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“Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus”

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Joseph Tumminelli



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00PM

Sunday

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

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

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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 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***MONDAY, October 26****Public 8:00 AM** Mary Cournoyer (Birth.),
*By Lillian***TUESDAY, October 27****Public 8:00 AM** Joseph Valella (Rem.),
*By Rosemarie Izzo***WEDNESDAY, October 28****Public 8:00 AM** OPEN INTENTION**THURSDAY, October 29**

No Scheduled Mass

FRIDAY, October 30**Public 8:00 AM** Janet Yousif (1st Ann.),
*By her sister, Kaukb Yousif***SATURDAY, October 31****Public 5:00 PM** OPEN INTENTION**SUNDAY, November 1****Public 8:00 AM** OPEN INTENTION**Public 10:00 AM** Edward Lanzi (Ann.),
By family
Costantino and Arvalia Mollo
(Rem.),
*By family***Public 11:30 AM** Jeffrey P. Vota (1st Ann.), &
Eleanor Vota (Birth.),
*By family*Agata and Angela Zalabowski
(Rem.),
*By family*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.orgCatch the stream via Facebook Live @
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Children learn about love from real, concrete examples witnessed in family life. We can help children to love God and love their neighbors by showing everyday acts of love, generosity, and kindness—our own expressions of our love for God. These acts, small and large, are the expression of what Jesus identified as the two greatest commandments: love God and love neighbor.

Make a poster together as a family. Write the words *Love God* in the center of the poster and write the words *Love Neighbor* near each of the four sides of the poster. Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 22:34-40. Talk about how Jesus taught us that our love for God is revealed in the love that we show to other people. On the poster, use pictures and words to show some of the ways that your family shows their love for other people. Pray together that your family will continue to express your love for God by loving others. - Our Sunday Connection

Pray the [Act of Love](#).

O my God, I love you above all things with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all my love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me and I ask pardon of those whom I have injured. Amen.

Peace, Dina

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.

Remember to Vote... Be a Faithful Citizen

Visit FaithfulCitizenship.org to explore how you can love your neighbors by advocating



as a faithful citizen on behalf of those who are poor and vulnerable. As you prepare to vote, read the U.S. bishops' statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, watch videos and access other great resources on faithful citizenship.

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**

Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

Monday

Eph 4:32—5:8; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday

Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

Thursday

Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35

Friday

Phil 1:1-11; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday

Phil 1:18b-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11

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 17 & 18, 2020****Traditional Giving – ParishSOFT Online Giving**Weekly Offering: \$4,405.00 - **\$475.00**

Weekly Offering – Loose Cash: \$44.00

Monthly Maintenance: \$194.00 - **\$45.00**Priests' Retirement \$50.00 - **\$0**Seminary Collection \$20.00 - **\$10.00**

All Saints' Day \$10.00

Military Collection \$5.00

Campaign for Human Dev. \$357.00 - **\$20.00**

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 this 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.

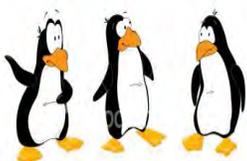
We hope you will consider supporting this worthy cause next year and that things will have improved enough to allow us to gather in October 2021 for our annual dinner.

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

Making Moral Choices – FaithfulCitizenship.Org

34. Catholics often face difficult choices about how to vote. This is why it is so important to vote according to a well-formed conscience that perceives the proper relationship among moral goods. A Catholic cannot vote for a candidate who favors a policy promoting an intrinsically evil act, such as abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, deliberately subjecting workers or the poor to subhuman living conditions, redefining marriage in ways that violate its essential meaning, or racist behavior, if the voter's intent is to support that position. In such cases, a Catholic would be guilty of formal cooperation in grave evil. At the same time, a voter should not use a candidate's opposition to an intrinsic evil to justify indifference or inattentiveness to other important moral issues involving human life and dignity.

35. There may be times when a Catholic who rejects a candidate's unacceptable position even on policies promoting an intrinsically evil act may reasonably decide to vote for that candidate for other morally grave reasons. Voting in this way would be permissible only for truly grave moral reasons, not to advance narrow interests or partisan preferences or to ignore a fundamental moral evil.



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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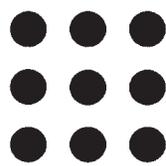
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