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“Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus”

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Pastor Emeritus

Fr. John LaPointe

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Joseph Tumminelli



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00PM

Sunday

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM

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

232-5600

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 *Saturday 4:00 PM and by appointment 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.*

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

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, October 17

Public 5:00 PM Rick Fagnoli (Ann.) *By family*
Joseph Balasco (Ann.)
By family

SUNDAY, October 18

Public 8:00 AM Janet Montpetit (1st Ann.),
By family
Agostino Antonucci
(21st Ann.),
By family

Public 10:00 AM Jacqueline Patenaude (Ann.),
By the Nadeau family
Nicolina Guadagno (Ann.),
By family

Public 11:30 AM OPEN INTENTION

MONDAY, October 19

Public 8:00 AM Nazareno & Mary Scotto
(Rem.),
By children

TUESDAY, October 20

Public 8:00 AM 'For the Intentions of' Angie
Lanzi (100th Birthday),
By Jackie

WEDNESDAY, October 21

Public 8:00 AM Yola and Guy Gregory (Rem.)

THURSDAY, October 22

No Scheduled Mass

FRIDAY, October 23

Public 8:00 AM Terrie Dorazio (Ann.),
By Lucille

SATURDAY, October 24

Public 5:00 PM Angelo DeSista, Sr. (Rem.),
By a friend

SUNDAY, October 25

Public 8:00 AM Lawrence Zanni (Ann.),
By Adeline

Public 10:00 AM Thomas & Evelyn Macchio
(Rem.),
By family

Public 11:30 AM Sue Piccolo (Rem.),
By Mr. & Mrs. John Napolitano

Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization

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Welcome to our 2020-2021 Faith Formation Program. Due to the COVID-19 Crisis, at this point, I can say that Faith Formation Classes will not be conducted in the way in which they have been handled in the past. Given space limitations and ventilation inadequacies in the lower church, meeting in person, as separate groups, is not possible for all students at this time.

I am excited to begin this new journey involving the Domestic Church this year in a new Gospel based program. What is the domestic church? In a 1995 homily, St. John Paul II shared, "Catholic parents must learn to form their family as a domestic church, a church in the home as it were, where God is honored, his law is respected, prayer is a normal event, virtue is transmitted by word and example, and everyone shares the hopes, the problems and sufferings of everyone else." Therefore, "*The family is the domestic church.* Catechism of the Catholic Church #1656"

Our program will focus on the weekend Mass and provide "at-home" and online resources for families, with the Pflaum Gospel weeklies for grades 1,3,4,5,6,7 and 8. These grades will meet virtually once a month.

Registration forms will be emailed out to families in the program, for there must be an updated registration submitted every year. The registration form will also be available on the parish web page. <https://strobertsparish.org>

The children preparing for **First Communion** will be using:

<https://dynamiccatholic.com/blessed> Weekly virtual meetings using the books and videos.

Confirmation: Weekly virtual meetings using a program covering what is required pursuant to the Diocesan Guidelines for Catechesis as well as the Gospel Weeklies. Please submit the registration with the required fee of \$25.00. This fee is to cover the cost of the materials, weeklies, assessments and administration of the program. Peace,
Dina Veiga

Join us on Saturdays at 5:00 PM for Mass live-streamed from the parish. Click on the player that has been installed on the homepage of the parish's website @ www.strobertsparish.org Catch the stream via Facebook Live @ "St. Robert Bellarmine Church 02919"

The Return to Public Worship at St. Robert Bellarmine Church

We here at St. Robert Bellarmine Church have been gathering in the church for the public celebration of Mass since the end of May. Please be aware of the current Mass schedule.

The Saturday Vigil Mass begins at 5:00 PM. On Sundays, Mass is celebrated at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM.

Weekday Mass is celebrated on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:00 AM.

Since our reopening, parish staff and volunteers have had the opportunity to gain experience in managing the process of scheduling, welcoming, seating and sending forth those who attend Mass as well as the time required to sanitize and disinfect the church after each Mass.

Even while in Phase III of Reopening Rhode Island, due to ongoing social distancing requirements, please be advised that overall seating capacity remains limited. Therefore if you happen to attend Mass one weekend, so as to give others who want to attend the opportunity to do so, there is still a possibility that you may not be able to attend until sometime thereafter.

To express interest in having a seat set aside for you, for a Mass on Saturday evenings or Sundays, parishioners and friends are still required to contact the rectory at 401-232-5600, from 9:00AM – 4:00 PM on the Wednesday, Thursday or Friday that falls before the weekend during which you wish to attend Mass.

Call for civil dialogue. Join *Civilize It*

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for those with whom you disagree. We are called to recognize that each person is a beloved child of God and should be treated with respect because of our inherent human dignity. *Civilize It* is a

Catholic, non-partisan call to focus on the dignity of all people, even when we disagree, and to put faith in action by bearing witness to compassion and civility. Take the pledge and find helpful resources at CivilizeIt.org.

Regarding the Proper Wearing of Masks



While inside the church building, please be sure to properly wear your mask so that it covers both your nose and your mouth. Thanks in advance for your attention and cooperation.

11 Points to Consider before Returning to Public Worship

1. Catholics in the Diocese of Providence are still dispensed from Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
2. Access to Mass will be limited.
3. Hand hygiene and masks are key.
4. Pews will be sectioned off.
5. Singing will be limited.
6. Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive Holy Communion in a safe manner.
7. The church will be sanitized after every Mass.
8. Any budget envelopes or loose offerings will be left in a box prior to Mass or as you leave.
9. Avoid personal contact with anyone.
10. Windows and doors will be open so please dress accordingly and bring a jacket or sweater.
11. Those who are sick must stay home:

Anyone who has symptoms of any sickness (even mild symptoms) must stay at home. People who plan on coming to church are still expected to self-monitor and self-screen before coming to Mass. That means people should be taking their temperature and monitoring for other signs and symptoms, not only of coronavirus, but also of any other type of illness.

