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Food Pantry Open Tuesdays 5:30–6:30pm weather permitting

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Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil:

5:00pm Easter to Advent

4:00pm Advent to Easter

Sunday at 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:00pm

Português - Domingo às 7:30

Weekday Mass at 7:30am (bilingual):

No Mass on Thursday

Holy Days of Obligation and Holidays:

As listed in the Parish Bulletin

Baptism

After the birth of the child, parents are invited to contact the rectory to schedule the Baptism.

Sponsor Certificates

Please contact the parish office.

Marriage

Upon engagement, couples should contact the parish office to schedule a wedding date and initiate the preparation process that ordinarily requires a period of six months – one year.

Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:20pm – 4:50pm or by scheduling a time with the parish office

Anointing of the Sick

Those in need, or a family member, are encouraged to contact the priest

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults who believe they are being called to receive the Sacraments of Initiation should contact the parish office.

Holy Orders – Vocations to the Priesthood

Discerning a vocation to the priesthood? Speak with the priest or contact Fr. Brian J. Morris, Director of Vocations, at (401) 331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

Rectory Hours:

Monday through Friday*

9:00AM to 4:00PM

*** Wednesday to 3PM**

Gospel Reading John 17:20-26

“... so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you”

Today's Gospel Reading is set at the Last Supper. In His "High Priestly Prayer" in John 17, Jesus prays to God the Father about matters that are central to the life of a disciple and the life of the Church. One of these matters is unity: man's unity with God, and the unity of human persons with each other.



The greatest threat to unity with God and our neighbors is sin. Our sins pierce our souls as they pierced the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Because of this, our souls can become like sieves, unable to contain the grace of the Holy Spirit's Presence and His seven gifts. So our Christian life poses to us the struggle of allowing our souls to be re-created. Here we need to reflect upon what it means for us to be "born again". This means first being washed clean of sin in Baptism, and from there on out it means being renewed in our relationship with God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession.)

Some people claim that believing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation cheapens the meaning of our Christian faith. They claim that being able to go to Confession over and over again encourages people to sin. Of course, this makes about as much sense as saying that being able to take a shower every day encourages people to get dirty and stink. God gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation because he knows that without Him, we can do nothing. But with Him, we can do anything He asks.

It's always confusing, then, to hear people talk about the Sacrament of Reconciliation as an easy way out of sinning. After all, what are the alternatives? If God didn't truly establish the Sacrament of Reconciliation, there are only three basic alternatives. The first is that there's no such thing as sin. The second is that there is sin, but that as long as we have at some point accepted Christ as our personal Savior, our sins don't matter because we are already saved. The third is that there is sin, and when a Christian sins he or she needs to turn to God for forgiveness, but that nonetheless this forgiveness can be obtained simply by praying directly to God. When you put these three alternatives up against the Catholic's need to confess mortal sins through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, it hardly makes sense to say that Catholics have an easy way out.

Even if we put reason and logic aside, however, we can also look at our relationship with God from a more personal perspective. If you reflect upon the most intimate relationships that you have in your life—whether with a spouse, parents, children, or friends—you can ask yourself in what manner you seek to be reconciled with those persons when you have offended them in a serious way.

We might consider several alternatives. First, we could pretend that we had never harmed the other: that we have no need to ask forgiveness. At times perhaps we do act this way, but we know it's not honest.

Second, we could admit that we had harmed the other, but then claim that as long as we had professed our love for the other at some point in the past, that they will automatically forgive us without our asking. At times perhaps we do act this way, but we know that it's presumptuous.

Third, we could admit that we had harmed the other, and know that we need to ask for forgiveness, but then seek this forgiveness in roundabout ways: for example, through flowers, a card, or some act of kindness for the other. These are all good things, and can lead up to forgiveness, but until a person breaks down, gets on his knees, and opens his mouth and speaks out his sorrow and need of forgiveness, he cannot, even from a merely human point of view, receive the full joy of being forgiven and being able to go on to have an even stronger relationship with his loved one.

That is what this Easter season is all about: accepting the full measure of the forgiveness that Christ offers us through His death and Resurrection. Everything we do as Christians is for others, and the manner in which we do things as Christians says something about how we will respond to others in our lives. The Holy Spirit, especially through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, makes it possible to experience a unity with God and neighbor that cannot be achieved through our human efforts alone. ~ Fr. Thomas Hoisington, Catholic Diocese of Wichita

Unity could be called the theme of the readings today. Unity demands effort, but brings a sense of peace.

God knows that without Him, we can do nothing. But with Him, we can do anything He asks.

