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# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

May 23, 2021

Pentecost Sunday



Pentecost

## MASSES

### Lord's Day Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m. in the church

Sunday 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. in the church  
10:30 a.m. at the parish center

### Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8:00 a.m.

Thursday 5:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m.

or by appointment



## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As individuals and families, our mission as the Parish Community of Saint Joseph is to live fully the call of Jesus Christ, to be the People of God by giving witness to the Gospel, passing on our Catholic tradition, strengthening the spiritual life of parishioners and serving those in need. We are committed to being an active, welcoming, and supportive community, proclaiming Christ's teaching through word and deed.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



Saturday, May 29, 2021

**Holy Communion** Carol Fraini  
**Lector** Patty Bickford  
**Altar Server** Anthony Lloyd

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Sunday, May 30, 2021

**7:00 AM**  
**Holy Communion** Jean Ashton  
**Lector** Kathi Roy  
**Altar Server** Al Pastick  
**9:00 AM**  
**Holy Communion** Gloria Sinclair  
**Lector** Pat Messina  
**Altar Server** Sadie Bickford  
**10:30 AM**  
**Holy Communion** Mary Skorvanek  
**Lector** Lisa Wass  
**Altar Server** Paul Molis

**Saturday, May 22, 2021**

4:00PM **Joanne Kilsheimer**  
by her brother

**Sunday, May 23, 2021**

7:00AM **Francis Lau Van Phan**  
9:00AM **Cecile DesChenes**  
1st Anniversary Remembrance  
by family  
10:30AM **Mae McCauliff**  
Anniversary Remembrance  
by family

**Monday, May 24, 2021**

8:00AM **People of St. Joseph Parish**

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021**

8:00AM **Bill and Bea Lohnes**  
by their daughter

**Wednesday, May 26, 2021**

8:00AM **Joseph Fleming**  
Birthday Remembrance  
by Mom and Dad

**Thursday, May 27, 2021**

5:00PM **All Souls Day Remembrances**

**Friday, May 28, 2021**

8:00AM **Fr. John Kochanowski**

**Saturday, May 29, 2021**

4:00PM **Thomas Reynolds**  
24th Anniversary Remembrance  
by daughter Judy

**Sunday, May 30, 2021**

7:00AM **Mitchell**  
9:00AM **Charlie Gauthier**  
by family  
10:30AM **Fr. Jim Hoeh**

**A Prayer in Time of Pandemic**

O God, whose Only Begotten Son bore the weight of human suffering for our salvation, hear the prayers of your Church for our sick brothers and sisters and deliver us from this time of trial.

Open our ears and our hearts to the voice of your Son: Be not afraid, for I am with you always.

Bless all doctors and nurses, researchers and public servants; give us the wisdom to do what is right and the faith to endure this hour, that we might gather once again to praise your name in the heart of your Church, delivered from all distress and confident in your mercy.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## AUBURN, MASSACHUSETTS

**Dear People of Saint Joseph Parish,**

Pilgrims to Saint Peter's Basilica at the Vatican vividly remember this image of the Holy Spirit found on the back wall of the basilica behind the main altar, above the altar of the Chair of Saint Peter. Gian Lorenzo Bernini created that window to decorate the Basilica. He was the principal architect for the decoration of the building.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost, this image is a lovely source of meditation for the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the early Church, and remaining with us today. Bernini's style through much of the basilica is cool. He had the task of making the building look smaller than it really was. He used techniques of optical illusion to accomplish the task. Part of that was to keep the colors cool. The warmer part of the color wheel would overwhelm visitors. The exception was the window behind the main altar. It is on the western side of the building and the artist capitalized on using the setting sun to illuminate his vision of the Holy Spirit.

Many people think that the window is stained glass. Bernini used alabaster and amber to create the window. The attributes of these materials combined with the setting sun make the window glow with warmth and energy. It contrasts with much of the other decoration of the basilica and attracts pilgrims toward the altar to engage God in prayer.

Bernini was an artist, but he was also a theologian. He used his art to illustrate the faith for pilgrims who visit the tomb of Saint Peter. Peter received the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost in Jerusalem. Acts of the Apostles records the witness he professed because of the event. Peter communicated with the gift of the Holy Spirit and Saint Luke recorded that "about three thousand were added that day." Placing this image in the Basilica reminds pilgrims that Peter was there and came under the influence of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit remains in the Church as a source of life and love.

