



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.



Thursday, November 11, 2021



SATURDAY	Nov. 6, 2021 (First Saturday)
8:00 AM	Mass at St. Mary's Church, Brookfield
8:30 AM	Fran Befford and Alice Gilman req. by Phyllis Casey
4:00 PM	Living and deceased members of the Thomas Mendala Family req. by Phyllis Casey
SUNDAY	Nov. 7, 2021
8:30 AM	Richard Tobin, month's mind Mass req. by the parish
MONDAY	Nov. 8, 2021
8:00 AM	<i>no Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield</i>
8:30 AM	Arthur E. Freniare req. by Catholic Association of Foresters
TUESDAY	Nov. 9, 2021
8:00 AM	<i>no Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield</i>
8:30 AM	Paul J. Rouleau req. by Catholic Association of Foresters
WEDNESDAY	Nov. 10, 2021
8:00 AM	<i>no Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, W. Brookfield</i>
THURSDAY	Nov. 11, 2021 Veterans' Day
8:30 AM	Mass at St. John's, East Brookfield
FRIDAY	Nov. 12, 2021
8:30 AM	Mass at St. John's, East Brookfield
SATURDAY	Nov. 13, 2021
8:00 AM	Mass at St. Mary's Church, Brookfield
4:00 PM	Marianne Abysalh req. by her husband, Charles
SUNDAY	Nov. 14, 2021
8:30 AM	Annette Wetnicka, 6th Anniversary req. by the family

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 November 7, 2021

Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/ Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday:	Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/ Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8
Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

The Real Meaning Of Trust

On December 10, 1979, a very petite holy woman known as Mother Teresa of Calcutta spoke these words in her Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Speech, "But I am sure in the families and many of our homes, maybe we are not hungry for a piece of bread, but maybe there is somebody there in the family who is unwanted, unloved, uncared, forgotten, there isn't love. Love begins at home. And love to be true has to hurt. I never forget a little child who taught me a very beautiful lesson. They heard in Calcutta, the children, that Mother Teresa had no sugar for her children, and this little one, Hindu boy four years old, he went home and he told his parents: I will not eat sugar for three days, I will give my sugar to Mother Teresa. How much a little child can give. After three days they brought into our house, and there was this little one who could scarcely pronounce my name, he loved with great love, he loved until it hurt. And this is what I bring before you, to love one another until it hurts, but don't forget that there are many children, many children, many men and women who haven't got what you have. And remember to love them until it hurts."

Living authentically and walking with holiness always involves sacrifice. It has to hurt. Only actions springing from true and deep sacrifice demonstrate true integrity. Without sacrifice, even what is apparently a generous gesture can be nothing. It is no wonder that the widow who contributed from her poverty received great admiration from Jesus and the young child in our story above the interest of Mother Teresa. It is easy to make the houses of our lives look like they are in perfect order when in fact they are in shambles within. Religion can sometimes make this hypocritical masquerade easy to accomplish. We can find ourselves in all the right holy places, reciting all of the correct prayers, participating in community collections, and reciting the proper doctrines only to find ourselves empty, shallow, self-focused, and overly anxious about personal concerns.

The one who learns to discover their inner poverty, their spiritual poverty, is the only one who can truly place him or herself at the mercy of God. It is only when we allow ourselves to be empty that we realize Who we actually need to fill us. This is the real meaning of trust. Many of us are afraid to take the plunge. We allow ourselves to detach from only so much, always keeping a watchful eye on the protection of our securities. We understand the value of poverty, but we do not want to become too poor. As long as we are able to recognize this tension, our reluctance to let go and our struggle, we can continue our journey of humbly learning how to love so deeply that it hurts. God understands and waits. ©LPI



Daylight Savings Time ends on Sun. Nov. 7th at 2:00 am. Please remember to turn your clock back one hour.



