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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.

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

May 30, 2021

The Most Holy Trinity

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



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**

Monday, May 31, 2021

8:00AM **Joseph Smith, Sr.**
26th Anniversary Remembrance
Joseph Smith, Jr.
12th Anniversary Remembrance
by Joan Going and family

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

8:00AM **Francis Lau Van Phan**

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

8:00AM **Maggie Wilson**

Thursday, June 3, 2021

5:00PM **People of Saint Joseph Parish**

Friday, June 4, 2021

8:00AM **Rita**

Saturday, June 5, 2021

4:00PM **Ann R. Cote**
by daughter Judith

Sunday, June 6, 2021

7:00AM **Antoinette Salemmo**
Month's Mind Mass
by her niece
9:00AM **Rita Coughlin**
Anniversary Remembrance
by family
10:30AM **Kathryn Murdock**
by Margaret Hickey

Saturday, June 5, 2021

Holy Communion Fred Fraini
Lector Doreen Goodrich
Altar Server Jean Ashton

Sunday, June 6, 2021

7:00 AM
Holy Communion Jean Ashton
Lector Dorothy Jacques
Altar Server Al Pastick
9:00 AM
Holy Communion Len Angers
Lector Patty Bickford
Altar Server Sadie Bickford
10:30 AM
Holy Communion Dianne Trumbour
Lector Mary Skorvanek
Altar Server Emily Adamiak

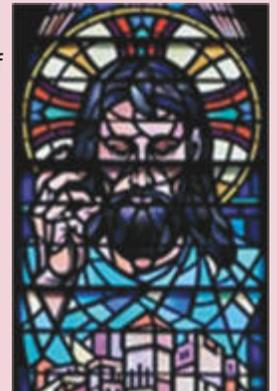
A Prayer in Time of Pandemic

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,

I went to the priests' retreat on May 16 to the Miramar Retreat Center in Duxbury. The Diocese of Worcester arranges a retreat each year for the priests. We could not have the retreat last year. It was great to get together this year. We were one of the first retreats at Miramar since it reopened. They were very glad to have retreats again.

The retreat master was Father Brett Brannon, a priest of the Diocese of Savannah. He is the spiritual director for the Pontifical College Josephinum, which is a seminary in Columbus, Ohio.

Father Brannon used one of my favorite themes during a conference. He reminded the priests that our task as priests is to bring God to the people and to bring the people to God. Mother Theresa of Calcutta used to quote that concept often when she would talk to groups of priests.

The first clause of that concept is the easy part. God wants to be close to people especially when we celebrate the Eucharist and distribute Holy Communion. The Church provides the fitting ways that we bring God to his people in the sacraments we celebrate in the Church.

I also know that some people wish to be with God as they come to the sacraments and joyfully receive the Body and Blood of Jesus daily. The difficult conflict happens when some people do not want to be with God and are hostile to the grace and blessings that God presents to us. God does not force his love upon anyone. Yet God still wishes to bless all of his children. That tension is the challenge for the priest.

Father Brannon encouraged the priests to bring Jesus to reluctant people in prayer and good works. He reminded us that God gives us guidance and courage that can move the stubborn hearts.

On the lighter side, he told us a joke.

A farmer had a wife who always complained. No matter what he did, his wife was never satisfied. One day she brought him lunch in the field while he was plowing with a mule. As he ate his lunch, the farmer's wife reminded him that he never takes her anywhere, never buys her anything nice, doesn't treat her well, and is a terrible husband. The mule had enough of her tirade, put his ears back and gave her a swift kick. The hoofs hit her in the head and she died.

The priest, at the wake, noticed that whenever women approached the widowed farmer he would shake his head with a yes movement. Whenever men approached him he would shake his head, no. The priest asked the farmer why he always said yes to the women and no to the men.

The farmer told the priest: "The women tell me that her dress and make-up are nice. Her hair is very nice. The funeral director presented her very well. I agree with them so I say yes. All the men want to know if the mule is for sale."

Father Brannon will not be giving up his day job.

Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba

Stewardship!!!

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"The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ..." (ROMANS 8:16-17)

If we are heirs to the kingdom of God, shouldn't we work to build up His kingdom? Shouldn't we be good stewards of our inheritance, using our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to care for the Church that God has left to us? Our Church is a treasured heirloom from God. Do we treat it that way?

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.

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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 \$39,042 from 134 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. Thank you!

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 or contact Tim Messenger at tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org or 508-929-4360.



Diocesan Summer Young Adult Events

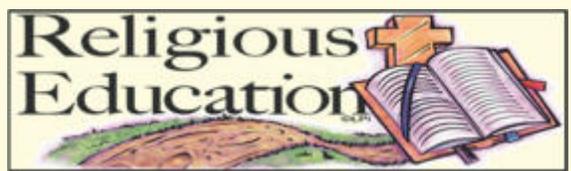
All young adults (ages 18-39) are invited to join us for our Diocesan Young Adult Ministry events this summer! Events include weekly pick-up volleyball, hiking trips to Mt. Wachusett and Mt. Monadnock, an aerial adventure course, and whitewater rafting. Some events require registration in advance. To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

St. Peter Central Catholic Elementary School Open House

St. Peter Central Catholic Elementary School, 865 Main Street, Worcester, will host an Open House on Tuesday, June 1st from 4:30pm-6:30pm by appointment only. Please contact marybeth.soucy@stpetercc.com or by phone at 508-791-6496. Please respect COVID protocol. St. Peter's has openings in Grades Pre-K-8.



