St. Joseph Church

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Pastor
Reverend Bob Grattaroti

Permanent Deacons
Bill Shea
Steve Miller

CURRENT MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 10:00 am & 5:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by appointment, call Parish Office at 508-248-7862.

Sacrament of Baptism

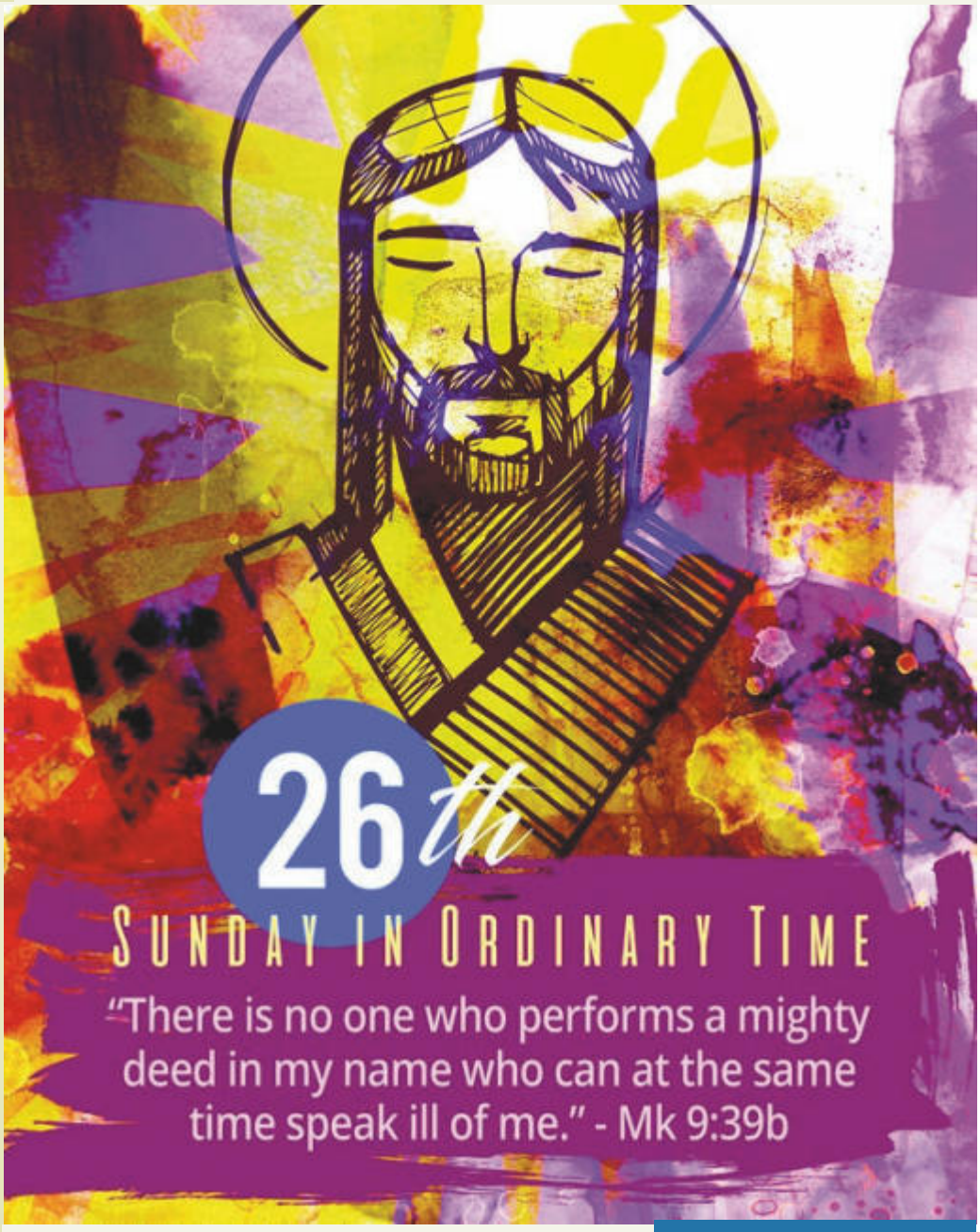
Baptismal preparation is required. Our next session is November 21st. Call to register at 508-248-7862.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements for a wedding begin a year prior to the date.
Call Parish Office at 508-248-7862 for arrangements.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Eucharistic Adoration is located in the front 2nd story window of the East wing of the building. You can park and pray from your vehicle at any time.



