



ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH

1804 Atwood Avenue

Johnston, RI 02919

Office: 401-232-5600

Fax: 401-231-5793

E-mail: SRBP1804@aol.com

Web Page: www.strobertsparish.org

“Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus”

Pastor

Fr. Richard A. Narciso

Pastor Emeritus

Fr. John LaPointe

Deacon Assistant

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

srbccd2020@gmail.com

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 *During the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, please contact the parish priest to arrange a time and place*

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 INTENTION**SATURDAY, February 20**

5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Laurencio Family (Rem.),
By Priscilla Facha DiMaio
Vince Novak (1st Ann.), *By family*

SUNDAY, February 21

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Zanni Family (Rem.), *By family*

10:00 AM Rocco Tella (Ann.), *By family*
Thomas & Julie DePari (Rem.),
By family

11:30 AM Anthony Santagata (Ann.),
By daughter
Bobby Puleo (21st Ann.),
By Jennifer Cipalone

MONDAY, February 22

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Tomao Family (Rem.) *By David and Beverly Edmund & Melissa Delmonico (Rem.),*
By family

TUESDAY, February 23

8:00 AM Desiree Marcello (8th Ann.),
By Auntie Ann & Uncle John
Ella Harter (Ann.) & Antonio Puopolo (Birth.), *By family*

WEDNESDAY, February 24

8:00 AM Roger Riccio, Jr. Ann),
By Bill, Cecile and family
Ann Scanlon (100th Birth. Rem.),
By family

THURSDAY, February 25

No Scheduled Mass Today

FRIDAY, February 26

8:00 AM Mary Costa (Birth.),
By daughter, Doris
David Wheeler (Birth.),
By family

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, February 27

5:00 PM Raymond Mahoney (Rem.),
By Pat Higgins
Giuseppe Paris (Birth.), *By family*

SUNDAY, February 28

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Anthony DiChiaro (17th Ann.),
By wife and family
Lena Riccio (Ann.),
By Bill, Cecile and family

11:30 AM Anthony Santagata (Ann.),
By daughter
Bobby Puleo (21st Ann.),
By Jennifer Cipalone

Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization

Phone: (401) 232-9321
srbccd2020@gmail.com



The announcement that Jesus makes as he begins his preaching in today's Gospel is recalled on Ash Wednesday at the signing with ashes: "Repent and believe in the gospel." This is our challenge for Lent; indeed, it is the challenge of our entire life. During Lent, we are invited to

strengthen and to renew the promises that we made at our Baptism, to reject Satan and sin so as to live as children of God. Through the grace of God that we received at Baptism, we follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit and know that with Jesus' help, we will be victorious over sin.

As you gather as a family, talk about the importance of Baptism. At our Baptism, our sins were forgiven, and we promised to live as children of God. As part of the Rite of Baptism, we rejected sin and Satan. Read today's Gospel, Mark 1:12-15. During Lent, we renew the promises of our Baptism, turning again from sin and promising to follow God. Light a candle, perhaps a candle used at one of your family member's Baptisms, and pray together the [Act of Contrition](#).

My God,
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong
and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you
whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend, with your help,
to do penance,
to sin no more,
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Savior Jesus Christ
suffered and died for us.
In his name, my God, have mercy.
Peace, Dina

Public Worship
at St. Robert Bellarmine Church
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM.

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM.

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
and Friday: 8:00 AM**

Parish staff and volunteers continue manage the process of scheduling, welcoming, seating and sending forth those who attend Mass as well as the process of sanitizing and disinfecting the church after each Mass.

Overall seating capacity remains limited. For Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning, parishioners and friends are reminded 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.

**If not in person,
worship with us from home.**

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"



GRATEFUL
for God's Providence
CELEBRATING 150 YEARS
Diocese of Providence

**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 \$385,309.00. **To date, with one time gifts and the amount fulfilled on pledges, a combined total of \$200,867.00 has been paid. Forty percent of that amount (\$77,948.80) comes back to the parish.** 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.

