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"The school of Christ is the school of love. On the last day, when the general examination takes place...love will be the whole syllabus."

—St. Robert Bellarmine

Pastor

Fr. Richard A. Narciso

Pastor Emeritus

Fr. John LaPointe

Deacon Assistant

Joseph Tumminelli



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00 PM

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

Business Manager

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: Saturdays, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by arranging a time with the parish priest

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, December 9**

5:00 PM Jim Higgins (12th Ann.), *By Pat*
 Donald Rossi (Birth.), *By family*

SUNDAY, December 10

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Margaret & Frank Colasanto (Rem.),
By family

11:30 AM Joe Mintel (Rem.),
By Al and Charon
 Jack and Anna Dooley (Rem.),
By family

MONDAY, December 11

8:00 AM Winifred Kelley (Birth.), *By Lucy*
 Jim Renzi (Rem.),
By Santo Riccitelli

TUESDAY, December 12

8:00 AM Joseph and Blanche Berube (Rem.),
By family

WEDNESDAY, December 13

8:00 AM Drakohi Kackek (Ann.), *By family*
 Phyllis O'Melia (2nd Ann.)
By Jackie

THURSDAY, December 14

NO SCHEDULED MASS

FRIDAY, December 15

8:00 AM Lisa Furia (Birth.), *By Lucille*
 Joseph Angolano (Rem.) & Gloria
 D'Itri ((39th Ann.), *By Al and Judy*

SATURDAY, December 16

5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Paris and
 Conti Families (Rem.),
By Rita Paris
 Bonnie Marie Bizier (7th Ann.),
By family

SUNDAY, December 17

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Laurie Parrillo (Rem.),
By mom and family
 Marie Colaluca (Ann.),
By family

11:30 AM Deceased Membs of the Devine and
 LaCroix Families (Rem.),
By Carole
 Geraldine DiSanto (Rem.),
By family

**Sanctuary Lamp**

Week of Dec. 10 – Dec. 16

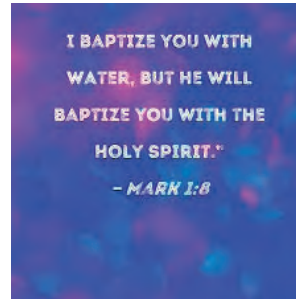
'In Memory of'

Deceased Members of the
 Cipolla and Barbarita Families
By family

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The season of Advent invites us to renew our lives in preparation for the coming of Jesus. The people who heard the message of John the Baptist repented for their sins and were baptized as a sign of God's forgiveness. In Baptism,

our sins are forgiven, and we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, who helps us in our life of discipleship. Led by the Holy Spirit, we use this Advent season to renew our lives so that we, like John the Baptist, might prepare the way for Jesus.

As you gather together as a family, talk about ways in which the example of others has called you to be a follower of Jesus. Name the people who have been examples to you of Christian discipleship and describe their characteristics that you have tried to emulate. As John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, Baptism commissions us to prepare the way of the Lord. The gift of the Holy Spirit leads us to continually renew our lives so that we might lead others to Jesus. As a family, identify at least one action that you will take this week to try to be more faithful followers of Jesus. Conclude in prayer together that God will receive this action and use it to lead others to Jesus. Pray the [Prayer to the Holy Spirit](#).

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
 And kindle in them the fire of your love.
 Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
 And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord,
 by the light of the Holy Spirit
 you have taught the hearts of your faithful.
 In the same Spirit
 help us to relish what is right
 and always rejoice in your consolation.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

Peace, Dina

Christmas Appeal

The Rhode Island Catholic needs your support in its mission of evangelization.

...I consider this paper – along with its Spanish-language edition El Catolico de Rhode Island – to be critical resources for evangelization and chronicling the life of the Church...

...At a time when too much of contemporary media misunderstand or ignore the Catholic faith and a few express outright hostility, we need to maintain and strengthen this mission which builds up the life and faith of the Church. We need a forum where we can connect, inform and deepen our knowledge of the faith. We need a place to keep Catholics up-to-date on the challenges to our parishes and institutions and our shared efforts to meet those challenges. Thanks to our partnership with OSV News, the international Catholic wire service, our newspapers have access to Vatican coverage, as well as daily news and long-form pieces that focus on critical issues of the day within our Church and culture.