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10 October 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 9
4:30 pm **Deceased Members of the Mary/Martha Guild** by Mary/Martha Guild
Sunday, October 10
10:00 am **Dick & Rick Doucimo** by Ellie Beaudry
5:00 pm **Carrington Family** by Carol Carrington
Tuesday, October 12
8:30 am **Doris & Ben Gendreau** by Sheila & Ron Hokanson
Thursday, October 14
8:30 am **Mass Celebrated**
Saturday, October 16
4:30 pm **Leonard Tessier** by the Family
Sunday, October 18
10:00 am **Nancy Duhamel** by Ann Tremblay & Debra Ciesluk
5:00 pm **Roger Gendreau** by Daughter Christine & Family

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for Fr. Norm Tremblay by a Friend

Cursillo

Next weekend is a Woman's Cursillo with Ruth Beringer as Rectora. Please keep Ruth, her team and all the candidates in prayer.

Rest in Peace

Roger Gelineau father of Cheryl Kingston and **Eileen C. Casey**. May they rest in the arms of the Lord and rejoice in the glory of heaven and may their families find comfort in their faith.

Our next BAPTISMAL PREPARATION session will take place next Sunday, November 21st after the 10:00 am Mass. Scan QR code for registration form and information.

1ST LIGHTS GRADES K-5 REGISTRATION

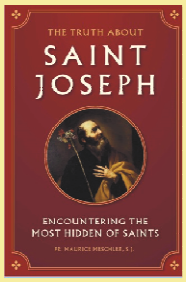
Classes begin the week of October 17th.

TEACHERS NEEDED!!
First Lights is in need of teachers
Contact Pam Smith or Sr. Agnes
at 508-248-7862 if you can help.

BAPTISM MINISTRY

NEEDS YOUR HELP!
Our Baptismal Preparation Ministry needs your help. We are in need of four couples willing to give of their time and talent to help instruct parents seeking the Sacrament of Baptism for their children. The Parish will provide the necessary training for those who are interested. If you are able to give a couple of hours, three times a year, please contact Deacon Steve at 508-248-5463. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex for those interested.

NOVEMBER BOOK CLUB
The Truth about Saint Joseph: Encountering the Most Hidden of Saints by Fr. Maurice Meschler. Discussion will take place on Thursday, November 11th at 7:00 pm. Available on Amazon.



pilgrimage:

a journey to a place associated with someone or something well known or respected

JOIN US FOR A PILGRIMAGE TOMORROW

Monday, October 11th (Columbus Day) we will pilgrimage to St. Joseph Basilica in Webster in continuation of our celebration of The Year of St. Joseph. Meet us in the parking lot of the Basilica at 9:30 am. All are welcome!

There will be a free tour of this amazing Basilica with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament afterward.

Afterwards we will gather for lunch at the Point Breeze Restaurant (this is optional-pay your own).

We need a commitment of at least 10 people or this event will need to be rescheduled. Contact Susan Montville at 508-735-3269 to sign up.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

May you be inspired by St. Joseph, protector of the Christ Child and the Blessed Mother, to cherish and defend the lives of the most vulnerable.

Visit www.respectlife.org/celebrate to see how you can celebrate the gift of human life today and every day!

St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!

CURSILLO

"Behold I stand at the door and knock"

It's time. Time to learn more about your faith. It's time to experience what our religion can do for you. Jesus is waiting for you personally. Cursillo weekends are a wonderful fun way to give you a start on this journey.

Women's Cursillo October 14-17
Men's Cursillo November 11-14

Go to www.fourthday.org and download your application today OR call Pam Hamilton at 774-239-8909 for more information.

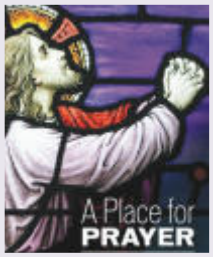
You will be so glad you did!

1230 AM WORCESTER Truth for Life EMMANUEL RADIO

2021 FALL PLEDGE DRIVE

October 20-22—7:00 am to 6:00 pm
Your tax deductible gift will help keep Catholic radio on the air. Call 508-767-1230 or visit 1230radio.com to donate.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL



is always available for personal private prayer; the chapel is located adjacent to the work Sacristy and just behind the Tabernacle. Use steel door to the left of the Tabernacle under exit sign and take an immediate right.

PROMISE TO PROTECT PLEDGE TO HEAL

A CORI is required for parishioners involved in most all ministries here at St. Joseph Church. This is regardless of being CORI'd elsewhere. Please request a CORI to ensure the youth of the parish are safe, and the parish is compliant with Diocesan mandates. Contact deaconbill@stjosephscharlton.com. If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual abuse from a ministry at St. Joseph Church, call Judith Audette at 508-726-2880.

