On September 14th, we celebrate the central symbol of Christianity, the cross, an instrument of torture and cruel death. But for us it is the instrument of salvation. Lifted up on the cross, Christ broke the power of death and sin, showed us the Father's love, and we became adopted sons and daughters of God. The cross is not just a symbol, but a way of life. We each have our share in this mystery. Our willingness to embrace the cross, to give of ourselves totally, marks us as true followers of Christ.



SENIOR PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND

Catholics throughout the Diocese of Providence have a special opportunity to make a difference in the lives of our senior priests. Next weekend, September 16 & 17, the second collection will benefit the Senior Priest Retirement Fund, which is a significant source of support for senior priests, providing for basic needs and medical care. Please support the effort that benefits those priests who have selflessly served the faithful of our parish for years. Thank you.

FESTIVAL SPONSORS

Thank you to all 87 Sponsors!

Your donations have contributed to the success of our Summer Festival.

Congratulations to this year's winner: #71 Amigo de San Bartolomé

CONGRATULATIONS

to these winners of the Summer Festival Calendar Raffle!

August 28 - #131 – Angela McFadden

August 29 - #350 - Pablo Suarez

August 30 - #290 - Roberto Ventura

August 31 - #98 - Joshua Gutierrez

Thank you to all who purchased tickets and donated prizes; your support has made the 2023 raffle a huge success!

FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO REGISTER!

CCD REGISTRATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR THE FOLLOWING:

First Communion for children in grades 1 thru 8 and

Confirmation for students in grade 9 and

RCIA Classes for those 16 years and older needing Baptism, First Communion, and/or Confirmation

WILL BE HELD ON:

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16th

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Rectory Meeting Room

ALL STUDENTS MUST REGISTER ON ONE OF THE ABOVE DATES BEFORE BEGINNING CLASSES.

A BAPTISM CERTIFICATE MUST BE PROVIDED WHEN REGISTERING, UNLESS NOT BAPTIZED.

A \$50 registration fee per family is to be paid at registration.

ANNUAL TURKEY TROT

Sponsored by the Parish Ladies Guild will be held on TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 14th in the Church Hall at 6:00pm. We are in need of monetary donations, canned goods, boxed foods, gift items, and gift cards for the many raffles. Donations may be brought to weekend Masses or to the Parish Office. Thank you for helping to make this parish event successful by your donations and attendance.

Looking Ahead

October 9 - Columbus Day Holiday
October 31 - Halloween
November 1 - All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation
November 2 - All Souls Day
November 14 - Annual Parish Turkey Trot
November 23 - Thanksgiving Day Mass

MASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 11 - 17, 2023

Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead, however the following are specifically remembered this week.

Monday, September 11

7:30 am - For A Special Intention

Tuesday, September 12 – The Most Holy Name of Mary

7:30 am - In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, September 13

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

Thursday, September 14

7:30 am - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Friday, September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners 3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday, September 16

8:00 am - Intentions of Priest Celebrant

WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT

What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice. (Increased Giving Campaign)

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets

Weekend of September 2 & 3, 2023 \$3,926.00

2nd Collection: Youth Ministry: \$989.00

Special Collections in September Thank you for your generosity!

September 3 - Diocesan Youth Ministry September 10 - Major Repair Fund September 17 - Priests' Retirement Fund September 24 - Extraordinary Parish Expenses

Wedding Anniversary Celebration 25th, 40th, 50th & over 50 Years of Marriage

The Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be celebrated on **Sunday, October 22**nd **at 1:00 pm** at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul in Providence. Couples, whose marriage is recognized by the Church, that would like to attend can register for this special event by calling our Parish Office at 944-4466 before September 11th.

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, September 16

5:00 pm

Deceased of Ginolfi & Toste Families by family
Lenora Grande
Jean Golini
Phil Caliri

6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish

Sunday, September 17 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am

Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Teresa Alarcon by Virginia & Family Maria Roman by Virginia & Family Deceased of Pio A. Romano, Sr. Family



Sanctuary Candle & Altar Bread & Wine:

In Memory of

Deceased of Ginolfi & Toste Families Benjamin Lombardi – 10th Year Remembrance

This Week's Bulletin Is Sponsored

In Memory of

Bucky & Ruth Buchanan