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"...the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit..."

Romans 5:5

PastorFr. 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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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

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

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, April 22

5:00 PM Ronald Amitrano (5th Ann.),

By family

Jovanni DelGiudice (Month's Mind)

By family

SUNDAY, April 23

8:00 AM Irene Mahoney (Rem.),

By family

10:00 AM Dolores Dickervitz (1st Ann.),

By family

11:30 AM Michael Scarduzio (Rem.),

By Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Anzelone

Joyce Pina (Rem.),

By Alberta

MONDAY, April 24

8:00 AM Jovanni Emilio DelGiudice (Rem.),

By Edyie and Buddy

TUESDAY, April 25

8:00 AM John Paoletta (Rem.),

By Edyie and Buddy

WEDNESDAY, April 26

8:00 AM Mrs. Amiko Kime (Rem.),

By Joyce and Walter McMasters

THURSDAY, April 27

NO SCHEDULED MASS

FRIDAY, April 28

8:00 AM Mary and Arthur Johnson (Rem.),

By family

John and Assunta Carnevale (Rem.),

By Luigi Conte and family

SATURDAY, April 29

5:00 PM John & Joey Capobianco and Tommy

Mira (Birth.),

By family

Rachel Emerson (Birth.),

By family

SUNDAY, April 30

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Fr. Samuel Gomes, OFM Cap (Rem.),

By family

11:30 AM OPEN INTENTION



Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization

Phone: (401) 232-9321 srbccd2020@gmail.com



Families, as the domestic church, have the opportunity to make the family meal a time of prayerful encounter with one another and with Jesus. At a family meal we share our experiences of the day and connect them with the experiences of others in the family. We can also enjoy the meal as an opportunity to reflect upon our family life in light of Scripture. At their best our family meals can connect us to Jesus too.

Choose a family meal this week to share one another's experiences of the week in a special way. Perhaps invite family members to plan and prepare the meal together. Begin the meal by reading today's Gospel, Luke 24:13-35. As you eat, talk together about how the disciples discussed their experiences in Jerusalem and how they came to understand them differently when Jesus interpreted those events in the light of Scripture. Then invite each family member to share the things that are going on in his or her life. Consider what Jesus might say to each person if he were sitting at your dinner table. Conclude with a special prayer after your dinner. Pray a prayer of blessing for each family member, asking that Jesus continue to be present in each person's life, helping each one to be a better follower of Jesus. Conclude with a Sign of Peace.

Peace, Dina

Grateful for God's Providence



Our parish's goal was \$423,714.00. Per the latest update report, 229 families made one time gifts or pledges that totaled \$385,542.00.

With one time gifts and the amount fulfilled on pledges, a combined total of \$325,324.00 has been paid. Forty percent of that amount (\$130,129.60) comes back to the parish.

The restroom with handicap accessibility on the main level of the church is now available for use. We recently received the certificate of use/occupancy for the lift system. It may now be used by those who use a wheelchair and by those who have mobility issues and are not able to safely navigate the stairs. Please ask for assistance as related to operating the system.

2023 Forty Week Club 2023

Proceeds to benefit the various ministires of our parish.

Tickets can be purchased after all Masses, by way of your team captain or at the rectory.

The donation for tickets is \$55.00 Congratulations to this week's WINNER!! Week 13: \$40.00 – Therese Pawlitschek

Save The Date



Monday September 25, 2023 Valley Country Club 251 New London Ave. Warwick, RI Time: 12:30 PM

COST: \$125.00 per player (includes golf, cart, dinner, prizes) Dinner Only: \$40.00

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All proceeds to benefit our parish's ministries and projects.

Daily Readings

Sunday

Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Monday

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday

Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Friday

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

Mission Outreach

We are still 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.

Rhode Island Right to Life is in need of baby wash cloths, soft baby towels and diapers in all sizes. Mother of Life Center in Providence has requested newborn onesies and footed pajamas, baby washcloths and diapers in all sizes.

We kindly ask that you mark your donations "For Carolyn and Marje" and that they be placed in the vestry which is located to the immediate left upon entering the church building.

Thank you for your generosity. Carolyn & Marje



Happy Anniversary

Congratulations to
Pastor Emeritus
Fr. John LaPointe
who recently celebrated
his 51st Annivesary

of Ordination to the Priesthood.

April 16, 1972 – April 16, 2023

Let us be sure to continue to pray in thanksgiving and gratitude to God for Fr. John's many years of wise leadership, gentle guidance, and faithful dedication to helping us "keep our eyes fixed on Jesus" (Hebrews 12:2) and for reminding us always that "no one is ever outside the reach of God's mercy."

Catholic Charity Appeal

Walking Together in Faith

Given that 278 of our more than 1700 registered families contributed \$59,487 in 2022, I am confident that we can not only meet but also exceed the goal of \$58,000 that has been set for us for 2023.

