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Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday Vigil5:00 pm
 Sunday Mass 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am
 Daily Mass Monday - Friday 8:00 am
 Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 3:30 - 4:15pm
 (or by appointment anytime)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every
 Friday in the church.
 8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Rosary
 3:00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 6:00pm Benediction and Reposition

Sacrament of Baptism

Prospective parents are encouraged to prepare for the
 Sacrament of Baptism prior to the birth of the child. The parish
 offers a required one-session parent preparation program. The
 sacrament is celebrated following the completion of this program.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Please call the Office of Vocations at 401-831-8011 or e-mail at
www.catholicpriest.com for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples are encouraged to make arrangements with the
 priest at least one year prior to the date of marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call anytime. If you know that you will be admitted to the
 hospital please call the office to make arrangements to
 receive the Sacrament of the Sick at a daily Mass. Please
 advise the parish when a parishioner is hospitalized.



Saturday, May 22

5:00pm +Jane La Prise (B'Day)
by her family
and +Margaret Pia-Perry
by the Whitney family

Sunday, May 23

7:30am For Our Parishioners
9:30am +Josephine Melucci (Ann.)
by her family
and +Ronald MacKinnon, Jr. (B'Day)
by his family
11:30am +Carol Aiello
by her family
and +Dr. Frank Coseglia
by the Crawford Family

Monday, May 24

8:00am +Joan Clark (mos. mind)
by Donna & Dick August

Tuesday, May 25

8:00am +Marie Bulger (27th Ann.)
by Marie Byrne & family

Wednesday, May 26

8:00am +Sally Menna
by her family

Thursday, May 27

8:00am
Special Intentions for
Louis Tremblay
by his mother

Friday, May 28

8:00am +Maria deLacerda (Ann.)
by her family

Saturday, May 29

5:00pm +Richard Manocchia
by the Ferro family
and +Lee Brindamour
by Peter & Maryanne Brindamour

Sunday, May 30

7:30am +Lara D. Anjoorian (1st Ann.)
and +Elaine B. DeRobbio (B'Day)
by Chris & Claudia Smith
9:30am +Dorothy DelVecchio (B'Day)
and +Charles H. Preble (B'Day)
by their family
11:30am For Our Parishioners

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of Savino DePalo, offered by his family. May he rest in peace.

FROM THE PASTOR
Update on COVID-19
Directives for Parishes

In light of the updated health guidelines by the CDC, the Governor, and the Rhode Island Department of Health, the Diocese of Providence has informed parishes that fully vaccinated parishioners are no longer required to wear a facemask indoors or outdoors beginning Tuesday, May 18, 2021. Those who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a facemask when in the church or in other parish buildings. Indoor seating capacity is increased from 80% to 100% beginning Friday, May 21, 2021. Parishioners are encouraged to continue to practice proper hand hygiene.

Reinstating the
Obligation to Attend Mass

Bishop Tobin has announced that he will be reinstating the obligation for all Catholics to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation beginning June 6, 2021, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

Bishop Tobin wrote in a recent letter because the pandemic is still lingering in our midst, some individuals are not obliged to attend Sunday Mass in order to protect their health and safety and that of others. These include those who are elderly and frail, those who have underlying health conditions and those who have been advised by their healthcare providers to avoid public gatherings.

As always, Catholics are dispensed from the Sunday obligation for other grave reasons such as illness, caring for the ill, the unavoidable obligations of their employment, and travel that disrupts their schedules. *Bishop Tobin's letter can be found at the end of this bulletin.*

(Please know that our parish will continue to stream live the 9:30am Sunday Mass until further notice).

Returning to Usual
Liturgical & Sacramental
Practices

You will begin to notice that we are reintroducing most of the liturgical and sacramental practices that had been suspended for the past year. Most of these practices do not need any

explanation; however, I want to address the "Sign of Peace" and the "Offertory Procession." The admonition to "offer the sign of peace" will be given again but the "sign" should be given without physical contact and simply be done verbally. We will also return to the practice of people presenting the bread and wine to the priest. If you would like to present these offertory gifts during a particular Mass, please speak to a sacristan or usher at the front of the church before the start of Mass.

Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
Returns to the Chapel

The location of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays has returned to the chapel in Driscoll Hall. Eucharistic adoration will begin after the 8:00am Mass and conclude with benediction at 6:00pm. The Rosary is prayed at the beginning of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed at 3:00pm. I invite people to come and spend some time in the chapel with our Lord Jesus Christ for quiet prayer time in adoration, gratitude and love. I also want to encourage more people to make a commitment to a specific time of day (for 30 or 60 minutes) so that there are always two or more people with the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day. Please call the parish office at 884-2105 to let me know if you could commit to a specific time period on a weekly basis.

