



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me." John 14:1

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Saturday, May 2 *Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

- 9:00 First Saturday Mass
- 2:00 Wedding: Tyler Brooks and Meghan Woodbine
- 5:00 LOUIS, MARY & ALBERT ORABONA (deceased) by Lucille Orabona

Sunday, May 3 *5th Sunday of Easter*

- 10:00 ANGELO R. COLETTI (deceased) by the Coletti family

Noon Eucharistic Adoration

- 1:00 INTENTIONS OF ALAN & DIANE COSTANTINO AND FAMILY by David Diorio
- 6:00 ANTHONY & RITA G. CABRAL (deceased)

Monday, May 4

- 12:00 JOSEPH & CONNIE SCIARRA (deceased) by Alan and Diane Costantino

Tuesday, May 5

- 12:00 MARTHA JASENTA MOYO (deceased) by Bob and Elizabeth Cusack

Wednesday, May 6

- 12:00 BENEDICTA JAVID (deceased) by family (Birthday Rem.)

Thursday, May 7 *National Day of Prayer*

- 12:00 INTENTIONS OF DAVID, JAMES, AND JULIE AUCLAIR by David and Ann Quinn

Friday, May 8

- 12:00 ROBERT EMMET CUSACK, SR. (deceased) by Bob and Elizabeth Cusack

Saturday, May 9

- 2:30 Wedding: David Morra and Kathia Elkhoury
- 5:00 CAROLYN B. GAGNE LYON (deceased) by Ellen McNulty and Jason Brown

Sunday, May 10 *6th Sunday of Easter*

- 10:00 LINDA NASSAR (deceased) by the Boone family

Noon Eucharistic Adoration

- 1:00 VIRGINIA & ROGER LANGELIER (deceased) by family
- 6:00 ANTHONY CABRAL, JR. (deceased)

Monsignor Mancini's Retirement

Effective July 1st, 2026 Monsignor Anthony Mancini will retire as the Rector of the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul.



On May 31st at 10AM Monsignor will offer a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving in gratitude to God for his twenty-two years of service as Rector. The Mass will be followed by a reception in Cathedral Hall to which all are cordially invited.

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"I am often asked, especially by young people why I became a priest. I must begin by saying that it is impossible to explain entirely. For it remains a mystery even to myself. How does one explain the ways of God? Yet I know that at a certain point in my life, I became convinced that Christ was saying to me what He had said to thousands before me: 'Come follow me!' There was a clear sense that what I heard in my heart was no human voice, nor was it just an idea of my own. Christ was calling me to serve Him as a priest."

Saint John Paul II

Pro-Life Rose Sale

Long-stem red roses will be available after the 10AM and 1PM Masses on **Sunday, May 10th**, in honor of Blessed Mother Mary and your mothers! All proceeds from the sale will benefit Catholic, pro-life Mother of Life Center on Atwells Avenue in Providence (motheroflife.org). The Center provides free pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, counseling, client advocacy, parenting classes, material goods for babies & moms, and much more. The suggested donation is \$3 per rose. Contributions in addition to or in lieu of rose purchase will also be gratefully accepted. Thank you for your always generous support!



FROM THE RECTOR - Monsignor Mancini

My dear Brothers and Sisters,
I would like to share with you the following meditation:

On the Way to the Father's House

I am prepared to give my life here on earth for God whenever and wherever he demands it of me. May he be a merciful judge of my immortal soul through the redemption won for us by his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. With my last breath I thank God from the bottom of my heart for all the gifts and goodness which I have received throughout my life from his fatherly hand, particularly for the inestimable gift of Catholic parents and a Catholic home, the right to be called a child of God, and the grace of my priestly vocation.

It was my greatest happiness on earth to be a Christian and a priest—and my greatest sorrow to have failed so often out of human weakness. May God have mercy upon this miserable sinner. I trust in his mercy and in the promises of Christ and long with all my heart to enter his heavenly kingdom. This is my fervent hope and my humble prayer. I beg all those who in this life have in any way suffered injustice or pain at my hands to forgive me, as I forgive with all my heart every offense and humiliation committed against me!

There are so many to whom I owe a debt of gratitude.... I was never rich enough to repay them here on earth. May God allow me to help them in eternity—I should repay them in good measure. I give my blessing in our Lord to all those to whom I was bound in this life by the ties of blood, of suffering, of work, and of religion.

If they saw anything good in me, then I beg them to thank God with me; if they saw only human frailty, then may their strength atone for my weakness so that we may all rejoice together in the fulfilment of the promises of our Lord Jesus Christ to whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be all praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

BLESSED KARL, LAMPERT

Blessed Karl Lampert († 1944), an Austrian priest and vicar general of the Diocese of Innsbruck, was killed by the Nazis in the Dachau concentration camp. These words from his diary are quoted by Father John Lenz in his account of the experience of priests in Dachau.

MISSIONARY APPEAL WEEKEND OF MAY 16 & 17, 2026

Fr. Francois X. Eale from the **Democratic Republic of Congo** will speak at all Masses and give the missionary appeal here at the Cathedral on the weekend of May 16 & 17 on the behalf of the **Diocese of Kikwit** in support of pastoral work of diocesan priests and to give children from very poor families an opportunity for education and provide clean water to poor communities. A second collection will be taken that weekend at all

Masses to support their missionary work. Thank you for your generous response to his appeal for the Church's mission in Congo!



Religious Education

Teen Confirmation Class: Monday, May 4 at 6:30pm
Gr 1-8 & First Holy Communion Class: Saturday, May 9 at 10:30am

Faith Formation

Bible Study: Wednesday, May 6 — 7pm-8:30pm

First Wednesday Rosary - May 6 at 6pm {Cathedral}

MOTHER OF HOPE CENTER

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on beautiful Echol Lake in Chepachet sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Providence through funding from the annual Catholic Charity Appeal and is accredited by the American Camping Association (ACA). For 75 years,

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AGES: Open for children ages 5 through 12

Mother of Hope Camp's summer program runs 8 consecutive weeks beginning the 3rd week of June through the 2nd week of August. Registration is open throughout the summer and choose from weekly or daily options. Bus transportation is available to and from many convenient locations throughout RI. **Visit our website for specific dates and events, or registration information.**

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Catholic Charity Appeal—2026

Parish Goal: \$41,895

Amount Collected through April 6th: **\$41,852**

How to Make a Gift to the Appeal

PAYMENT METHODS:

- Cash
- Credit or debit card
- Check or money order made payable to: 2026 Catholic Charity Appeal
- Donate online at: givecentral.org/2026CCA
- Call (401) 277-2121 to make a gift by phone