

*The Second Sunday of Lent
February 25, 2018*



Saturday — February 24
Vigil of the 2nd Sunday of Lent

5:15 p.m.— **Richard Cote—5th Anniversary**
Requested by his Family

Sunday — February 25
The 2nd Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. **George L. Nault—9th Anniversary**
Requested by his Wife & Daughter

11:15 a.m. **J. Richard Charland —Memorial**
Requested by St. Ambrose Parish

Jean Guay—10th Anniversary
Requested by his Family

Monday—February 26
Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. **For the People of St. Ambrose**

Tuesday — February 27
Lenten Weekday

7:00 p.m. **Mass at St. James Church**

Wednesday —February 28
Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. **For the People of St. Ambrose**

6:30 p.m. **Stations of the Cross—St. Ambrose**

Thursday — March 1
Lenten Weekday

7:00 p.m. **Mass at St. James Church**

Friday — March 2
Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. **The Five Charland Sisters—In Memory**
Requested by the Charland Family

6:30 p.m. **Stations of the Cross—St. James**

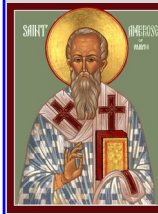
Saturday — March 3
Vigil of the Third Sunday of Lent

5:15 p.m.— **Rose & Edward Crepeau—Memorial**
Requested by their Family

Sunday — March 4
The Third Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. **Roland Bacon—Memorial**
Requested by Brian & Michelle Smith

11:15 a.m. **Beverly Tobin —Memorial**
Requested by her sister Dawn Coons



“The things, good Lord, that we pray for, give us the grace to labor for.”

-St. Thomas More 16th Century

Dear Parishioners,

This quote by St. Thomas More reminds us that it is not enough to simply put our anguish, pain, intentions, disappointments, needs into prayer before the Lord God. We must also put our prayers into action. We must work for justice, we must stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters and we must raise our voices for peace in our society. We have been sorrowfully and painfully brought to prayer in the face of natural disasters, the brutality of terrorist acts, sexual and racial abuse by those in power and must recently horrifically brought to prayer by the killing of 17 individuals at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. Raising our voices in prayer is essential but we must also put our prayers into action. We need to demand that our local and national leaders address issues of gun control, mental health issues in our society and the proper protection of our rights as US citizens. I do not know the answers to these concerns but we should not hide from the question of whether an AR-15 assault rifle should be banned or controlled. We should not hide from a discussion concerning the mental health of our young people who are experiencing detachment in an age of social networking and indifference to human life through desensitization via callous internet posts, violent video games and hated filled music lyrics. We need to look at our society and ask how we can put our prayers for justice, mercy, tolerance, compassion and peace into practice.

Peace, Fr. Tom

Weekly Collection

Week of February 17, 2018

Weekly Budget.....	\$ 2,596.00
EFT.....	\$ 705.00
Poor Box.....	\$ 72.00
Monthly Maintenance.....	\$ 137.00
Mission Trip Donation.....	\$ 200.00
Annual.....	\$ 100.00
Lenten Mission.....	\$ 132.00
Candle Offering.....	\$ 78.00
First Offering.....	\$ 20.00
Holy Water Donation.....	\$ 5.00
Catholic Charity Appeal.....	\$ 13,585.00

Thank you for your generosity!

We depend solely upon your weekly support to meet our weekly parish expenses.

Just a reminder that we are still collecting for our Lenton Food Drive!

WEEK 2: (February 24/25)

PAPER GOODS – toilet tissue, tissues, paper towels, napkins, plastic wrap, aluminum foil, dish detergent, cleanser, etc.

WEEK 3: (March 3/4)

DRY GOODS – pasta, instant potatoes, rice, macaroni & cheese, crackers, cake mix, frosting, bread mix, puddings, Jell-O, etc.



Congratulations to the newly baptized

Charlotte Reese Sciacca

&

Emma Rhyan Sciacca

And their parents

Edward & Jessica

“For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11



Faith Formation

March 3, 2014

“A Saturday Walk with Jesus”

Retreat for Grades 3, 4, & 5. 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.. In the Parish Hall. This Retreat, will focus on the Lenten season and the importance of praying, fasting, and almsgiving. As part of our Lenten mission, we are asking that each child bring a small \$1.00 travel size hygiene item (toothpaste, soap, deodorant, tissues, etc.) that will be donated to a local organization Fr. Ferland will also be hearing confessions from the children during the Retreat. **Attendance is required** as part of the Faith Formation program.

