

# St Joseph Parish



## Seventh Sunday of Easter

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SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE: SAT 4:00pm, SUN 9:00am & 11:30am, MON-FRI 12:10pm

Reconciliation:

Prior to all Masses & any time by appointment

Rosary:

Wednesday following Mass and every 2nd Saturday @ 9:30am

Sacraments & RCIA, Baptism, Marriage:

Contact the parish office to arrange an appointment.

New Worshipers & Registration:

Please introduce yourself to Fr. White after Mass. To become a registered parishioner, please contact the parish office or visit our website.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

<u>Saturday, June 1</u>	
4:00 PM.....	Matthew Mearns
<u>Sunday, June 2</u>	
9:00 AM.....	Margaret Sullivan (8th Anniversary)
11:30 AM.....	Deceased Members of the Moscaritolo Family
<u>Monday, June 3</u>	
12:10 PM.....	Recently Ordained
<u>Tuesday, June 4</u>	
12:10 PM.....	Moshi Tanzania
<u>Wednesday, June 5</u>	
12:10 PM.....	Delvechio Family
<u>Thursday, June 6</u>	
12:10 PM.....	John Koehl
<u>Friday, June 7</u>	
12:10 PM.....	Sanctuary Society
<u>Saturday, June 8</u>	
4:00 PM.....	St. Joseph Parish Ministers
<u>Sunday, June 9</u>	
9:00 AM.....	St. Joseph Parish Faith Formation
11:30 AM.....	St. Joseph Parish Outreach

**ASCENSION THURSDAY MAY 30 MASS BEGAN OUR HOLY SPIRIT NOVENA**

As with the apostles, disciples and the early church, we pray for the descent of the Holy Spirit upon us, the church here of Saint Joseph. Let us join our prayers for building and strengthening the Body of Christ here and now. We especially pray for our ministers and ministries. For all that is needed in strategic planning and how YOU ARE NEEDED. Each of us has gifts and talents to be united with those of others and so enabling us keep Christ at the front and center of our parish, our church, our lives.

**CONGRATULATIONS & BLESSINGS GRADUATES**

Many commencements are scheduled and lots of joy circulates our community and campuses. We pray for all who have significant accomplishments and graduations.

**PENTECOST CATHOLIC TV MASS**

Pentecost Sunday St Joseph's will minister the Catholic TV Mass! Anyone interested in ministering or attending & can join us for the taping. Tuesday June 4, departing St Joseph's at noon. Please contact Fr Joe directly!

**PARISH SUPPORT**

All Amounts Include Online Giving

Offertory May 26th.....	\$1,615.00
Weekly.....	\$187.26
Grand Annual.....	\$82.00
Grand Annual to Date.....	\$33,805.79

**EVENTS - LITURGY - WORSHIP - MUSIC**

- Summa Let's do coffee Parish

Some comments, statements and misinformation circulating recently have prompted a lets do coffee! This Sat after 4pm and Sunday between 9 & 11:30 bring any parish or church related questions or suggestions. Both Cold & Hot Brew available

June & Summer Local & City Happenings

- Monday, June 24th 7:10pm Catholic night at Fenway Red Sox vs White Sox. For tickets & transportation reservations contact John in our office
- Tues June 4 - Thurs June 6 noon - 8pm Jimmie Fund Scooper Bowl, City Hall Plaza
- Free Concerts City Hall Plaza, Columbus Park. Charles River-Hatch Shell
- North End Feasts  
Stay tuned for July Age Strong & St Joseph Harbor Cruise Luncheon
- Parish Picnic/BBQ Sunday Aug 4 12:30 (following mass)
- Boston Harbor Hotel - Summer in the city  
Tuesdays through Fridays beginning June 6, each night sporting a different theme. Tues - Pop Soul, Wed - Rat Pack, Thurs - Blues Movies Fridays 6-10pm beginning June 7th wi Mission impossible
- P3 St Joseph's BBQ Mon July 22 following 7-8pm prayer
- SAVE THE DATE - six months till Poinsettia Arts, Crafts and Novelties Festival!!! Dec 6, 7, 8 your gifts, talents and assistance are greatly appreciated!!!
- "COME HOLY SPIRIT, ENKINDLE IN US THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE"  
Ascension Thursday May 30 through Pentecost June 9 we will again pray the Novena to the Holy Spirit. Perhaps the first Novena of the Christian Church, the apostles and disciples prayed for the coming of the decent of the Advocate promised by the Risen Lord Jesus. Inscribe in our prayer book your intentions or persons to be remembered. Novena intention book is positioned near the Ambo at the paschal candle and baptismal font.
- WE PLAN & PRAY FOR OUR FUTURE MUSIC AND LITURGICAL NEEDS  
Please note the email address liturgy@stjosephboston.com which can be used for any input, interest or comments about music and liturgy. We are very grateful to interim instrumentalists Charley Connor, Bob Judge, Fr Paul Rouse and to Cantors Jaimie, Krystina and Moira who (along with others) have been ministering to our immediate music ministry needs thru May.

Liturgical ministers, thank you for your ongoing commitment! The "summer" weeks please keep in communication with John Lawless regarding scheduling and any particular mass you plan to attend or weekends your available or unavailable. Anyone seeking summer ministry training please contact Fr Joe.

