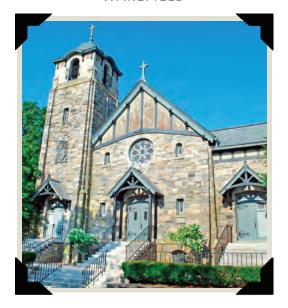
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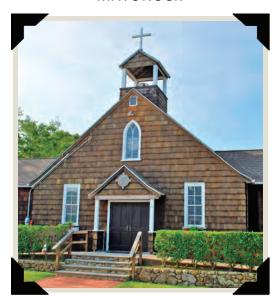
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Masses

SAINT FRANCIS CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday ----- 7:00 am Saturday----- 4:30 pm Sunday-----9:00 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: ------Melanie Monteiro ------ 401-783-3149 Tuesday and Thursday ------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.



THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 24

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

Sunday, October 25

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

11:00am †William Frederick Čloos Requested by Jim & Susan Meehan

Monday, October 26

7:00am Special Intention

Requested by Kathleen Carney

Tuesday, October 27

7:00am Mass for the People

Thursday, October 29

7:00am† Mr. & Mrs. Thu Chi Tran & John Ha Requested by Family

Friday, October 30

7:00am †Ted Carney

Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney

Saturday, October 31

4:30pm†Barbara Mulhern

Requested by the Apicerno-Pilkington Family

Sunday, November 1 (All Saints Day)

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

11:00am †For the Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 25

10:00am †Margaret Dolan

Requested by Family

Sunday, November 1 (All Saints Day)

10:00am †Steven Schmidt & Lorraine

Schmidt

Requested by John & Regina Blair

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Mr. John Ha.

Intention for Sunday, November 1 at 11am

The Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

> Yvonne Fanning Paul F. Greene Marilyn Maley **Edna** Otto Christopher Shafer Daniel Shea Saura Webb



Weekly Support Budget envelopes used (79) October 18 \$10,101.00 \$ 177.00 \$3,053.00 Loose Donations Online Giving (# of donors-76) **Total Budget** \$13,331.00

Second Collection (Mission Sunday) Budget envelopes used (44) \$ 829.00 Loose Donations **Total** \$ 180.00 \$1.009.00

Catholic Charity Appeal: As of 10/15//2020 we have received pledges of \$72,031.00 from 233 donors. Our goal is \$110,100.00. Consider giving online at givecentral.org/2020CCA

This week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance. Next week's second collection is for All Saints' Day.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

OCTOBER 25, 2020

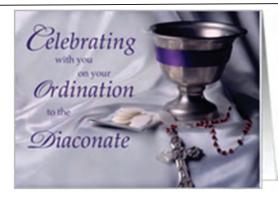
From the Pastor,

Last weekend we recommenced the Saturday 4:30 Mass. I do not know if it attracted many people who have not been able to come before now; it seemed to me that it just took people away from the Sunday morning Masses. I hope that you will be able to help spread the word that it's safe to attend church.

One priest told me that he was in a restaurant recently and saw a group of about a dozen men at a long table. They were seated elbow to elbow and having a riotous time, of course without masks since they were eating dinner. Before they left, one of them came over to the priest, who is his pastor, and explained that he'd like to come to Mass but didn't feel safe yet. His pastor told him that he found the man's excuse feeble to say the least: he was just eating, drinking and yakking with his buddies in a public restaurant without masks; how could he be afraid of Mass, at which everyone is masked and maintaining social distancing? I'm happy to report that the priest told me the man was at Mass the next weekend.

I cannot thank enough the people who organized and staffed the distribution of Holy Communion that took place in our parking lot last Sunday. Deacon Dowd and I gave communion to nearly 40 people as the team of volunteers directed the traffic, provided sanitizing gel, gave out St. Francis holy cards, and generally saw to the good order of the event. It was very touching to see how genuinely grateful the people were to receive our Lord in Holy Communion, something most of them had not been able to do for many months. Let's continue to pray that this pandemic passes in the not-too-distant future and we can return to a more accustomed way of life. And let's remember in a special way people whose livelihoods have been marred by this worldwide scourge.

Fr. Bodah



Father Bodah, Deacon Dowd, the staff and parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Romuald Chapel would like to congratulate Deacon Joseph Clossick and his family. Thank you for all that you have done for our parish over the years. We will continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers as you begin this new journey. God bless.

Wed., October 28th No Class today Grades 1-6 Parents please remember to submit your child's online class assessment to his/her catechist each week. Weekly coloring pages are to be emailed to Mrs. Cullen.

Thank you Parents for taking on the responsibility of teaching your child's faith formation at home. We hope you find that this time spent each week is a very special family time with our Lord.

Congratulations to all who were confirmed on October 17th, may your heart, mind and soul be open to every good thing that God want to bestow upon you!

Ana Abrahamson

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St. John Paul II

Luke Meyer

St. Christopher

Emma Nazario

St. Barbara

Karissa Northup

St. Brigid

Rian O'Rourke

St. Sebastian





This Week

Monday, October 26 7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (HBH) Wednesday, October 28 7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC) Thursday, October 29 5:00pm Opening the Word (FGC) 6:00pm Thursday Night Prayer Meeting (HBH)

The parish office is open 9am to 4pm Monday through Thursday and 9am to 12:30 on Friday.



RCIA at St Francis

If you know "someone", a spouse, relative, friend, neighbor who might be interested in becoming a Catholic, or is a Catholic but has not received all the

sacraments of initiation, please let them know that our parish will be starting a Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program.

Our goal is to hold the classes in person following safety protocols. Due to the pandemic, we will suspend the information night this year. Please pass the word to anyone you know who may be interested in joining us. If interested in this program or would like more information please contact Pat Lefoley by November 2, 2020 at plefoley1@cox.net or 401-339-3858. You may also call the parish office at 401-783-4411.

BUY NOTHING DAY COAT **EXCHANGE POSTPONED**

Heeding the advice of the RI Department of Health, the Annual Buy Nothing Day Coat Exchange event has been postponed this year due to Covid-19. It has been tentatively moved to



January 2021 as more is learned about the spread of the virus. We will inform you with more information as it is received.

Fall Back



Set your clocks back one hour before bed on Sunday.

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 1.

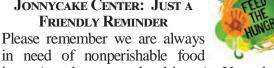


St. Vincent DePaul Society

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



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.

Just a reminder that the remembrance book is in front of the statue of St. Francis. All are welcome to enter the names of their deceased loved ones. They will be remembered during the month of November.



ONE DAY RETREAT FOR WOMEN OF ST. FRANCIS

Where: Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House, Farmington, Ct.

When: Saturday, Dec. 12 @ 9am -5 pm Theme: All Around Us We Have Known You

Find a safe, quiet, sacred space where you can encounter God, where you will learn to trust more deeply this God of love and life, and where you can surrender any notions of who you are in this God. During dark times, when we're experiencing suffering, pain, loss and confusion, we are invited to a deeper and more intimate relationship with God who loves us, sustains us, cares for us, strengthens us and holds us in being.

The day will include Continental breakfast, prayer, Exposition, conferences and time for private prayer and sharing, Reconciliation, Mass and a hearty lunch!

OLC has worked very hard to make everything safe for its retreatants. They have been certified by the state to be Covid safe.

Any questions, contact Dana Hawkins 401-789-8479 danahawk10@gmail.com



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