

## MASS SCHEDULE

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

53 Rockland Street

DAILY MASS - 9:00 AM - MON.- SAT.

WEEKEND MASSES SATURDAY - 5:00 PM SUNDAY - 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 - 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Fr. Przemysław "Shemek" Lepak Administrator frshemek@gmail.com

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OCTOBER 27, 2024 - THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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All Saints' Day - Friday, November 1 st Masses: St. Thomas More - 9:00 AM | St. Veronica Chapel - 7:00 PM

As we enter the month of November, I find myself grateful for having had the opportunity to serve as your temporary administrator over this past month. It has been a time of grace and transition, and I want to express my thanks to each of you for the warm welcome and support you have extended to me.

This week, we are blessed to celebrate All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, two feasts that remind us of our connection with the entire communion of saints—the holy men and women who inspire us by their lives, and our beloved departed, who we continue to hold in prayer.

We honor those who have gone before us, and we pray for the souls of the faithful departed, asking God's mercy and peace for them. This is a time for us to remember that death is not the end, but a passage to eternal life with our loving Father.

This November also marks an important moment for our nation, as we approach the presidential election. I am pleased to announce that Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be available at St. Veronica chapel on Election Day. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 10 AM to 6 PM and I invite each of you to come before the Lord during this time of prayer for the future of our nation.

As we look forward to Thanksgiving, I encourage each of you to take time to reflect on the blessings in your life. Let us approach this season with hearts full of gratitude—for our families, for the gift of life and faith, for the gift of our parish and for the gift of one another. Let us also continue to reach out to those in need, sharing the blessings we have received with those less fortunate.

May the Lord bless you and your families and may we all continue to grow in faith, hope, and love.

Fr Shemek

# All Souls' Day Mass of Rememberance

Saturday, November 2nd St. Thomas More Church ~ 9:00 AM

All are welcome to attend

Míchaelangelo Accetta, III Mary Pat Bamford Carolyn Barry Anthony Bessacíní Mary Jane Bríggs Louanne Brunenmeister William Camille Mary Caporellí Theodore Casasanta Brent Casner Margaret Churchvílle Víncent Coccolí Esther Comíre Tímothy Daley William Donohoe James Ford William David Formicola

Joseph J. Furgasso Vincent James Garrahy Tonía Teresa Healey Judíth Jones Hey Ríchard Inman Gerald Kortum Alfred Joseph Leger Edmund Lutz Patrícia Maciel Patrícía Malloy Walter Manníng, Jr. Franklin J. Marinelli Jane McClanaghan Maryann Monahan Frank Morellí Lois Mary Pazienza

Rita Pepin Helen Petít Louise Picciotti Arthur Pontarellí Emília Provensal Míchael Quínn Díane Rítchotte Joseph Salvadore Raymond Girard Savoie Joan Scanlon Frank Schwab Catheríne Jean Shay Rose Maríe Sídotí Donald Sullivan John F. Traínor Robert J. Vacarío, Sr. Edward J. Walsh, Sr.

## Cards, Bingo and Knights

O'Brien's Pub in Newport recently hosted the Knights and their friends from Perspective for their annual cards and bingo night. Over 75 people were in attendance to join in on the fun!

Thank you to O'Brien's Pub and Tom Regan for the tremendous support this year.







Please join us in welcoming the Little Sisters of the Poor to our parish next weekend, November 2 & 3, 2024.

The Little Sisters of the Poor first arrived in Providence in 1881 when seven "Little Sisters" ar-rived from France to begin their work of caring for the needy and elderly. The foundation of the sisters was made possible by the generous support of the community upon which it was built.

Today, the Little Sisters reside at the Jeanne Jugan Residence Home in Pawtucket, and their mission continues as they offer hospitality and care for 100 needy elderly men and women. The Little Sisters continue to count on the community for their generous support. To learn more about the mission of the Little Sisters of the Poor, please visit their website at <u>www.littlesistersofthepoorpawtucket.org</u>.

The Little Sisters look forward to sharing their work with you. Thank you in advance for your generous support and prayers.