As of this time, we have solicited and received proposals from Architectural Firms and look forward to soon being able to install a restroom with handicap accessibility on the main level of the church and eventually some type of lift system so as to make the lower level of the church accessible to all.

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.

**Things to Consider
as Related to Public Worship**

- 1. Catholics in the Diocese of Providence are still dispensed from Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.**
- 2. Access to Mass remains limited.**
- 3. Hand sanitizer, social distancing and mask wearing remain part of our safety protocols.**
- 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. Personal contact with anyone from outside of your household is to be avoided.**
- 10. Windows and doors will be open so please dress accordingly and bring a coat, 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 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, should 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 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**

Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Monday

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

Friday

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

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**February 13 & 14, 2021****Traditional Giving – ParishSOFT Online Giving**

Weekly Offering: \$4,749.00

Weekly Offering – Loose Cash: \$32.00

Online giving: \$824.00Monthly Maintenance: \$825.00 - **\$85.00****Church in Latin America - \$20.00**

Immaculate Conception: \$10.00

Christmas: \$10.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$10.00 - **\$20.00**

Rice Bowl: \$35.00 - \$15.00

Good Friday: \$20.00 - **\$15.00**

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 vegetables, oatmeal, ramen noodles and pasta/pasta sauce** 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

MISSION OUTREACH – FAITH IN ACTION

Thanks to your generosity, we have made the following deliveries. Fifty + hats, scarfs and gloves were given out to needy elementary school children. Another 15 scarfs, body warmers and toiletries were distributed to the homeless. Sixteen lap blankets were brought to an area nursing home and 25 + baby blankets/ quilts baby sensory blankets were delivered to Gabriel's Call and Mother of Life Center.

There is still a great need for all of the above items so please continue knitting, crocheting and sewing. We have adopted **Gabriel's Call** and **Mother of Life Center**. They help pregnant mothers in crisis and their children up to age 4. They need **layette** items (**new, clean and gently used baby clothes**), **toddler clothes, newborn & up**. Other items in need are bibs, diapers, onesies, baby toiletries, etc. If you'd like to donate any of the layette items or clothes, please drop them off at Margie's house, 3 Woodcrest Dr., Johnston. 231-5276.

With sincere gratitude, Carolyn & Marge



2021 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

OUR FAITH AND HOPE IN CHARITY

Have you started to give prayerful consideration to your gift for the 2021 Catholic Charity Appeal? Won't you unite with other Catholics and respond to the call to be the "Hands of Christ" in support of the people and good works of the Church here in the Diocese of Providence?

Parishioners from St. Robert Bellarmine have already made the decision to invest in this year's

Catholic Charity Appeal. On behalf of those served by the ministries and services funded by the Catholic Charity Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. **To date, 82 of our more than 1700 registered families have pledged \$12,940.00**

This year, our parish goal has been reduced from \$70,000 to \$66,500. Despite the ongoing public health crisis and the economic impact that it has had on some individuals and families, I firmly believe that we, as a parish family comprised of more than 1700 registered households, can collectively meet or exceed this year's goal. All gifts, regardless of size, help to make a difference in the lives of so many individuals. One time gifts or pledges may be made by responding to the mailings that you receive at home. Another option is to make your gift online by visiting:

<https://www.givecentral.org/2021CCA>. To contribute by way of text using your mobile device, text [Appeal](#) to 401-496-9889.

In Christ, Fr. Richard

Lent 2021

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 7:00 PM

Seating capacity limitations, social distancing and mask wearing will be observed. Seating will be done on a first come first serve basis. Stations of the Cross will be livestreamed via the parish website @ www.strobertsparish.org as well as by the parish's facebook page @ strobertbellarminechurch02919.

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations

Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent (for those 14 and older) is required by Church law. Also, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting: those between the ages of 18 and 59 should eat less, meaning, take no solid food between meals and only one full meal that day. Serious health conditions excuse a person from these precepts.

