

Saint Joseph Parish— Needham, MA

January 24, 2021



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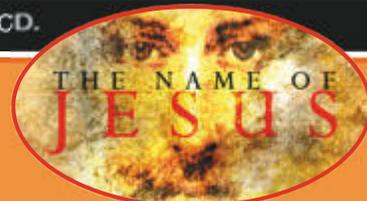
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3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will
make you fishers of men." - Mk 1:17

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*The month of January is dedicated to
The Holy Name of Jesus*



SAINT JOSEPH PARISH—PASTOR'S CORNER

Bulletin
1.24.21

Dear Friends:

At this moment in our nation, it is important to remember that the United States is under the maternal care of Mary, the Immaculate Conception. We trust in her prayers and protection! I wish to share with you this beautiful prayer composed by our Holy Father Pope Francis:

An Act of Veneration for Immaculate Mary, the Mother of God

Virgin most holy and immaculate,
to you, the honor of our people,
and loving protector of our city,
do we turn with loving trust.

You are all-beautiful, O Mary!
In you there is no sin.

Awaken in all of us a renewed desire for holiness:
May the splendor of truth shine forth in our words,
the song of charity resound in our works,
purity and chastity abide in our hearts and bodies,
and the full beauty of the Gospel be evident in our lives.

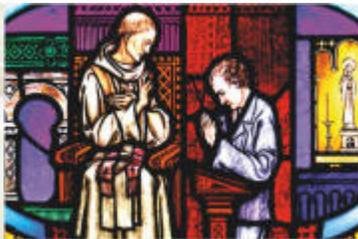
You are all-beautiful, O Mary!
In you the Word became flesh.

Help us always to heed the Lord's voice:
May we never be indifferent to the cry of the poor,
or untouched by the sufferings of the sick and those in need:
may we be sensitive to the loneliness of the elderly and the vulnerability of children,
and always love and cherish the life of every human being.

You are all-beautiful, O Mary!
In you is the fullness of joy born of life with God.

Help us never to forget the meaning of our earthly journey:
May the kindly light of faith illumine our days,
the comforting power of hope direct our steps,
the contagious warmth of love stir our hearts;
and may our gaze be fixed on God, in whom true joy is found.

You are all-beautiful, O Mary!
Hear our prayer, graciously hear our plea:
May the beauty of God's merciful love in Jesus abide in our hearts,
and may this divine beauty save us, our city, and the entire world. Amen.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation
By appointment and
on Saturdays from 2:30- 3:30 pm
in the former baptistry, in the upper church.

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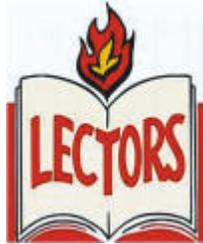
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Religious Education classes have begun, but we are still accepting registrations. Please go to the Parish website for the link to the registration form and register as soon as possible.

Classes for grades 7-10 will resume the week beginning Sunday, January 24.

Though the Religious Education Office remains closed, Melissa Harrigan, Director for Gr. K-6 and Debbie Coyle, Coordinator, Gr. K-11 can be reached via their emails:

mharrigan@saintjoes.com and dcoyle@saintjoes.com



REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL LECTORS

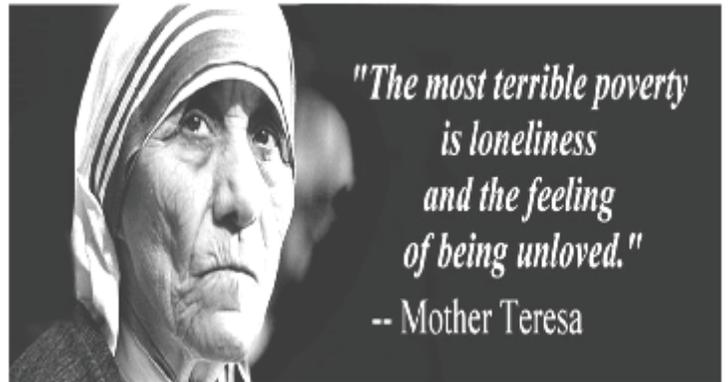
We are looking for more people to become Lectors, particularly for the Saturday 4:00 PM and the Sunday 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM Masses.