Welcome

We welcome this newly Baptized child into the Church and our parish family:

Kayden Joseph Cassidy, son of Andrew Loras and Samantha Cassidy

Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit (vitae spiritualis ianua), and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word." (CCC 1213)

Celebration
of the
Sacrament of Baptism



The Month of June

The month of June is known for many things: for endings and new beginnings, for graduations and weddings, and in our Diocese of Providence, for ordinations. On Saturday, June 4, Deacon Mark Gadoury, from St. Paul Church in Cranston, will be ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Providence. Thank You Heavenly Father for this man's yes, and we pray that many more will say yes to Your call.

This Friday, June 3 at 7PM, there will be a Holy Hour for Priestly Vocations at Saint Paul Church, One St. Paul Place in Cranston; led by Bishop Robert Evans, Auxiliary Bishop of Providence, with preaching by Rev. Ryan Connors, Professor of Moral Theology at Saint John's Seminary (you may remember Fr. Ryan, we were his first assignment in the summer of 2012.)

FYI - Just as we have Mass cards, we now have greeting cards available to mark the occasions of Priestly Ordinations and their Anniversaries. Please call the Rectory during normal business hours if interested.



“What can I give to you, generous Heart that loves me best? In you I will live and in you I will rest.

The month of June is also set apart for the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This year His feast day is Friday, June 24. Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is devotion to Jesus Christ Himself, but in the particular ways of meditating on His interior life and on His threefold love – His divine love, His burning love that fed His human will, and His sensible love that affects His interior life.

Here is a simple prayer for you: *Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like Your heart.*

Catholic Communications Campaign

“That you may tell your children and grandchildren (Ex 10:2) Life becomes history.”

— Pope Francis, Message for World Communications Day 2020.

The Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC) collection takes place during the month of June. Through your generous donations, the CCC is able to spread the Gospel message in both our own faith community and all over the world. Half of the collection stays here in the Diocese of Providence to support our own local communications efforts, while the other half supports national Catholic media initiatives. There are some envelopes on the back altars.

Holy Rosary Sodality Pot Luck Supper

The final Holy Rosary Sodality affair before summer recess will be our Annual Pot Luck Supper. All members of the Sodality are invited to attend on Wednesday, June 1, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Auditorium. Members are asked to bring their dish between 5:30 and 5:45 in order to set up. All members are Welcome! Upon completion of dinner, the business meeting will be held. Following summer vacation, the next meeting will be held in September.

LET THE FEASTS BEGIN!!**United Brotherhood of the Holy Spirit and the Holy Trinity**

The Mordomos are Eduardo & Filomena Pereira, 62 Collins Street in Bristol. The Rosary will be prayed today and continue throughout the week at 7:00PM. All are invited for prayer and fellowship.

- Saturday, June 4 –Livestock auction at 7:00PM
- Sunday, June 5 – Mordomos' Mass at noon (No 5PM Mass that day)

The Feast will be June 10, 11 + 12

Irmandade Unida do Espirito Santo & Santíssima Trindade

Os Mordomos são os Senhores Eduardo & Filomena Pereira, 62 Collins Street, Bristol. Todos estão convidados para virem rezar o terço pelas 7:00 horas da noite ao longo da semana.

- Sabado, 4 de Junho – Arramatação de gado apartir das 19 horas.
- Domingo, 5 de Junho – Missa do Mordomo, ao meio-dia na igreja, não há Missa 5:00PM.

A Festa da Irmandade Unida do Espirito Santo & Santíssima Trindade celebrar-se-á no fim de semana 10, 11 + 12 de Junho

Santo Cristo Feast / Festa do Senhor Santo Cristo

The Santo Cristo Feast will be taking place this year on the weekend of June 17 – June 19.

A nossa festa do Senhor Santo Cristo terá lugar no fim de semana de 17 a 19 de junho.



40th Anniversary Celebration - Rev. Henry P. Zinno, Jr., who has been the Administrator of our parish since March 2021, and in the fall and winter of 2018, will be celebrating his 40th Anniversary of Priesthood on Sunday, June 12 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church at their 10:30AM Mass. Immediately following the Mass there will be a reception in the OLMC Parish Hall (11:30-1:30.) All are invited!

The Word Among Us - We have a limited number of “The Word Among Us” for June. Ask Father if you would like one to take home.

