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"So, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him..."

Colossians 2:6

Pastor

Fr. Richard A. Narciso

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Fr. John LaPointe

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Joseph Tumminelli



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00PM

Sunday

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM

Weekdays and Holy Days

As announced in bulletin

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00 AM to Noon

12:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization

Dina Veiga, Director

232-9321

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Youth Ministry

232-9321

Director of Music

Tom Roy

Parish Secretary

Diane Mosca

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Sacraments

Baptism Please call Parish Office for registration

Marriage Please call the Parish Office one year prior to setting any dates for Ceremony or Reception.

Confession Please contact the parish priest to arrange a time and place

Ministry to the Sick Parishioners who are confined to home due to illness or age, may call the Parish Office for home visits.

Priestly and Religious Vocations Call the Diocesan Office of Vocations at 401-331-1316

MASS INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, July 17**

5:00 PM **Guilherme Furtado (Rem.),**
By family

SUNDAY, July 18

8:00 AM **Vincent Montecalvo (Birth.),**
By Celeste

10:00 AM **Corine Holtmann (Ann.),**
By family

11:30 AM **Angela Milano (Ann.),**
By family

MONDAY, July 19

8:00 AM **Carmen Tormos (Mem.),**
By Carolyn

TUESDAY, July 20

8:00 AM **John DeMizio (Mem),**
By Carolyn

WEDNESDAY, July 21

8:00 AM **Patricia Cooke (Rem.),**
By friends

THURSDAY, July 22

No Scheduled Mass

FRIDAY, July 23

8:00 AM **Frank Russo (Rem.),**
By Roni

SATURDAY, July 24

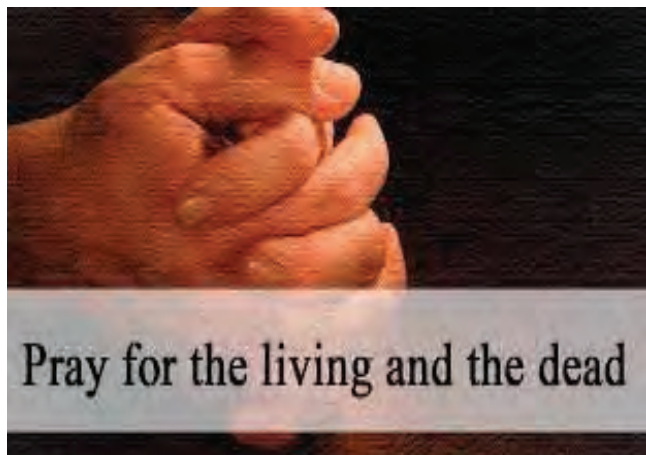
5:00 PM **Stacy Regan (15th Ann.),**
By family

SUNDAY, July 25

8:00 AM **Arthur Upton (Mem.),**
By Tim Mahoney

10:00 AM **Henry & Lydia Courtemanche
and Cpl Holly Charette (Rem.),**
By family

11:30 AM **Ann A. Narciso (Birth.),**
By Family

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In today's Gospel, Mark 6: 30-34, we read the report of the return of the Twelve, who were sent by Jesus to



preach repentance, heal the sick, and drive out demons. When the Twelve return to Jesus, he invites them to come away from the crowds and rest. But the crowds will not give them peace. As the Twelve have

shared in Jesus' ministry, they now appear to share in his popularity. The crowds continue to approach them, and Mark reports that the disciples don't even have time to eat. In an effort to get away, Jesus and his disciples board a boat in hopes of finding a deserted place. But the crowds notice this and arrive ahead of them. The crowds are so persistent that Jesus and his disciples cannot find a place to be alone. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus is moved with pity and begins to teach the crowds.

Our Gospel for today stops here, but Mark's report of the unyielding demands of the crowd continues in the verses that follow. If we were to continue reading from Mark's Gospel, we would hear Jesus instruct his disciples to feed the crowd in the familiar miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. The work of Jesus and his disciples appears to be a round-the-clock job. In the next few weeks, we will hear the story of Jesus' feeding of the multitude, but our Lectionary will turn to the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John to report and reflect on this story.

In today's Gospel, we hear the Twelve referred to as "apostles." The word *apostle* is a Greek word meaning "one who is sent." Jesus chose twelve men from among his disciples whom he sent to share in his ministry of preaching and healing. The first report of this is found in the third chapter of Mark's Gospel, where the Twelve are also called apostles and the names of this select group are listed.

