

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

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Mass Schedule: Saturday Evening – 4:00 PM
Sunday – 7:00, 9:30 and 11:30 AM
Weekday – Monday thru Friday 7:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday – 2:30 to 3:45 PM

Sacrament of Marriage: A minimum of ten months notice is required. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment prior to booking a hall.

Sacrament of Baptism: First and Third Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM.
Please call the Parish Office to register.

Sacrament of the Sick and Communion Calls: Please notify the Parish Office if anyone is hospitalized or unable to attend Mass because of illness.

Community Meetings: School Hall Alcoholics Anonymous – Friday 8:00 PM

Food Pantry: Thursdays – please call the Parish Office one day in advance.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 4, 2016

4:00 PM Donald Sullivan, Jr. Anniversary

Sunday, June 5, 2016

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

9:30 AM Dot & Frank Wilhelm Memorial

11:30 AM Maddalena Leccese Anniversary

Monday, June 6, 2016

7:00 AM Galo R. Livelo Memorial

Tuesday, June 7, 2016

7:00 AM

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

7:00 AM Alice Beaulieu Memorial

Thursday, June 9, 2016

7:00 AM

Friday, June 10, 2016

7:00 AM Joan Clark Memorial

Saturday, June 11, 2016

4:00 PM Anna & Joseph Dunlea and Paul O'Reilly Anniversary Month's Mind

Sunday, June 12, 2016

7:00 AM Edward & Mary Connolly Memorial

9:30 AM Ann & Tom Glynn Anniversary

11:30AM Deceased Members of Westwood Family Memorial

Thank you for your offerings for last weekend:

Percentage of offertory by Envelope/EFT—71%

If you are interested in the Online Giving option to simplify your weekly contributions please contact the parish office.

Collection Report

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| Offertory Envelopes | \$ 6,004.00 |
| Offertory/Loose | \$ 2,882.00 |
| EFT Weekly Average | \$ 923.00 |
| Total Offertory | \$ 9,809.00 |

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH WHEN PLANNING YOUR ESTATE. Thank you!

Braintree Interfaith Prayer Service



Thursday, June 16th @ 7:00

Braintree Town Hall

1 John F. Kennedy Memorial Drive, Braintree

Join us in the Braintree Town Hall as various clergy from our town offer prayers for our community, and musicians offer inspiring selections.

Representation from our Town Government, Veterans, and Scout Troops.

Refreshments and Fellowship preceding at 6:30PM



He said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst," and "God has visited his people." - Lk 7:14c-16

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



From the desk of the
Pastoral Associate
Mrs. Linda Muldoon



The Tenth
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

We have returned to Ordinary Time—the color green reappears in the fabrics that grace our celebrants and our worship space. Green symbolizes hope, life and anticipation as our readings focus on the extraordinary three-year public ministry of Jesus, his teachings and his miracles. We go forth from each Mass to share with others the hope given to us and the life promised to us and also the certainty of Jesus’ presence among us and his anticipated return in glory. “Ordinary Time” refers to numbered (ordinal) time—the weeks exclusive of Advent and Christmas, Lent and Easter. Ordinary time does not mean less special or dull or boring, but rather it presents us with the extraordinary—and the opportunity to listen to, process, share, and live it!



Grow in Faith and in Knowledge This Summer...
June Biblical Seminar, The Quality of Mercy, led by Professor Celia Sirois, will meet Monday evenings in June (6, 13, 20, and 27) from 7-9PM at the Theological Institute at St. John’s Seminary. This seminar is offered at **no cost** to participants. To register for this or the courses below, please visit www.sjs.edu or www.theologicalinstitute.org or call 617.779.4104, ext. 1.

The Theological Institute for the New Evangelization at St. John’s Seminary in Boston has 2 and 3 credit summer courses for laity, deacons and religious. Those who prefer to audit a course are also welcome. The offerings this summer include Apocalyptic Literature of the Old and New Testaments, Mastering the Art of Catechesis, Carmelite Spirituality, Beauty and the Bible in Balthasar, Basic Truths of the Catholic Faith, and The Changing Landscape of Grief Ministry: New Psychology and Spirituality.