Celebrate Priesthood!

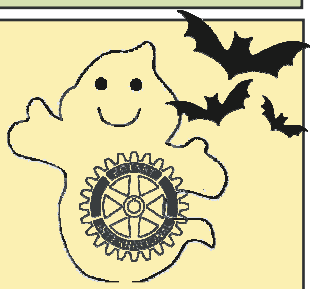
Eighth Annual Celebrate Priesthood
Taste of the Diocese Gala
Thursday, October 28th

Taste of the Diocese benefits Retired Priest's Care. It will be an in-person *Taste of the Diocese* event preceded by live presentations to be streamed online for those who cannot gather with us in person. The venue for this event is Saint Paul Diocesan Jr./Sr. High School in the newly refurbished Gymnasium and the live presentations will be streamed from the Burke Auditorium. Attendees can attend both events or simply drop in at any time for the tasting in the Gymnasium. To make a donation, buy tickets or get more information to place an advertisement, visit worcesterdiocese.org or call Michael Gillespie at 508-929-4368.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

celebrated by Bishop McManus Sunday, October 31 at 3:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Worcester. This liturgy of thanksgiving to God for many years of faithful witness to the sacredness of Christian marriage honors couples who are marking significant anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th). A light reception follows. Family and friends are welcome! Couples wishing to attend pre-register by October 18 at worcesterdiocese.org/wedding-anniversary-mass or call 508-929-4311.

TREK STURBRIDGE
HALLOWEEN 5k
Trail Run & Fun Walk



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31 8:00 AM TO NOON

Old Sturbridge Village Education Center

Free kids activities, costume parade, organized games, pre-teen 1 mile race & the 5K run. See fees, race times and register for races at racewire.com/register.php?id=12428.

Sponsored by Sturbridge Rotary Club

Make a Consecration to St. Joseph during this Year of St. Joseph

HURRY!! Before the Year of St. Joseph is over, make a consecration to our Patron Saint. Understand and embrace our spiritual father. There will be 2 more opportunities to do so. Join the many in our parish who have already made this consecration.

The book *Consecration to St. Joseph* by Fr. Donald Callaway is used and available on Amazon or Bouchers in Worcester or St. Anne's Shrine. Contact Susan Montville at 508-735-3269 to find out about our next session.

Saturday, October 16th 10:00-3:00 pm
88 Masonic Home Road, Charlton

- **FORMED.ORG**-dive into your faith at home with books, audio talks, movies and studies. There is something for everyone to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church. Simply log on and follow prompts.
- **CATHOLIC CD'S**-available at the front door for $3.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Blessed Sacrament is located in the front 2nd floor window of the East wing of the building. You are able to park and pray from your vehicle 24/7.

Stewardship Corner

"For it is in giving that we receive."
- St. Francis of Assisi

PARISH OFFERINGS for the weekend of October 3rd were $12,904.00 with $616.00 for our Building Fund and an additional $848.00 for Fuel Assistance. Our deepest thanks for your continued, loving support of our Parish.

Have you prayerfully considered including our parish in your estate plans/wills? How is the Lord leading you in the distribution of your financial resources as you pass from this life to the nest?

PARTNERS IN CHARITY...again we are so grateful for your generous response to this annual appeal assisting those in need in our Diocesan family including Fr. Donato and the Office of Priestly Formation for young men discerning a call to the Priesthood and for our retired priests as well as Catholic Charities. This year, thanks to the goodness of 256 of our donors $95,685.00 was raised with our goal set at $77,500.00.

We salute with deepest gratitude Diane and Dan Cetin for their generous involvement as directors of our parish campaign over these many years. Dutiful, kind and generous themselves they have assisted in putting a "human face" on this charitable cause. You may be interested in seeing a wonderful article in this week's "The Catholic Free Press" (several copies are available on tables in the Narthex), featuring on the front page our Parishioner, Michael Gillespie, the Diocesan Director of Stewardship and Development which facilitates this campaign. In the article, he states that "*there are a lot of good stories to share.*" In fact, the title of the front page feature article is; "Partners participation called impressive."