We who are Jesus' disciples today have also been sent to share the Gospel with others. Perhaps our commitment to following Jesus as his disciple leaves us feeling tired and overwhelmed. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus affirm the importance of times of rest and renewal. Jesus wanted his disciples to come away and spend time alone with him. This is what we seek and find in our life of prayer and in our celebration of the Eucharist. -Sunday Connection

Always say a prayer (ASAP), Dina

Grateful for God's Providence



As you may recall, our parish's goal was \$423,714.00. Per the latest update report, out of our more than 1700 registered families, 229 families made one time gifts or pledges that totaled \$385,309.00. **To date, with one time gifts and the amount**

fulfilled on pledges, a combined total of \$221,479.00 has been paid. Forty percent of that amount (\$88,591.60) comes back to the parish.

A word of thanksgiving and gratitude to those who contributed in some way to our parish's participation in this Diocesan Wide Capital Campaign.

For those who are able to do so in the midst of the ongoing health and economic crisis, know that any payments you can make toward the fulfillment of your pledges remain necessary and appreciated.

As of this time, we have engaged an Architectural Firm and will soon be installing a restroom with handicap accessibility on the main level of the church and a lift system so as to make the lower level of the church accessible to all.

Come Join the SRB Sunday Morning Rosary Prayer Group

All parishioners and friends are invited to join a



small group of men and women who gather on Sunday mornings immediately

following the 8:00 AM Mass for prayerful recitation of the Rosary. Come pray for your personal petitions, those of the other members of the group as well as for an increase in respect for the sanctity and dignity of all human life from its natural beginning in the womb until its natural end at the time of transition from earthly to eternal life.

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Condolences are extended to the family of Nancy



DaPonte who transitioned to eternal life while living in North Carolina. May Nancy's soul be brought to the fullness of the presence of the Lord, and may her family members and friends find comfort and consolation in the promises of Christ.

Regarding the Use of Masks While Inside the Church Building



For those who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, masks are optional.

Those who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 should continue to follow State of RI Guidelines in regard to the use of a mask.

Thanks in advance for your attention and cooperation.

Things to Consider as Related to Public Worship

1. As of June 6, 2021, the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days has been reinstated here in the Diocese of Providence.
2. Hand sanitizer will be available at the entrance of the church building.
3. Parishioners will continue to have the opportunity to receive Holy Communion in a safe manner either in the palm of the hand or on the tongue.
4. Windows and doors will remain open.
5. Those who are sick with a transmissible illness should refrain from coming to Mass.

Tips for inviting and encouraging others to return to Mass



1. Talk about one thing from the readings, gospel passage or homily that resonated with you
2. Share what it has been like to be inspired and moved by the sacred hymns and music that resound during Mass.
3. Above all, continue to emphasize the spiritual gift and holy privilege of having the opportunity to receive Jesus in the Eucharist.
4. Invite the person to join you for a meal, to take a walk or to run an errand after Mass.
5. If the person does not accept the invitation, suggest they contact the parish and possibly arrange for the priest to visit them at home.

Daily Readings**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

Monday

Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday

Ex 14:21-15:1; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9

Thursday

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday

Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday

Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30

Thank You !**Co-op Mission Appeal 2021**Last weekend, July 10th & 11th, Fr. Kevin

Saminastrado, a priest from Missionhurst - Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, visited our parish

and asked us to cooperate in the missionary work of his congregation by way of our spiritual support and financial assistance.

Thus far, our parish has raised **\$2,055.00** in support of the missionary work that Fr. Kevin and his fellow missionaries are doing, in the name of Christ, to provide an education for those in need on the Island of the Dominican Republic. We will be accepting donations in support of this year's Co-op Mission Appeal through Sunday August 8th. Checks should be made out to St. Robert Bellarmine Church with a note on the memo line directing the funds to Co-op Mission Appeal 2021. Thanks for your generosity. For more information, visit: www.missionhurst.org

For Whom Are You Praying?**Add their names to the Prayer Chain.**

**Call: Jan Zarrella (274-6576) or
Charon Souza (231-3962)**

**PARISH
SUPPORT****July 10 & 11, 2021****Traditional Giving – ParishSOFT Online Giving**

Weekly Offering – In Envelope: \$6,785.00

Weekly Offering – Loose Cash: \$273.00

Online giving: \$652.00Monthly Maintenance: \$1,934.00 - **\$15.00**

A word of gratitude to those of you who have been able to continue to contribute to the ongoing financial support of the parish. Your support is necessary and appreciated so as to meet the ongoing regular operating expenses of the parish.

As a reminder, offerings may be made during Mass, dropped off at the rectory, sent in by mail or forwarded by way of your financial institution's electronic bill pay service.