We congratulate our
GRADUATES

Congratulations to all of the recent graduates from St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parishes. May God bless you as you continue your journey to 1st grade, high school, college and/or the workforce.



Would you like to see Big Papi play in his final season at Fenway Park?

How about the opportunity to stock up on groceries for your 4th of July celebration?



Would \$500 cash help with your summer vacation plans?

These are the prizes in the St. Francis/St. Clare of Assisi Collaborative Raffle. The entire profit from the raffle will be used to advance Catholic education at St. Francis of Assisi School. Raffle tickets were mailed to all registered households. If you did not receive this mailing but would like some tickets, please call the parish office. **Winning tickets will be drawn after the 4:00PM Mass at St. Francis on Saturday, June 18. [Please note the date on the letter and ticket are incorrect.]** You do not need to be present to win. Be sure to include your phone number on your ticket so that we can reach you if you win.





From
Mr. Brian Cote
Principal



Congratulations to the Class of 2016! - I would like to offer a prayer and word of congratulations to our 8th grade students who will graduate on Thursday evening, June 9th.

Prayer for our Graduates

May God's blessings guide you in accomplishing your goals throughout the coming years.

Wishing you a future filled with great hopes, great things, for great are the plans of God.

While you walk this new road, may God be your guide as you follow His path and with Him abide.

Congratulations 8th Graders!

We, at Saint Francis of Assisi School have been so fortunate to have had the great opportunity to share with your parents, in watching you grow over these past several years. Not only have we watched you grow physically, but academically, socially, emotionally and spiritually.

Our students have successfully completed and met the standards of the Archdiocese of Boston and the Massachusetts state requirements in their quest of learning. The achievements are numerous for this eighth grade class. Their successes include many honor scholars, student leaders, high school acceptances, scholarships, presidential awards, service outreach efforts and a commitment to school spirit.

It is our hope that as they leave us, that we at Saint Francis of Assisi School have been true to our mission in providing them with a quality academic foundation, planted the seeds of faith so that they may continue to grow with God, and prepared them to become faith-filled, responsible citizens, and life-long learners who can meet the challenges of today's diverse and technological world.

We are truly proud of each and every one of our students and wish them the very best and much success. They will always be a part of "our school family" at Saint Francis of Assisi School. Congratulations grade eight and may God continue to hold you in the palm of His hand.

SFA Fine Arts – Our SFA Drama Club will be presenting the musical "Beauty and the Beast, Jr." on Saturday, June 4th at 7:00 pm, and a special afternoon matinee on Sunday, June 5th at 3:00 pm in the School Hall. Tickets will be available at the door for \$5 each or \$15 for a family. Come and support our students as they perform this classic musical.

On Saturday, June 4th beginning at 5:00 pm and Sunday, June 5th, at 1:30 pm, we will be holding our Annual Art Fair, where our hallways will be fully decorated with creative art projects completed by our students. All are welcome to attend!

Enroll Today

St. Francis of Assisi School is now accepting applications for all grade levels for the 2016-17 school year. For more information regarding our admissions procedure, simply visit our school's website (www.sfab.org) or contact us at (781) 848-0842. Are you interested in learning more about what SFA has to offer for your child, its curriculum and extracurricular activities? Arrange your personalized visit/tour with our principal by contacting Brian Cote at (781) 848-0842 x12 or emailing bcote@sfab.org. We look forward to possibly serving your family in the spiritual, academic, and social development of your child.



Mrs. Diane Hopkins
Mrs. Ronna Petrilli
Phone 781.848.3238

Please
join
us



On Father's Day
9:30 Family Mass
June 19, 2016

Let's fill the church with fatherly love for all kinds of fathers (mothers too!), folk music and after Mass, fellowship. Bring a friend.

