



Saint Joseph's Parish

*Serving the People of North Brookfield,
Oakham and New Braintree*

Church: 296 North Main Street
North Brookfield, MA 01535

PARISH STAFF

Administrator

Rev. Joseph D. Rice
W. Brookfield residence phone: 508.867.6469

Associate Pastor

Rev. Donald C. Ouellette
E. Brookfield residence phone: 508.867.3738

Parish Secretary

Mary Jo Hevy

Religious Education

Coordinator

Lynne Losurdo

Music Director

Eva Brown

Bulletin Editor

Phyllis Casey

Safe Environment

Coordinator

Pamela Reynolds

Parish Office: 28 Mt. Pleasant St., N. Brookfield, MA 01535

Tel. (508) 867-6811 Fax (508) 867-7756

Email: saintjosephrectory@verizon.net

Religious Education Center: 27 Mt. Pleasant St., N. Brookfield

Phone: (508) 867-9302 Email: llosurdol@gmail.com

Parish Website: www.stjosephsnbma.org

Adoration and Prayer: Thurs. afternoons 3:00 - 4:00 PM

First Fridays Mass at 8:30 AM at St. John's, adoration to follow.

Rosary:

Weekdays: Mondays, Tuesdays, 8:05 AM, before the daily Mass.

Visits to the Church:

*Our church will be open on Mondays through Fridays
from 7am to 5pm for private prayer and adoration.*

Visitation of the Sick:

If you or a family member are housebound and would like to receive Communion, please call the rectory. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital and would like a visit from one of the priests, please let us know.

Sacrament of the Sick:

This is administered periodically. You can also call the rectory for an appointment.

Parish Registration:

If you are new to the parish, please call the rectory to register.

Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

Adults who are interested in becoming members of the Catholic faith are invited to join the RCIA.

Please call the rectory for information.

Food Pantry:

First Thursday of the month 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Third Thursday of the month 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM

Bereavement Committee: Carole Ryback (508) 867-8728

St. Joseph's Cemetery: Douglas Fedler (508) 867-6811

Bulletin Deadline: Please submit bulletin entries in writing to the rectory by Monday at 9:00AM.

Weekend Masses— Saturdays: 4:00PM,
Sundays: 8:30AM

Weekday Masses

Mondays, Tuesdays: 8:30AM at St. Joseph's Parish

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays:

8:00 AM at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield

Thursdays, Fridays: 8:30 AM at St. John's, E. Brookfield

Saturdays: 8:00 AM St. Mary's, Brookfield

Confessions (Reconciliation)

Saturday at @ 3:00 PM at the Church
or by appointment.

Baptisms

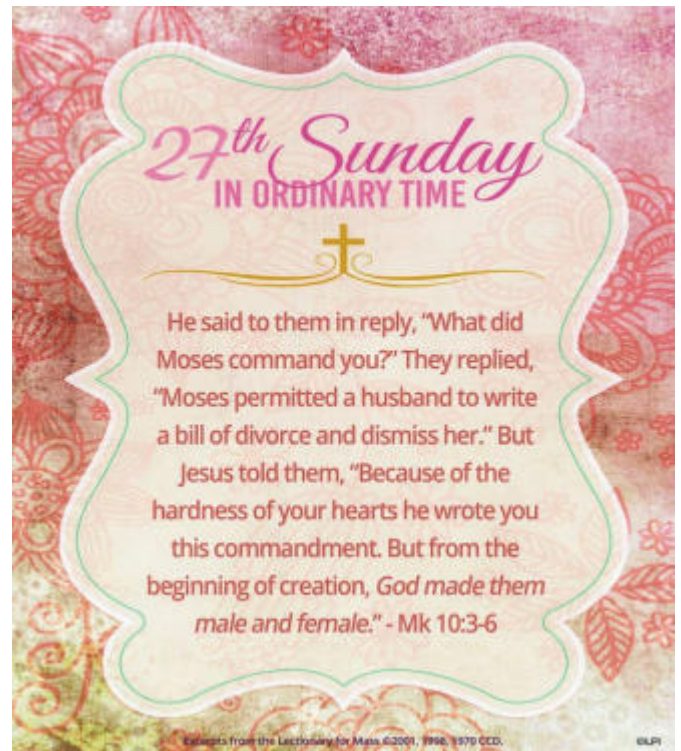
Please call the parish office for arrangements.

Marriages

Arrangements should be made 1 year in advance.

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.



