

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

53 Rockland Street

DAILY MASS 9:00 AM - MONDAY - SATURDAY

WEEKEND MASSES SATURDAY - 5:00 PM SUNDAY - 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

SATURDAY - 4:00-4:45 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT

ST. VERONICA CHAPEL 1035 Boston Neck Rd.

WEEKEND MASSES SATURDAY - 4:00 PM SUNDAY - 9:00 AM & I 1:00 AM

All masses available on Livestream

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NOVEMBER 19, 2023 - THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Parishioners and friends,

I recently shared that most of the priests of the Diocese of Providence spent three days with Bishop Henning for conferences, discussion and above all, Holy Hours and Mass. I can share with you that the days were very grace filled and we are blessed that Bishop Henning is our shepherd in these challenging days. On all of our minds was the lack of priestly vocations. While our Diocese is doing better than those around us, it is still far short of what we need. I think it is providential that this weekend we welcome the college seminarians along with Rector Fr. Murphy to the 11AM Mass. I hope we can show our support for them by attending the Mass. If you're reading this article after attending one of our other masses, why not stop by at noon for a quick sandwich and to say hello to them.

In addition to the seminarians, if all goes according to plans, we will be welcoming the Safar Family from Jerusalem, Israel, who will be here for a vacation from the war. The Safars have five children and are deeply dedicated to Jesus Christ and our faith. I have been close spitritual friends with them for many, many years and they live there so Christians can come to the Holy Land, as so many of us have been blessed to go there. Of course, their presence is a concrete reminder to pray for peace. I hope you can join us for the Holy Hour next Sunday at 5 PM at the chapel.

We will have Mass on Thanksgiving morning at 9 AM at St. Thomas More. What better way is there to start the holiday of Thanksgiving than by worshipping Christ in the Eucharist.

Thank you for your generous support of the Little Sisters of the Poor, pro-life initiatives and other parish charities.

We welcome home this weekend the mens mission team that went to Jacobs Ladder to serve at Mustard Seed. If you recall, Mustard Seed serves the abandoned and disabled children who are in 24-hour care of the Church. It is great that they are able to return to Jamaica, they haven't been there since COVID. We are indebted to this mission team for representing our faith community and special thanks to Joe Robenhymer for coordinating this enormous effort.

Let's prepare for Advent and the coming of Christ. Might this years Solemnity of Christmas be especially poignant and deep as we ask the Prince of Peace to bring peace to our hearts and our world.

God bless,

Fr. Taillon



gift card or making a financial contribution. Your contribution, no matter how big or small, will help make an impact on a family as they sit down and give thanks this Thanksgiving. For more information, please visit:

WWW.POPEPIUSXII.ORG/FOOD

Confirmation students feed the homeless in Providence on Sunday.

Some of our Confirmation candidates helped Fr. James Ruggieri, pastor of St. Patrick Parish, with Project Emmanuel. This ministry feeds people on the streets of Providence.



Pictured above L to R: Aaron Montoya, Ethan Smith, Jacob Ewing-Chow, Sofia Di Biasio, Nina Ursillo, Marcella Del Ponte, Riley Smith and Alexa Poirier.

















Confirmation students tour the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul in Providence.















THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18th (Vigil) 4 PM – for the soul of Dr. Frank Burke 5 PM - for the soul of William McNaughton SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19th 8 AM – Pro Populo (for the souls of the deceased and living members of our parish family 9 AM – for the soul of Walter Trapp 10 AM – for the soul of Deacon Paul Sullivan 11 AM – 1st Anniversary ~ Daniel Falls MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20th 9 AM – for the soul of Donna Gunning **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21st** 9 AM – for the soul of Marsha Waterman WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd 9 AM – for the soul Geraldine Egan THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd 9 AM – for the soul of Albert Alba, Sr. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24th 9 AM - Special Intentions ~ Delaney & Kirwan families

(Living)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th

9 AM – for the soul Paula Wiste

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th (Vigil) 4 PM – for the soul of LeeAnn Miele 5 PM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Joseph Notarantonio, Sr. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26th 8 AM – Pro Populo (for the souls of the deceased and living

- members of our parish family
- 9 AM for the deceased members of the Delaney & Kirwan families
- $10 \ \mathrm{AM}$ for the soul of Constance Goulet
- 11 AM for the soul of Rosaleen Walsh



Meet and Greet this neekend!