For your convenience, online giving continues to be an option here at the parish. To register and begin taking advantage of this option, click on the link for "ParishSoft Online Giving" found on the homepage of the parish's website - www.strobertsparish.org

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
ONGOING SUPPORT OF
OUR FOOD SHELF!**

As always, donations of \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00 or \$25.00 STOP & SHOP OR PRICE RITE GIFT CARDS are appreciated.

Donations of green beans, tuna, baked beans, peanut butter, pasta/pasta sauce, cereal and other non-perishable food items are always appreciated.

(Please make sure that the items are not expired...we are not permitted by Food Bank policy to distribute such items.)

Thank you for your generosity!

Those who are served by our food pantry are once again being provided with the opportunity to enter the building and make their own selections from the stocked shelves. Those who prefer "curbside pickup", will still have the opportunity to pick up a prepackaged assortment of non-perishable food items at the door.

MISSION OUTREACH – FAITH IN ACTION

Our parish has adopted **Gabriel's Call** and **Mother of Life Center**. Both programs, assist pregnant mothers in crisis and their children up to age 4. They are in need of **layette items (new, clean and gently used baby clothes)**, **toddler clothes**, **newborn & up**. Bibs, diapers, onesies, baby toiletries, etc. are other items that are needed. Men and women who are homeless are out on the streets all day long and are in need of personal hygiene items, particularly sunscreen, tooth paste, deodorant, etc. These items, in travel size, can be bought at The Dollar Store. These men and women could also benefit from donations of underwear and socks. If you'd like to donate any of these items to Gabriel's Call, the Mother of Life Center or to the homeless, please drop them off at Marge's home which is located at 3 Woodcrest Dr. Johnston, 231-5276. **Prayer Shawls:** If anyone would like a prayer shawl, please contact Carolyn 231-5864. **Lap Blankets / Scarfs. Hats/ Mittens:** We are still collecting lap blankets for area nursing homes along with mittens, scarfs, headbands and hats for adults and children. These also can be dropped off at Marge's home. When we reach out to others, we are putting our faith in action. Thank you for all your donations, past present and future. Carolyn & Marge

Forty Week Club 2021 - Our Major Fund Raiser

Week #20: \$40 – Adeline Biggs – Captain: Luisa Ruscetta

Have you purchased a ticket?

If not, there is still time to do so, and there are still plenty of chances to win.

Tickets are available at the Rectory Office or by calling

Ann @ 944-6792, Pat @ 647-7461 or Judy @ 232-3603

All proceeds benefit the St. Robert Bellarmine Food Pantry and Outreach Program

2021 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

OUR FAITH AND HOPE IN CHARITY



After your prayerful consideration, what have you decided in regard to your investment in the 2021 Catholic Charity Appeal? This appeal provides you with the opportunity to unite with other Catholics, and respond to the call to be the "Hands of Christ", in support of the people and good works of the Church here in the Diocese of Providence?

A relatively small, yet ever-reliable, percentage of parishioners from St. Robert Bellarmine have already made the decision to invest in this year's Catholic Charity Appeal. On behalf of those

served by the ministries and services funded by the Catholic Charity Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. **To date, 252 of our more than 1700 registered families have pledged \$53,238.00.**

This year, our parish goal has been reduced from \$70,000 to \$66,500. Despite the ongoing public health crisis and the economic impact that it has had on some individuals and families, I firmly believe that we, as a parish family comprised of more than 1700 registered households, can collectively meet or exceed this year's goal. All gifts, regardless of size, help to make a difference in the lives of so many individuals. One time gifts or pledges may be made by responding to the mailings that you receive at home. Another option is to make your gift online by visiting:

<https://www.givecentral.org/2021CCA>. To contribute by way of text using your mobile device, text Appeal to 401-496-9889. *In Christ, Fr. Richard*

2021 -- Annual Diocesan Wide Wedding Anniversary Mass – 2021



The Diocese of Providence's Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment will be hosting the 2021 Wedding

Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, September 26, 2021 at 1:00 PM at the Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul in Providence. The celebration will include Mass, renewal of wedding vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Couples whose marriages are recognized by the Church and who are celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th and over wedding anniversaries in 2021 will be honored at this celebration. Couples who would like to attend should contact Fr. Richard at the parish to obtain the necessary registration form. All forms must be submitted to and signed by Fr.

Richard on or before Monday August 23rd. In order to ensure that the names of the honorees can be published in the Worship Aid that will be using during the Mass and that certificates can be prepared ahead of the celebration, the forms will subsequently be forwarded from the parish to the staff at the Diocesan Marriage Office by the date that has been set.



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