Bernini communicated the brilliance of the Holy Spirit, but also brought the warmth with its color. It looks like fire burning on a warm Pentecost evening as people gather in the church to pray.

We bask in the light of the Holy Spirit. We encounter God at baptism and the Holy Spirit brings us grace. The Holy Spirit kindles that light at Confirmation to let the flame of faith burn brightly in our hearts. When we imitate Peter's courage and fidelity to proclaim God's goodness and love in our words and actions we bring others closer to that light.

May the Holy Spirit lead us to everlasting life!

**Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba**



## **Stewardship!!!**

### **Pentecost Sunday**

*"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." (1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-6)*

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances. God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God's plan to work, each must do what we are called to do. Guess what? We are not all called to do the same thing! For God's plan to work you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do.

### **Volunteers needed for Children in Homeless Shelters**



Children living in more than 90 homeless shelters across Mass. count on Horizons for Homeless Children volunteers. Can they count on you? Volunteer to play with homeless children at our Playspace in one of more than 90 family shelters. We

have a high need for volunteers in Worcester. A commitment of 2 hours a week for 6 months and an orientation are required. Upcoming online volunteer orientation: Thursday, June 17 from 6-8 pm.

**To find out more, view other orientation dates, or to apply, call 774.260.2612 or visit [www.horizonschildren.org/playspace](http://www.horizonschildren.org/playspace).**

Sunday, May 23, 2021



**Friday, May 28, 2021**

Scout Leader Training

4:30PM-8:30PM

Parish Center

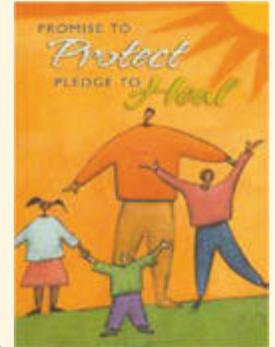
**Did You Know? The Prevalence of Abuse in Society**

In surveys of adults, one out of five women and one out of ten men reported that they were sexually molested before they were 18 years old. This means that an estimated 40 million adult survivors of child sexual abuse are living in the United States today. An estimated 9.6% of all school children will be molested by an educator or an employee of a school between kindergarten and 12th grade.

Between 13 and 34% of all females will be victims of sexual assault before the age of 18, and 7 to 16% of all males will also be victimized before they are 18.

**For particular help you may call: Judith Audette, Director of Office for Healing and Prevention at (508) 929-4363.**

Source: D. Finkelhor, "Current Information on the Scope and Nature of Child Sexual Abuse," The Future of Children 2 (1994).



**Thankfully, we are able to resume our regular mass schedule with safety precautions in place.**

If you are feeling sick, are exhibiting any of the following symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste or smell), or have potentially been exposed to someone with confirmed or suspected COVID-19, then you should not attend services in-person.

A potential exposure means having household contact or having close contact (within 6 feet) with an individual with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for a prolonged period of time (over 10 minutes) while the person is symptomatic or 48 hours before symptoms develop. Persons who are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19 according to the Centers for Disease Control (e.g., due to age or underlying conditions) are encouraged to stay home.

**Parish Support**

Weekly Goal	\$	7,500
Last Weekend	\$	3,589
Shortfall	\$	(3,911)
Maintenance	\$	-
Debt Redux	\$	40
Year to Date		
Budget	\$	150,000
Collections	\$	83,241
Electronic Payment	\$	3,675
Shortfall	\$	(63,084)

There will not be a second collection this weekend.  
There will not be a second collection next weekend.

*Thank you for your continued support  
of our parish.*

**Remember in your Prayers**

- Shirley Connor - Michael Prew - Jim Tobin
- Judith Daniels - Bill Dee - Graceann Dee
- Patrick Dee - Elsie Faneuil - Bonnie Lemoine
- Cindy Fitzgerald - Sharon Grybowski
- Phyllis Hammond - Deborah Johnston
- Anne Kirby - Cynthia Young - Steven Chomo
- Pauline Mercier - Deborah Mink - Victoria Mink
- Rob Cooney - Mary Creamer - Peter Vandale
- Erin O'Toole - John Rocheford - Daniel Roy
- Jillian Roy - Carlene Sherbourne - Alex Orloff
- Richard Laprade - Raymond Looney
- Jack Holmberg- Kevin Dobson - Kathy Stasaitis
- Peggy Markvenas - Richard Fleming, Sr.
- Brayden Charles Laperle - Marianne Haroian



## Pentecost Sunday

### 2021 PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2021 Partners in Charity Appeal. Partners in Charity, formerly known as the Bishop's Fund, is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester serving 28 charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries.

Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization and worship.

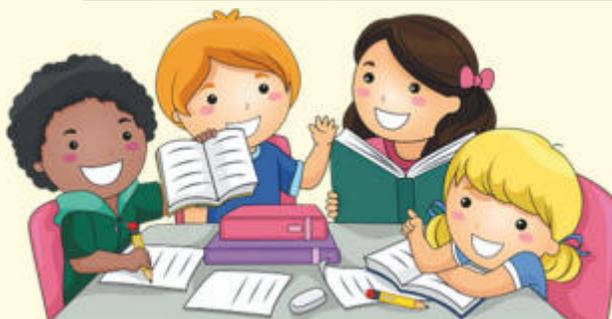
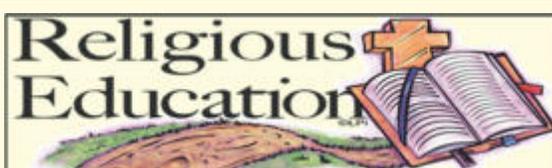
**Saint Joseph Parish has reached 64% of our goal of \$60,700.**

**That is \$38,547 from 131 donors.**

If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please prayerfully do so by filling out a commitment pledge envelope in the back of the church near the last pews or at the parish center and returning it in the collection basket, to the church office or by mailing it directly to the Diocesan office on Elm Street in Worcester. Gifts can also be made online at [www.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net). Thank you!



### NEWS FROM



#### April In Home Lessons –

#### Still available for pick up

There are a few April lessons needed to be picked up. Completed lessons are due by the end of June. When they have been returned, students will move to the next grade in the fall. If you need any help to complete this, please let me know via email, [stjoesreledaub@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesreledaub@gmail.com). I am in the office during the summer months.

Registration forms for the 2021/2022 CCD year will be mailed at the end of May beginning of June. Enjoy the summer, relax and enjoy the weather.

### Diocesan Summer Youth Events

The Diocesan Youth Ministry Office will be offering several exciting opportunities this summer for middle and high school youth! Events include a trip to an aerial adventure course, whitewater rafting, summer worship nights, the Diocesan volleyball league, and the Diocesan Youth Discipleship Team. To get more information or to register a group for any of these opportunities go to the Diocesan Youth Ministry website at [www.neworchester.org](http://www.neworchester.org) or contact Tim Messenger at [tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org](mailto:tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org) or 508-929-4360.

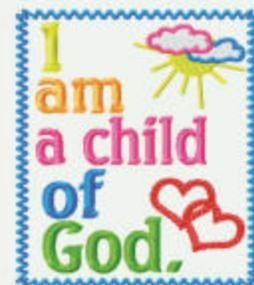


### Diocesan Summer Young Adult Events

All young adults (ages 18-39) are invited to join us for our Diocesan Young Adult Ministry events this summer! Events include weekly pick-up volleyball, hiking trips to Mt. Wachusett and Mt. Monadnock, an aerial adventure course, and whitewater rafting. Some events require registration in advance. To sign up or to get more information go to [www.neworchester.org/summer-young-adult-events](http://www.neworchester.org/summer-young-adult-events) or contact Tim Messenger at [tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org](mailto:tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org) or 508-929-4360.

### SPRED Resumes in South County

We are resuming the southern Worcester Diocese's SPRED unit and welcoming new members. SPRED (SPecial Religious Education) is a bi-monthly program for mentally challenged children (age appropriate levels) and adults to learn about their Christian faith. We meet at the Emmaus Center on the Sacred Heart of Jesus campus in Webster.



For more information, please contact the coordinator Linda Brink: [Lbrink2019@gmail.com](mailto:Lbrink2019@gmail.com).

### Join the Parish

Become a member of Saint Joseph Parish. Fill out one of the Parish Enrollment Forms found in the vestibule of the church or on the back table of the parish center. Place it in the mail, deliver it personally, or drop it in the collection basket.



*The sympathies of our parish are extended to the family of James Joseph Creamer, Jr. who recently passed away.*



# Pentecost Sunday

## DIVINE MERCY CENACLE – CLINTON

The Divine Mercy Prayer Cenacle of Saint John, Guardian of Our Lady Parish in Clinton prays for the seriously ill, the dying and special requests.