This **Sunday, November 19th** the college Seminarians from Our Lady of Providence Seminary will be attending the **11:00 AM Mass at St. Veronica Chapel**, followed by a light reception. All are welcome to come and show our support of these men.

Please join us for **Thanksgiving Day Mass** at 9:00AM at St. Thomas More



Please bring non-perishable food items and place in the receptacles at the Church entrances. *Thank you for your continued support.*



Thank you for you kind donations of \$7928 to the Little Sisters of the Poor at the Jeanne Jugan Residence in Pawtucket.

Happenings around the parish

Gospel Reflections Group

All are welcome to join our informal discussion group which meets on Mondays from 10-11:30 AM in the parish hall. Over coffee & refreshments, we read and reflect on the Gospels of the coming week and share our personal insights of those readings.

Men's Bible Study

Our parish has a very active group of men who meet each Saturday morning in the parish hall at 7:30 AM to discuss the Sunday scripture readings. This is very informal and all are invited to join.

Pennies for the Poor

The small donation boxes on the church walls labeled "Pennies for the Poor" goes to the Diocesan Dire Emergency Fund in South County, which helps with rental assistance, utilities and prescriptions. Thank you.

Prayer Chain Ministry

If you know someone who would like extra prayers, please call lean at 783-3403 to express your request. Volunteers are needed and welcome to join this important ministry.

Pray the Rosary

The rosary is prayed Monday - Saturday after the 9:00 AM Mass at St. Thomas More. All are welcome.

Rosary Repairs

Drop broken beads in the box in the foyer using the envelope provided. Include your name and contact info. You will be contacted within a few weeks when your repair is complete.

St. Vincent dePaul clothing bins

Accepts clothing and shoes. Bins located at the back of the St. Thomas More parking lot, inside the white fence.

Relevant Radio "Morning Air" Show

Join Fr. Taillon at 550 AM every Wednesday at 8:00 AM or listen on relevantradio.com

WEEKLY PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Current Needs

- √ Natural Peanut Butter
- √ Brown Rice √ Canned Fruit in 100% Juice
- √ Low Sugar Jelly
- √ Baked/Black/Kidney Beans √ Whole grain wheat flour
- Whole Grain Cereal/Crackers/Pasta & Jarred Pasta Sauce

Collection baskets are located at the entrance of both churches.

Religious Education

Sunday, November 19th

Grades 1 - 4 at 10:05-10:55 AM St. Veronica Chapel 1st Year Confirmation at 6:00-7:15 PM St. Veronica Chapel

Monday, November 20th

No Class for Grades 1 - 4 Thanksgiving Break

Wednesday, November 22nd

No Class for Grades 5 - 8 Thanksgiving Break



Will you answer the call?

The Seven Sisters Apostolate has a simple mission to pray for priests in the form of a Holy Hour before the Tabernacle in any church,

wherever you may be. Our priests do so much for us and without them there is no Eucharist and without the Eucharist there is no Church.

Please prayerfully consider being part of this privileged group of women praying for our priests. Should you discern a calling to this apostolate contact, Mary Ann Soscia at 401-243-5026. sevensistersapostolate.org

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"God is the only one who knows how many children we should have, and we should be ready to accept them. One can't decide for oneself who comes into this world and who doesn't. That decision doesn't belong to us." MEL GIBSON

DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

"We must sacrifice everything for everything: our ambitions, indeed our entire selves, for the cause of the faith." Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati

A discernment group for young men ages 17-28

Meetings at Our Lady of Providence Seminary 485 Mt. Pleasant Ave. Providence, RI 02908

Every Second Tuesday of the Month Starting 11/14/23 | 7 PM Thank you to the many new families who have signed up for Faith Direct to support our ministries. Your support allows us to continue to serve the spiritual and corporeal needs of our parish and wider community.

And, thank you to our many virtual parishoners who continue to support us, we appreciate your support too!



St. Thomas More Parish counts on your prayers and support and we truly appreciate your continued generosity during this difficult time.

Giving is easy:

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