Recovery Help

Do you sometimes feel that you don't know where to get help for alcohol and drug addiction or related issues?

Are you looking for information and support about how to get help for your family and friends?

Do you desire to talk with someone about how to cope with family and friends who struggle with drugs and alcohol from a Catholic perspective?

Do you have questions about how your faith can help you with recovery?

The St. Matthias ministry provides information and referrals for treatment and support, as well as one-on-one support as available.

Information is kept confidential.



"Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible." - St. Francis Assisi -

St. Matthias **Recovery Programs**

For the Masses for Recovery at St Anthony Church, and the Hope & Cope group at St. Barnabas Church. contact:

Deacon John Silvia: 401-683-1343, ext. 208 Email: deaconjohn@jsilvia.com

For the Masses for Recovery and the Hope & Cope group at St. Mary of the Bay Church, contact:

Fr. Joseph Upton 401-245-7000, ext. 11 Email: fatherupton@gmail.com

For the Masses for Recovery at St James Chapel, contact:

Fr. Paul Desmarais: 401-364-7214 Email: secretary@stmjparish.org

For individual and family recovery support, and for general information, contact:

Peter A. Magnotta LICSW: 401-278-2517

Email: pmagnotta@dpvd.org

Christ, who ministers to all who come to Him, give your strength to all who are bound by the chains of addiction.

Enfold them in your love and restore them to freedom through your grace.

To those who care for them, grant patience and understanding and a love that perseveres. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



You don't have to walk this road alone



We are waiting to welcome you home

Diocese of Providence

A Program of Catholic Charities and Social Ministry





St. Matthias Ministry

This ministry is dedicated to reaching and supporting individuals struggling with drug and alcohol problems.

We also provide help to families in need of guidance or support due to a loved one's drug or alcohol issues.

These problems can affect their every day lives and also the lives of their families and loved ones.

All of the following programs are free and available to persons of all faiths throughout Rhode Island.

This ministry also provides resource information, workshops, and education to the public and faith-based communities in collaboration with other faith-based recovery organizations.

Masses for Recovery

Masses for those in recovery provide an opportunity for people to come together in faith to encounter God's love and grace with special prayer intentions dedicated to recovery.

If you or loved ones struggle with alcohol, drugs, addictions, mental distress, or support folks who suffer from the effects of these issues, we encourage you to attend.

Catholic Mass Schedule 2025

St. Anthony Church

2836 E Main Rd, Portsmouth, RI

Saturday, January 25, 2025	4:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 26, 2025	4:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 26, 2025	4:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 25, 2025	4:00 p.m.

St. Mary of the Bay Church

645 Main St., Warren, RI

Sunday, January 12, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 23, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 23, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 13, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 18, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 22, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 20, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 17, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 21, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 19, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 16, 2025	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 14, 2025	6:00 p.m.

St James Chapel

2079 Matunuck School House Rd, Charlestown. RI

The first Sunday of each month, October 2025 through June 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

Hope & Cope Support Group

Hope & Cope is a faith-based support group intended for those supporting a family member or a friend struggling with alcohol, drugs, addictions, and mental distress..

The Hope & Cope groups meet to pray, reflect, and if desired, to share their stories, feelings, and experiences with the group.

Hope & Cope Schedule 2025

No Costs! No registration needed! Just come!

St. Barnabas Church

Chapel Meeting Room (under the little Chapel) 1697 East Main Road, Portsmouth, RI

Meets Sundays on the following dates: 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

February 16, 2025
March 23, 2025
May 18, 2025
June 29, 2025
August 24, 2025
September 21, 2025
November 16, 2025
December 21, 2025

St. Mary of the Bay Church

645 Main St., Warren, RI

Meets monthly at 7pm on Sundays, following the monthly 6pm Mass for Recovery

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February 23, 2025
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"For I know well the plans
I have in mind for you, says the Lord,
plans for welfare, not for woe!
plans to give you a future full of hope."

Jer 29:11