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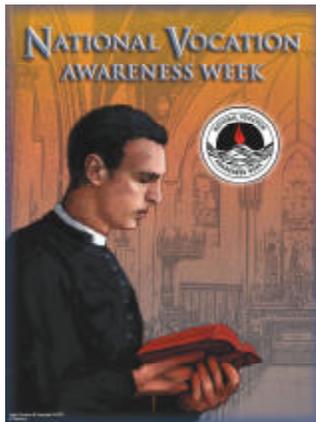
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# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

November 7, 2021

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 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, November 6, 2021**

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

**Sunday, November 7, 2021**

7:00AM **Fr. Joseph M. Nally**  
9:00AM **Stella Cunningham**  
by her son  
10:30AM **Patrick Flynn**  
2nd Anniversary Remembrance  
by family

**Monday, November 8, 2021**

8:00AM **For Healing for Brian**

**Tuesday, November 9, 2021**

8:00AM **For Healing for Larry**

**Wednesday, November 10, 2021**

8:00AM **Fr. Joseph M. Nally**

**Thursday, November 11, 2021**

5:00PM **Jane Reynolds**  
by daughter Judy

**Friday, November 12, 2021**

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

**Saturday, November 13, 2021**

4:00PM **Jane and Thomas Reynolds**  
by daughter Judy

**Sunday, November 14, 2021**

7:00AM **Francis**  
9:00AM **Vincent Denaris**  
31st Anniversary Remembrance  
by sister Anna  
10:30AM **Henry**

Saturday, November 13, 2021

**Holy Communion** Dorothy Jacques  
**Lector** Patty Bickford  
**Altar Server** Roger Bishop/Lorelei Bishop

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Sunday, November 14, 2021

**7:00 AM**  
**Holy Communion** Jean Ashton  
**Lector** Anna Fleming  
**Altar Server** Al Pastick  
**9:00 AM**  
**Holy Communion** Len Angers  
**Lector** Pat Messina  
**Altar Server** Anthony Lloyd  
**10:30 AM**  
**Holy Communion** Dianne Trumbour  
**Lector** Don Lagacy  
**Altar Server** Paul Molis

**Food Pantry Reminder...**

Next weekend is our monthly food collection. Items most needed are macaroni & cheese, canned soups, tuna, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, and pasta. Food collections will be donated to Auburn Youth and Family Services.



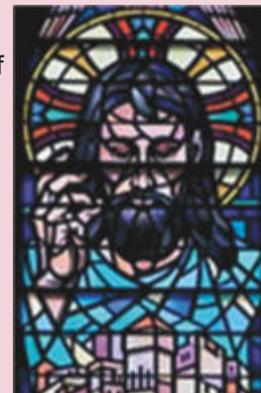
**A Prayer in Time of Pandemic**

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, trusting in your loving protection, we might see the end of this pandemic and rejoice in your mercy.

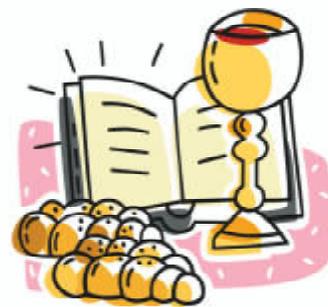
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## AUBURN, MASSACHUSETTS

Dear People of Saint Joseph Parish,

The Office of Divine Worship issued this helpful article for publication in church bulletins.



### COMING HOME TO CHURCH (Part 3) What do I Bring to Mass and What do I Get?

We seem to be living in a society that prizes freedom and individual rights above all else. As Americans, we rightly value and celebrate the freedoms we have and that were won at great cost.

After all, these freedoms include the freedom to practice our religion. This singular emphasis on individual rights and freedoms, however, can also lead to unrealistic expectations. If something does not meet our expectations, we simply can't be bothered.

