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Caesar what  
belongs to  
Caesar and to  
God what  
belongs to God."  
-Matthew 22:21

## MASSES

### Lord's Day Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m. in the church

Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. in the church

### Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8:00 a.m.

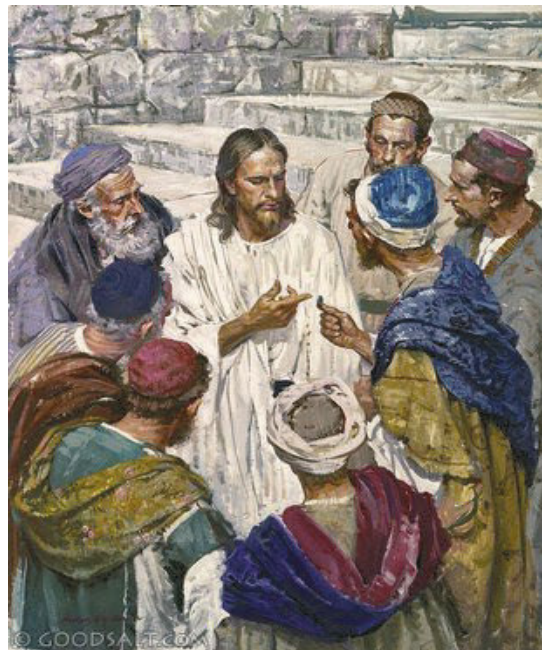
Thursday 5:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m.

or by appointment



## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As individuals and families, our mission as the Parish Community of Saint Joseph is to live fully the call of Jesus Christ, to be the People of God by giving witness to the Gospel, passing on our Catholic tradition, strengthening the spiritual life of parishioners and serving those in need. We are committed to being an active, welcoming, and supportive community, proclaiming Christ's teaching through word and deed.

# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

October 22, 2023

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



## Saturday, October 21, 2023

4:00PM **Ray Pescaro**  
Anniversary Remembrance

## Sunday, October 22, 2023

8:30AM **People of St. Joseph Parish**  
10:30AM **Roger Boucher**  
by Jean Roccanti

**Father Bomba is on vacation this week.  
Mass will not be celebrated at St. Joseph  
Church Monday through Friday.**

## Saturday, October 28, 2023

4:00PM **James Palmer**  
38th Anniversary Remembrance  
and **Melena Palmer**  
16th Anniversary Remembrance  
by family

## Sunday, October 29, 2023

8:30AM **Joseph W. Fleming**  
29th Anniversary Remembrance  
by Mom  
10:30AM **People of St. Joseph Parish**

### All Souls Day Mass at Notre Dame Cemetery Chapel, Worcester

Bishop McManus will be the principal celebrant at Mass on All Souls Day, **Thursday, Nov. 2 at 11 am** in the Notre Dame Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel, 162 Webster St., Worcester. All are welcome. Learn more at [worcesterdiocese.org/st-john-cemetery](http://worcesterdiocese.org/st-john-cemetery).



### COVID-19 TEST KITS

The COVID-19 test kits located in the back of the church list an expiration date of August 19. According to the Town of Auburn, who provided the kits to us, these test kits  
**ARE GOOD UNTIL NOVEMBER 19, 2023.**

Saturday, October 28, 2023

Holy Communion Fred and Carol Fraini  
Lector Doreen Goodrich  
Altar Server Jean Ashton

Sunday, October 29, 2023

8:30am  
Holy Communion Len Angers/Jean Ashton  
Marek Sitkowski  
Lector Patty Bickford  
Altar Server Patty Bickford  
10:30am  
Holy Communion Dianne Trumbour +2  
Lector Mary Skorvanek  
Altar Server Paul Molis



