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“Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus”

Pastor

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Fr. John LaPointe

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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

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, November 7**

Public 5:00 PM Angela Caliri (30th Ann.),
By daughter Maria

SUNDAY, November 8

Public 8:00 AM Pat DeGiulio (Birth.),
By family

Public 10:00 AM Tim Ferretti (Rem.),
By family

Mae Torti (Birth.),
By Anna, Joseph and family

Public 11:30 AM OPEN INTENTION

MONDAY, November 9

Public 8:00 AM Pietro Senes (Rem.),
By Lucille

TUESDAY, November 10

Public 8:00 AM Angelo & Josephine Albanese
(Rem.),
By Carolyn

WEDNESDAY, November 11

Public 8:00 AM Deceased Members of the
Narducci and St. Angelo
Families (Rem)

THURSDAY, November 12

No Scheduled Mass

FRIDAY, November 13

Public 8:00 AM Andrew & Catherine Toolan
(Ann.),
By Ann and Andy

SATURDAY, November 14

Public 5:00 PM Roger Riccio, Sr. (Rem.),
By Bill, Cecile and family

SUNDAY, November 15

Public 8:00 AM Lena & Nicola Colagiovanni
(Rem.),
By family

Public 10:00 AM Corine Holtmann (Birth.),
By family

Public 11:30 AM Mr. & Mrs. Harry Brown and
Sons
(Rem.),
By family
**Gina Vespia (5th Ann.) and
Frank King (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.org Catch the stream via Facebook Live @ "St. Robert Bellarmine Church 02919"

**Family Faith Formation, Outreach
and Evangelization**

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In the daily activities of family life, we can easily find excuses for not attending to our spiritual lives. If

not given top priority, prayer and reading Scripture risk becoming occasional activities rather than daily practices. In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that if we fail to give our spiritual life priority, we will find ourselves unprepared to receive Jesus. Daily prayer and spiritual practice keeps us ready to receive Jesus.

Gather together as a family and talk about some of the things our faith calls us to do every day and every week to keep God first in our lives. Talk about what might happen if we don't do these things regularly. Explain to your family that Jesus taught us that it is important to keep ourselves ready to receive him when he comes again. Tell them to listen as you read the parable that Jesus tells in today's Gospel. Read aloud Matthew 25:1-13. Talk with your family about why Jesus says that it is so important to remain ready to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. Pray together that your family will always keep God first in your lives so that you will all be prepared to receive Jesus when he comes. Pray together the [Act of Hope](#).

O my God, relying on your infinite mercy and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, the help of your grace, and life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer.

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.

BLOOD DRIVE

It is Safe to Donate!

St. Robert's is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Sunday, November 8th from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Donations by appointment! (walk-ins *only* accepted if spacing permits at time of arrival)

www.ribc.org/drives to book

Sponsor Code 0297

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**

Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

Monday

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday

Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19

Thursday

Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25

Friday

2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday

3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

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 31 & November 1, 2020

Traditional Giving – ParishSOFT Online Giving

Weekly Offering: \$4,867.00 - **\$653.00**

Weekly Offering – Loose Cash: \$35.00

Monthly Maintenance: \$220.00 - **\$40.00**

Priests' Retirement \$5.00 - **\$0**

Seminary Collection \$30.00 - **\$0**

All Saints' Day \$548.00 - **\$50.00**

Military Collection \$27.00 - **\$50.00**

Campaign for Human Dev. \$25.00 - **\$10.00**

World Mission Sunday \$20.00

Assumption \$5.00

Peter's Pence \$5.00

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 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.

2020 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL



Have you given prayerful consideration to your gift for the 2020 Catholic Charity Appeal? Won't you help us by being the "Hands of Christ" in supporting the people and the work of the Diocese of Providence? Many of you have already invested in this year's Catholic Charity Appeal in response to mailings that were sent from from Bishop Tobin or from me. On behalf of those served by the ministries and services funded by the Catholic Charity Appeal, we thank you for your gifts.

To date, 193 of our 1757 registered families have contributed \$39,734.00

Our parish goal is \$70,000 – a goal that can only be reached with your support. All gifts, regardless of size, help to make a difference in the lives of so many individuals. In Christ, Fr. Richard



Grateful for God's Providence

As you may recall, our parish's goal was \$423,714.00. Per the latest update report, out of our more than 1700 registered families, 229 families made one time gifts or pledges that totaled \$385,309 (90%). **With the one time gifts that were made and the amount fulfilled on the pledges, a combined total of 169,651.00 has been paid.** A word of thanksgiving and gratitude to those who contributed in some way to our parish's participation in this Diocesan Wide Capital Campaign.

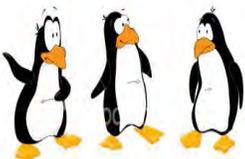
For those who are able to do so in the midst of the current health and economic crisis, know that any payments you can make toward the fulfillment of your pledges remain necessary and appreciated. Although things are on hold at this time, we still look forward to one day being able to install a restroom with handicap accessibility on the main level of the church as well as some type of lift system so as to make the lower level of the church accessible to all.

MISSION OUTREACH

Because of the pandemic, most of us will be spending lots of time indoors. Mathewson Street is requesting fleece hats, double sided neck warmers and scarves, knitted and crocheted neck warmers, scarves and headbands for their increasing homeless population. They would also love some hand / foot warmers since the homeless spend most of each day on the streets.

If you have any of these items to donate, please drop them off at either Marjorie's, 3 Woodcrest Dr, Johnston, 231-5864 or at Carolyn's, 25 Richard St, Smithfield, 2315864.

If any of you would like to make baby blankets, we have a source for them too. I just made a delivery of 9 baby blankets and received a lovely thank you card from one of the mothers as well as from the agency. Let's continue to reach out to those in need.



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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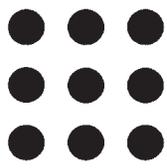
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