The Giving Tree 2021

Families needing a little extra help for Christmas this year, especially for children under 18, should reach out to

Diana Priest at dpriest130@aol.com or

by calling 774-452-2005. You can also call the rectory at 508-867-6811. Please have your requests in by Nov. 14th. There will be one gift card per family as well as one gift card per child.

If you would like to donate a gift card, please contact Maureen Caramiello @508-596-3582 or email her at the following address: m_caramiello@yahoo.com. She will let you know what gift cards are needed. The deadline for the donation of gift cards is Sunday, December 5th. Thank you for your generosity and for helping those



Nov. 13-14	Lectors	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 4:00 PM	Ted Mullens	Larry Walter	Darlene Lavin
Sun. 8:30 AM	Tammy Auger	Sophia Hearnlaye	Maureen Caramiello

**Weekend Collections
Oct. 23-24**



Sat/Sun	\$ 1,504.00
World Missions	\$ 362.00
Fuel	\$ 65.00

Thank you for your support!



Holiday Feasts

St. Joseph Food Pantry will distribute food for the holiday feasts. The holiday hours for the distribution of the Thanksgiving and Christmas food are listed below.

Please call the rectory at (508)867-6811 if you would like to receive food for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas feasts. Requests must be made no later than Mon. Nov. 15th.

Thanksgiving food will be distributed:

Thursday, November 18th from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM
and Saturday, November 20th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

The Christmas food will be distributed:

Thursday, December 16th from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM
and Saturday, December 18th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM



Tri-Valley Caregiver Support Program

The Tri-Valley Caregiver Support Program is one that is designed to assist anyone who is caring for a spouse, parent, other relative or friend who is 60 or older or with Alzheimer's

disease, or grandparents who are 55 or older and caring for a grandchild 18 or younger. If you are a caregiver in need of respite, information, resources, services, support, education or training, a Caregiver Specialist is available and ready to assist you. If interested, please contact Tri-Valley, Inc. at 508.949.6640 or 1.800.286.6640. You can also visit their website at: www.trivalleyinc.org. Their address: Tri-Valley Inc., 10 Mill Street, Dudley, MA 01571.

St. John's Christmas Bazaar



St. John's in East Brookfield will be having a Christmas Bazaar in the church hall on Sat. Nov. 20th from 9:00am to 2:00pm. It will be complete with baked goods, a lottery tree, raffle baskets, Christmas items, angels by Seraphim, and much more. We also hope to see you at the bazaar!

Anointing of the Sick



After the Sat. Nov. 13th 4pm Mass and the Sun. Nov. 20th 8:30am Mass, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered.

If you want to receive the sacrament and cannot be present, please call the rectory at 508-867-6811 to make an appointment.



Help 'Missing' Catholics Come Home to Jesus & the Mass

Adjunct Professor Allan Wright is offering to help in discovering how God wants to use us to open doors for Catholics to come home to Jesus and Sunday Mass. We need to do this through a person-centered outreach and singular welcoming with joyful invitations to our missing brothers and sisters.

Adjunct Professor Allan Wright from Seton Hall University is a Catholic academy principal, author of 15 books, a TV commentator, and radio host. You can find out more about him at <http://www.allanwright.org>. This Zoom.com meeting will take place on Tues. Nov. 9th from 6:45pm to 9:00pm. Please register by Fri. Nov. 5th with Esperanza Oliveras by emailing her at: prae77group@gmail.com. Please send your name, email, and phone number.

(Hosted by the Parish Renewal and Evangelization Committee [PRAE], Diocese of Worcester, MA)



"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 (*Cur.see.yo*) weekends are a wonderful way to give you a start on your renewal.

These last 22 months have been proof that we all need fellowship, and fellowship with God is perfect fellowship. Know that Christ is knocking, and it's time to answer.

The next Men's Cursillo weekend: Nov 11-14. For a registration, please go to www.fourthday.org or call Pam Hamilton at 774.239.8909 for more information.

Be assured: Covid safety precautions on this retreat weekend will be observed.



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