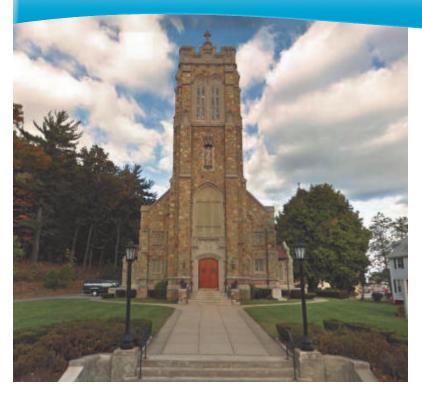
BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



Our Parish Mission Statement

We, the members of Blessed Sacrament's parish family, empowered and guided by the Holy Spirit, seek to respond to God's call to love and serve one another. United as a faithfilled community, we joyfully strive to be Christ to others as we bring others to Christ. We accept our responsibility, as members of God's church, to expand the Kingdom of God in the Roman Catholic tradition through prayer, worship, education, service and our commitment to strengthening and building our parish community.

Liturgical Schedule

Monday through Friday: 8:30 am Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:00 am Holy Days: TBA

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:00 - 3:30 pm Anytime by request

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Parish Website:www.blessedsacrament.us

Sacrament of Baptism

Please make arrangements by calling the rectory after the birth of the child. Baptisms are usually celebrated Sundays at 12:00 noon.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least a year in advance. A program of preparation is required for all couples planning to marry in the church.

Bulletin Notice

Items for the parish bulletin must be received at the rectory by Monday morning.

New Parishioners

Please introduce yourselves after mass or call the rectory at your convenience to register. We hope you will become an active part of our parish community.

Sick Calls

Since the hospital does not notify us on the admission of parishioners please contact the rectory when a family member is admitted to the hospital

Communion Calls for the aged, shut-ins and convalescent and nursing home patients are our constant concern. Pleases call us for special ministerial visits.

PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363

508-726-2880 - direct, confidential line



Saturday, January 22, 2022

4:00 PM

Vincent Murphy

(1st Anniversary) by Rosemary & Conor Murphy

Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:00 AM 10:00 AM Mass

Michael O'Shea

(15th Anniversary) by Family Remembrance of Fr. John Gee by Friends at North

American Martyrs

Monday, January 24, 2022

8:30 AM

Nancy Wysocki

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

8:30 AM

Mass

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

8:30 AM

Mass

Thursday, January 27, 2022

8:30 AM

Mass

Friday, January 28, 2022

8:30 AM

Maureen Puchalsky by

Julie O'Shea

Saturday, January 29, 2022

Peter J. Harrity, Jr. (5th Anniversary) by Family

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Worship—878

Processional: Worship-#521- From All That Dwell

Below the Skies

Psalm: Gather-#26—Lord, You Have the Words

Communion: Gather - #121- Psalm 145, I Will Praise

Your Name

Recessional: Worship-#358- The Voice of God Goes

Out Through All the World

FAITH FORMATION

Do you have a member of your family—child, grandchild, cousin, who is interested in enrolling in our Sunday morning Faith Formation Program? Just come - open enrollment.

Pre-K thru Grade 6, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass Grades 7 -12, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Join us in the Epiphany House behind the Church.

HOPE FOR HOUSING CARDS

Cards for Shaw's, Big Y, CVS, Panera and Dunkin' are sold after each Mass on the weekend. The card is worth the amount you paid and is good until the whole amount is used. At least 5% of the card value is given by the merchant to alleviate homelessness in the area. Please support this program.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:45 AM Religious Education, Pre-K-grade 6

Epiphany House

11:00 AM Religious Education, grades 7-11

Epiphany House

2:00 PM Christian Unity Prayer Service.

Church

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

Good News - Gospel Sharing 9:00 AM

Parish Rectory

PRAYER SERVICE

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

This Sunday, January 23 at 2:00 p.m. members of Trinity and Concordia Lutheran Churches and members of Blessed Sacrament Church, are invited to a Service of the Word at Blessed Sacrament Church, 551 Pleasant Street in Worcester, in observance of the week of prayer January 18-25. A special feature of this prayer service will be the blessing of the Trinity Neighborhood Support Team (NST) that is comprised of members of the three (3) congregations.

