



Saint Joseph's Parish

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

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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

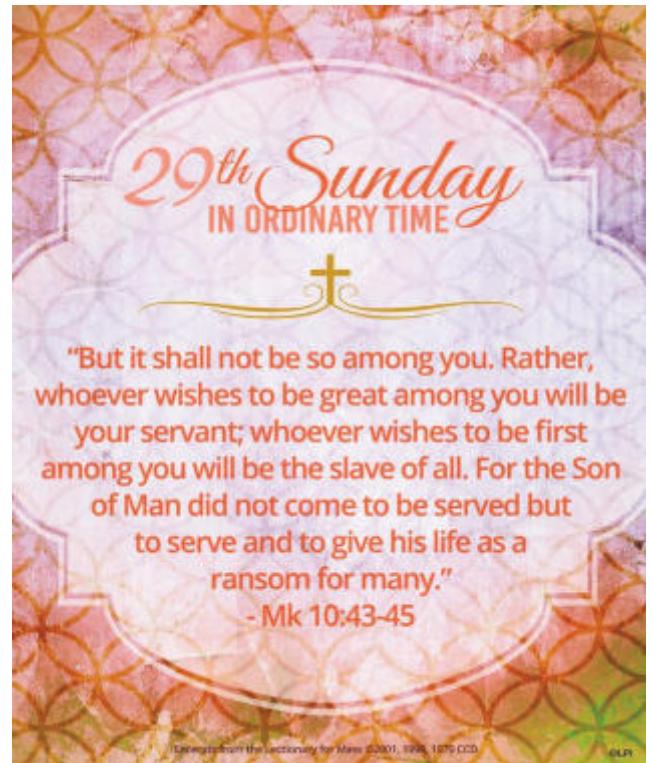
Please call the parish office for arrangements.

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.





SATURDAY	Oct. 16, 2021
8:00 AM	Mass at St. Mary's Church, Brookfield
4:00 PM	Mike Sottile, 12th Anniversary req. by his sisters
SUNDAY	Oct 17, 2021
8:30 AM	Arthur & Virginia Dupell req. by Doug & Darlene Lavin
MONDAY	Oct. 18, 2021
8:30 AM	David Roman req. by Kristy Riendeau
8:00 AM	Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield
TUESDAY	Oct. 19, 2021
8:30 AM	Mike Gilbert, for a quick recovery req. by Kristy Riendeau
8:00 AM	Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield
WEDNESDAY	Oct. 20, 2021
8:00 AM	Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield
THURSDAY	Oct. 21, 2021
8:30 AM	Mass at St. John's, East Brookfield
FRIDAY	Oct. 22, 2021
8:30 AM	Mass at St. John's, East Brookfield
SATURDAY	Oct. 23, 2021
8:00 AM	Mass at St. Mary's Church, Brookfield
4:00 PM	Deceased members of the Bereavement Committee
SUNDAY	Oct 24, 2021
8:30 AM	For Mary Morgan, Eileen Nicewicz & Pat Berube Tortora req. by Phyllis Casey

Saturday Masses at St. Mary's, Brookfield

In addition to First Saturday Masses at St. Mary's, Masses are held every Saturday morning at 8:00am. All are welcome.

Readings for the week of October 17, 2021

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
Monday:	2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/ Lk 10:1-9
Tuesday:	Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday:	Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/ Lk 12:39-48
Thursday:	Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/ Lk 12:49-53
Friday:	Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday:	Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/ Lk 13:1-9
Sunday:	Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/ Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

What Do You Want God To Do For You ?

"What do you wish me to do for you?" Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It's an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.

Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today's Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive more of God's attention. That's not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It's a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God's kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It builds the strength of character necessary to bring God's Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words "thy will be done" will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God's eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God's definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.

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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.



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 want to activate their voices! It would be great to have some new voices joining them...no experience required. If interested, please call either Margaret (Maggie) Motyka at 1-508-882-3073 or Helen Foyle at 508-867-7834.

Star of Bethlehem Handicrafts



Maysoon Khair will be at our church this weekend **Oct. 16 & 17**, representing the School of Joy in the Holy Land. It is a school for slow learner children. The sale of their religious items will benefit over a hundred Christian families who make their livelihood through the selling of these hand carved olive wood religious articles.

Due to the bad situation in the Holy Land and the interruption of the tourist trade that is happening with Christian families in Bethlehem, they must seek alternative ways to earn a living.

After all Masses this weekend, there will be a display of these beautiful hand carved items; such as nativity scenes, crucifix, rosaries, last supper and many other beautiful religious statues.

Please stop by and look over the carvings that are available and help support this self-help project to keep the Children and the Christians living in the Holy Land. Maysoon thanks you and asks God's blessing for all of us. (maiskh@yahoo.com)
www.starofbethlehemhandicrafts.com
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Oct. 23-24	Lectors	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 4:00 PM	Larry Walter	Larry Walter	Christine Letendre
Sun. 8:30 AM	Tammy Auger	Sophia Hearnlaye	Denise Kruckas



Weekend Collections

Oct. 2-3

Sat/Sun	\$	2,373.00
Renovation	\$	15.00
Fuel	\$	102.00
CCD Registration	\$	95.00
Catholic Schools	\$	21.00

Thank you for your support!



1230AM, 970AM & 101.1FM EMMANUEL RADIO 2021 FALL PLEDGE DRIVE

Emmanuel Catholic Radio, a non-profit 501(c)(3) ministry, will broadcast a live three-day Fall Pledge Drive from 7am–6pm, October 20 - 22, 2021 to raise the funds needed to bring the Daily Mass, Holy Rosary, and EWTN programming to the Diocese of Worcester. Your tax-deductible gift will help keep Catholic radio on the air serving all local diocesan parishes/Catholic schools and organizations/charities. To donate/pledge/make a prayer request call (508) 767-1230; visit 1230radio.com; or mail your donation to Emmanuel Radio, P.O. Box 20027, Worcester, Ma 01602.

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Baptism

We welcome Waylon Benjamin Trum-Searah into the Catholic Church. He was baptized here at St. Joseph's on Sunday, Oct. 3rd. We pray that he will be blessed with a happy and loving Christian home. We congratulate his parents, Raymond and Lisa, on this happy occasion.

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