Congratulations, married in Christ, Rebecca and Adam Wetherbee. Rebecca is the daughter of Thomas and Margaret Rogers



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**THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th 4 PM – for the soul of Ed Brodeur 5 PM – for the soul of Florence Quigley

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th 8:30 AM – 6th Anniversary – Palmina Catalano 10 AM – 1st Anniversary – William Bean 11 AM – 7th Anniversary – Madeline Reilly

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28th 9 AM – for the souls of Margaret & John Harten

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29th 9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Charles Speight

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30th 9 AM – for the soul of Lilo Federici

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31st 9 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ Frank Gesmondi

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1st (All Saints')9 AM – for the soul of Daniel Macedo7 PM – for the soul of George DiChristofaro

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd *(All Souls')* 9 AM – for the soul of Keith Farrea

THE THIRY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd 4 PM – 55th Birthday Remembrance ~ Emilia Provensal 5 PM – Anniversary ~ Navarre Patry

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd 8:30 AM – for the souls of Philip & Anna DiRienzo & Robert P. Smith 10 AM – for the soul of Michael Zannini

11 AM – Birthday Remembrance ~ David Kenney



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

#### Second Collections

The second collection this weekend will be for the Florida Hurricane Relief via Catholic Services. Donations also accepted on Faith Direct.

On November 2 & 3, the collection will be for the Little Sisters of the poor



All Saints' Day Mass Schedule Friday, November 1st 9:00 AM - St. Thomas More 7:00 PM - St. Veronica Chapel

All are welcome to join the Mass of ALL SOULS' Saturday, Novenber 2 at 9:00 AM

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> Since the All Souls 'mass will be held on Saturday, Nov 2, we will not be having our usual First Saturday Devotion.

Happenings around the parish

## Weekly Parish Food Collection

#### Current Needs

√ Natural Peanut Butter

√ Low Sugar Jelly

- √ Brown Rice
- √ Canned Fruit in 100% Juice
- √ Baked/Black/Kidney Beans √ Whole grain wheat flour √ Whole Grain Cereal/Crackers/Pasta & Jarred Pasta Sauce
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Collection baskets are located at the entrance of both churches.

(Reprinted from last week.)

## **REQUESTING YOUR HELP** AT BOTH CHURCHES.

Please refrain from placing your feet on the kneeler when it is in the up position, as this puts stress on the brackets. Thank you in advance!





## **Religious Education**

<u>Sunday, October 27th</u> Grades 1 - 4 at 10:00-10:50 AM St. Veronica Chapel

#### Wednesday, October 30th

Grades 5 - 8 at 5:45-6:45 PM St. Veronica Chapel

#### Baby Bottle Boomerang



Bottles can be returned to the parish office until Tuesday, October 29. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 WHO IN YOUR FAMILY DO YOU REMEMBER FOR THEIR HOLINESS AND FAITH?



#### K of C BREAKFAST (PUBLIC INVITED

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Breakfast at the Council Hall, 1265 Tower Hill Road, N Kingstown, on Sunday, November 3rd, from 7:30 - 10:30 AM.

Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Home Fries, Sausage, Baked Beans, Breakfast Pastries, Orange Juice, Coffee and Tea will be served.

The cost is \$10.00 for adults, children 6 and under are free.



"Do not withhold good from those whom it is due, when it is in your power to act.

Proverbs 3:27

## St. Thomas More Mother Teresa Fund

Through generous donations made by parishioners to our outreach program, "Mother Teresa Fund," St. Thomas More has donated \$25,000 to the "Kitchen of Hope" project. The "Kitchen" is a non-profit volunteer organization that provides free, hot, nutritious meals to the underserved in Narragansett and South Kingstown.

From its beginning in 2020 during COVID, they have provided over 39,000 meals, all prepared and delivered from the kitchen at the Peace Dale Congregational Church. Since the demand and need have increased to feed more individuals and families in South County, a larger facility is needed. The "Kitchen" is being relocated to St. Francis of Assisi Church and will be equipped with commercial cooking facilities to permit expansion of the program, which will help meet the needs of so many.



As a parish that so joyously helps those in need, St. Thomas More is proud to partner with the "Kitchen of Hope" and St. Francis of Assisi Parish to continue to help those in need.

#### Feeding the Whole Person

The Kitchen of Hope service often identifies needs beyond food insecurity that they are able to assist through other ministries of the parish, or with our partners in the community. Examples have included: home and yard repair or maintenance; wheelchair ramp installation; rent, utility, or clothing assistance; wellness checks; financial literacy and spiritual needs. This robust kitchen facility could also evolve to include free job training opportunities in the local food and hospitality industries.

## Kitchen of Hope Mission Statement

In the Spirit of St. Francis of Assisi, we elevate food security by providing healthy meals to local individuals and families. We are building a community of volunteers and donors through our participation in our weekly dinner delivery and in-house dining ministries. Our aim is to uplift those we serve by being a "Kitchen of Hope," promoting dignity, self-respect, and well-being.



**Contact Information** 

For confidential assistance, volunteer opportunities, or to donate to the Kitchen of Hope: visit <u>kitchenofhope.net</u> | 401-871-8936



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\*Includes all meals and supplies \* Scholarships available upon request

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<u> https://evangelizeri.org/vestigo-retreat</u>



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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:

## To Donate online:

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