Pastors and parents are encouraged by the law of the Church to ensure that minors who are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence are educated nonetheless in an authentic sense of penance.

Following the implementation of the revised Code of Canon Law on November 27, 1983, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in the United States determined that the rules of fast and abstinence which have existed for the last several years in this country be maintained. Namely, that the faithful observe suitable penitential practices on all Fridays throughout the year. These penitential practices need not include abstaining from meat. However, as indicated above, the faithful must not eat meat on all the Fridays of Lent as well as on Ash Wednesday. They must also observe faithfully the fast regulations as they have been stated above in accord with the universal law of the Church (Cf. Code of Canon Law, Canons 1250-1252).



Central Nurseries

Quality & Service Since 1936

1155 Atwood Ave
Johnston, RI 02919
(401)942-7511

CELEBRATING OVER



GOD BLESS AMERICA

ROBBINS Funeral Home

Geoffrey D. Greene, LFD

Jennifer L. Fagan, LFD

231-9307

2251 Mineral Spring Ave., No. Providence, RI

TUCKER~QUINN FUNERAL CHAPEL

Family Owned and Operated Since 1857

www.TuckerQuinnFuneralChapel.com

Traditional Funerals to Simple Cremation Services
Pre-Arrangements & Pre-Financing Available

Directors: Michael F. Quinn, Patrick J. Quinn, Jerome D. Quinn,
Christopher P. Quinn, John H. Grover, Paul A. Falso, Jr.
Intern: Michael J. Quinn

643 Putnam Avenue • Greenville RI • 401-949-1370

THE BRIDGE AT CHERRY HILL

AN ASSISTED LIVING COMMUNITY
BECAUSE EXPERIENCE MATTERS

The right choice for
Assisted Living

One Cherry Hill Road
Johnston, Rhode Island 02919

(401) 233-2880



CONTINENTAL ENGINEERING & SERVICE Co.

AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING SYSTEMS

Expert Design
Installation & Service

Factory- Trained
Technicians

101 Railroad Ave., Johnston

24-HR DISPATCH SERVICE

233-COOL (2665)

www.continentaleng.com

SHOP AND SAVE LOCALLY!

Just scan this code
with your mobile
phone:

Please support
our local
businesses.

Get coupons
and special deals
for businesses
near you.



or visit:

www.TheCommunityCoupon.com

J•M•I

Jean Martin Insurance

~ SINCE 1976 ~

401-946-4448

897 Reservoir Avenue
Cranston, RI 02910

HOME • AUTO • BUSINESS • HEALTH
Get Protection - Get Peace of Mind!

www.jeanmartininsuranceagency.com

READY.GOV

Don't be afraid...Be Ready

Rt. 5 Auto Service Center, Inc.

42 Sanderson Road • Smithfield, RI

1/2 Mile South of Apple Valley Mall

949-4383



Ken Beaumier

"A Mechanic You Can Trust"

All major & minor repairs on
domestic and foreign vehicles
Certified Emissions Testing
ASE Certified • AAA Approved
RI Insp. #875

Over 30 Years in the Automotive Industry

Cosmetologist

Vincenza A. Slinko

Enza's Hair Studio

401-233-HAIR (4247)

EnzasHairStudioDaySpa.com

1770 ATWOOD AVENUE
JOHNSTON, RI 02919

Either Ore Jewelers

1500 ATWOOD AVE., JOHNSTON

REPAIRS, CUSTOM WORK, APPRAISALS

WE BUY GOLD, STERLING & DIAMONDS

EitherOreJewelersOnline.com

Ralph Manzi

401-274-2126

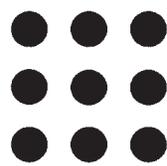


CatholicMatch
Rhode Island

CatholicMatch.com/RIsingles



Veterans Crisis Line



Military Crisis Line

1-800-273-8255 PRESS 1