

# St Joseph Parish



## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

Saturday, August 24

4:00 PM.....Joseph Bova  
Sunday, August 25  
9:00 AM.....James Fitzgerald  
11:30AM .....All affected by violence

Monday, August 26

12:10 PM.....The Collins & Sarsfield families, and Eiblish, Agnes, and Cecil  
Tuesday, August 27

12:10PM.....All Mothers  
Wednesday, August 28

12:10 PM.....Lisa Potts Polito  
Thursday, August 29

12:10 PM.....All in need of transformation  
Friday, August 30

12:10 PM.....Theresa McDermott (1 year anniversary)  
Saturday, August 31

4:00 PM.....Dr. Elek Szabo  
Sunday, September 1

9:00 AM.....Intentions of Joshua Tseng-Tham  
11:30AM.....Intentions of Dulcinea Rodriguez

### PARISH SUPPORT

All Amounts Include Online Giving

Offertory August 4th.....\$2095.55  
Weekly Collection.....\$357.00  
Offertory August 11th.....\$2635.04  
Weekly Collection.....\$239.05  
Offertory August 18th.....\$1609.07  
Weekly Collection.....178.31

### 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

### 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

### GO SOCKS

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We are grateful to parishioner Addison Hoover for renewing a past Saint Joseph tradition of a sock drive. With a generous spirited response, Addison has taken it to another level creating a SaintJosephBoston Bag. Inspired by the needs of one man some weeks ago, Boston Bags will contain hygiene items such as a travel bag might or hotels might supply. Please consider contributing socks; soaps, shampoos; wash cloths/wipes; toothpaste & brush; comb/brush; other cleansing items and or any small gift card to Dunkins, CVS, Walgreens or wholefoods Small sachets type bags will be put together for those who might be in need. Medals & prayer cards will be spiritual items inserted in these care packages. Socks and items can be left at our outreach table near the church doors.

Addison, together with our outreach coordinator Sarah Smith, are open to all considerations for thisand any further outreach.

one man without a comb or the means to make himself more presentable was the inspiration for Addison to initiate these St Joseph'sBoston Bags.

St Joseph's has long been a generous caring group of folks. Let's make GO SOCKS a successful launch with StJosephBoston Bags!

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### SUMMER LOCAL & CITY HAPPENINGS & HISTORICAL SITES & ATTRACTIONS

- Boston Public Library - Copley Square free guided tours  
617 536 5400  
M 2:30, Tu, Th 6pm; W,F,Sat 11am; Sun 2pm; 700 Boylston de-  
parts Dartmouth St lobby
- City Of Boston's Dorothy Curran Wednesday Concert Series  
7:00pm
- Boston Harbor Hotel - Summer in the city  
Tuesdays through Fridays each night sporting a different theme  
Tues - Pop Soul, Wed - Rat Pack, Thurs - Blues  
Movies Fridays 6-10pm beginning June 7th w/ Mission impossible
- September is 30th anniversary National Recovery Month  
"Join the Voices of Recovery - Together We Are Stronger"  
to increase awareness and understanding of mental and sub-  
stance use disorders and celebrate the people in recovery from  
this disease  
there are many activities and events seminars and educational  
lectures and spiritual services focusing on alcohol and addiction  
recovery.
- AARPSS hope & healing retreat Mirimar Sep 6&7  
for women affected by a loved ones disease of addiction
- Sun Sep 15 5:00pm Mass of Hope & Healing here at St Joseph's  
followed by Instruments of Grace support and fellowship ( also  
monthly Sep-May)
- Mon Sep 16 - National Recovery Day Boston  
beginning 9am City Hall Plaza & continuing throughout the day  
(For more activities or info visit SAMHSA website)

### SAVE THE DATE

- October - Respect Life Month, Christ our Hope, In Every Season
- Oct 6, 11 am Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass, St Camillus  
Arlington
- Sat Oct 5 Archdiocesan Social Justice Convocation
- Fall Adult Confirmation, Nov 17, contact office for catechetical  
session info
- Certificate in Catholic Theology-The Institute for the New  
Evangelization

The liturgies over the last several weeks have allowed us to journey with Jesus toward Jerusalem. The readings have been serious, urging us to put our priorities in order, to discipline ourselves, to live Gospel values and most of all to pray. (Are you aware that our practice and norms for liturgical music selections are generally suggestive and reflective of the scriptures of the day)

Labor Day-Next weekend is our national unofficial end to summer. We pray for all students, faculty and staff who are returning to school these days. Our prayerful support and welcome to any who transition and begin new stages of careers and experiences.

