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CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 PM and at any other time by appointment. Please call the rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Please call the rectory to make arrangements at least 9 months in advance. Attendance at Marriage Preparation Course is required.

BAPTISMS:

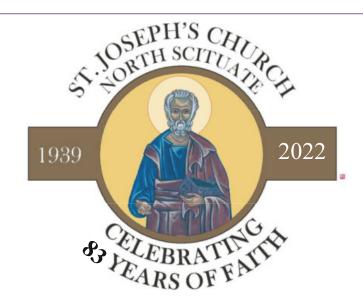
At 12:30 PM on the 4th Sunday of the month Please call the rectory early in the pregnancy. Parents are reminded that the selection of sponsors must be made according to Canon Law.

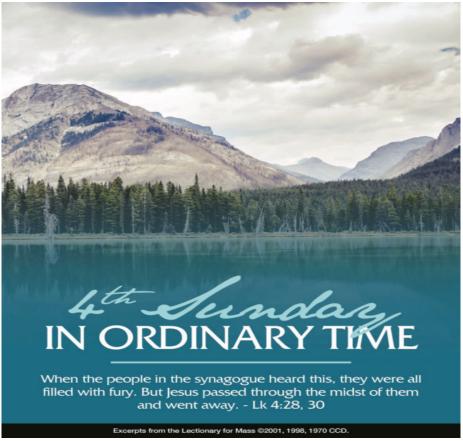
CARE OF THE SICK:

Please advise us of anyone from your family who is sick or in the hospital or in a convalescent home that we may keep them in prayer and visit them. Anyone who is unable to celebrate Mass with us in church is asked to call so that we might share Communion with them at home

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call the Rectory

WE WANT TO KNOW YOU AND SERVE YOU. WE WELCOME AND INVITE YOU TO BECOME AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF ST. JOSEPH COMMUNI-TY. REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AT EACH ENTRANCE







SATURDAY, January 29

James and Nancy Scotti - Mem. 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, January 30

8:00 AM Brian Harrington—Special Intention

Cliff, Gerry and Marge Wirth—for 9:30 AM

Comfort and Healing

Henry and Margaret Capasso—Mem. 11:00 AM

MONDAY, January 31

Marie J. Di Blasio-Month's Mind 830 AM

TUESDAY, February 1

8:30 AM Mary Marandola—Mem.

WEDNESDAY, February 2

Albert Doyle—Mem. 8:30 AM

THURSDAY, February 3

Marcel Richard—Mem. 8:30 AM

FRIDAY, February 4

John Morgan—Birthday Rem. 8:30 AM

SATURDAY, February 5

Maria Minicucci—Birthday Rem. 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, February 6

8:00 AM Intention Available

9:30 AM Louis Petrucci—10th Anniversary 11:00 AM Frances Cazeault—5th Anniversary



The Rosary is being said on Monday, and Wednesday through Friday after the 8:30 morning mass.

COLLECTION BREAKDOWN

For the week of January 22/23

From Budget Envelopes \$ 3850.20 **Loose Collection** \$ 273.00 **Electronic Giving** \$ 1249.11 **Mail Ins** \$ 865.00 TOTAL \$ 6337.31

The second collection this weekend is for the **Church in Latin America**

The second collection next weekend is for Fuel and Heat.

Please do not use tape on your budget envelopes. Also, please do not cut the envelopes. Thank you!

PLEASE NOTE! IF YOU HAVE AN ENVE-LOPE FOR A SECOND COLLECTION. THEN TWO COLLECTIONS WILL BE TAKEN UP.

Blood Donor

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2022 8:30 AM TO 12:30 PM IN THE CHURCH HALL **HELP STOP WINTER BLOOD SHORTAGES!**

DONATIONS BY APPOINTMENT!

(Walk-ins only accepted if safe spacing permits at time of arrival Go to www.riobc.org/drives to book

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Eat, hydrate, bring identification with you. Masks are still required



Some of the members of the Guild have expressed concerns about having our monthly meeting because of the spread of Covid. Therefore, it has been decided to cancel the February meeting. We will try again in March to meet for our Annual Lenten Reflection. Callers will continue to call members with any information that needs to get to you.

STAY SAFE AND STAY WARM

MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 PM on Saturday, 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 AM A Mass will be video streamed on our Website at 5PM Saturday Afternoons until further notice.

WOMEN'S GUILD KNIGHTS OF COLUBUS 2nd Monday 6:30 PM 1st & 3rd Monday President Mary Fogell Grand Knight Walter 934-0001 Hartley Tel 934-3756 Helping Hands Ministry

Call Karen at 647-5988 or Barbara at 647-1484

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes for Religious Education will be held this week on: Sunday, January 30th 8:15AM-9:15AM Monday, January 31st 6:00PM-7:00PM

Classes for Grades K-5 in the downstairs hall

Sunday, January 30th 6:00PM-7:15PM Classes for Confirmation 1 in the downstairs hall

Sunday, January 30th 8:15AM-9:15AM Monday, January 31st 6:00PM-7:15PM

Classes for Grades 6&7 downstairs in the hall Parents are reminded to sign in to their child's GOOGLE CLASSROOM (with the code on your child's student workbook) to check for class updates and lesson information.