NEWS FROM



Registration Information for 2021/2022



We are planning for September and getting ready for classes to begin at full capacity. Safety protocols remain in place to keep our building clean and safe for all. It is exciting to have our students back in the classroom and learning together.

Students stayed focused and dedicated during the year, whether they attended classes weekly or worked from home. A huge shout out to their teachers at the parish center and their parents at home. It was a difficult year, and you made it work.

Families will receive registration letters for next year's classes by mid June. Please update the information and return along with payment **on or before July 10.**

If you know of families with children in grades Kindergarten, first or second grade, share information about our program. This is the best way to spread the information.

If you have questions, contact the office at 508-832-6683, or email: stjoesreledaub@gmail.com.



Last Saturday 4 of our Confirmation candidates with some help began cleaning up the grounds at the parish center. They raked, cleaned out the growth around the parking lot edges and planted some flowers. We filled at least 6 pick up truckloads of debris and disposed of it. There is still more to be done and we are planning another clean up day in the near future.

Thank you for a job well done!!!

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A Message from Bishop McManus ...

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last weekend we celebrated the Solemnity of Pentecost during which we heard these words from the Acts of the Apostles: "We hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God." Consider these two thoughts as our diocese recognizes World Communications Day next weekend and take up the annual Catholic Communications Campaign.



First, we must recognize that communication is at the heart of how we fulfill our mission as Church. Just as the Holy Spirit empowered those early apostles, so, too, we are all commissioned to share the good news of salvation. Secondly, today we communicate not just in every language but on every platform, including

printed and broadcast media as well as social media including Facebook and Livestream.

Our patron, St. Paul, witnessed to the faith in the marketplace. Today, examples of witnessing to the faith abound. Pope Francis inspires the world as the Vicar of Christ on all forms of media; our national conference of Bishops advocates for key justice issues, including immigration reform, religious liberty and protecting the most vulnerable in society from the unborn to the elderly and infirm. Locally, our communications efforts in conjunction with our parishes build our communities of faith, and were critical to keep parishioners connected during the pandemic through emails, websites, the Catholic Free Press and cable TV programming as well as social media.

In his message for World Communications Day, Pope Francis writes:

"...the Gospel comes alive in our own day, whenever we accept the compelling witness of people whose lives have been changed by their encounter with Jesus. For two millennia, a chain of such encounters has communicated the attractiveness of the Christian adventure. The challenge that awaits us, then, is to communicate by encountering people, where they are and as they are."

The Catholic Communications Campaign supports national and diocesan resources to enable those encounters. Please give generously on the weekend of June 5 and 6 in your parish or visit worcesterdioecese.org to make an online donation or to learn more.

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



Daily Mass, Sunday Mass, Family Rosary

all continue to stream on worcesterdioecese.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



Novena to the Sacred Heart 2021 in Worcester

All are welcome to Sacred Heart-St.

Catherine of Sweden Parish for a

Novena to the Sacred Heart

on Thursday, June 3 through Friday,

June 11 from 7-8 pm. **Mass for the feast**

will be celebrated by Bishop

McManus on June 11 at 7 pm.

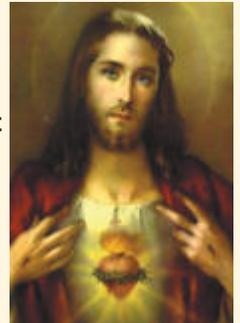
On each of these nine days, we will

build a deeper relationship with God

and with those around us. The church is

located at 596 Cambridge St.,

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if you handle a copy of the bulletin
take it with you when you leave.
Please do not put it back on the pile after Mass.

Italian Dinner to go in West Brookfield

Knights of Columbus Council 11080 is

sponsoring a Take-Out Spaghetti Dinner

on **Saturday, June 5 at 5:30 pm** at

Sacred Heart Church in West Brookfield.

The menu consists of pasta fagioli,

spaghetti & sauce, meatballs, sausage,

garden salad, and Italian bread. Tickets

for a take-out dinner are \$10.00 each.

Proceeds from this event will benefit local

charitable needs. Advance ticket

purchase is highly recommended as ticket sales at the door will be very limited.

For tickets call (413) 813-8100 or
email connor122@charter.net.





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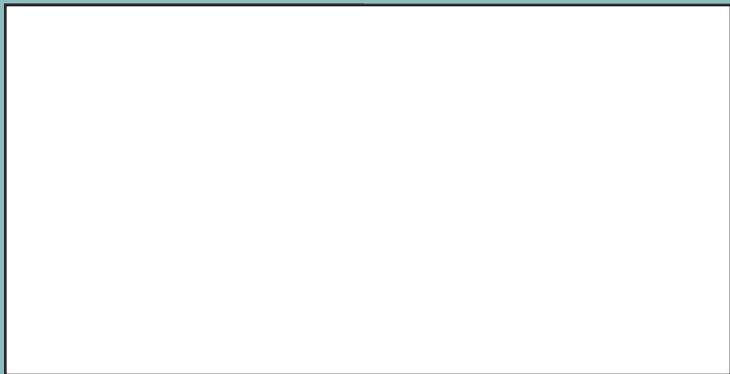
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