It is encouraging to me that subscriptions are on the rise as more of the faithful see the value in being kept informed of news of the Church at the local, national and international levels. But it remains challenging to keep up with the rising costs associated with printing and mailing all those newspapers to our subscribers' homes, as well as to fulfill our plans to add additional reporting resources, which would allow for more local coverage from across the diocese.

During the Rhode Island Catholic's annual Christmas Appeal, I kindly ask you, faithful readers, to please be as generous as you can in supporting our diocesan newspaper in its important mission of evangelization. I respectfully ask that you pray for this publication and its vocation of Catholic communications. I would be most grateful if you might be an ambassador for us, encouraging family, friends and neighbors to subscribe. You might even wish to give a gift subscription!

I am most grateful for your generous support. Be assured of my prayers for a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year for each of you and your families! **-Bishop Richard G. Henning**
Checks: Rhode Island Catholic One Cathedral Square Providence, RI 02903 **Online donations:** <https://www.thericatholic.com/donate.html>

Daily Readings

Sunday

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

Monday

Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab

Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings

from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday

Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday

Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15

Friday

Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13



Mission Outreach

Matthewson Street Church is in desperate need of warm clothing for their homeless

population. They have requested gloves, hats, scarves and winter jackets.

We accept new and gently used items that are clean, washed and don't smell of smoke. Drop off at church. Thanks in advance for your generosity and support. Carolyn & Marge

For Whom Are You Praying?



Add their names to the Prayer Chain.

Call: Charon Souza (401) 231-3962

Rhode Island Catholic

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Weekday Mass During the Winter



Status regarding the celebration of Mass will be available by visiting:

https://www.ribroadcasters.com/News_and_Events/Closings_Delays/

Take Note **Mass Schedule** Take Note**4th Sunday of Advent**

Saturday, December 23

5:00 PM

Sunday, December 24

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

**Mass will not be celebrated
at 11:30 AM.****Christmas**

Sunday, December 24 -

Christmas Eve

4:30 PM - Vigil Mass

10:30 PM - Mass

Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day

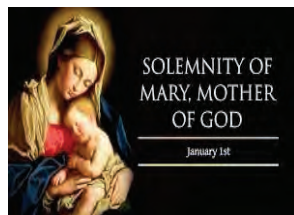
10:00 AM - Mass

New Year's Day*The Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God*

A Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, January 1

10:00 AM

**St. Robert Bellarmine Church***January 2024 Cash Calendar***Have you purchased yours?****What a great Christmas Gift or Stocking Stuffer
for the person on your list
who has everything!****Cash Calendars are available
for purchase in the church,
at the rectory during regular****business hours or by using the form printed in
this Sunday's bulletin.****Gift wrapped calendars
are available at the rectory.****Purchase a calendar for only \$25.00
to be entered to win daily cash prizes throughout
the month of January!****31 Chances to win!****Proceeds to benefit
our parish projects and ministries.****Parish Support****December 2/3****Traditional Giving / ParishSoft**

Weekly Offering: \$8,206.00 / \$557.00

Loose Cash: \$268.00

Monthly Maintenance: \$0. / \$25.00

Christmas Flowers: \$1,865.00

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 December**December 10- Weekly/Retired Religious/Maint.****December 17 - Weekly****THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING
SUPPORT OF OUR FOOD SHELF and
OUTREACH MINISTRY**As always, donations of \$10.00, \$15.00,
\$20.00 or \$25.00**STOP & SHOP, PRICE RITE or
MARKET BASKET Gift Cards
are appreciated.****Christmas 2023**We are once again sponsoring
a **Giving Tree Program**. Gift
tags with particular requests
are now available. **Please drop****off the unwrapped gifts by Wednesday, December
13, 2023.** We thank you in advance for your
anticipated generosity and support.**The following food
items are needed for
Christmas Food****Baskets: Stuffing mix,**

Turkey Gravy, Fruit

Cocktail, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Yams,

Canned Corn, Green Beans, Canned Peas



St. Robert Bellarmine Church

January Cash Calendar



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Purchase a calendar for only \$25.00 to be entered to win daily cash prizes.

31 chances to win

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