It is not a difficult job. Training is available and a Lector workbook will be provided. Lectors generally read about once a month. They are usually scheduled for whatever Mass they normally attend, or for whichever Masses they prefer.

If you are interested in this rewarding and important service to the Parish, please contact Jim Benoit at: jcbenoit73@verizon.net or 781-444-1654 (please leave a message).

Prayer to Saint Joseph- Pope Francis

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*



Saint Joseph School Walkway to the Future"

We are excited to announce our new brick walkway project which will be located at the main entrance to our school at 90 Pickering Street. We invite families, alumni, parishioners, and friends of Saint Joseph School to become a permanent part of our school by purchasing a commemorative brick to recognize a student, teacher, family, alumni, or business in our community. You can choose to honor someone special or place a brick in memory of a loved one. The walkway and entrance to our school is a primary gathering place for students and visitors. Your brick donation will serve as a visible reminder of your commitment and connection to the excellence and ongoing achievements of Saint Joseph School. 4x8 bricks are \$150, 8x8 bricks are \$300, and there will be a limited amount of 16x16 arrays for \$1,000 each.



For more information or to order your brick today, please visit our school website

www.saintjoes.com, then choose Support Us, and scroll down to Brick Walkway to the Future.

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH



‘Words can be kisses,’ but also ‘swords,’ pope writes in new book

By: Catholic News Service

Date: January 15, 2021

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Silence, like words, can be a love language, Pope Francis wrote in a very short introduction to a new book in Italian.

“Silence is one of God’s languages and it also is a language of love,” the pope wrote in the book, “Don’t Speak Ill of Others,” by Capuchin Father Emiliano Antenucci.

The Italian priest, encouraged by Pope Francis, promotes devotion to Mary under the title “Our Lady of Silence.”

In the new book, Pope Francis quoted St. Augustine: “If you keep silent, keep silent by love; if you speak, speak by love.”

Not speaking ill of others is not “just a moral act,” he said. “When we speak ill of others, we sully the image of God that is in each person.”

“The correct use of words is important,” Pope Francis wrote. “Words can be kisses, caresses, medicine, but they also can be knives, swords or bullets.”

Words, he said, can be used to bless or to curse, “they can be closed walls or open windows.”

Repeating what he has said on many occasions, Pope Francis said compared people who throw “the bombs” of gossip and slander to “terrorists” sowing destruction.

The pope also quoted St. Teresa of Kolkata’s familiar phrase as a lesson in holiness accessible to every Christian: “The fruit of silence is prayer; the fruit of prayer is faith; the fruit of faith is love; the fruit of love is service; the fruit of service is peace.”

“One begins with silence and arrives at charity toward others,” he said.



St. Francis House Clothing Drive-

CHANGES TO NOTICE ABOUT THE ST. FRANCIS HOUSE COLLECTION

As it said in last week's bulletin, because of Covid restrictions, we will not be collecting donations for the St. Francis House here at the parish. The St. Francis House has since informed us that their Amazon Wish List is not up to date, but they are still in desperate need of basic clothing, especially socks!

They also need underwear, T shirts, sweatshirts, hats, gloves and boots, with sizes L to XXL in the greatest demand. **You may purchase items on any website and have them sent directly to the St. Francis House, 39 Boylston Street, Boston MA 02116.**

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST 2020 - 2022

Cardinal Seán O'Malley declared a Year of the Eucharist for the Archdiocese of Boston to bolster the faith of those who already believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and to encourage those who struggle with this belief. The year, which officially began on the Feast of Corpus Christi 2020 and was slated to end on the Feast of Corpus Christi 2021, has been extended to June 2022 because of the pandemic. **During this time, the Cardinal invites all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Boston to learn more about the Eucharist and to spend more time before the Eucharistic Lord, asking Him to reveal Himself to you.**



SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

The Holy Father's Intention for January 2021

Human fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Adoration in the lower church every Friday following the 6:50 a.m. Mass. Adoration concludes with Reposition at 12 noon.



