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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 9:30am

ALL SAINTS PARISH OFFICE

The parish office is open M-W from
8:30-1:30pm. Thursday and Friday
we can be reached by phone.

ALL SAINTS PARISH STAFF

Father Ryan Simas, *Administrator*
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Ministers*

July 4th, 2021

Pastor's Ponderings...

Dear Saint Joseph and All Saints Parishioners:

Across our country, people will be firing up the BBQ, inviting friends over, and celebrating the freedom we enjoy as a country this weekend. As Catholic Americans, our understanding of freedom does not come from the Declaration of Independence or any legal decision. We know that human freedom is rooted in our human dignity and is rightly recognized in our country's founding documents as an "inalienable" right. When St. John Paul II came to the United States on one of his pastoral visits, he spoke of this nature of freedom in the context of the American experiment: "America has always wanted to be a land of the free. Today, the challenge facing America is to find freedom's fulfillment in the truth: the truth that is intrinsic to human life created in God's image and likeness, the truth that is written on the human heart, the truth that can be known by reason and can therefore form the basis of a profound and universal dialogue among people about the direction they must give to their lives and their activities." St. John Paul delivers the most memorable line of this homily: "Every generation of Americans needs to know that freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought." Our God-given freedom is a gift, given without cost or being earned. But that does not mean there are not responsibilities attached to this gift. I am free for a purpose, for a reason. That purpose is so that I can choose what is right and so that I can conform my life to the truth — the truths of the natural law and the truths God has revealed in Jesus Christ and His Catholic Church.

Peace, Father Ryan



Calling All Married Couples!

The Diocese of Providence is hosting the annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration Mass on Sunday September 26, 2021 at 1:00 PM in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence. Any couple celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, or over 50 year anniversary in 2021, and who are married according to the norms of the Catholic Church, are invited to attend. Couples wishing to attend should contact Terry at Saint Joseph's (766-0626) or Debbie at All Saints (762-1100) by August 27th to register.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 4, 2021

Sunday	Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a
Monday	Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab [cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday	Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday	Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday	Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15
Friday	Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday	Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday	Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday July 3rd 5:30pm

Dennis G. Caron, by Robert Tardif

Sunday July 4th 9:30am

Claire Levreault, birthday anniversary, by family

Saturday July 10th 5:30pm

George Suntheimer, by Deb Doris

Sunday July 11th 9:30am

Louis & Gertrude Martinelli, by family

If you would like to schedule a mass intention, please call the office 762-1100 or email allsaintsrectory2@hotmail.com

WEEKLY BUDGET COLLECTION

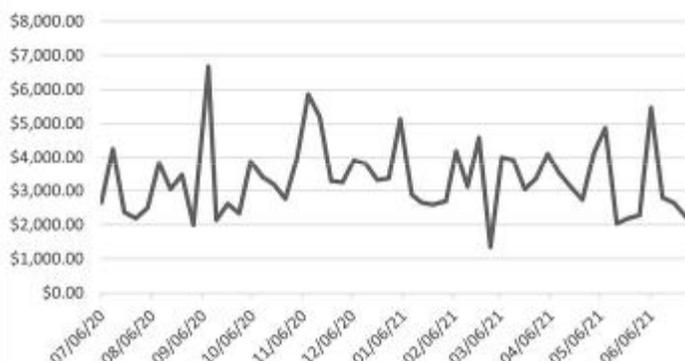
June 27th, 2021

Budget: \$2,185

Fuel: \$0

Building: \$60

Weekly Budget





Your gift will make a difference for so many...

"We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop."
- SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Catholic Charity Update as of 6/24/2021

Goal: \$30,400.00

Gifts/Pledges: \$17,809.00 Amount Paid: \$16,933.00

Sincere thanks for your generous support of this year's campaign.

If you haven't already done so, donations may be made online at dioceseofprovidence.org/CCA or you may text the word "Appeal" to (401)-496-9889 and the giving link will be sent automatically in response. You may also bring your donation to the rectory during office hours.

Your gifts will improve the lives of so many individuals and families in our local community and our diocese.

Thank you again for your support.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

But you shall say to them: Thus says the Lord GOD!