Perhaps this sentiment is behind the often heard reasons given for not coming to Mass: "It does nothing for me," or "I don't get anything out of it." These responses seem to be conversation enders, not conversation starters. What do we get from participation in Mass? Like most things in life, we get what we put into it.

What do we bring to Mass? Once we actually get there, we may feel like the publican in the parable (1) standing silently in the back aware of his sinfulness or like the widow who only had two mites to offer. (2) We bring our stresses, our brokenness, and our distractions. Yet, we are welcomed. We come to the Lord, who affirmed both the publican and the widow. We come to the one who healed the deaf, the mute, the lame, and the leper. We come to the one who dined with sinners.

There are other times when we are full of thanksgiving – the healthy return of a son or daughter from a faraway battlefield, finding something that had been lost, a delightful visit with grandchildren, getting that job we were hoping for. These are moments when we experience a benevolent power beyond ourselves.

At Mass, we lay our joys and our brokenness on the altar together with those of our brothers and sisters. In return, we get the support of the community, we are nourished with the Body and Blood of Christ to help us on our journey, and we are given a renewed sense of purpose and hope.

(1) Luke 18:9-14.

(2) Luke 21:1-4.

Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba

## Stewardship!!!

### Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living." (Mark 12:43-44)* Jesus gets right to the point – we are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your "first fruits" or from what is "left over?"

### ST. JOSEPH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR PASTOR'S PRIZE RAFFLE

Tickets on sale after masses this weekend

--Mass Lottery Scratch Tickets – Purchase Price \$100.00

--Hand Crocheted Afghan (Blue, Gold and White)

First winner gets choice of one prize

Second winner takes the remaining prize

\$1.00 per chance

Drawing: Saturday, December 4, at the Christmas Bazaar



# Sunday, November 7, 2021



## Sunday, November 7, 2021

Plumbing School	Noon-8:00PM	Parish Center
AA Meeting	7:00PM-9:00PM	Lower Church Hall

## Monday, November 8, 2021

Religious Education Classes Grades 3, 4 & 5	4:00PM-5:15PM	Parish Center
Religious Education Classes Grades 6, 7 & 8	6:45PM-8:00PM	Parish Center
Plumbing School	6:00PM-9:30PM	Parish Center

## Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Finance Committee Meeting	7:00PM	Lower Church Hall
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## Wednesday, November 10, 2021

Bible Group	10:00AM-Noon	Parish Center
Plumbing School	6:00PM-9:30PM	Parish Center
AA Meeting	7:00PM-9:00PM	Lower Church Hall

## Thursday, November 11, 2021

Rock Voices Rehearsal	5:30PM-8:00PM	Parish Center
Choir Rehearsal	6:30PM	Church

## Friday, November 12, 2021

CPR Class	1:00PM-3:00PM	Parish Center
Coin Club	5:00PM-9:00PM	Parish Center

## Saturday, November 13, 2021

Religious Education Classes Grades 1 & 2	10:00AM-11:15AM	Parish Center
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## Sunday, November 14, 2021

Grade 2 Mass	9:00AM	Church
AA Meeting	7:00PM-9:00PM	Lower Church Hall



## Parish Support



Weekly Goal	\$	7,500
Last Weekend	\$	2,907
Shortfall	\$	(4,593)
All Saints/All Souls	\$	1085
Debt Redux	\$	130
Year to Date		
Budget	\$	330,000
Collections	\$	181,396
Electronic Payment	\$	8,060
Shortfall	\$	(140,544)

The second collection this weekend is for  
**Maintenance.**

The second collection next weekend  
is for **Fuel.**

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



**Shirley Connor - Michael Prew - Jim Tobin**  
**Judith Daniels - Bill Dee**  
**Patrick and Kate Dee - Bonnie Lemoine**  
**Cindy Fitzgerald - Sharon Grybowski**  
**Phyllis Hammond - Deborah Johnston**  
**Anne Kirby - Cynthia Young - Steven Chomo**  
**Deborah Mink - Victoria Mink**  
**Edmund Walsh - Susan Schmidt**  
**Thomas McMahan - Elsie Faneuil**  
**Jillian Roy - Carlene Sherbourne - Alex Orloff**  
**Richard Laprade - Raymond Looney**  
**Daniel Roy - Kevin Dobson - Kathy Stasaitis**  
**Peggy Markvenas - Jack Holmberg**  
**Marianne Haroian**  
**Erin O'Toole**  
**Robert Haroian - William Daniels**  
**Joseph Cloutier, Jr.**

## Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thank You ...