Mass Intentions

Saturday – May 28

5:00PM – Ann Clark, Anthony & Ida Melino, Joseph Carreiro, John & Julia Sousa, Patricia Scalera, Deodato, Maria & Durval Amaral, Virgilio Vasconcelos, Maria da Luz Soares Rego

Sunday – May 29 (7th Sunday of Easter)

7:30AM – Maria do Carmo Elizardo, Alberto C. & Maria Ester Teixeira, Maria Fatima, Maria & José Morais, Timothy DaPonte, João & Maria Vieira, Mariano Vieira, Luciano Fartura, Rosa Silva, Dimas Madeira, Artur Almeida, João Manuel Pinheiro

9:00AM – Joseph M. & Maria E. Carreiro, Manuel & Germina Tavares, Blanche L. Thiverge, Jose S. Gomes, Jose Farias, Maria Conceicao Farias, Rafaela Farias, Horacio & Hilda Rego, Belmira C. Ramos, Deolinda Ramos, Fortunato Ramos, Elaine Paolucci

10:30AM – Zelia & Gil Amaral, John Amaral, Maria Julia Borges, Nathan Correia, Mariano & Eduarda Milhomens, Alfred Andrade, Bobby LePage, Manuel Garcia, Marie Correia, Sebastian & Laurentina Correia, Susana Calisto, Joseph Costa, III

5:00PM - Pro Populo

Monday – May 30 (Memorial Day)

8:00AM – Manuel & Rosalina Resendes

Tuesday – May 31

7:30AM – Conceicao Ferreira, Manuel Ferreira, Maria do Carmo Fonseca

Wednesday – June 1 (St. Justin, Martyr)

7:30AM – Anthony Rodrigues, Joao & Maria Melo, Ilda Vieira

Thursday – June 2 (Sts. Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs)

No Mass - Não há Missa - No Mass

Friday – June 3 (St. Charles Lwanga & Comp)

7:30AM – Armanda Silveira, Fr. Joseph D. Santos, Jr., Gabriel & Angelica Matos, Joseph Salema

1:00-4:00PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday – June 4

5:00PM – Jose Luis & Guilhermina Cabral, James Sousa, Jr., Natalie Cardoza, Fr. Joseph Cardoza, Elvira Cardoza, Jose Cardoza, Francesca Leonilde Soares Amaral, Silvana Germano, Joao Germano, Armando Carreiro Germano

Sunday – June 5 (Pentecost Sunday)

7:30AM – Manuel & Maria A. Cardoso, Marta Carvalho, Maria & António Silveira, José & Filomena Avila, Conceição Maria Botelho, Christopher Medeiros, Paulo Tavares, Joaquim & Maria Medeiros, Luís Damasio, Joaquin Damasio, Ilda Marck Pereira, José Elias Sousa

9:00AM – Olivia Silvia, Jacinto Rosa, Maria Rosa, Luisa Rosa, Carlos Vieira, Gloria Barreiro, Carlos Medeiros, Lucilia Medeiros, Jose Cabral, Lionel Teixeira, Manuel Ramos, Mariana Lima, Jose & Miranda DaPonte, Joseph DaPonte



10:30AM – Jose & Maria C. Tavares, Virginio & Germina Almeida, Manuel Teixeira, Daniel DeMatos, Antonio DaSilva, Clara Medeiros, Olivia & Manuel Tavares, Sr., John deSousa, Jr., Manuel & Maria Lourdes Aguiar, Carlos Manuel Aguiar, Gilberto Leste

12:00PM - Mordomos' Mass

No Mass 5:00PM - Não há Missa 5:00PM - No Mass

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

Sanctuary Lamp

This week the sanctuary lamp burns in memory of
Evaristo Afonso

MAY 29, 2022

Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure

Weekly Budget, May 15 - \$3,758.75

E-Giving, May 15 - \$417.79

Thank you!

Obrigado!

Catholic Charity 2022 - Our Goal - \$41,800

Received to Date...\$26,866

Easter Collection ...\$3,125

Total to Date...\$29,991

Total needed to make goal ...\$11,809

25 Week Club

The Drawings have begun! Please return your ticket information and checks to be entered to win.

Week #3 – Natalie Ferreira - \$50

Week #4 – Annette Silvia - \$50



First Friday / Primeira Sexta-feira

Friday, June 3, is the first Friday of the month.

We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 1-4PM. Confession will be from 1 – 2:30.

At 3PM we will have an hour of prayers and will close at 4PM with Benediction.

Teremos Adoração do Santíssimo Sacramento no dia 3 de junho, primeira sexta-feira do mês, das 13:00 até às 16h. Haverá confissões das 13 até às 14h30.

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Assisting low to no income families by providing quarters, detergent and dryer sheets to wash and dry 2 loads of laundry. Every 3rd Wednesday of the month from 2-5PM at East Bay Laundromat, 26 Gooding Avenue in Bristol. First come, first served. Call St. Michael's Episcopal Church for more info 253-7717.

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Pro-Life Prayers

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Memorial Day

All parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 30.

Daily Mass will be celebrated at 8:00AM.

Os rectoria da paróquia estarão fechados no dia 30 de Maio por causa do "Memorial Day." A Missa do diária será celebrada às 8:00 horas da manhã.

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