Please refer to the email announcement for additional information. Should you have any questions, please contact me at rcarney@stambrosechurchri.org

March 4, 2018

1st Communion Parent Meeting (attendance is requested) 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

March 4, 2018

Lenten Reconciliation

Service & Presentation Grades

6-8 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Questions or concerns please contact Matthew Daly StAmbroseYouth@cox.net

Postponed from an earlier date



Relay for Life Statewide Kickoff
Come hear a research doctor discuss the progress in cancer research & how your donor dollars are helping in the fight against cancer
SNACKS BAR VIDEOS GIVEAWAYS
Thursday March 8th @ 6:00
Kirkbrae Country Club
197 Old River Road, Lincoln
Join us in the fun with Relayers from all over the state of RI



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40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign

The Office of Life and Family Ministry and R.I. Right to Life will be co-sponsoring the Lenten campaign beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 14 through Palm Sunday, March 25. We are asking parishes to adopt a day or for individuals to adopt an hour for a peaceful prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood, 175 Broad Street, Providence during this 40 day period from 7am to 7pm.

Please encourage women who are in a crisis or unplanned pregnancy to call us for confidential assistance! If you are interested in learning more about the campaign that calls for prayer, fasting and community outreach contact: Carol Owens, Office of Life and



Our Lady's Hanging Lamp in Honor of

*Rita Lacombe
In Memory*

Please keep this intention in your prayers.

If you are interested in an intention for **Our Lady's Hanging Lamp** please contact the rectory at 333-1568.

A Lenten Mission with Matt Fradd

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

McVinney Auditorium

43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence

Matt Fradd is a Catholic apologist and chastity speaker. He shares startling statistics, real life stories, and the rock-solid wisdom of the Church's teachings on human sexuality. This evening given specifically for youth and young adults is offered at **NO COST** thanks to a generous donation. To reserve your seats call 401-278-4626.

INFO FOR PARENTS

Some topics discussed may be considered sensitive in nature. Hosted by the Offices of Catholic Youth Ministry, Faith Formation, and Family Life



Bishop Hendricken Open House
March 4th from noon—3:00 p.m.

Information on the academics, college placement, athletic and extracurricular activities will be available. The entrance exam for prospective 8th, 9th or 10th grade students will be held on Saturday, April 7th at 8:30 a.m. For more information, contact the Admissions Office at 739-3450, ext. 162.



There was a farmer who had a dog and BINGO was his name oh! Come support St. James Mission Team!

Families and Friends of St. Ambrose Join Us For

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March 09 night 6^{PM}

St. Ambrose Church Hall 191 School St.
Proceeds Benefit the Mustard Seed Communities Mission Trip August 4-11
For More Information Visit www.MustardSeed.com

**WOONSOCKET AREA CHURCHES
PLAN LENTEN SERVICES.**

Area churches in Woonsocket, Slatersville and Blackstone are scheduling five prayer services each Wednesdays of Lent at 7 pm. St. Charles Church at 190 North Main St. will begin the series at 7 pm on the 22nd of February, followed by a joint effort of Our Saviour Polish National Church and Slatersville Congregational Church on February 28 7 pm at 500 Smithfield Rd. All Saints Church at 323 Rathbun St., at 7 pm on March 7. St. James Episcopal Church and St. Mark Lutheran Church will offer another joint service at 7pm on March 14 at 24 Hamlet Avenue. Christ Community Church at Church St. in Blackstone will conclude the series at 7pm on March 21. Worshippers are invited to stay for fellowship after the services. Donations will be gladly accepted to benefit the local meal site NEW BEGINNINGS on Rathbun St, Woonsocket. All services are open to the public.

“Our Lady of Divine Providence “

An International Women's Ministry, will hold their Magnificat Breakfast Saturday, March 17th 8:00 to 12:00 p.m. Allison Gingras, renowned Roman Catholic blogger, author, retreat leader, inspirational speaker & Catholic radio host will be the guest speaker. Join us for a dynamic spirit-filled morning of prayer, praise & personal witness. Bring a friend!

40 DAYS ^{darkness & light} Ash Wednesday

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return

prepare for the Paschal mystery
Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. 2 Cor. 6:2

Purple
C.O.N.V.E.R.S.I.O.N
joy Good Works patience obedience

Return To Me With Your Whole Heart
Joel 2:12

Lent

A clean heart create in me, O God. psalm 51

PRAYER
FASTING
ALMSGIVING

simplicity
reconciliation

Penance

take up your cross

preparation

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. psalm 45

Ashes
Palms
Crucifix
Holy Water