Knights of Columbus  
Msg. Neary Council 13637  
Annual Tootsie Roll Drive



We wish to thank the parishioners of Saint Joseph's Parish who so generously donated to our annual Tootsie Roll Drive at the Masses on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. We had a successful fund-raising weekend at a number of local businesses, and your added contributions were a very significant part of our success. Again, we thank everyone who stepped up to support this worthy cause to assist children and young adults with intellectual and physical disabilities. We hope everyone who took a Tootsie Roll enjoyed them.

### Sacred Relics of the Saints (Treasures of the Church)



Treasures of the Church ministry provides people with an opportunity to experience God through an encounter with the relics of His saints in the form of exposition. Each exposition includes a presentation on each relic as well as the opportunity to venerate the relics. The veneration is a communion with the heroes of our Christian faith. The relics include: St. Maria Goretti, St.

Therese of Lisieux ( the Little Flower), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Faustina Kowalska. The highlight is a relic of the True Cross, and a piece of the Veil, that according to tradition, is believed to have belonged to Our Lady.

**Sacred Heart Parish in Webster is proud to host this amazing presentation on Sunday, November 28, 2021 at 2pm. The presentation will take place at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall located at 11 Day St, Webster. All are welcome.**

### Meeting

Tuesday, November 9

7:00 PM

in the Lower Church  
Hall



Finance  
Committee

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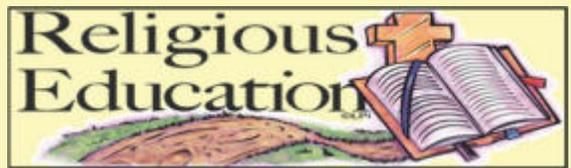
### Recognizing Signs of Child Sexual Abuse

Changes in behavior, extreme mood swings, withdrawal, fearlessness, excessive crying, bed-wetting, nightmares, fear of going to bed, sleep disorders, and a fear of certain places, people, or activities can be signs that a child has been traumatized by sexual abuse.

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

Source: Philip J. Lazarus, "Trauma and Children: A Parent Handout for Helping Children Heal," VIRTUS, May 12, 2003.

NEWS  
FROM



Confirmation



**GRADE 10 MEETING**

**(Confirmation 2022)**

Our meeting for **both confirmation candidates and their parents** is Tuesday, November 16, 6:30pm, at the parish center.

An overview of the sacrament and requirements for confirmation will be explained and a schedule of classes and events will be provided. Please make every effort to attend.

This meeting is for students currently in grade 10 who will receive the sacrament of confirmation in 2022.



**A REMINDER.....**

The Grade 2 Family Mass, is Sunday, November 14, 9:00am, at the Church. Pews will be marked reserved for families. Please arrive at least 5 minutes before mass begins.

### Holy Hour for Life

On **Monday, Nov. 15 at 7 pm** at Our Lady of Loreto Church, 37 Massasoit Road, Worcester, come join the OLMC Knights of Columbus and our Pastor and Deacon as we pray the Rosary, adore the Eucharist, hear a reflection, Benediction, and pray the Litany to St Joseph as Protector of the Family. We are praying for the pre-born, their mothers, the elderly and the mental and physically challenged. All attending will receive a Knights of Columbus Rosary for Life Prayer Card.



## Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Retreat for Women in Worcester

Ladies, you are invited to join us for a retreat on the Virtue of Gratitude as we prepare our hearts for the season of Advent. **Saturday, Nov. 13, 9 am-noon** followed by lunch and fellowship at Sacred Heart-St. Catherine of Sweden Parish Hall (596 Cambridge St. Worcester). We ask you purchase tickets ahead so we have an accurate count for lunch. Tickets \$15.00.



Email Lynn @ [LynnHGP@gmail.com](mailto:LynnHGP@gmail.com)  
or call the rectory 508-752-1608.

### SAVE THE DATE!

## St. Joseph Parish Christmas Bazaar Saturday, December 4, 2021



Our annual Christmas Bazaar will be held at the Parish Center on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:00AM-2:00PM. We hope to see you there!

**If you would like to help with the bazaar in any way, please reach out to Mary McGrail at 508-832-9778 or to Lisa Wass at**

**508-832-6683. We would love and appreciate your help.**

We continue to accept donations for the upcoming bazaar on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Donations of jewelry, knit goods (mittens – all sizes and colors), holiday décor, toys and attic treasures will help make this year's event successful. Gift certificates for our raffle table would be greatly appreciated!

\*Unfortunately we cannot accept clothing, bedding, electronics or large furniture.

**Items can be dropped off at the Parish Center Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday between 10am and 3pm. Please call ahead to make sure Lisa is available. 508-832-6683.**

### Spaghetti Dinner in West Brookfield

Knights of Columbus Council 11080 is having a Spaghetti Dinner on **Saturday, Nov. 13** in Dugan Hall, Sacred Heart Church, 10 Milk Street, West Brookfield. Take-out is available at 5:30 pm and sit-down dinner is served at 6:00 pm. Proceeds from this event will benefit charities that the Council supports. Dinner includes pasta fagioli, garden salad, meatballs & sausage, spaghetti & sauce, bread, dessert, water, soda, and coffee. Cost is only a \$12.00 donation and \$8.00 for children under 12 years old. Admission tickets are also good for entry for a special door prize! Raffle

tickets for a 50/50 Raffle and more will be available! Advance ticket purchase is encouraged and appreciated! Tickets are available from any Knight or by calling 413-813-8100, or by emailing [wallyconnor122@gmail.com](mailto:wallyconnor122@gmail.com). Tickets will only be available at the door while they last!



National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 7-13, 2021, is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U. S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which falls on January 13. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.

**God our Father,  
We thank you for calling men and women to serve  
in your Son's Kingdom as priests,  
deacons, and consecrated persons.  
Send your Holy Spirit to help others to  
respond generously  
and courageously to your call.  
May our community of faith support vocations of  
sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and  
reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one  
God, forever and ever. Amen**

### Vianney Dinner in November

The next Vianney Dinner is Thursday, **Nov. 18** at the Holy Name of Jesus House of Studies. Please note the change of date. These are nights for men, high school aged and up, interested in learning more about a priestly vocation. They are welcome to come to all or part of the evening as their schedule allows. 6:05 PM Mass, 6:30 dinner, and 7 PM social. An RSVP is not needed but it is helpful in getting an accurate count for food.

[director@worcestervocations.com](mailto:director@worcestervocations.com).



### Holy Hour to Pray for Priests



On **Friday, Nov. 12 from 7 – 8 pm** a holy hour to pray for priests will take place at Immaculate Conception Church on 353 Grove St., Worcester. This holy hour will consist of time for silent adoration, as well as a short reflection, the rosary, and benediction. Please join us to pray for our priests. Repeats every second Friday of the month.



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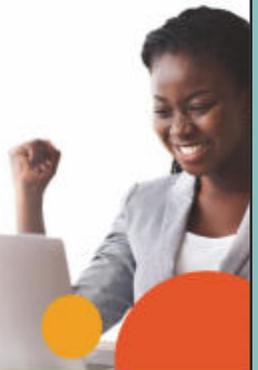
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