



# 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*

[srbccd2020@gmail.com](mailto: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 INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, May 1**

**5:00 PM** Rev. Marinaldo Batista  
(Month's Mind),  
*By friend*  
'For the Intentions of' Amritha &  
Rudra Toulon  
*By Juliette Toulon and family*

**SUNDAY, May 2**

**8:00 AM** Robert and Americo Marciano  
(Rem.),  
*By family*

**10:00 AM** OPEN INTENTION

**11:30 AM** OPEN INTENTION

**MONDAY, May 3**

**8:00 AM** Tim and Bob Ferretti (Rem.),  
*By family*  
Vera Russo (Rem.),  
*By Roni*

**TUESDAY, May 4**

**8:00 AM** 'Mass of Thanksgiving'  
*By Charon and Al*

**WEDNESDAY, May 5**

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

**THURSDAY, May 6**

**NO SCHEDULED MASS**

**FRIDAY, May 7**

**8:00 AM** Marion Gaeta (Rem.),  
*By Wini*  
'For the Intentions of' Phyllis DaSilva  
*By Juliette Toulon and family*

**SATURDAY, May 8**

**5:00 PM** Michelina Facha (Rem.),  
*By family*  
Annie Coombs Brown & Charlotte  
Pflug (Rem.),  
*By Charon and Al*

**SUNDAY, May 9**

**8:00 AM** Josephine Tutalo & Joanne  
DiLorenzo-Fede (Rem.),  
*By family*

**10:00 AM** Marcella & Corine Holtmann (Rem.),  
*By family*  
Deceased Members of the Torres &  
Couto Family (Rem.),  
*By family*

**11:30 AM** Emma, Pauline, Josephine & Emma  
(Rem.),  
*By family*  
Anthony Vota (21<sup>st</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*

**Family Faith Formation, Outreach and  
Evangelization**

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Prophets in the Old Testament readily compared Israel to God's vine or vineyard. Some notable examples are Psalm 80:9-20, Isaiah 5:1-7, and Ezekiel 19:10-14. Although God

planted and protected Israel, his vine, the people did not always uphold his laws. In punishment God allowed his people to be attacked and even uprooted. Jesus is the faithful vine that will flourish forever. Jesus speaks these words to his disciples during his final meal with them. In the passage right before this one he assures them that although he's about to leave them, he'll send them the holy Spirit. The gift of the Spirit will help believers to remain part of the true vine. To remain part of the vine is to become one with the Father because Jesus and the Father are one. Since the Father alone is the vine grower, only by remaining in Jesus can a person bear fruit.

There are two types of branches: those that are entirely cut off and those that are trimmed in such a way that new buds will grow and produce fruit. Those who reject Jesus are the branches that are entirely removed. Those who believe in Jesus remain part of the vine, but they need help to become stronger, more faithful, and more productive disciples. The disciples are entirely dependent on Jesus, who, for his part, has entirely entrusted himself to his Father. Just as Jesus perfectly does God's will and so is heard by his Father, so will God hear the prayers of Jesus' disciples, as long as their prayers flow from their love for and commitment to Jesus. God's intention in creating the world was that all people, all creation, would be in perfect love and unity. Such a perfect world would reflect the goodness of the God who created it. God is thus glorified whenever people treat one another with sincere love. Since Jesus is the symbol of perfect love, those who believe in him and live as he taught glorify God.

- by Edrienne Ezell  
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**

**As of May 7, 2021:** Seating will be at 80% of fire code capacity with three feet between households

On Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings, parish volunteers will continue to manage the process of seating and sending forth those who attend Mass.

A distance of three feet will be maintained between people/groups from different households.

Seating will be on a first come first seated basis.

**If not in person, you are still able to  
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"



**GRATEFUL**  
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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 \$207,563.00 has been paid. Forty percent of that amount (\$83,025.20) 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 ongoing 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 engaged an Architectural Firm and will soon be installing a restroom with handicap accessibility on the main level of the church and a 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 continue 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 Worshp**

- 1. Catholics in the Diocese of Providence are still dispensed from Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.**
- 2. Hand sanitizer, social distancing of three feet between households and mask wearing will remain part of our safety protocols.**
- 3. Parishioners will continue to have the opportunity to receive Holy Communion in a safe manner either in the palm of the hand or on the tongue.**
- 4. Physical contact with anyone from outside of your household is still discouraged.**
- 5. Windows and doors will remain open so please dress accordingly and bring a coat, jacket or sweater.**
- 6. Those who are sick with a transmissible illness must stay home:**

Those who have symptoms of transmissible sickness (even mild symptoms) must stay at home. People are expected to self-monitor and self-screen before coming to Mass. This means that people should be taking their temperature and monitoring for any signs and symptoms, not only of coronavirus, but also of any other type of transmissible illness.

Should you have even the mildest of symptoms of any type of transmissible illness, as an act of love, care and concern for others, you should stay at home and seek medical care and testing as necessary. Of course, decisions regarding medical care and/or testing need to be made in conjunction with your health care professional.

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 remains 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 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

**Monday**

1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

**Tuesday**

Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday**

Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday**

Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

**First Friday**

Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday**

Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

**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. Because the rectory is also a residence, all visitors are required to 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)

**Church Doors Unlocked**

Beginning May 9, 2021,

throughout the week, the church building will be open and accessible during the day so that you may spend some time in quiet prayer with Jesus who is present in the tabernacle.

**PARISH SUPPORT****April 24 & 25, 2021****Traditional Giving – ParishSOFT Online Giving**

Weekly Offering: \$4,971.00

Weekly Offering – Loose Cash: \$76.00

**Online giving: \$330.00**Monthly Maintenance: \$420.00 - **\$50.00**Good Friday: \$30.00 - **\$0**Easter: \$205.00 - **\$20.00**Ascension: \$0 - **\$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 made during Mass, dropped off at the rectory, 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 green beans, tuna, baked beans, peanut butter 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 # 9– \$40 – Gwen Feole– Captain: Gwen Feole**

**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, 186 of our more than 1700**

**registered families have pledged \$35,353.00**

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

+++ **CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE** +++

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**PROGRAM POLICIES**  
**2021 - 2022**

In accordance with Diocesan Policies, **Tuition Assistance is only for students in grades K-8**. With particular permission and authorization from the Bishop, tuition assistance may be available for students who attend one of the Catholic High Schools here in the diocese. ***The premise of the Catholic School Tuition Assistance Program is that financial assistance is based on need.*** Families requesting assistance must fulfill the following requirements:

\*Must be registered in the parish (at least one full year.)

\*Must attend Mass on a weekly basis.

\*Must use the budget envelope system or ParishSoft online giving.

\*Must show family involvement in parish programs/ministry.

**Please fill out a separate form for each child in a household.** If you need an application sent to you, please call the Rectory at 232-5600. **Applications must be completed and returned to the Rectory by June 1<sup>st</sup>.**



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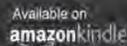
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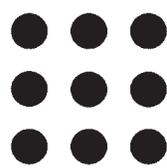
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