



WHEN THE WINE RAN SHORT, THE MOTHER OF JESUS
SAID TO HIM, "THEY HAVE NO WINE." - JN 2:3

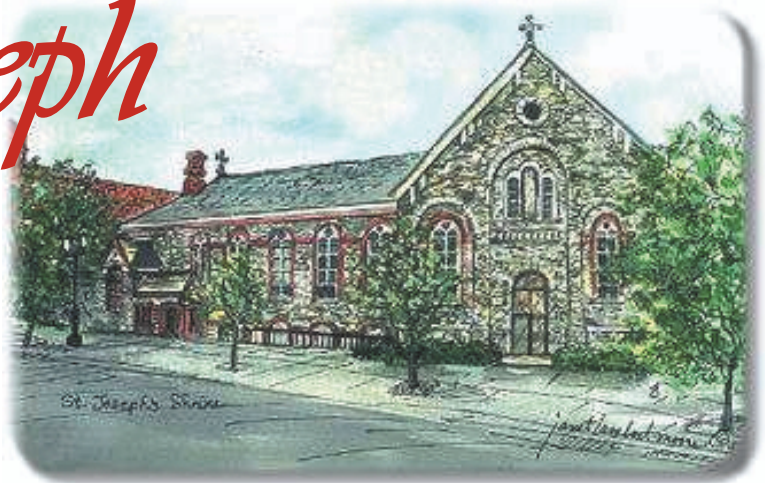
2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Joseph

The Worker Shrine

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Saint Joseph the Worker Shrine is a place of prayer, reflection, and social action undertaken in the spirit of Jesus Christ and Saint Eugene de Mazenod, founder of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Our mission is based on Matthew 11:28,

“Come to me, all you who labor and are overburdened, and I will give you rest.”

St. Joseph the Worker Shrine is a ministry of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, United States Province.

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Weekdays: 8 AM, 12 Noon & 5:30 PM
Saturday: 8 AM, 12 Noon, & 4 PM
Sunday at 8 AM, 10 AM, & 12 Noon

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Weekdays: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM & 4:30 - 5:15 PM
Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM

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Saturdays and each First Friday after the noon Mass (approx. 12:45 PM) and ending with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament before the evening Mass.

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Mass Intentions

January 15th - 23rd, 2022

- Saturday January 15, 2022**
 8:00 Robert G. Dufault - deceased
 12:00 Robert McDonald - deceased
 4:00 Gladys Ortiz - 1st anniversary deceased
- Sunday January 16, 2022**
 8:00 Hipolito & Luce Santiago
 10:00 Australia Abreu - deceased
 12:00 Blanche Szufnarowski
- Monday January 17, 2022**
 8:00 Fr. Terry O'Connell, OMI - deceased
 12:00 Frank Lapan
 5:30 No Mass - MLK Day
- Tuesday January 18, 2022**
 8:00 Carmen González
 12:00 Antonio & Maria Clemente
 5:30 Bob Stowell - Intentions
- Wednesday January 19, 2022**
 8:00 Fr. Terry O'Connell, OMI - deceased
 12:00 Shrine Benefactors
 5:30 Fr. Terry O'Connell, OMI - deceased
- Thursday January 20, 2022**
 8:00 Holy Souls in Purgatory
 12:00 Patrick & Ann Perrotta
 5:30 Liberato & Remigia Medina
- Friday January 21, 2022**
 8:00 Cherry Nutting - Intentions
 12:00 Suzanne & Richard Wedding Blessings
 5:30 Nimiko O. Bayashi
- Saturday January 22, 2022**
 8:00 Cynthia Cascio
 12:00 Timothy Boughner
 4:00 Phyllis Bertencini - living
- Sunday January 23, 2022**
 8:00 Robert Dufault Sr. - deceased
 10:00 Bryan & Sadie Galeb - living
 12:00 Paul Musto - 11th anniversary

FINANCIAL REPORT

Thank you for your contributions!
 We appreciate your generous support of St. Joseph the Worker Shrine, and the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

Week Ending	January 2, 2022
Weekend Total:	\$2,222.05
Weekday Total:	\$1,535.00
Total Offertory:	\$3,757.05
We-Share Total:	\$670.00

Music For Sunday, January 16, 2022

CHOIR 8AM.

Entrance #312 Here at this Table
 Offertory #408 Earthen Vessels
 Communion #356 Miracle of Grace
 Sending Forth #612 Give Thanks to the Lord

4PM/10AM/12PM

Entrance #708 O God, Almighty Father
 Offertory #729 At the Name of Jesus
 Communion #353 One Love Released
 #356 Miracle of Grace
 Sending Forth #195 Now Thank We All Our God

Readings for the Week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

1/18 - 1/25/22

'We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship Him' (cf. Matthew 2:2)

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 is 'We saw the star

in the East, and we came to worship Him.' This theme was selected by the Middle East Council of Churches and originates from the churches in Lebanon. Present times in Lebanon are extremely difficult and economically disastrous. All this combined with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have made the situation quite stressful. The power of prayer in solidarity with those who suffer is a demonstration of Christian unity and a sign of communion.