*27th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME*

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6



Three Are Needed

- SATURDAY Oct. 2, 2021 (First Saturday)**
 8:30 AM **For living & deceased members of the Thomas Mendala family**
 req. by Phyllis Casey
- 8:00 AM Mass at St. Mary's Church, Brookfield
 4:00 PM **Francis J. Delude, 25th Anniversary**
 req. by his sister and family
- SUNDAY Oct 3, 2021**
 8:30 AM **Laura Danek (Ingemi)**
 req. by Mary Wheeler
- MONDAY Oct. 4, 2021**
 8:30 AM **Reedy J. Nealer, Jr.**
 Req. by the family
- 8:00 AM *Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield*
- TUESDAY Oct. 5, 2021**
 8:30 AM **Alessia West**
 Req. by Kristy
- 8:00 AM *Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield*
- WEDNESDAY Oct. 6, 2021**
 8:00 AM *Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield*
- THURSDAY Oct. 7, 2021**
 8:30 AM Mass at St. John's, East Brookfield
- FRIDAY Oct. 8, 2021**
 8:30 AM Mass at St. John's, East Brookfield
- SATURDAY Oct. 9, 2021**
 8:00 AM Mass at St. Mary's Church, Brookfield
 4:00 PM **Wilfred Martel, 18th Anniversary**
 Req. by the family
- SUNDAY Oct 10, 2021**
 8:30 AM **For members of the Imbriano and Bright Families**
 Req. by Maureen & Carlo Caramiello

Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, "It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God." Apart from the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, nothing speaks better of God's incarnate love than marriage. God designed it this way. We place great value on love and rightly so. What we fail to realize, however, is that love, its very presence and place in our lives, is not simply part of the human package deal. Love comes from God. It is one of God's greatest gifts to human beings. When we begin to realize that our very ability to love is sacred, it changes up how we see the essence of life, and purpose and sanctity of marriage.

God is love. It stands to reason then that if we follow the path of unconditional, self-emptying love we will then stumble upon God. It is precisely this intimate wedding of God with love that gives such eloquence and honor to the love between husband and wife. As a living sign of Christ's love for the Church and for humanity, husbands and wives speak volumes of God's unconditional incarnate love for all of his children! The Divine power that brings unity and life to marriage is so strong that once joined, it really cannot be separated.

Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience. God's perfect divinity always meets our broken and imperfect humanity. God is okay with this setup as he created it this way. Our loving is never as unconditional as God's and often tainted by our own imperfections, needs, memories, hurts, sinfulness, and weakness. All of this baggage negatively impacts even the most well-intentioned marriages, causing them to be hurtful and empty. We are love works in progress. God can succeed in perfecting our love only if we keep our eyes fixed on him as the source of that love. That's why marriage is always about three and not just two.

The Divine intimacy at the heart of marriage is what can make them celebrations of great union and happiness. Couples who are still madly in love with each other after many years, still looking at each other with that timeless twinkle in their eyes, best tell the story of God's oneness with humanity. Honor, celebrate, and support those who have accepted a vocation to marriage. Living in a world that easily pulls relationships apart, may they find hope and inspiration from their faith companions who are on the same journey!

©LPi

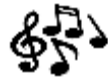
Readings for the week of October 3, 2021

- Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/
 Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12
- Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8 [3]/
 Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10 [15]/Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/
 Lk 11:5-13
- Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9 [9]/
 Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12a]/
 Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/

Flea Market

The annual St. Joseph's giant flea market will be held October 9th & 10th at the rectory barn. Hours will be 8 AM until sometime in the afternoon.



The Cantata

The Cantata of East Brookfield is back ! The Christian Community Choir at the East Brookfield Baptist Church is looking for adults who are willing to sing with this year's Cantata (*cantata: a composition for one or more voices usually comprising of choruses - choir - and sung with a musical accompaniment.*). In addition, the Cantata's director, Dr. Kathleen Hosterman is also inviting children ages 6-13 to be a part of this year's Christmas Cantata. The first rehearsal date and time is Wed. Oct. 20th at 7:00pm. If anyone is interested in joining, please contact Chris Depasse at 508-826-5369.

**Folk Group**

The St. Joseph Parish Folk Group will return shortly to sing at the 8:30 AM Mass. They have been missing for the past year, so they have to activate their voices! It would be great to have some new voices joining them...no experience required. If interested, please call Margaret (Maggie) Motyka at 1-508-882-3073 or Helen Foyle at 508-867-7834.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

St. Joseph's Annual Christmas Fair
Saturday, November 6, 2021
Church Hall
9 AM—2 PM

The Christmas Fair will feature beautiful handmade craft items, a flea market and plenty of raffles, including a Gift Card Poinsettia.

Basket Raffle/Gift Card Donations

If you would like to donate a basket for the raffle, please drop it off at the rectory, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9 AM to 1 PM. We are also seeking donations of gift cards (any denomination) for our Poinsettia Plant. Cards can be dropped off at the rectory or put in the collection basket. If you have any questions, please call the rectory at 508-867-6811.