2021 Catholic
Charity Appeal

Parish Goal: \$99,845

Raised to Date: \$99,902

I want to thank and congratulate everyone who has contributed to the 2021 Catholic Charity Appeal and who has helped us to exceed our goal! Please know that for those who would like to make a pledge or one time gift, it is never too late. A gift in any amount is gratefully received and sincerely appreciated. For your convenience, pledge envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. Once you complete filling out the envelope, please seal it and place it in the collection basket or send it to the parish office. **Please make checks payable to "2021 Catholic Charity Appeal" and not to the parish.** Thank you for your generosity and support.

MAY 23, 2021



Confirmation I Grade 8

Any families unable to attend the Parent/Student Confirmation Service Meeting should be in touch with Kristen Soucie to reschedule at 401-885-3639, ext. 3 or kristen.sfds@gmail.com. Thank you!

Attention Parents of Kindergarten Children

First grade is considered a pre-sacramental year and is a requirement for entrance into the First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion Program in 2nd grade. If you have not yet registered your child for religious education, please call the religious education office at (401) 885-3639 to ensure you do not miss out on any important information regarding the 2021-22 year. Thank you!

Annual Raffle Drawing this Sunday

We will be holding our Annual Raffle drawing this Sunday, May 23 immediately following the 11:30am Mass. First prize is \$1,000, second prize is \$500.00 and third prize is \$250.00. There will also be three additional gift card prizes of: \$100 to Dave's Marketplace; \$100 to Stop & Shop and \$100 to Amazon.com. Good luck!

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

May 16, 2021		Y-T-D
Weekly collection	\$6,234	\$321,752
Other Income	\$2,019	\$ 86,305
Online Giving	\$3,681	\$168,745
Finishing the Journey \$		\$176,551
Weekly Expenses*	\$13,373	\$615,158
Principal Paid on Loan \$		\$ 60,000
Deficit/Surplus	\$(1,439)	\$ 78,194

Ascension of the Lord: \$717 (included in Other Income above)
Property Maintenance Collection: \$1,449

Average Number of budget users: 462
Online Giving users: 183
Forecast of estimated operating expenses for the year divided by 52. Thank you for your continued support. The fiscal year began July 1, 2020.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our annual golf tournament is set for Saturday, September 18, 2021 at the Exeter Country Club with an 8:30am shotgun start. We hope you can join us by playing in our tournament (more details to come) or by being a sponsor to make it a successful fundraising event and community builder for our parish.



INDIVIDUAL AND/OR BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

-Hole Sponsor (Tee Sign) -\$125

-Contest Sponsor-\$250

(Longest Drive. Closest to the Pin or Closest to the Line)

-Tournament Gift Sponsor - \$500

-Post-Round Lunch Sponsor- \$500

-Silver Club Sponsor -\$1,000

-Gold Club Sponsor - \$1,500

Each sponsor will have a sign at the golf tournament. Please be sure to include how you would like your name printed on the sign. You can also choose to be an anonymous donor or sponsor in memory of a loved one. If a sponsorship is not possible, a donation in any amount would be welcome.

Please make checks payable to St. Francis de Sales Church. If you have any questions, please call Carole in the parish office at 884-2105 during the week.



BAPTISM

We extend a word of congratulations and God's blessings upon **Thomas Michael Benoit, Alyson Jacqueline Tremblay and Anthony William Boudreau** who were all recently baptized at St. Francis de Sales. We pray for them, their parents and godparents as they begin their Christian journey of faith.

Monday, May 24

6:30pm Legion of Mary (Chapel)
6:30pm Golf Committee Meeting (DH)
7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (PC)

Tuesday, May 25

6:30pm Women's Faith-Sharing Group (PC)

Wednesday, May 26

8:00pm AA Meeting (PC)

Friday, May 28

8:45am Opening of Adoration (Chapel)
3:00pm Divine Mercy (Chapel)
6:00pm Benediction (Chapel)

Saturday, May 29

8:00am Men of St. Joseph Meeting (PC)



Baby Bottle Boomerang Make a Life Affirming Donation

Next weekend, May 29/30, empty baby bottles will be available at all the entrances of the church. Please take a bottle home and fill it with your spare coins (cash or check made payable to Right to Life are also much appreciated) and return the bottle to church the weekends of June 5/6 or June 12/13. Collection bins will be located near each exit.