- OUTREACH  
Our weekly food drive has a long tradition here at St. Joseph's. Catholic Social Teaching has at its core the gospel message and mission we respond to by assisting those in need. Pastoral home visits and the distribution of the Eucharist is always an aspect of parish life that is significant to our neighbors unable to attend mass. Seasonal and special occasions allow us particular opportunities to assist one another. Contact us & or Sarah Smith, outreach coordinator, for further information outreach@stjosephboston.com
- D2A DIALOGUE TO ACTION  
is yet another community/municipal collaboration St Joseph's has been involved with for some months. This discussion and strategic planning focusses on resiliency, social and racial equity. A people of Boston interfaith peace prayer gathering will occur Pentecost Sunday June 9, 3:00pm at Jim Rice Field, 1931 Washington Street. For more info see flyer at church entrance. Consider joining this unity and harmony prayer effort in the Spirit of Pentecost. If this social justice interests you contact Fr Joe more entailed information.

The Word of God this week end calls us to remain united in Christ and our community of faith, to support the ongoing conversion and transformation of all humankind.

Well we know the plague of division, conflict and quarrels: spouses, parents, children, Families, friends, neighbors, governments and religions cause disunity and a lack of solidarity. Such disunity is caused when we only seek to satisfy our interests and have no care for the interests of others. This segregation and human division can be the cause of many evils in the world: wars, robberies, exploitation, oppression, humiliation, violence, human trafficking, etc. The list is endless,

Jesus brings unity and peace! He calls us in today's Gospel to remain united, united to him and united to one another. The fruits of living in solidarity and harmony are invaluable and varied: peace, mutuality, forgiveness and mercy, friendship and love, concord and integral development, education and training, work and progress.

Harmonious progress flows from and brings greater human dignity, support for the marginalized and needy, acceptance and tolerance of those who are different, the elimination of social structures that cause oppression and exploitation of peoples.

To eliminate the divisions that separate and fragment us requires a special effort on our part. The walls of racism, greed, consumerism and individualism are high and strong and are well rooted in societies of our present world. We must actively work to build up unity, educating ourselves and educating others. We must give an example of Christian life, Catholic Social Teaching, We go out, to help the needy and marginalized with courage and resolution just as the Lord Jesus and the earliest Christians did.

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.” John 14

These are great words of encouragement that our Lord Jesus Christ gives to his disciples. Jesus is reminding his apostles and disciples that whatever happens he will always be with them to give them his consolation and his blessing. When we are challenged today, we collect all our faith and trust in God and in God's promises. Christ can give us real and everlasting peace.

We are called TODAY to come closer to God, to be attentive to God's words of wisdom in the practice of our daily living. We are called TODAY to come closer to our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and to let him fill our hearts with the Holy Spirit of peace and understanding so we can deal with calamities and sorrows. Through the Holy Spirit we have the strength of Christ which heals our personal pains, which sustains all our efforts and toils and allows us to serve our sisters and brothers with generosity and genuineness.

This past Monday, Memorial Day I visited a few cemeteries of family and friends and in past parish assignments. I also viewed the of flags, over 37,000, on the Boston Common. This Thursday, June 6, is the 75th anniversary of D Day and Normandy. We have many reminders for the ongoing need for unity, for peace, for harmony.

It dawned on me while visiting graves and memorials that I do not know the burial grounds of former pastors, if you do please let me know, meanwhile I will do my homework! While visiting Hull village Cemetery I enjoyed the view and then the beach! Fr Alfred and I then began collecting seashells which now help landscape our parish property. Do you like them? While walking the beach & collecting we prayed to the Holy Spirit for all those we have been privileged to serve and minister to. We prayed what a gift priesthood is!

Jesus teaches his disciples that they will be able to rely on the Holy Spirit for guidance and instruction. In Acts we see these leaders of the faith trusting the Holy Spirit to guide them in making decisions. Let us recall the gifts of the Holy Spirit: WISDOM, UNDERSTANDING, COUNSEL, FORTITUDE, KNOWLEDGE, PIETY, and FEAR of the LORD. COME HOLY SPIRIT

We stand before you, Holy Spirit,  
conscious of our sinfulness  
but aware that we gather in your name.

Come to us, remain with us and enlighten our hearts.

Guide us by your light and strength  
to know your will, to make it our own and to live it in our lives.

Guide us by your wisdom, Support us by your power,  
For you are God, sharing the glory of Father and Son.

You desire justice for all; Enable us to uphold the rights of others;  
Do not allow us to be misled by ignorance or corrupted by fear or favor.

As we gather in your name, may we temper justice with love,  
So that all our discussions and reflections may be pleasing to you  
and earn the reward promised to good and faithful servants

We ask this of You who live and reign with the Father and the Son,  
One God, for ever and ever. Amen

(Prayer before every session of the Second Vatican Council)

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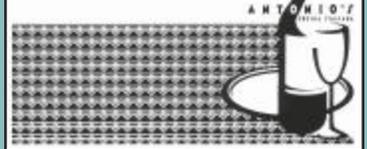
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