Please plan on joining this ecumenical service as we live out our NST partnership and our ecumenical Covenant.

Please contact Fr. Trainor with any questions.

THE ROBERT SHORTSLEEVE **FAITH IN ACTION AWARD**

At all the Masses on the weekend of February 5-6, 2022, Mr. David Shortsleeve and his son Mr. Andrew Shortsleeve will confer the Faith in Action Award upon Deacon Roy Briggs. (Due to COVID the Brunch had to be cancelled.)

We salute Deacon Roy on this wonderful occasion.

CHRISTMAS CARD DONATION FOR CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

If you received religious Christmas cards this year, and don't plan to keep them, please consider donating them to the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program! Our pre-school and kindergarten children enjoy using these lovely images for art projects and prayer cards.

There will be a basket in the church vestibule where you can drop off cards.

C.Y.C. BASKETBALL

One win on Saturday, One loss on Sunday.

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A short season due to COVID.



AFGHAN FAMILY UPDATE

Our Family from Afghanistan has arrived! They were met in Worcester on Wednesday evening January 12, 2022.

They had been in El Paso, Texas since leaving Kabul in August. They flew to LaGuardia Airport on Wednesday morning and were brought by van from there to Worcester; they were very exhausted, but lots of smiles were seen. They speak no English except "thank you, thank you". Their language is DARI. The parents are in their 40's. They have three sons and three daughters. The oldest is 19 and the youngest is 7 years old. They are staying at the Residence Inn on Plantation Street while the apartment is readied. They are safe and secure. All their needs are being met. They are a bit overwhelmed by it all. Just the cold of these winter days must be a shock to them coming from Kabul and then Texas. A wonderful Worcester Welcome.

PARISH FINANCES

The collection amount for 1/15-1/16/2022 is \$3235.00

Thank you for your continued and generous support of Blessed Sacrament Parish.

STEWARDSHIP NOTE

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...' (Nehemiah 8:10) Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need.

Now here's the hard part - to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

REFLECTION

"We find encouragement when we realize that yes, change is possible; yes, our hearts can be softened; yes, our world can find new ways forward when we place our hands in the hands of Jesus, our brother and friend."

- Father General Arturo Sosa, S.J.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK IN HOUR OF NEED

Our week at 91 June Street is Sunday, February 6 to Saturday, February 12, 2022.

All the meals are signed up for. Thank you to the 7 signed up people.

Needed - Overnight Volunteers

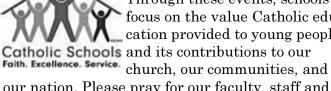
From 8:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. Openings: Monday, February 7 Tuesday, February 8 Thursday, February 10 Friday, February 11 Saturday, February 12

Please sign up in the vestibule of the Church. If you have questions, contact Anne French at 508-868-0614.

UPCOMING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

National Catholic Schools Week is January 30— February 5, 2022. This year's theme is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service." It is typically

observed with special Masses, open houses, and other activities for students, families, parishioners, and community members. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provided to young people Catholic Schools and its contributions to our



our nation. Please pray for our faculty, staff and administration as they strive to instill the importance of Faith, Excellence, and Service in our students. Most of all, pray for our students who will be tomorrow's leaders. Watch for events at our Catholic schools.

THE ANNUAL WORCESTER DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Men (of all ages including teens and college students) are invited to this important in-person conference, scheduled for Assumption University on Saturday, April 2, 2022. Visit the conference website at www.firstmensconf.org for information and to purchase tickets online. For further information call Msgr. Tom Sullivan at 508-450-2556.

As you reorganize closets and cabinets during your Spring cleaning, please consider donating gently used clothing and household items to Urban Missionaries, 242 Canterbury St. in Worcester (508-831-7455). For larger items, a truck can be requested for a small fee. The StVdeP Conference thanks you for your generous contributions to help the needy in our area.

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