Your generosity will help Right to Life Services continue providing pregnancy tests and ultrasounds throughout Rhode Island in their Ancora Women's Mobile Care Center. It will also help stock the shelves of their Maternity Hope Chest to help mothers who have courageously chosen LIFE but need a helping hand caring for their precious little ones with items such as: diapers and wipes, clothing and blankets, bassinets and strollers, and many other must have items.

May the Good Lord bless you many times over for your generosity.



No Taxpayer Funded Abortion **Petition/Awareness**

A serious effort is underway in Congress to force all taxpayers to pay for elective abortions. The Hyde Amendment has protected Americans from funding abortion for 45 years and is credited with saving the lives of over 2.4 million children to date. Do not let our government make you pay for the taking of innocent human life! Powerful members of Congress want to take away this law that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. It is critically important that we as Catholics send a strong message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. Your voice could help save millions of lives! Congress needs to hear from a massive number of people, millions of Catholics need to sign the petition on **NoTaxpayerAbortion.com**. Please encourage your family and friends to do the same. Thank you for supporting LIFE!

MAGNIFICAT

An International Women's Ministry Event

Magnificat is a woman to woman ministry for Catholic Christian women. The Magnificat "Our Lady of Divine Providence Chapter" invites you to attend a unique Magnificat morning, highlighted by the extraordinary vocalist and composer Jon Polce. He will share Part 2 of his music and testimony.

This event will be held at St. Philip Church, Greenville RI on Saturday, June 12, 2021 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. CDC guidelines will be followed. Please join us and bring a friend. The cost is \$25 per person. For further information or to make a reservation, contact Linda Gatta at (401) 864-7731.



MSGR CLARKE SCHOOL **20TH GOLF OPEN**

Msgr. Clarke School is happy to announce that registration is now open for their 20th annual Golf Tournament being held on Saturday, June 12 at the Richmond Country Club.

To register or for sponsorship information visit <https://bit.ly/2PulTdp>. All are welcome.

MAY 23, 2021

A LETTER FROM
BISHOP THOMAS J. TOBIN

To the church in the
Diocese of Providence:

“O God, bring me to your holy mountain, to the place of
your dwelling, that I may come to the altar of God, to God,
my joy, my delight.” (Ps 43: 3-4)

Dear brothers and sisters, it’s time. It’s time to come home.
It’s time to return to Sunday Mass.

For that reason, I have now signed a formal decree restoring
the obligation to attend Sunday Mass in the Diocese of
Providence, effective Sunday, June 6, 2021, the Solemnity
of Corpus Christi. This means that Catholics, in observance
of the Lord’s Day and in fulfillment of the law of the
church, are once again obliged to attend Holy Mass on
Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, unless they are
otherwise dispensed for some serious reason.

It is important to emphasize that, since the pandemic is still
lingering in our midst, some individuals are not obliged to
attend Sunday Mass, and perhaps *should not* attend Mass to
protect their health and safety, and that of others. These
include those who are elderly and frail, those who have
underlying health conditions, and those who have been
advised by their health care providers to avoid public
gatherings. And as always, Catholics are dispensed from
Sunday obligation for other grave reasons such as illness,
caring for the ill, the unavoidable obligations of their
employment and travel that disrupts their schedules.

While the moral and canonical obligation to attend Holy
Mass each and every Sunday is an essential part of being
Catholic, there are also other very compelling reasons to do
so. We attend Mass because we love God and we want to
thank him for all the gifts and blessings he has given us.
We attend Mass to hear his sacred Word proclaimed, to
receive the Holy Eucharist, and to be with other members of
our faith community. In short, attending Holy Mass is an
obligation, a serious obligation, but more importantly, it is a
great privilege and an incomparable source of grace and
peace.

The lifting of the Sunday Mass dispensation marks an
important moment in our return to more normal, typical
pastoral life. But, it also provides a wonderful opportunity
for us to renew our appreciation and love for the Holy
Eucharist and all the sacraments and devotions of the
Church. I encourage our priests, deacons and parish leaders
to be creative and proactive, to do all they can to reach out
to their parishioners, to invite them to return, and to provide
a warm and welcoming experience for them when they do.

As we celebrate the beautiful Solemnity of Corpus Christi,
let us renew our love for the Holy Eucharist, the Body and
Blood of Christ, the Bread of Life. And may the aspiration
of the Psalm mentioned above be ours as well, as we return
to Holy Mass with joyful thanksgiving, *saying: “I will go to
the altar of God, to God, my joy, my delight!”*

Sincerely yours,
Thomas J. Tobin
Bishop of Providence



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