

St Joseph Parish



Second Sunday of Lent

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MASS SCHEDULE

UPCOMING AND ONGOING EVENTS

<u>Saturday, March 16</u>	
4:00 PM.....	Kathleen Nelson
<u>Sunday, March 17</u>	
9:00 AM.....	Retired Priests and Clergy
11:30 AM.....	Jonathan Perez
5:00 PM.....	Civil Servants
<u>Monday, March 18</u>	
12:10 PM.....	Dr. Laura Gonzalez
<u>Tuesday, March 19</u>	
12:10 PM.....	Healing Mass for Dr. Alan Pineda
<u>Wednesday, March 20</u>	
12:10 PM.....	The Mearns Family
<u>Thursday, March 21</u>	
12:10 PM.....	All Displaced from War
<u>Friday, March 22</u>	
12:10 PM.....	Our Nation's Youth
<u>Saturday, March 23</u>	
4:00 PM.....	Edward DiBlasi
<u>Sunday, March 24</u>	
9:00 AM.....	Boston
11:30 AM.....	St. Luke's Guild
5:00 PM.....	Hope Healing & Recovery

- Reconciliation Room, front behind Sacred Heart Statue

Created through the generosity of Joseph V. Nemensky, & Mr. & Mrs. Francis J. Nemensky, in memory of Amelia Bernicoska Nemensky.

Moisture and years of wall plaster corrosion have caused destruction. Having now repointed the exterior brick This is the present "project" underway. Please excuse the inconvenience while repairs and restoration are underway.

- Adult Confirmation - (Mar 18th & 25th, Apr 1st & 8th) 7-8:30pm.

The Paulist Center is offering a program to prepare active, practicing adult Catholics for the Sacrament of Confirmation. It will take place on four Monday evenings The sessions will include a review of Sacraments especially Baptism and Eucharist, as well as the history and theology of Confirmation. Through prayer and discussion, we will explore the roles of faith and the Church in our lives. These particular sessions are geared towards celebrating this Sacrament on Sunday, April 28th at Our Lady of Good Voyage Shrine in the Seaport District

Contact Fr. Chuck Cuniff, CSP (chuck@paulistcenter.org) for info

- Saint Lukes Guild - Sunday March 31 11:30 Mass and following

The opioid epidemic continues to take a lethal toll on our population. One group at increased risk of overdosing is peripartum women. In this presentation, two Guild members with extensive experience treating pregnant women with opioid use disorder (OUD), will share their thoughts on how to successfully treat this at-risk population.

Lucy Bayer-Zwirello is Chief of Maternal Fetal Medicine at Saint Elizabeth's Medical Center and Co-director of the Maternal Comprehensive Health and Addiction Treatment program.

Mark Albanese, is an addiction psychiatrist, and Director of Adult Psychiatry & Addictions at Cambridge Health Alliance. He's on the faculty of Harvard Medical School.

- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Workshop Friday April 12, 9:30am A Montessori method of religious education, creates an environment for children to both form a relationship with God and learn about the Catholic Faith
Interested in learning more on behalf of your family or our parish? mprazak@rcab.org

- Sat. Rosary for hope, healing, recovery, peace and conversion

Every second Saturday of the month at 9:30am the rosary will be prayed here at Saint Joseph's. We are grateful to longtime liturgical minister Karen Kim for requesting to facilitate this prayerful gathering. All are welcome and anyone interested in more information can leave a message for Karen through our parish office.

- ISP Ignatian Spirituality Project - Ignatianspiritualityproject.org

Spiritual TuneUps meets here at St Joseph's every Friday 10:00am ispboscoord@gmail.com
Recovery and Ignatian Spirituality, Spiritual Retreats to end homelessness

- Leaders for Mission - A Workshop in Leadership

Session to help discern and develop a call to lead in personal, family, community and parish
Contact Fr Joe for more info. There are a number of dates and timeframes to choose



PARISH SUPPORT

All Amounts Include Online Giving

March 10th.....	\$2901.34
Weekly.....	\$194.11
Ash Wed. (Catholic Charities).....	\$1057.37
Grand Annual.....	\$20.00
Grand Annual To Date.....	\$31,645.00



Archdiocesan Addiction Recovery Pastoral Support Services (AARPSS)

This ministry is intended to assist parishes throughout the Archdiocese ministering to addicted persons and families of addicted persons. In an effort to provide pastoral support, we collaborate with a variety of agencies and organizations. Education, Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery all provide hope and healing to those affected by the disease. One organization that is very helpful with the spiritual needs of families and parishes is The National Catholic Council on Addictions (NCCA). AARPSS can be reached through Fr. Joe White here at St. Joseph Parish, frjoe@stjosephboston.com and the NCCA can be reached at 1-800-626-6910 or www.nccatoday.org.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Next week after the 4:pm mass and between the 9:00 and 11:30 there's opportunity to gather, munch and reflect on Luke's account of the return of the prodigal son. This account is the following weeks Gospel, so it's a bit of Bible study and lenten reflection using artists renditions and our listening and viewing skills! Consider staying after or coming before mass next week, bring both appetites. . .physical and spiritual.