The annual blessing of animals is held around the time of the memorial of St. Francis, patron saint of animals. You are welcome to join us at this year's blessing of animals, which will be held on Sun. Oct. 3rd at 1:00pm at Sacred Heart Church in West Brookfield. Please have the animals caged or on a leash.

Liturgical Roles

Oct. 9-10	Lectors	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 4.00 PM	Richard Lindsay	Larry Walter	Darlene Lavin
Sun. 8:30 AM	Richard LeBlanc	Sam Losurdo	Richard Caron

**Weekend Collections****Sept. 18-19**

Sat/Sun	\$ 1,992.00
Renovation	\$ 45.00
Fuel	\$ 85.00
CCD Registration	\$ 105.00

Thank you for your support!

**May the Choirs of Angels
Lead You into Paradise**

We would like to pray for the repose of the soul of Charlie Hirbour. His private funeral was held recently here at St. Joseph's. Charlie was buried here at St. Joseph's Cemetery.

We also pray for his wife Mary, for the family, and friends. We pray that they may know and feel supported by our prayers for them.

Religious Education Classes

This year's Religious Ed. classes have begun. You can still register and sign up for the program. If you need any information, please contact Lynne Losurdo at: llosurdo1@gmail.com.



*"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 way to give you a start on your renewal.

Women's Cursillo weekend: Oct 14-17

Men's Cursillo weekend: Nov 11-14.

Be assured: safety precautions will be observed. For a registration, please go to www.fourthday.org or call Pam Hamilton at 774.239.8909 for more information.

You will be glad you did!

BERTHIAUME & BERTHIAUME

(FORMERLY IGOE & BEAUDETTE)

Attorneys At Law

A general practice serving individuals, families and businesses in the following fields:

- Real Estate & Zoning
- Probate & Estate Planning
- Civil Litigation
- Business & Corporate Advising
- Divorce
- Criminal Defense

4 Elm Street, North Brookfield, MA 01535

508-867-6885



CROWLEY FUEL

508-867-6740
crowleyfuel.com
 8 Mill St., N. Brookfield

EVERYBODY TALKS

About Ford & Lamoureux Ford!



Best Vehicle Lineup! Best Sales Experience!

Treat Yourself, It's Time!
We Make it Easy!

Visit us on-line at
lamoureuxford.com



366 E. Main Street, Rte. 9, East Brookfield
877-LAM-FORD or 508-885-1000
 SALES HOURS - Mon-Thu 8:30am-8pm • Fri 8:30am-6pm • Sat 8:30am-4pm
 SERVICE HOURS - Mon-8am-7pm • Tue-Fri 8am-6pm • Sat 8am-Noon

COUNTRY AUTO BODY

69 DONOVAN RD., NO. BROOKFIELD

(508) 867-9736



www.countryautotire.com

Massachusetts Registered Repair Shop #369

Propane Tank Filling Station

Expert Collision Repair

Shocks • Spin Balancing • Alignments

Casual Waterfront Dining



308 LAKESIDE

Friday Nights in the bar
acoustic music 7-10

308 East Main Street East Brookfield
 774-449-8333 [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/308lakeside) 308lakeside.com
 Open 7 days 11am-close

VARNUM
 FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES

Marc A. Varnum, Director
 43 E. Main St. W. Brookfield | 508-867-2885
varnumfuneralhome.com



BROWN
 ELECTRIC COMPANY

Residential • Commercial
 Industrial • Fire Alarms

33 Years 1985-2018
(508) 867-4247
BrownElectricC@gmail.com
 215 N. Main St., N. Brookfield



MICHAEL TOOMEY
 Associates, Inc.
 REAL ESTATE

OFFICE: 508-867-2800
 FAX: 508-867-4516
mtoomeyandassociates@hotmail.com
 359 NORTH MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 128 • N. BROOKFIELD
www.miketoomeyrealstate.net

AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME!

ADVERTISE HERE NOW!

Contact **Gary Zakrzewski** to place an ad today!
gzakrzewski@4LPi.com or **(800) 477-4574 x6413**

Therese's
 BEAUTY
SALON

508.867.6409
 Thurs & Fri 8a-8p • Sat 8a-1p
 6 South Main St., N. Brookfield



The OVERLOOK
 Your future looks great from here.

866-753-5429

Make Us Your First Choice
 for Your Rehabilitation

- SHORT TERM REHAB
- SKILLED NURSING
- RESPITE CARE
- MEMORY CARE



88 Masonic Home Rd.
 Charlton, MA

We've Missed You!
 Welcome Back to Mass



Stay connected to our faith community no matter where you are
 by signing up to get our bulletin delivered straight to your email!

www.ParishesOnline.com

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!

