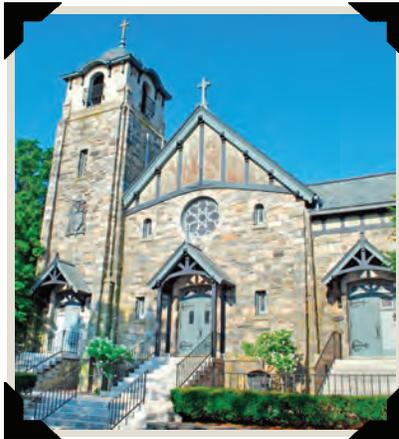


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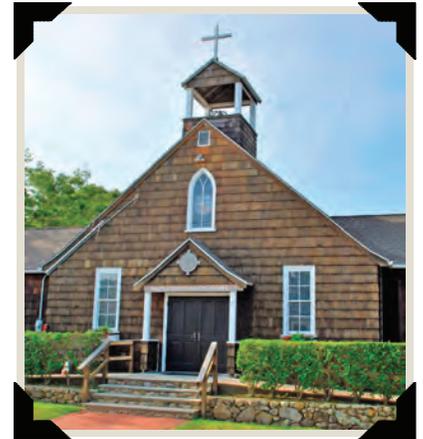


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Masses

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

Saturday ----- 5:30 pm*
Sunday ----- 8:00 am* and 10:00 am
*Summer only (Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day Weekend)

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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 Young. 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 - Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Friday From 9:00 am—12:30 pm

The
Epiphany
of the
Lord

When they saw the star,
they rejoiced exceedingly
with great joy.

Matthew 2:10

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

St. Francis Mass Intentions



Saturday, January 1

4:30pm †For the Deceased Members of
the Perpetual Mass Association

Sunday, January 2

9:00am †Herbie Straub

Requested by the Marciniak Family

11:00am †Charlie Moffitt

Requested by Family

Monday, January 3

7:00am †Deceased Members of the Carr
Family

Requested by Family

Tuesday, January 4

7:00am †Marie Champion

Requested by the "Counting Team"

Thursday, January 6

7:00am For the People

Friday, January 7

7:30am †Deceased Members of the Behie,
O'Rourke, Palamidessi & Geiling Families

Saturday, January 8

4:30pm †Marie Champion

Requested by Luanne Googins

Sunday, January 9

9:00am †Audrey Scuncio

(Anniversary Remembrance)

Requested by Family

11:00am †Elsie Clapperton

Requested by her Son

St. Romuald Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 2

10:00am †William & Geraldine Fiasconaro
Requested by Family

Sunday, January 9

10:00am †Jeanne A. Harrington
Requested by Family

Dear Parishioners,

Happy New Year! I feel like I am still processing 2020 and it's already 2022! Every New Year's Eve, I celebrate with a close group of friends and their spouses. We all met in school and we bonded even more at our parish as teens. When we were younger, it was much more of a late celebration. Now we toast at midnight and I'm in the car driving home by 12:01!

I also enjoy this time of year in the Liturgy. We have had some beautiful feasts this past week: St. John the Apostle, St. Stephen, The Holy Innocents, The First Martyrs of Rome, and concluding the week is Mary, Mother of God and the Epiphany. Can we have any more reasons to celebrate our faith?

The Epiphany reminds us that God reveals Himself in so many ways to us. Sometimes it is obvious, sometimes not. I pray during this new year of 2022, we will keep our ears, eyes, and hearts open to what God has planned for us.

In the Newborn Christ,

Fr. Young



Weekly Support

	December 19	December 26
Budget envelopes	\$4,494.50	\$6,813.00
Loose Donations	\$2,548.00	\$ 414.00
Online Giving	\$2,728.00	\$3,004.00
Total Budget	\$9,770.50	\$10,231.00

Second Collection, December 19 (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget envelopes	\$1,310.50
Loose Donations	\$ 287.00
Online Giving	\$ 73.00
Total	\$1,670.50

Christmas Collection: \$10,464.00 Christmas Flowers: \$2,450.00

This week's second collection is the Monthly Collection. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

JANUARY 2, 2022



SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Margarite Marcoux.