- March 10 - April 7 - Instruments of Grace

A spirituality of recovery on Sundays folling the 5:00pm Mass of Hope and healing, sharing stories and support, fellowship and food.

- March 19 - St. Joseph Feast Day

Reception after Mass with traditional zeppolis

- March 23-24 - Reflection of the Prodigal Son

After Saturday 4:00pm and Sunday 9:00am Masses

- March 31 - 11:30am Mass and Presentation

Focusing on an awareness of treating pregnant women with opiod use disorder

- April 2 - 7:00pm Serive of Reflection and Reconciliation

A prayerful music from the Taize tradition with the opportunity for individual confession

Blessings & Happy Saint Patrick's Day. Today we hear (visualize) encounters with God.

In Luke's account of the Transfiguration, which we hear in today's Gospel, a voice from the heavens calls out, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." God speaks to Peter, John and James through the shadow of a cloud. At this point these three fall silent, enabling them to listen to the Lord. We can take advantage of the opportunities during our Lenten journey to listen (& look for) to Jesus and reflect on (look at) what he is saying to us, where he is calling us.

In the dark of night, God leads Abraham into a covenant, promising that Abrahams descendants will be as numerous as the stars of the sky and live in what appropriately will be called the promised land. St Paul, who had his own dramatic encounter with God, assures the Philippians -and us - that we will share in Christ's glory in heaven. In fact that our citizenship is in heaven.

Just as God's voice thundered from the clouds upon the mount of the transfiguration, so to God speaks to us in the present day. Last week hundreds gathered in greater Boston alone, Thousands throughout the world, for the Rite of Election. They prepare for the Easter Sacraments and entering fully into the Catholic faith. They and those of us already sharing in the fullness of the sacraments God makes a covenant with as we journey in faith this lent.

God's covenant is ratified at the Easter promise-profession of faith. These folks journeying this year are an inspiration to us all as our church and our world struggle to heal and be wounded healers listening to Jesus' call to be worthy witnesses of the transformative power of God in our lives.

Last week I took a nite time walk around the Arnold Arboretum. It was so very nice after sitting several hours at the Faulkner Hospital participating in a workshop on addiction recovery and presenting on the spirituality of recovery. The moon, Orion and loads of stars were bright in the sky this past crisp clear Monday night. I was reminded of our Lenten journey and reflected on the words "in accordance with Your will". (At the earlier presentation I had referenced surrendering to the will of God; when our individual or collective will(s) are in harmony with the will of God. Thy will be done). I pondered what we're doing here at St Joseph's & what I'm doing this Lent.

Throughout Lent WE try to LISTEN to Jesus. Here at St Joseph's Living Lent Preparing for Easter at each mass we pray the Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation, we sing WITH THE LORD and in our memorial acclamation we call out "save us Savior of the world, for by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. With holy water fonts emptied, we prayer for the renewal of our Easter Water and baptismal promises.

Tis a gift to be open to encounters with Christ this Lent
Tis grand to gather and share lilt and laughter, and reflect...

Blessings of our Patron Saints

St Patrick March 17 join us after mass for Irish Soda Bread tea/coffee!!!

St Joseph March 19 join us after 12:10 mass for espresso & Zeppoli!

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Fr Joe

P3: PRAYER, PENANCE, PUB

You are invited! Every 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, young adults and young professionals gather at St. Joseph for Eucharistic adoration, guided meditation, confession, and fellowship over food and drink at the Hill Tavern on Cambridge Street.

Confession & Adoration: 7:00 p.m; Reflection & Benediction: 7:30 p.m.; Pub: 8:15 pm , The Hill Tavern - More info: www.p3boston.org
email p3boston@gmail.com

WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE

Visit us at stjosephboston.org

It's a work in progress.

Anyone interested in website "ministry" let us know

Our Sanctuary Candle burns throughout the Month of March for those journeying to Easter Sacraments



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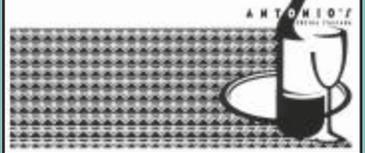
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