The theme, taken from the second chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew, is the Epiphany. Each year in January, the Church recalls the visit of the Magi to Bethlehem, highlighting God's invitation to all of humanity to a new covenant in the Incarnation of Christ. In the Eastern Churches, Epiphany is joined to the mystery of the Baptism of Christ, a baptism all Christians hold in common as testimony to their faith in the Son of God.

Prayer for Christian Unity

God of every nation, the Lord Jesus Christ has been made manifest by becoming one of us and one with us. Born in homelessness, he is our King and Lord. The Magi bore witness to the Light of hope coming into the world as they faithfully followed the star.

The communion of God with created humanity in the Epiphany calls us to a life of solidarity with the homeless, the refugee, the weakest and the rejected. Help us, O gracious Lord, to do this in unity and peace.

As we who bear the name of Christian hold a special place in our hearts for the ancient Christian communities in the land we call holy, remind us of our baptismal commitment to love.

Help your Church, merciful One, to be a light for unity within itself and a beacon of hope for all humanity. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who with You and the Holy Spirit reign as One God for ever and ever. Amen.



JESUS aCROSS the Border Monthly Gathering January 21, 2022

Come celebrate with us!!! JESUS aCROSS the Border is blessed to be celebrating our 5th birthday and honored to be collaborating with the Young Catholics of Greater Boston (North Shore) for their first-ever OFFICIAL event! Nothing would mean more than for you to join and celebrate with us! Please join us for this beautiful evening of praise & worship led by Brandon Fitts of Delmore Worship and LIFT Ministries, Holy Mass celebrated by the dynamic Fr. Richard Clancy, and our Surprise Birthday Social! Confessions will be available before Mass, during adoration. We hope you can join us for this special evening on January 21 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph the Worker Shrine in Lowell, MA. For more event details, please visit our Facebook event page located at www.facebook.com/events/243305624583090. We look forward to seeing you!

JESUS aCROSS the Border events are geared towards young adults, 18-35 years of age, but are open to anyone who would like to find out more about our mission. This is always a fantastic opportunity for the over-20 local, Catholic young adult groups to network with one another and for YOU to get to know the many groups out there that are ready to support you in your faith journey!

Christmas Collection Update

We sincerely thank you who generously gave to our Christmas collection for the Oblates in Tewksbury. The donations received by mail or in person to date total **\$12,486.99.**

A Special Thank You!



We gratefully acknowledge and extend a special Thank You to the following folks who donated their time and talents to decorating the Shrine for Christmas:

Angel Torres
Paul Demers

Ron Cenik
David Demers

From the Director's Desk



January 16, 2022

Trilussa (1871-1950) was a Roman poet. His real name was Carlos Alberto Salustri. In one poem, he writes about himself. In his dream, he is lost in a forest. An elderly lady offers to show him the way. However, she is blind. How will a blind lady show the way to me, asks Trilussa.

The blind woman simply says: *Walk*. This is faith. Yes, faith is a good guide. Faith must place roots down in the mind. Before that, the conviction must be formed and planted in the mind. What about today, Trilussa? Is it easy to have faith today? The teacher tells the pupils the earth is 93 million miles away from the sun. The students believe him.

A mother tells her children about her own childhood. They believe all she says. The children get to know Mom in a better way. Faith in God is similar. We hear about the Lord, especially at Mass. We hear about what God has done for us. We learn to love the Lord, through faith in what we hear.

Our faith in God becomes rooted in the mind. What if God demands us to change the way we are living? Let's leave Trilussa for a minute and turn to St. Augustine. God calls him. His former "friends tug gently at his clothing of flesh" and whisper to him, "You dismiss us? Remember: the moment we leave you, that certain thing will no longer be allowed you - forever."

"Hurry, Augustine", God begs him. Augustine pleads, "Not at once, just another moment!" He goes on for weeks, months until God breaks thru. When it come to Faith, there is something different; it is the intervention of God. On the 25th we will celebrate the conversion of St. Paul. May we please God by allowing the Lord to intervene in our hearts.

I remember you at Mass.

Next Week - January 23rd is the wedding anniversary of Mary and Joseph. At all Masses next Sunday, January 23rd, we will consecrate ourselves to St. Joseph.

St. Eugene -



You experienced the intimate love and closeness of the Saviour's presence in the Eucharist and taught and encouraged all those you ministered to to have a strong Eucharistic devotion.

St. Eugene, guide us to the Savior in our time of need. - *Litany of St. Eugene de Mazenod*

Eucharistic Holy Hour



On Tuesday, January 18th, St. Joseph the Worker Shrine will conduct a Eucharistic Holy hour in observance of the *Year of the Eucharist*.



Martin Luther King Jr.

1/15/29 - 4/4/68

On Monday, January 17th, our nation observes Martin Luther King Jr. Day to honor and celebrate the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the contributions he made to the advancement of equality among all of our citizens. The Shrine will follow a **holiday schedule** that day:

- * Masses are at 8:00 am & 12:00 noon only
- * There will be no confessions
- * The Gift Shop/Bookstore and Office will close
- * The Shrine will close after the Noon Mass.

Joseph most obedient,
Pray for us!

~ Litany of St. Joseph



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for January



We pray for all those who suffer from religious discrimination and persecution; may their rights and dignity as brothers and sisters be recognized in the human family .

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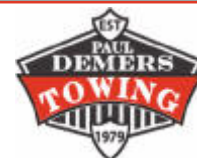


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