First Communicants, wear your dressy whites one more time!

Kindly join us after Mass in the church hall for refreshments. Baked goods welcome!

Registration forms for Religious Education year 2016-2017 will be available by June 12. We look forward to meeting in September but until then we hope to see you at the weekend Masses.

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Stay Close,
Diane and Ronna

Parish Info and events of note...

- **Prayer Shawls...** will resume again in September. Newcomers, novices and experts are always welcome!
- **St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry...** We are open Thursdays from 10AM-12NN and 2-4PM. If you need groceries, please call on Wednesday so that we can be prepared for your visit. Referrals and limited financial assistance are available for parishioners in need. Please call the parish office for more information.
- **RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.** It begins with a time to ask your questions and discern whether God is calling you to something more. Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Maybe you were baptized but missed the opportunity to receive your first holy communion or be confirmed. Do you hunger, do you thirst for something more? Do you want to learn about the food that endures for eternal life, to taste and see the goodness of the Lord? Maybe you have questions about our faith or your own circumstances. You can reach out to a member of our staff at any time by contacting the parish office or join us for an inquiry session, soon to be scheduled. If the words above do not resonate with you, please pass them along to someone you know who may be interested. God works through us, especially when we pay attention.
- **Visits to the Sick and Homebound...** If you or someone you know cannot attend Mass due to surgery, illness or infirmity, you can request a Communion visit. Our staff and trained home visitors are available and willing to come to you. Please call the parish office for more information.
- **Parish Prayer Line...** To be placed (or to pray) on the parish prayer line, please call the parish office.
- **Military Service...** If someone you know is newly deployed and you would like their info to appear on the board, please call or email the parish office. Thank you.



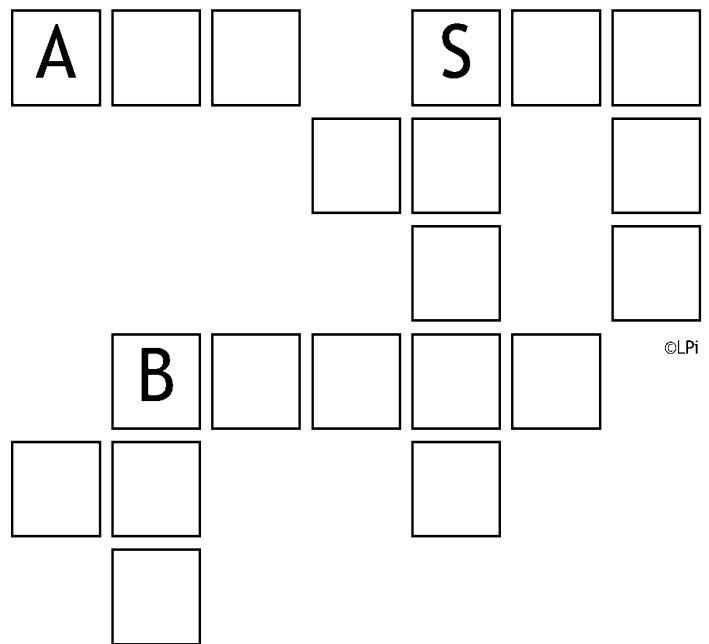
We are now booking Mass Intentions for the period of July 1, 2016 through April 16, 2017 (Easter Sunday). On March 2, 2017 [date change] we will start booking Masses beyond April 16.



Puzzle

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

The boy sat up and began to speak.



Sharing the Gospel

Imagine you fell from the jungle gym at the school playground. You would not even need to ask for help. If you were so hurt that you could barely walk or breathe, your teacher would see you and come running. The widow in today's Gospel story did not need to ask Jesus for help. Jesus saw her pain and came running to help her. Jesus sees when you are in pain, too, and he always comes to help you, too.