Intention for January 1 at 4:30pm

*The Deceased Members of the Perpetual
Mass Association*

Yvonne Fanning

Paul F. & Susan Greene

Marilyn Maley

Edna Otto

Christopher Shafer

Daniel Shea

Laura Webb

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP REGARDING NEW MASK MANDATES (December 15, 2021)

As it has from the beginning of the pandemic, the Diocese of Providence will continue to cooperate fully with state directives regarding the response to the pandemic.

Accordingly, I encourage Catholics of the Diocese of Providence to follow state guidelines and to wear a mask whenever they are attending Holy Mass, and other church services or public programs.

At the same time, no individual should be turned away from Mass or singled out if they choose not to wear a mask. Such individuals may have good and substantive reasons for not doing so. In addition, in keeping with our approved policies, liturgical ministers, (e.g. priests, deacons, ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, cantors, choir members,) are not expected to wear masks while actively participating in the liturgy.

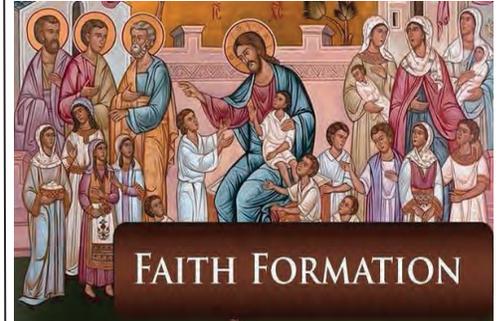
As I have done on multiple previous occasions, I strongly urge all Catholics of the Diocese of Providence (clergy, religious and laity) to receive approved vaccines as soon as they are eligible to do so. Being vaccinated is a commitment to the common good, an act of charity for our brothers and sisters, and an expression of our respect for the dignity of human life.

As we prepare to celebrate the special hope and joy of the Christmas Season, let us renew our fervent prayers that Almighty God will lift this terrible pandemic from our midst and will give healing, comfort and peace to all.

Thomas J. Tobin
Bishop of Providence



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Sunday, January 2nd No
Classes Happy New Year!

Pray: *Lord Jesus, help me to
know what my gifts are, so
that I may offer them to you.
Amen.*

Wednesday, January 5th
6:30-8:15pm Confirmation
II (Grade 8) FGC



This Week

Monday, January 3

7:30-11:00am Adoration (Church)

Tuesday, January 4

6:00pm Bible Study (FGC)

7:00pm SVD Meeting (HBH)

Wednesday, January 5

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (FGC)

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

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!*



Friday Dinners Available

The SVDP dinner program is providing Friday meals for pick up or delivery at no cost. Would you—or someone you know—like a cooked meal? We are in need of volunteers to deliver meals. Call 401-588-4192 or email esweeney1@cox.net to order a meal or volunteer to deliver.

HOPE & Healing

divorce recovery support groups

SUPPORT FOR THOSE THAT ARE DIVORCED OR SEPARATED

Divorced? Separated? The Diocese of Providence is sponsoring an on-going support group for divorced and separated Catholics at St James Chapel (Parish Center), 2079 Matunuck School House Rd, Charlestown, RI. It is held on the first and third Wednesday evening of each month, 7:00-8:30pm.

This free support group embraces our Catholic faith and provides a peaceful place for sharing, healing, and for topics related to separation/divorce.

Preregistration is required. Contact: Peter Magnotta: 278-2517 or Fr. Paul Desmarais: 364-7214



Month of January: Baby Shower

As always, as events draw near there will be more detailed information in the bulletin!



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.



The St. Francis of Assisi Social Outreach Committee (SOC) is sponsoring a Baby Shower during the month of January. Please place donations in collection baskets located in St. Francis Church & St. Romuald Chapel during the weekends in January. **Thank you for your support!**

COLLECTED ITEMS WILL BENEFIT:

The St. Gabriel Call

SUGGESTED BABY SUPPLY DONATIONS

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