Pay a visit and speak to the Lord.

Stewardship			
Offertory: Week 29 January 17, 2021	Received	Goal	Variance
In Church & by mail	\$8,750		
Online – Weekly	\$4,384		
Online – Monthly	\$3,131		
TOTAL for Week	\$16,265	\$15,500	\$765
TOTAL Year to Date	\$434,410	\$449,500	(\$15,090)
Grand Annual 2020/21	Received	Goal	Still to go
Number of Gifts	287	325	38
Amount	\$203,369	\$180,000	\$0



... to the many parishioners who have faithfully continued to send or bring their offertory contributions through out the year. Also, our gratitude to those that have made generous year-end Offertory Gifts. Your contributions help to offset the lower collections resulting from reduced Mass attendance during the pandemic.

May God Bless and keep you all.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 23

8:30	Anne Jackson– Memorial
4:00	Christopher Lawson Wise Sr.– Memorial

Sunday, January 24

7:30	Patrick Fitzsimons– Memorial
9:00	Thomas Welch– Memorial
11:00	Fr. Daniel Kennedy– Memorial

Monday, January 25

6:50	Mary and Chris Colby– Memorial
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Tuesday, January 26

6:50	Timothy F. Ryan– Memorial
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Wednesday, January 27

6:50	Ben King– Memorial
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Thursday, January 28

6:50	Esther and Bernard Tighe– Memorial
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Friday, January 29

6:50	Conversion of Sinners
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Saturday, January 30

8:30	Charles McGowan– Memorial
4:00	Osbourne McConathy– Memorial

Sunday, January 31

7:30	Sheila McDermott– Memorial
9:00	The People of Saint Joseph Parish
11:00	



Rose for Life–

Each week roses are placed beside the tabernacles as reminders to pray for the unborn.

The week of Jan 24 roses are donated In Memory of Frank McManus, Marie Grosvenor, Mary O'Connor, Eleanor and Marguerite Philbin, John and Katherine O'Neil.



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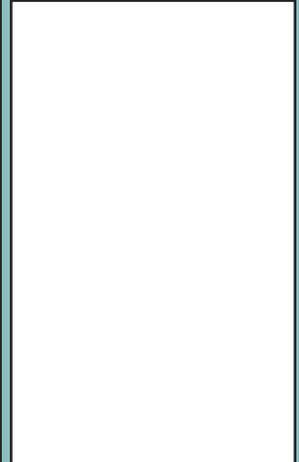
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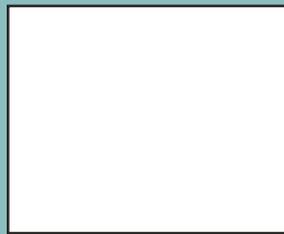
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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM:

To request the Sacrament of Baptism for your child please fill out the form found on the parish website at: <http://www.stjosephparishneedham.com/baptism> or if you don't have online access or have a question, please contact the Parish Office at 781-444-0245.

RECONCILIATION (Confession) :

Saturday from 2:30pm to 3:30pm and by Appointment.

MARRIAGE:

Contact one of the parish priests to schedule a date. A preparation period of at least six months must be allowed between initial contact and the date set. Couples are required to attend a Marriage Preparation Program during this time.

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am
9:00 am
11:00 am

Daily Mass 6:50 am (Monday to Friday)
8:30 am (Saturday)

Church Prayer Hours

Lower Church
Mon - Fri 6 am to 6 pm
Sat - Sun 9 am to 5 pm