspeed as he sets out on this new adventure. His successor, Fr. Edmund McCullough, OP has already arrived in Providence and said the 11 a.m. Mass here last Sunday. We pray that despite the pandemic, his ministry will be bear much fruit for the good of the Church and the world.

This Sunday is the last for the summer schedule at the chapel. Next Sunday we'll return to the usual schedule of 9 and 11 at the parish church and 10 a.m. at the chapel. Please see last week's bulletin for my plan to resume the Saturday 4:30 Mass after Columbus Day if we can get enough volunteer pre-Mass greeters and post-Mass and sanitizers. Please let us know if you're willing to help. Thanks.

Fr. Bodah



OPENING THE WORD HAS RESUMED!

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. All are welcome!



EDUCATION (401) 792-8684



2020-2021 Religious Education Start Up

With the pandemic still with us we want to re-start the year

safely and wisely. At this time, all children in Grades 1-6 will start the year with distance learning until the beginning of November. Grades 7 & 8 will be preparing for Confirmation and their classes will be a hybrid of in person and virtual. More detailed information regarding RE classes has been sent home to our RE families. If you have not received this information which was mailed on August 27th, please call the RE Office at 792-8684.



Catechetical Sunday

The Religious Education year begins on Catechetical Sunday, September 20th.

On Catechetical Sunday we will have a **RE**

Family Faith on the Go Event! Each family with children in Grades 1-6 will be assigned a time to come to the church parking lot (remain in their cars) and pick up Religious Ed. materials for their family. Masked and gloved volunteers will hand each family the materials needed for their child's distance learning for the next few months. Children in Grade $\overline{7}$ will receive their student workbook at their first in person class on October 7th while Grade 8 will receive their materials on October 14th.

Registration for Classes



Those families **new** to the parish and families with children entering First Grade **must** register for classes. Families with children in Catholic school in Grade 2

and Grades 7 & 8 must register for First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Registration forms may be found online at www.stfranciswakefield.com under the Rel. Ed tab. Students currently enrolled in the program are automatically promoted to the next grade and do not need to register again. Questions? Please call the RE Office at 792-8684.



Monday, September 7 HOLIDAY—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, September 9 7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC) Thursday, September 10 6:00pm Opening the Word (FGC) 6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting (HBH)

Beginning the week of September 7 the parish office will be open 9am to 4pm Monday through Thursday and 9am to 12:30 on Friday.





Congratulations to the following winners!

SIZZLING SUMMER SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS:

August 22	Gary Raymond	\$50
August 23	J. C. Shelhart	\$100
August 25	Diane Castro	\$50
August 26	Dr. James Murdocco	\$50
August 27	Diane Castro	\$50
August 28	Ray Quirk	\$50

CONGRATULATIONS!



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

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.



Did you know that our parish offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.stfranciswakefield.com and selecting the Online Giving link.







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