



# ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH

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*“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*

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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** *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 INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, April 3 - Easter Vigil****7:00 PM OPEN INTENTION****SUNDAY, April 4 – Easter Sunday****8:00 AM Bobby 'Bo' Desmet, Robert H. Desmet and Ronnie Coppola (Rem.),**  
*By Doris***10:00 AM Kate Levesque (Birth.),**  
*By the Saulnier family*  
**Louise Masso (15<sup>th</sup> Ann.),**  
*By family***11:30 AM Chris Tumminelli (Ann.),**  
*By family***MONDAY, April 5****8:00 AM Patrick & Mary Brennan (Rem.),**  
*By Eileen*  
**Deceased Members of the Reo Family (Rem.),**  
*By Gloria***TUESDAY, April 6****8:00 AM Donna Evans (Birth.),**  
*By Pat Higgins*  
**Michelina Langella (Ann.),**  
*By family***WEDNESDAY, April 7****8:00 AM Adrienn Poirier (Ann.),**  
*By Bill, Cecile and family*  
**Charles Agnew (9<sup>th</sup> Ann.),**  
*By family***THURSDAY, April 8****NO SCHEDULED MASS****FRIDAY, April 9****8:00 AM Crocefissa Ruscetta (Birth.),**  
*By family*  
**'A special intention'**  
*By a parishioner***SATURDAY, April 10****5:00 PM Harry Krikorian (Rem.),**  
*By family*  
**Bob Quaranta (Ann.), and Vincent Langella (Birth.),**  
*By family***SUNDAY, April 11****8:00 AM Lillian Ferrieri (Rem.),**  
*By SRB family***10:00 AM Bob Wilson (15<sup>th</sup> Ann.),**  
*By family***11:30 AM Michael Souza (Rem.),**  
*By family*  
**Joseph Minutelli (5<sup>th</sup> Ann.),**  
*By family***Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization**

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In the Easter Gospel we hear about how the disciples found the tomb empty three days after Jesus' death.

We are also told that they do not yet understand the Scriptures or that Jesus had been raised from the dead. That understanding gradually unfolded for the disciples as they began to experience the risen Lord. Similarly, our understanding of Jesus' Resurrection unfolds for us throughout our lives. In the weeks ahead, we will hear how the first disciples moved from confusion, doubt, and skepticism to faith. Their experience can teach us how we too might receive this gift of faith from God.

Gather your family members and ask them to share what they know about the events that happened in the days after Jesus' crucifixion. Invite your family to imagine that they are among Jesus' first disciples. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:1-9. Reflect together on the Gospel with questions such as these: If you had been among the first disciples who heard that the stone had been removed from Jesus' tomb and that Jesus' body was no longer there, what would you think? What did Mary of Magdala, Simon Peter, and the disciple whom Jesus loved think had happened? Recall that this experience is the first indication Jesus' disciples have that he is risen. Throughout the Easter season, we will learn more about how the disciples came to believe that Jesus had been raised from the dead.

Pray together using today's psalm, Psalm 118: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

*May you have a joy filled Easter, 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](http://www.strobertsparish.org) Catch the stream via Facebook Live @ "St. Robert Bellarmine Church 02919"



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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 \$204,833.00 has been paid. Forty percent of that amount (\$81,933.20) 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**

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or  
Mk 16:1-7 or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Lk 24:13-35

**Monday**

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday**

Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday**

Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday**

Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

**Friday**

Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday**

Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

**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](mailto: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**

**March 27 & 28, 2021**

**Traditional Giving – ParishSOFT Online Giving**

Weekly Offering: \$6,264.00

Weekly Offering – Loose Cash: \$25.00

**Online giving: \$320.00**

Monthly Maintenance: \$168.00 - **\$20.00**

Rice Bowl: \$1,830.00 - **\$20.00**

Good Friday: \$40.00

Easter: \$195.00

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](http://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, fruit cocktail, tuna 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**

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. In addition to that, travel size personal hygiene items, underwear and socks for the homeless are needed. 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

**Forty Week Club 2021 - Our Major Fund Raiser**

**Week # 5– Ticket # 225– \$40 – Elli Panichas– Captain: Pat Higgins**

**Tickets are available at the Rectory Office or call  
Ann @ 944-6792, Pat @ 647-7461 or Judy @ 232-3603**

**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, 1165 of our more than 1700**

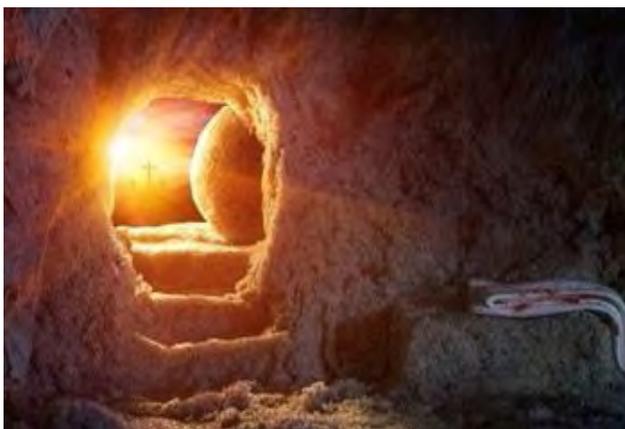
**registered families have pledged \$32,059.00**

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

**A Brief Easter Message**



As we celebrate the unfathomable mystery of Easter anew, may we allow ourselves to be ever-more completely inspired and empowered by the peace, power and promises of the Risen Christ. In turn, may we joyfully and courageously respond to the call to be living witnesses to the Good News of

the Gospel in the midst of the joys and challenges of daily life.

***Peace, Prayers, and Health at Easter and always. Fr. Richard***

“...Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold, the place where they laid him.” Mark 16:6



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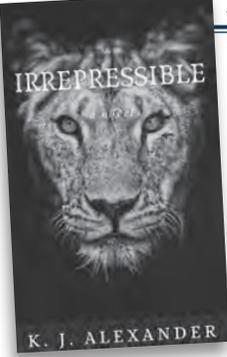
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