To date, 210 of our more than 1700 registered families have contributed \$47,260.00 (approximately 81.5 % of our goal)

On behalf of those served by the ministries and services funded by the Catholic Charity Appeal, I thank you for the gifts already given as well as for your anticipated support. Peace, Fr. Richard

Catholic School Tuition Assistance Program Policies 2023 - 2024

In accordance with Diocesan Policies, tuition assistance is only for students in grades K-8 who are enrolled in a Catholic School located here in the Diocese of Providence.

With permission and authorization from the Diocesan Bishop, tuition assistance may be made available for students who attend one of the Catholic High Schools here in the diocese.

The premise of the Catholic School Tuition Assistance Program is that financial assistance is based on need.

Families requesting assistance from the parish must fulfill the following requirements:

- * Must complete the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment Form (contact school with questions) *Must be registered in the parish (at least one full year.)
- *Must attend Mass on a weekly basis.
- *Must use the budget envelope system or ParishSoft online giving.
- *Must show family involvement in parish programs/ministries.

Please fill out a separate form for each child in your household. If you need an application sent to you, please call the Rectory at (401) 232-5600. Applications must be completed and returned to the rectory by June 4, 2023.

Parish Support April 15/16

Traditional Giving / ParishSoft

Weekly Offering: \$5,365.00- **\$700.00** Loose Cash: \$347.00 Monthly Maintenance: \$337 - \$65.00

Rice Bowl: \$125.00 - \$0 Good Friday: \$242.00 - **\$25.00**

Easter: \$360.00 - \$130.00

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 April April 23 & 30: Weekly





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 PASTA, CANNED CORN, MIXED VEGETABLES, BAKED **BEANS, MAC. & CHEESE** Any non-perishable food items are always welcome.

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

A Word from Bishop Richard Henning, Coadjutor Bishop of the Diocese of Providence, on the Third Sunday of Easter

"Hearts burning within us"

First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33, Responsorial: Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21, Gospel passage: Luke 24:13-35

At the outset of his great two-volume work, The Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles, Luke assures his reader, Theophilus, that he provides a reliable narrative or history of events. Commentators rightly recognize Luke's interest in history and his skill as a historian. Yet it must be acknowledged that Luke's method differs from contemporary historical writing in that Luke never claims to have an unbiased view of events. On the contrary, he looks at events from a decidedly faith-filled perspective and for this reason some call his work "salvation history."

Luke's unique history of Jesus and the Church teaches the reader about the context for the events and the proper understanding of those events. Luke sees the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus as standing at the very center of history. All the previous events of salvation history have prepared the world for this turning point. As both the first reading from Acts and the Gospel passage assert, the scriptures have foretold and prepared for the coming of the Messiah. Likewise the resurrection and ascension of Jesus initiate a new age, an age that builds upon this same central focus. The crucial issue is the proper understanding of Jesus. Again both readings assert that the resurrection provides God's clear testimony to the identity of Jesus as Messiah and Son of God. God's altering of death to life is now the cause for believers to alter their way of life. They must now believe - and know His presence in the Scriptures, in the breaking of the bread, and in the life-giving gift of the Spirit.

In addition to providing an overarching context for past, present, and future, Luke's history also asserts the truth that all of these events fit into God's plan of salvation. In fact, the events testify to the existence and shape of that plan. And so Peter speaks in Jerusalem of the set plan of God, a plan made especially plain by the fact of the resurrection. On the road to Emmaus, the disciples remain confused until the Lord Himself reproaches them for failing to see that these events in all their pain and glory have been necessary for the fulfillment of God's plan. The Lord then interprets the scriptures to reveal that plan to them.

As he outlines God's plan of Salvation, Luke also teaches the reader that his history is not about a dead past, but a living present. It is not mere history but His Story. Jesus stands at the center of time, and the center of every moment, as the believer comes to know the Lord and receive the fruits of salvation: forgiveness of sins, the joy of compassionate love, the power of God's Spirit. In the Gospel passage, Jesus teaches the disciples how to remain connected to Him in the understanding of the scriptures and the breaking of the bread. For the crowds that Peter addresses on Pentecost, the physical presence of Jesus in His Galilean ministry is now in the past, but His importance and His presence remain. They too will come to know Him as His Spirit pours forth. They too become "witnesses" not to past events, but to present realities.

Like the Jerusalem crowds and the disciples on the road, we have heard the Good News proclaimed to us. We have heard His Story and know its truth in our present. In a very real way, His Story is our story. We hear Him in the interpretation of the Word and we see Him in the breaking of the Bread. And we live in the time of "sojourning" spoken of by Peter in the second reading. We await the end of the ages but live even now in the light of Christ's resurrection. So Peter can offer us the same challenge that he spoke to early Christians. We must live in gratitude for the gift of the Lord who gave His life's blood for our salvation. His truth is revealed to us and it is a truth with consequences. We have seen the Lord's grace unfold in history and in His Story, now we give over our present and our story to a life of faithful hope in the Lord. May our hearts too burn within us, alive with faith, hope, and love.

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