**Prayer requests can be submitted by phone at 978-733-0090 or by email at [DMCPray@gmail.com](mailto:DMCPray@gmail.com).**

Cenacle members immediately pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for your requests.



## Daily Mass, Sunday Mass, Family Rosary

all continue to stream on [worcesterdiocese.org](http://worcesterdiocese.org), and can be uploaded for automatic updating on eCatholic websites.

*Public Access Stations now carrying Masses:*

### Daily Mass

Worcester Ch 194 "the people's channel" at 9 am

**Auburn Ch 191 at 9 am**

### Sunday Mass

Worcester Ch 194 "the people's channel"

Spanish Sunday Mass at 8 am and

English Sunday Mass at 10 am (English Sunday Mass replays on Monday at 6 pm)

**Auburn Ch 191 Sunday at 10 am**



## St. Thomas More Law School Scholarship



Each year the St. Thomas More Society of our Diocese awards a scholarship of varying amounts, usually around \$3000, to a law student attending an accredited law school in the fall. Applicants or parents must be registered and active members of a parish in the Diocese of Worcester. Applicants may be in any year of law school studies.

**Applications may be obtained by visiting the diocesan website,**

**[www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society), by mailing requests to: St. Thomas More Society, Chancery Office, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609 or by calling Joan DeMasi at 508-929-4345. Applications are due on or before June 30, 2021. Should anyone wish to contribute to the scholarship fund, donations will be greatly appreciated and you can contact us at the above address or phone number.**

## A Message from Bishop McManus ...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Your voice could save millions of lives. The Hyde Amendment has protected Americans from funding abortion for 45 years. It is credited with saving the lives of more than **2.4 million children** to date. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away this law that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Without it, *billions* of taxpayer dollars could go to abortion. That means abortions would be *cheaper, easier and funded* with our taxpayer dollars.



As Pope Francis has said, "The future of humanity ... is fundamentally in the hands of people and in their ability to organize." It is critically important for Catholics to send a *strong* message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. Because of the *incredibly high stakes*, Congress needs to hear from a *massive* number of people. To that end, I invite the people of your parish to join our diocesan response to this nationwide effort by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, set for the **first week of June**. The primary goal is for *millions of Catholics to sign the petition* on [NoTaxpayerAbortion.com](http://NoTaxpayerAbortion.com).

With every prayerful best wish, I remain  
Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus  
Bishop of Worcester



## Adult Scouting Awards Dinner Tickets Available

The Worcester Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting is proud to announce this year's recipients of the Adult Catholic Scouting Religious Awards of St. George Emblem, Bronze Pelican Medal and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal. The awards are to recognize those adults in Scouting who have participated in promoting and teaching Catholic Faith Formation in Scouting through religious emblem programs, Scout Sunday observance, and various other activities relating to the faith. The Awards will be awarded at a luncheon by Rev. Richard Reidy, Vicar General of the Diocese of Worcester, on June 12 beginning at 1:00 PM at the St. Joseph Parish Center, 68 Central Street in Auburn. Guests are welcome to attend the Award Ceremony at the cost of \$20 per person.



**To purchase tickets go to this link: [neworchester.org/adult-awards-gathering](http://neworchester.org/adult-awards-gathering). Final deadline to register is Friday, June 4. Questions can be directed to John Atlas, Chairman of the Catholic Committee on Scouting for the Worcester Diocese, via email at [Scoutmaster.Troop9@gmail.com](mailto:Scoutmaster.Troop9@gmail.com).**

## PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU

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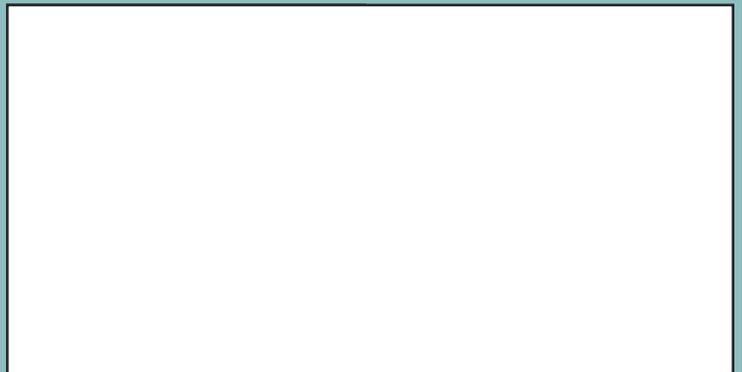
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