Prayer

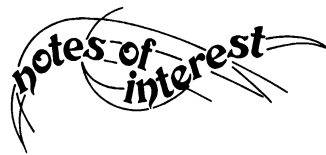
Jesus, I thank you for raising the widow's son to life. I know that you are with me, too, when I am sad or hurt.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of Jesus hugging you when you are sad.

Mission for the Week

Read Luke 7:11-17 with your family. Think of ways Jesus has helped you through sad times, even if you didn't ask for help.



From the
Archdiocese of
Boston

ICC IRISH FESTIVAL

The Irish Cultural Center, 200 New Boston Drive, Canton is proud to announce the 2016 Irish Festival being held June 4th and 5th featuring The Wolfe Tones, John McDermott, Andy Cooney, Bartley O'Donnell, The Cunningham Family, and over 25 bands. The event will be fun for the entire family and will include Set Dancing, Genealogy, Hay Rides, Irish Food, Irish Soda Bread Contest, Great Vendors, and an Irish Mass on Sunday at 10:30AM. Please visit www.IrishFestBoston.com or call 1-888-GOIRISH (464-7474) to purchase your \$15 Advanced Tickets—Children under 12 are free. The first 2,500 guests entering each day will receive a free "Swag Bag" filled with a few goodies. Free shuttle service will be available on the hour from the Quincy Center and Braintree T stations.



The Marge Crispin Center

Adult day care is available Monday thru Friday 8:30AM—2:30PM at the Marge Crispin Center, 74 Pond Street. We provide a light breakfast and full lunch prepared by a ServSafe certified employee. We also offer 2 snacks per day. Our day consists of morning coffee and socializing, light exercise therapy, arts and crafts and musical entertainment. Group activities include bingo, bean toss, trivia, etc. Limited transportation is available. For more information please call Ann Toland or Pat Conrad at 781-848-2124.

LIFT

Join LIFT Ministries on Tuesday, June 21st @ 7pm for an inspiring night of worship at St. William Church in Tewksbury with speaker Dave VanVickle. The night will include uplifting music, a relevant talk, confessions, Eucharistic Adoration, and is FREE to attend and open to ALL AGES. A downloadable flyer, along with more information about LIFT, can be found on their website at www.liftedhigher.com. Come and worship with hundreds of Catholics from around the Boston area!



June 5 ~ Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Both the Old Testament reading from 1 Kings and the Gospel speak of restoring to life the sons of widows - beautiful stories of compassion and God's love. Consider what Saint Paul tells the Galatians in his letter: "... God, who ... had set me apart was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him" Through baptism, each of us, has been set apart. The Son is revealed to each of us in His Word and Body and Blood at Mass, and in each other. We are called to proclaim Him too. Perhaps our story isn't as dramatic as a loved one raised from the dead, but we all have a story of God's compassion and love. Share your story. Introduce a friend to Jesus; help those whom you know and love get to know and love Him.

EMPOWER—BOSTON (9/10/2016)

"Empower" is Youth Ministry training at its best! It will be held on Saturday, September 10th, 2016 at St. Francis Parish, Medford Catholic Collaborative. The day will include training for small group facilitation, relational ministry, and middle school ministry; as well as activities for high school ministry, team planning, Mass, lunch and the best praise & worship music. The goal of the day is to help parishes lead teens closer to Jesus Christ! This event is sponsored by the Office of Lifelong Faith Formation and Parish Support, and Life Teen. Registration opens May 1st with a discount for early registrations. All priests attend for free!



Readings for the Week of June 5, 2016

- Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:17-24/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13/
Gal 1:11-19/Lk 7:11-17
- Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Ps 121:1-8/Mt 5:1-12
- Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-5, 7-8/Mt 5:13-16
- Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1-5, 8, 11/
Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10-13/
Mt 5:20-26
- Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-9, 13-14/
Mt 5:27-32
- Saturday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1-6/
Mt 5:33-37
- Next Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11/
Gal 2:16, 19-21/Lk 7:36-8:3 or 7:36-50