And whether they heed or resist

— for they are a rebellious house —

they shall know that a prophet has been among them. (Ez 2:4-5)

Today's reading is an excerpt from the prophetic call Ezekiel received while in exile in Babylon (Ez 1:1-3:27). The Lord commissioned Ezekiel to go and confront the "rebellious house" of Israel. How do you imagine the Israelites received Ezekiel's message?

Second Reading:

I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me. (2 Cor 12:9)

Paul learned that the "thorn in his flesh" taught him to be humble and dependent upon God's grace alone. Where do you see God's grace most present in your life?

Gospel:

Jesus said to them,

"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." (Mk 6:4)

Jesus was "amazed" at the lack of faith his fellow Nazareans had in him, suggesting Jesus expected a different response. Why do you think the villagers of Nazareth "took offense" at Jesus?



Please call our office, 401-762-1100, to schedule your child's baptism. We are open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:30am-1:30pm and can be reached by phone only on Thursdays and Fridays.

Read Our Bulletin Online

Please visit www.parishesonline.com to view the weekly bulletin!



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Nursing Home

On April 5th the Diocese of Providence authorized priests and parishes to resume ministry to our brothers and sisters in nursing homes. Our parishes are responsible for bringing Holy Communion to Catholics in Woonsocket Health Center and the Ballou Home for the Aged every Sunday morning so that those who cannot come to Mass can still receive the Holy Eucharist. If you are an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion who would like to be involved on a rotating basis bringing Communion to our brothers and sisters—even if you have done this in the past—or if you are not an Extraordinary Minister but would still like to be involved in this important ministry, please contact Deacon John ASAP.

Still Need A Missalette?

Missalettes are still available to purchase for \$5 each. Please stop by the sacristy after Mass to purchase them or call the Parish Office at 401-766-0626 (Saint Joseph's) or 762-1100 (All Saints). New Missalettes will not be placed in the pews until November.



MISSALETTES



Our office will be closed on Monday July 5th in observance of Independence Day. We will reopen at 8:30am on Tuesday July 6th.

Permanent Diaconate Program

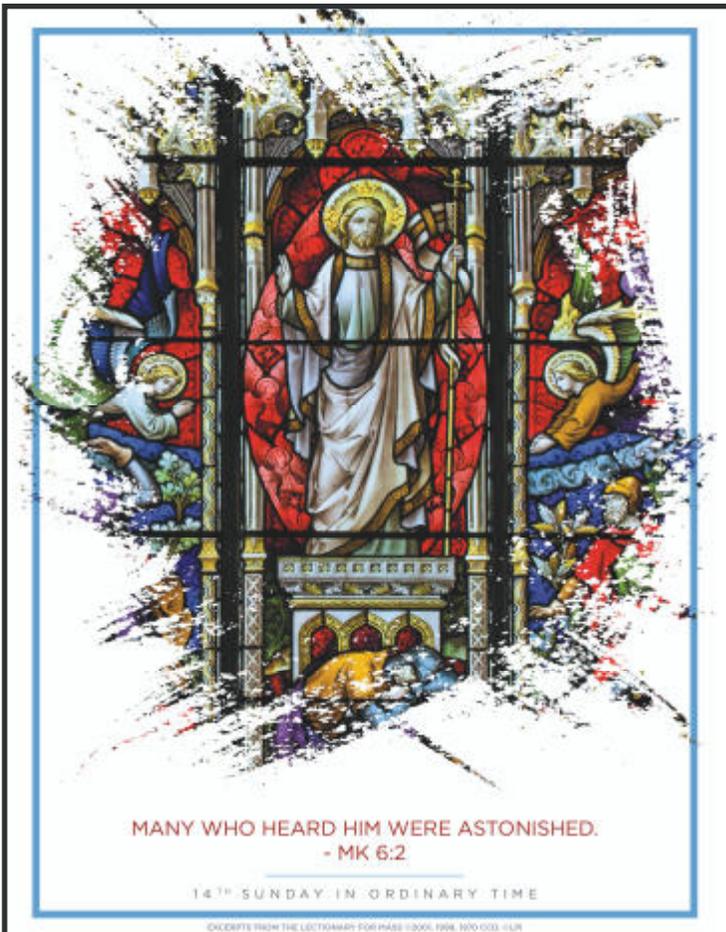
Bishop Tobin has authorized the recruitment and formation of a new class of Permanent Deacons for the Diocese of Providence. Deacons are men who love God and His Church and feel called to serve in a more committed way. The role of the deacon is to assist the bishops and priests and to proclaim by his life the Church's call to serve the needs of others. The formation process is a four year program of academic instruction, spiritual development, human development and practical pastoral experience. Upon completion, each man is prepared for ordination and assignment to serve as a deacon in parishes and other ministerial situations: proclaiming the Gospel, assisting in the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy and other rites of the Church and serving in ministries of charity and catechetics.

