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"...whoever claims to abide in Him ought to walk just as He walked."

1 John 2:6

Pastor

Fr. Richard A. Narciso

Pastor Emeritus

Fr. John LaPointe

Deacon Assistant

Joseph Tumminelli



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00PM

Sunday Morning

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

Weekdays and Holy Days

As announced in bulletin

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

9:00 AM to Noon

12:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization

Dina Veiga, Director

232-9321

srbccd2020@gmail.com

Director of Music

Tom Roy

Parish Secretary

Diane Mosca

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Sandra Rainone

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.

MASS INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, January 28**

5:00 PM Alan Ross (Birth.),
By friends at Brown Ave. School

SUNDAY, January 29

8:00 AM Aniela Masterson (Ann.),
By family

10:00 AM Angie Lanzi (1st Ann.),
By family
Rita Autotte (14th Ann.),
By Janet Zeman

11:30 AM Joe and John Caracciolo (Ann.),
By family

MONDAY, January 30

8:00 AM Manuel & Cecilia Marques and Maria
Cecilia Marques (Rem.),
By family

TUESDAY, January 31

8:00 AM Katie Coughlin (Rem.),
By family
Kenneth Ucci (Month's Mind),
By Roni

WEDNESDAY, February 1

8:00 AM Richard Zinno (4th Ann.),
By family

THURSDAY, February 2

NO MASS SCHEDULED

FRIDAY, February 3

8:00 AM Fr. Raymond Tetreault (Month's Mind),
By Lucille
Paul Conte (Rem.),
By Judy

SATURDAY, February 4

5:00 PM Deacon Robert W. Pelland (Rem.),
By a friend

SUNDAY, February 5

8:00 AM Fr. Normand J. Godin (Rem.),
By a friend

10:00 AM Olga Scungio (3rd Ann.), Talia
Delmonico (3rd Ann.), and baby
Lorenzo (Rem.),
By family

11:30 AM Bill Nero (1st Ann.),
By family
Frank DeSimone (2nd Ann.),
By family

**Family Faith Formation,
Outreach and Evangelization**

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Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the "get ahead" messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, having many possessions, and so on. When we think this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. The crowd that day also associated happiness with material possessions and status.

Talk as a family about what it means to be happy or to be blessed. Make a list of traits that you would associate with a happy person. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 5:1-12a. Reflect on Jesus' description of happiness. Think about what each of the Beatitudes might have in common and write a family summary of the Beatitudes. Post the summary in a special place as a reminder of what your family will consider "true happiness."

Conclude by praying together prayers of petition based on the Beatitudes, e.g., "We pray that we will be peacemakers who seek to get along with other people even when this is difficult. We pray to the Lord." All respond: "Lord, hear our prayer."

Peace, Dina

Grateful for God's Providence

The work on our restroom and lift project is underway.



Our parish's goal was \$423,714.00. Per the latest update report, 229 families made one time gifts or pledges that totaled \$385,512.00.

With one time gifts and the amount fulfilled on pledges, a combined total of \$317,168.00 has been paid. Forty percent of that amount (\$126,867.20) comes back to the parish.

With a team consisting of Thomas Lonardo + Associates, Odeh Engineers, Garaventa Lift and Bentley Builders, work on the updates to our church building has begun.

Throughout the time of construction, for sure we will likely experience some inconveniences, yet once the updates are complete, we will have a restroom with handicap accessibility on the main level of the church as well as a lift system that will make the lower level of the church accessible to all.

Call for Volunteers:**Fr. Richard's Sweet Sixteen Celebration**

It's time to start planning
Fr. Richard's Sweet Sixteen Celebration!

June 2, 2023 marks the 16th anniversary of Fr. Richard's Ordination to the Priesthood; our parish family will celebrate Fr. Richard, his response to God's call and his sixteen years of preaching the sweetness of God's Word on Sunday, June 4 at the 11:30 AM Mass, followed by a special reception in the parish hall.

Interested in helping with
the planning process?

Then help get the party started by contacting Terry at terrynovak57@msn.com or 401-855-4693 (text or call).



*How sweet are your
words to my taste,
sweeter than honey to
my mouth!
Psalms 119:103*

Daily Readings**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time****Sunday**

Zeph 2:3, 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

Monday

Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday

Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday

Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

First Friday

Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29

First Saturday

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34

A Golf Tournament to Support SRB

We are still in the preliminary stages of



planning a possible golf tournament to support the St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Ministries. If you, your family members and/or friends would take

advantage of the opportunity to participate in such an event, we'd like to hear from you.

Please reach out to me by email @ strobertbellarminechurch02919@gmail.com or by telephone at 401-232-5600.

Peace, Fr. Richard

2023 Forty Week Club 2023

All proceeds will be used to support the St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Ministries.

Beginning this weekend,
tickets can be purchased after all Masses.

The donation for tickets is \$55.00

This year's dinner and drawing will be held on
November 5, 2023
at the Valley Country Club in Warwick, RI

Prizes

1st = \$1,000.00 2nd = \$500.00
3rd = \$250.00 4th & 5th = \$100.00 Each
6th – 10th = \$40.00 Each

Weekly Drawing = \$40.00

Bishop Richard G. Henning, DD, STD **Coadjutor Bishop of Providence**



Bishop Richard G. Henning, 58, was born in Rockville Centre as the first of five children. After earning a master's degree in history from St. John's University in Queens in 1988, he entered the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception and was ordained a priest for the Rockville Centre Diocese in 1992.