MAKE UP PARENT MEETING FOR FIRST PENANCE

I will meet with all parents who missed our initial parent meeting for the upcoming First Reconciliation ceremony, before classes this week on both Sunday morning and Monday evening. Ceremony requirements, prayers to know, and practicing Rite of Reconciliation will be discussed.

WE HAVE A CONFIRMATION DATE!!

The Office of Worship has confirmed that this year's Confirmation ceremony will be held on Sunday, March 20th at 3:00PM at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence. Most Reverend Bishop Evans will be the celebrant. More detailed information was mailed home to all Candidates. Please call with questions.

CONFIRMATION 2 INTERVIEW SCHEDULES

The interview schedules for all Confirmation 2 Candidates will be posted NEXT week on the wall outside my office door. Please be sure to sign up for an interview time and date inperson, as soon as possible. Available times and dates will be posted to the Google Classroom to help you make a decision. However, choices must be made in person as availability can change daily. Thank you!

GRADE 6-7 SUPERBOWL SUNDAY DAY/TIME CHANGE

All students who attend classes on Sunday night ONLY are asked to take note of the following time change: Class on February 6th / 7th

will be held at regular class times (disregard time in booklet) Grades 6&7: 6:00PM-7:15PM Sunday and Monday Confirmation 1: 6:00PM-7:15PM on Sunday Class on Sunday, February 13th ONLY (Superbowl Sunday)

will be held from 10:30AM - 11:45PM for Sunday night students NO PM CLASS that night

Please attend the 9:30AM mass instead of the 11:00AM that day. Monday classes will be held as scheduled with no time change.

Community Service Project Supporting Youth

Members of the Scituate High School Chapter of Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) are organizing a Birthday in a Box project. We are looking for donations of boxed cake mix, canned frosting, candles, party supplies, etc. to include in a box for children in RI schools. Our group is leading this project to bring awareness to youth mental health and world hunger. We are looking for donations of the above mentioned items. There will be a box at the front entrance of the church to collect any items. If you prefer, we are accepting cash donations through venmo @rihosa to purchase additional supplies. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Julia Olson at 401.603.6320. Thank you in advance for your help.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS AND ALL INTERESTED:

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN

With Fr. Varghese; October 19 - 29, 2022. Highlights include Bethlehem, Nazareth, Basilica of the Annunciation, Cana, Mount of the Beatitudes, Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Mount of Olives, Via Dolorosa, Petra, Madaba, Church of the Holy Sepulcher and other special places of interest within the origins of the Judeo-Christian tradition. Daily Mass is also included at key religious sites. Please email me at: revtj23@gmail.com

Thanks and God bless

Fr. Varghese

ELECTRONIC GIVING.

We recently sent out our Annual Collection request along with an envelope to return it to us. However, if you donate through our Electronic Giving system and do not normally receive envelopes, you may not have received the letter. Please be advised that if you are on the Electronic Giving system, you can also use that for your Annual Collection donation

Another financial tidbit, If you are looking for a tax deduction, consider paying ahead or paying off your Grateful for God's Providence pledge.

Tax statements will be sent out by Cathedral Corporation for those of you with budget envelopes. If you are on Parish Giving Electronic plan, you will have to go on the website and print your donation records yourself.

GOSPEL MEDITATION -

St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980) was a "Salvadoran Roman Catholic archbishop who was a vocal critic of the violent activities of government armed forces, right-wing groups, and leftist guerrillas involved in El Salvador's civil conflict (Encyclopedia Britannica)." As a voice of the voiceless, he was an outspoken champion of the poor who were the ones most affected by the civil unrest and violence. His advocacy provoked several attempts on his life. Nonetheless, St. Oscar Romero was convinced that before all else his faith in the resurrected Christ and the values of the Gospel trumped any earthly concern or worry. He walked with complete confidence and trust. On March 24, 1980, St. Oscar Romero was assassinated while celebrating Mass. Such is often the fate of those who challenge the socio-political agendas of the day.

We may look at the example of witness of St. Oscar Romero as something extraordinary. In one sense it is. Through the power of God, an ordinary human being did extraordinary things. But, in and of himself, St. Oscar Romero was simply a humble, loving servant of God. Oscar knew not only the power of love but the risk that comes when loving unconditionally. The beauty of God's message was able to shine in and through him because he was able to step out of the way and be a vessel. One can assume that for St. Oscar Romero, one's earthly life has no merit when faith, integrity, conviction, zeal and love are jettisoned. Fear and apprehension had no grip on this man who not only saw but spoke the truth.

Do we speak the truth? It makes us feel good to speak of God as love. But have we ever considered the ramifications of this radical message? There are assaults on human life occurring daily. More and more the value and worth of a human being is being reduced and minimalized. We are becoming widgets in the production of life. In our whole simple humble ways, we too are called to be prophets. Knowing who you are and what is within your means to do, how can you make God's love real, stand up for what is right, and give witness to the sacredness of all that is around you?

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