Learn about a Vocation to the Priesthood

The Vianney dinner is Thursday, October 21st at the Holy Name of Jesus House of Studies. These are nights for men, high school aged and up, interested in learning more about a priestly vocation. Men, please come to all or part of the evening as your schedule allows. 6:00 pm Mass, 6:30 pm dinner & 7:00 pm social.

email director@worcestervocations.com

Scripture readings for week of October 10th

M: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 11:29-32
T: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41
W: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13]/Lk 11:42-46
Th: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
F: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [cf. 7]/Lk 12:1-7
S: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-9, 42-43/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **AMEN**

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Let us stay connected with you through texts or emails. Text the word CHARLTON to 84576 or app.flocknote.com/stjosephscharlton

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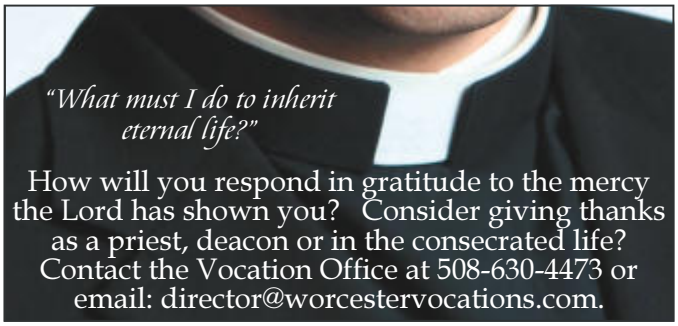
Parish Bulletin

Requests for bulletin submissions should be sent by Monday to cgkingston@yahoo.com.



How will you respond in gratitude to the mercy the Lord has shown you? Consider giving thanks as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at 508-630-4473 or email: director@worcestervocations.com.

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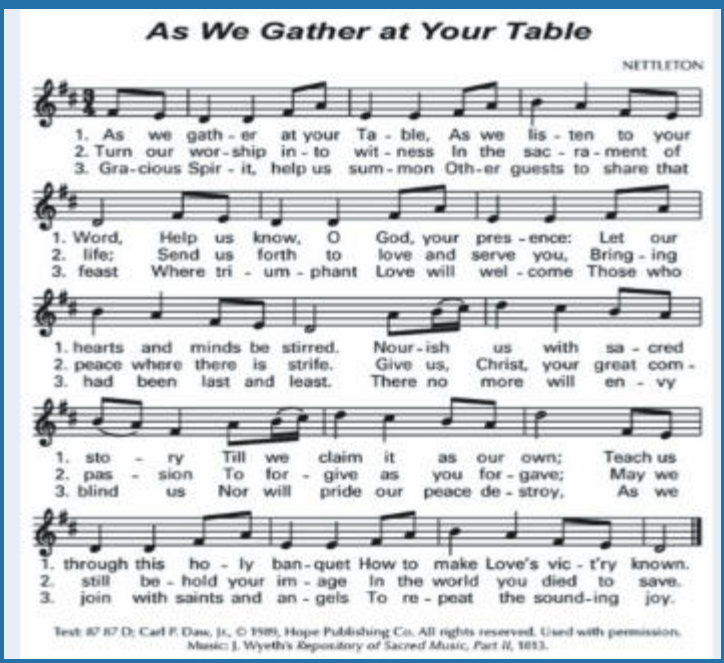

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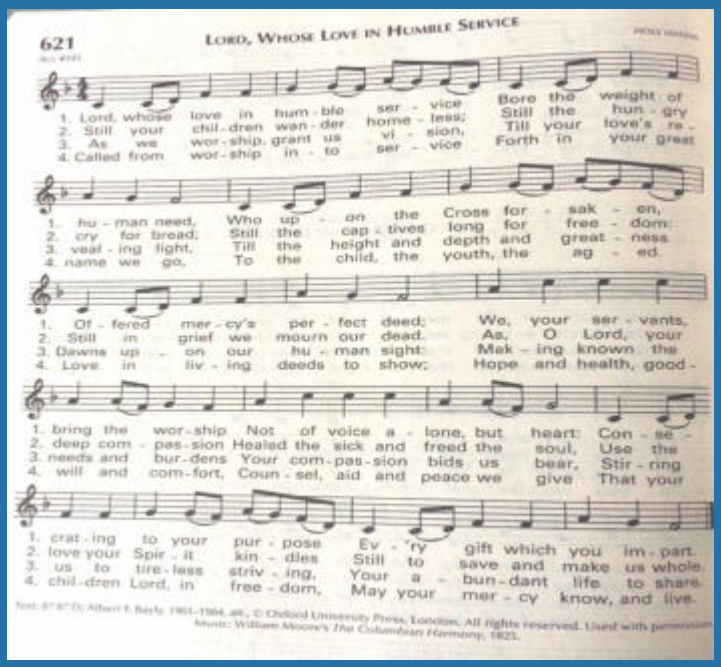

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