After receiving a licentiate in biblical theology from the Catholic University of America in Washington in 2000, Bishop Henning began to teach Sacred Scripture at his former seminary.

He continued his studies in Rome, earning a doctorate in biblical theology from the University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome in 2007, and was named rector of the seminary and director of an institute for ongoing formation for clergy in 2012.

Bishop Henning was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Rockville Centre in 2018. He oversaw the office responsible for driving the missionary growth of the diocese and served as vicar for parish evangelization and pastoral planning.

Bishop Henning enjoys sailing, boating, and kayaking. In addition to English, he speaks Spanish and Italian and is able to read French, Greek and Hebrew.

Bishop Henning's appointment as Coadjutor Bishop of Providence took effect on Thursday, January 26, 2023. Bishop Henning will now be assisting Bishop Tobin as coadjutor bishop until such time that the Holy Father accepts Bishop Tobin's resignation. When such takes place, Bishop Henning will immediately become the 9th Bishop of Providence.

Mission Outreach

A great big thank you to Soma, in Garden City, for their generous gift of seven boxes of women's undergarments. These were distributed to three organizations.

During the month of February, we will be collecting underwear for the homeless, wounded veterans and children in need. New white socks and underwear of all sizes for men and women, as well as new socks and underwear of all sizes for children, are requested. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Carolyn & Marge

Parish Support

January 21/22

Traditional Giving / ParishSoft

Weekly Offering: \$5,443.00- \$603.00

Loose Cash: \$224.00

Monthly Maintenance: \$640.00- \$80.00

Annual Collection: \$0- \$150.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$15.00 - \$70.00

Catholic University: \$110.00

Christmas: \$70.00

A word of gratitude to those who continue to contribute to the ongoing financial support of the parish. Offerings may be made during Mass, dropped off at the rectory, sent in by mail or forwarded by way of your bank's electronic bill pay service.

Online giving continues to be an option here at the parish. To 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

Collections for January/February

January 29: Weekly & Church in Latin America

February 5: Weekly



For Whom Are You Praying?
Prayer Chain



Add their names to the Prayer Chain.

Call: Charon Souza (401) 231-3962

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT
OF OUR FOOD SHELF
and OUTREACH MINISTRY

As always, donations of
STOP & SHOP, PRICE RITE or
MARKET BASKET Gift Cards
are appreciated.

The Food Shelf is in need of jarred pasta sauce, pasta, ramen noodles, large canned soup and canned tuna.

Any non-perishable food items are always welcome.

Reminder: We are not able to distribute food items that are marked with dates that have expired.



First Friday Holy Hour

February 3, 2023

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

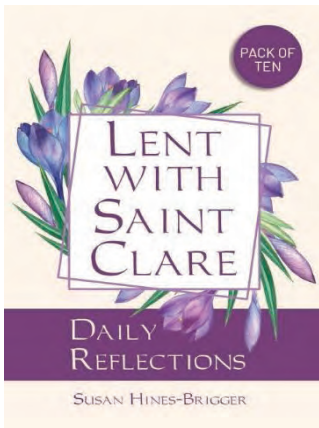
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 Prayerful Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 Quiet Time for Personal Prayer
 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

All are invited to come and spend time with Jesus who is truly present in the Eucharist.

Planning Ahead + + + + + Lent 2023 + + + + + Planning Ahead

Journeying through Lent with St. Clare and St. Francis of Assisi

Join us this Lent in prayerfully reading this booklet of daily reflections that will soon be available in the church. We will also host three gatherings to share fellowship and thoughts on the life and words of St. Clare of Assisi. As a complement to our discussion, we will also reflect on the life and words of St. Francis of Assisi.



The first gathering will be held on February 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the lower level of the church. The following two gatherings will be held on March 10, 2023 and March 31, 2023. Simple meatless suppers (i.e., soup OR pasta marinara) will be served. You will also have the opportunity to attend Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m., immediately following our gatherings. Please call or email to let us know you are

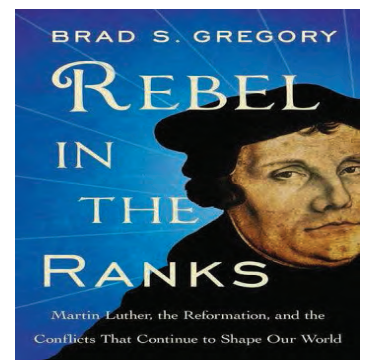
attending or if you have any questions: contact Dina Veiga at srbccd2020@gmail.com or 401-232-9321.

Lecture Series With Fr. John Vidmar, OP



The season of Lent will soon be upon us. With this in mind, I am pleased to announce that Fr. John Vidmar from Providence College has accepted the invitation to offer a Lenten Lecture Series that will begin on Monday, February 27, continue on Monday, March 6 and conclude on Monday, March 13. Each session will be held in the church and begin at 7:00 PM.

Fr. Vidmar will be speaking about The European Reformation (Luther, Zwingli, Calvin), the English/Scottish Reformations and the Counter Reformation (Jesuits and Trent). Fr. Vidmar recommends that participants obtain a copy of Brad Gregory's *Rebel in the Ranks*. The book can easily be purchased via a variety of sites such as Amazon, eBay and many others. All parishioners and friends are welcome to participate. Peace, Fr. Richard





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