If interested contact Father Ryan at the Rectory Office or Deacon Noel Edsall, Director of Permanent Deacons at 401-278-4604 or ned-sall@dioceseofprovidence.org



DIACONATE PROGRAM





EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Prophecy of You and Me

Prophet. There's a heaviness to this word. It's weighted down with meaning. We think of prophets and we think of Charlton Heston with wild hair and a booming voice, reaching out his hand to work wonders of nature by the grace of God. We think of prophets and we think of ancient Biblical history — someone far away, someone so removed from our everyday life. A prophet is someone who knows something we don't.

When I let you in on this secret, it might scare you at first: in a way, God is calling you to be a prophet. He is calling me. He is calling anyone who hears the truth of the Gospel. However, there is no need for the megaphone and the wild locusts. This prophet gig might not be what you're thinking.

What does a prophet do? He hears and testifies to the truth, even when it's uncomfortable, even when it's unpopular, even when it results in, as Paul says, "weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints." A prophet doesn't have to be smart or rich or ordained; heck, he doesn't even have to be particularly willing.

All a prophet has to do is listen to the truth. The truth we receive from Christ, through the Gospel and the sacraments, is a mighty gift. But it is a gift that we are not meant to simply keep for ourselves. In possessing it, we are compelled to also pass it on, to share it, to let the Spirit set us on our feet.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



GOSPEL MEDITATION

July 4, 2021 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's all so ordinary that we can easily miss it. The seagulls hunting and diving for mollusks at the beach offer a display of determination and precision as they gather their food for the day. It's simply what these creatures do. Yet, there's a magical artfulness and skill to their work that speaks volumes about the One who breathed life into their being. This is pretty much the way it is with God's presence. God comes in common ways through common things and ordinary people. Sadly, we are so engulfed in our little worlds of order and ideas to notice the beauty and wonder of it all. Many have numbed themselves to the Divine spark at the essence of all life because that's just the way it is. What's so special about it? A sunset is a sunset and a seagull is a seagull. That's precisely what they thought about Jesus too. After all, isn't he just the carpenter's son? What merit can his words possibly have?

If we're looking for God to come in an event that is so dramatic and intense that it knocks our socks off, then think again. When pondering God's relationship with His people and God's action in our lives, we have to go back to the stable and the recurring, creative, unending power of God's presence. It was a quiet, run of the mill kind of night. There was nothing spectacular or extraordinary. To the naked eye, a woman gave birth to a child and there wasn't anything extraordinary to see. We have a hard time understanding God's ordinary-ness. Jesus grew up in an ordinary town, had neighbors and did normal human things. Perhaps that's why we don't always like the Gospel. It doesn't dazzle us with extraordinary things but simply challenges us to take a different look at our ordinary stuff. That makes us uncomfortable. We prefer things as they are. Our lack of faith can even cause us to take offense at what Jesus says and does, dismissing it as folly.

God's life-giving presence continues to sustain that seagull in flight and keep all things in being regardless of whether we have the faith to see and understand this. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be hardened and blinded to what God is doing or desiring to do. While God continues to do what he has done for all eternity, faith is needed for God's presence to bear fruit. The blinders we wear and the expectations we bring to life can often prevent us from seeing graced moments that radiate with God's graceful presence. They also prevent God's transforming, healing, and hope filled vision for our world from being realized. Without faith, God won't be able to do much for us either.

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