Even if you have called ahead and presumably have a place waiting for you here at the church, if you have even the mildest of symptoms of illness, as an act of love, care and concern for others, we ask that you stay at home and seek medical care and testing as necessary. Of course, decisions regarding medical care or testing need to be made in conjunction with your physician.

In this regard, know that the same applies to the parish priest. If the priest happens to wake up one morning and is experiencing any fever or other symptoms of illness, even mild ones, he is required to refrain from celebrating Mass in public. This means, that in the event that the priest is not well, and is not able to find another priest to offer and celebrate Mass in his place, then a Mass or perhaps all the Masses that day will have to be canceled.

DAILY READINGS**Sunday**

Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Monday

Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday

Eph 2:12-22; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53

Friday

Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9

Parish Office – Call Ahead & Masks

The Parish Office remains open by way of telephone and email. Feel free to call (401) 232-5600 or email at srbp1804@aol.com should any need – spiritual, sacramental, pastoral or otherwise – arise. If there is something that can't be handled by phone or email, before stopping by, please call the rectory to make arrangements for an in-person meeting. Also, we will expect that you kindly wear a cloth face covering/mask.

For Whom Are You Praying?

Add their names to the Prayer Chain.



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

Our Parish Needs Your Help!

If it is during the day and the doors to the church are locked, it means that the building has been sanitized and the doors will not be unlocked until shortly before the next scheduled Mass. If you are able to join our volunteer cleaning crew, please contact us at the rectory at 232-5600.

PARISH SUPPORT**October 10 & 11, 2020****Traditional Giving – ParishSOFT Online Giving**Weekly Offering: \$5,647.00 - **\$260.00**

Weekly Offering – Loose Cash: \$11.00

Monthly Maintenance: \$844.50 - **\$10.00**Priests' Retirement \$85.00 - **\$5.00**Seminary Collection \$223.00 **\$10.00**

All Saints' Day \$4.00

Military Collection \$30.00

Campaign for Human Dev. \$30.00

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 dropped into the collection box that can be found in the center aisle of the church during Mass, sent in by mail or forwarded by way of your financial institution's electronic bill pay service.

For your convenience, online giving is now available 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** would be greatly appreciated.

Non-perishable food items are distributed to our clients by way of pre-packed bags, **donations of canned corn, canned greenbeans, cranberry sauce, turkey gravy, stuffing mix, and canned yams** would be 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!

As necessary, we continue to modify operating procedures so as to promote the health, safety and well-being of clients, volunteers and donors alike.

40 Week Club 2020 - Our Major Fund Raiser

To our valued 40 Week Club members,

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, as related to the size of social gatherings and social distancing requirements, we will not be able to have our annual 40 Week Club dinner this year.

So that more members will have chance to win a cash prize, we will be offering an additional ten prizes totaling an additional \$1,000.00. This year's drawings will take place and be live-streamed on Sunday, October 25th after the 11:30 AM Mass.

Thank you to all our members for your ongoing loyal support of this annual parish fundraiser which ultimately provides necessary funding for the operation of the St. Robert Bellarmine Food Pantry. In the midst of the ongoing public health crisis, even with an overall reduction in monetary donations to our food pantry, in accordance with our means and ability, our outreach program continues to assist individuals and families who turn to us in their time of need.

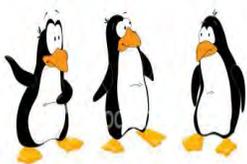
Having said all of that, while recognizing the various sacrifices that people have been asked to make over the past number of months, it is my sincere hope and prayer that all the members of our parish's 40 Week Club can be counted on to support the St. Robert Bellarmine Food Pantry in an extraordinary way this year by joining me and the volunteer coordinators (i.e. Ann, Pat and Judy) in forgoing the dinner and associated costs so that all remaining proceeds can be used to ensure that we as a parish community will continue to be able to put the gospel message into action when individuals and families come to us seeking assistance.

We hope you will consider supporting this worthy cause next year and that things will have improved enough to allow us to gather in October 2021 for our annual dinner.

Thanks in advance for your anticipated understanding and cooperation. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the rectory. In Christ, Fr. Richard

Civilize It: Dignity beyond the Debate

As Catholics, we have a long tradition of putting our faith in action through engagement in the political process. Don't allow the vitriolic rhetoric you hear to turn you and others off from engaging in the public square. Join *Civilize It*, a Catholic call for all people to honor each other's dignity by engaging in respectful dialogue. Take the pledge and find resources at CivilizeIt.org to bring civility to your home, school, workplace, and community.



Even as the cooler weather approaches, so as to maximize ventilation and circulation of fresh air, please be advised that the windows and doors of the church will remain open during the celebration of Mass. Parishioners and friends are encouraged to dress accordingly and bring a jacket or sweater.



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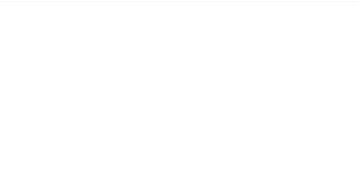
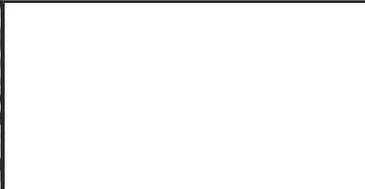
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