As noted last week, summer ordinary time weeks we greet more visitors and tourists than regular worshipers! Just last Sunday, of the nearly two hundred visitors to Saint Joseph's there were several families with loved ones at nearby hospitals. There were Patients from Ontario, Louisiana, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Florida, and from throughout Massachusetts.

Saint Joseph's has long been a spiritual refuge for those receiving treatment and their families accompanying them. These past few years hundreds have entered our doors grateful the church is open throughout the day enabling a prayerful visit.

A recent study has shown that 1 in 3 Catholics do NOT believe in the Eucharist. While this study is significantly saddening, the visitors and passerby's to our church witness to us differently. Often a walker or driver passing the open church doors will pause momentarily to bless themselves.

I commented to one leader of our redeveloping Pastoral Liturgical Group that we should consider the Sacrament of the Sick as one area for our discussion of "2020 Vision" Certainly this anointing and prayer is celebrated and administered here regularly. In addition to a few homebound parishioners, the above mentioned several visitors were all anointed and dozens within the hospitals.

As director of Archdiocesan Addiction Recovery Pastoral Support Services (AARPSS) I educate clergy and staffs on the diseases of addiction and mental illness. I encourage anointing folks in recovery or those suffering through the woes of addiction.

"2020 Vision" is our parish strategic planning into the next several years! As summer unofficially ends so begins 2019-2020 academic calendar. July 1 began our 2019-2020 fiscal year. October highlights our 2020 Grand Annual Offering and our launch of our "2020 Vision". And of course Jan 1 begins 2020!

Over the next several weeks you are asked to participate in survey, assessment and commitment. Your interests and input are the fundamental components for compiling the data and evidence based practices necessary to develop a successful strategic plan. If you are one who is familiar with or gifted in the area of strategy and/or its implementation please consider joining the team!

The past ten years of information and statistics is and will be some of our driving data for our planning purposes. Most of our planning however, will derive from our experience and reality of worship and the fundamental areas of parish life. Some fundamental questions and focus must be,

-What will we look like in 10 and 20 years? Attendance, Active Participation, Population, Ages. What are/will be our spiritual and pastoral needs? Liturgy, Education, Pastoral Care and Outreach. How will we be financially sustained?

Today's Gospel sermon of Jesus on the narrow door stresses the challenges of daily Catholic Christian living. There is specific mention of those who had been under the illusion that they were following Jesus but had maintained only a loose relationship with him. They ate and drank with him, indeed, but with no intimate fellowship, they heard his teaching but...did not put it into practice.

"2020 Vision" is calling you, is calling us to focus and put into perspective to what degree are you, are we putting into practice the teachings of Jesus? "2020 Vision" is looking forward and zooming in on who we are as church, as parish.

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Fr Joe

**St. Anthony Feast - Celebrating 100 Years of Faith, family Community & Tradition**

It is with great excitement that you are invited to celebrate St. Leonard's Centennial St Anthony's Feast in the North End of Boston. We are humbled to be stewards of this revered custom brought by our ancestors and fellow immigrants to America 100 years ago.

We are honored to host the most holy relics of our beloved saint, Anthony of Padua from the Basilica of Sant' Antonio, during our centennial celebration on August 22-25 2019. For more information visit [stanthonysfeast.com](http://stanthonysfeast.com) or email us at [society@stanthonysfeast.com](mailto:society@stanthonysfeast.com)



At this time of year we welcome anyone new or returning to Boston and Saint Joseph's

Researchers, medical professionals and healthcare givers and all in new experiences please let us know how we can be more helpful as you transition and settle in!

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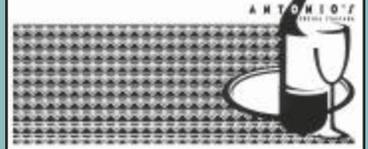
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