Deborah Halley - Carlo Whaley  
John (Woody) Wood - Alan Parslow  
Susan Schmidt - Judy Maillet - Elaine Lamb  
Thomas McMahon - Elsie Faneuil - Julia  
William Daniels - Anne Berberian  
Jack Holmberg - Marianne and Robert Haroian  
Cindy Fitzgerald - Joseph Cloutier, Jr.  
Joyce and Bruce Seaman - Judith Daniels  
Patrick and Kate Dee - Francis Kavanagh  
Patty Snow - Pauline Mercier - Arthur Cote  
Steven Dufault - Richard Chiras - Michelle Kist  
Deborah and Victoria Mink - Francis Khoury  
Sharon Grybowski - Raymond Curren  
Peggy Markvenas - Timmy Canty - Iris Wood  
Bryce Linton and Family - Christopher Chiras  
Linda J. Harris - Giuseppe Struppa

# Auburn, Massachusetts

**Dear People of Saint Joseph Parish,**



It is that time of year when Saint Joseph Parish begins to look forward to the Christmas Bazaar. The big event will be on Saturday, December 2. We are receiving donations at the Parish Center. We will need people to prepare, set-up, sell, assist, break down, and clean up. The Bazaar takes the effort of a large number of people who work together for the benefit of the parish.

I will donate \$100 worth of Massachusetts State Lottery scratch tickets and another \$50 worth of Massachusetts State Lottery scratch tickets as a second prize. There will be no afghan made by my mother. Since I donated the yarn and Mom donated the labor of love on the crochet hook for former prizes, I will add more raffle tickets to the prize.

I thought hard about what else I could raffle in the Pastor's Prize. I did think that \$50 cash might entice people into buying tickets, but people have fun scratching the tickets or giving them out to family or friends.

Parishioners may suggest to me what they would like to have in the Pastor's Prize that would entice them to purchase tickets. I am open to suggestions. A little brainstorming among parishioners might generate a prize that will bring more people to purchase tickets next year.

Tickets will be on sale for the Pastor's Prize starting next weekend. Parishioners who wish to purchase a chance to win one or both of the prizes can do so after mass on Saturday or Sunday. Tickets are also on sale in the rectory. The price is still one dollar for each chance.

Please plan to participate in the Christmas Bazaar as a worker, helper, or make a great purchase that will contribute to the financial health of Saint Joseph Parish.



St Joseph Parish  
Auburn, Massachusetts

Ticket #XXX  
\$1.00 per chance

**Christmas Bazaar - Pastor's Prize**  
**Massachusetts Lottery Scratch Tickets Purchase Price - \$100.00**  
**Massachusetts Lottery Scratch Tickets Purchase Price - \$50.00**

Drawing: Saturday, December 2, 2023

**Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba**

## **Sarah Hart in Concert in Milford**

**On Sunday, Oct. 29 at 7:00 pm**, Sarah Hart will give a concert at Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish, 19 Winter St, Milford. Admission is free. Free-will offering will be taken. Reception to follow in the Parish Center Large Hall - all are welcome! Sarah Hart is one of the leading figures in contemporary Catholic music today. Her songs of faith have touched the lives of millions.

Sarah's songs are part of the common worship experience of Catholics in the US: "Go in Peace," "You Alone," "Drawn to You" and others. Her signature blend of folk, pop and rock delights listeners of every age. In October of 2013, Sarah was invited to perform for Pope Francis and a crowd of 150,000 in St. Peter's Square.



## **Stewardship!!!**

### **Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**"Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's. (Matthew 22:21)** Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second, especially our money.

# Sunday, October 22, 2023



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Plumbing School	8:00AM-5:00PM	Parish Center
AA Meeting	7:00PM-9:00PM	Lower Church Hall

## Monday, October 23, 2023

Religious Education Classes 3, 4 & 5	4:00PM-5:15PM	Parish Center
Religious Education Classes 6, 7 & 8	6:45PM-8:00PM	Parish Center
Plumbing School	5:30PM-10:00PM	Parish Center

## Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Confirmation Retreat	5:00PM-9:00PM	Parish Center
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## Wednesday, October 25, 2023

Plumbing School	5:30PM-9:30PM	Parish Center
AA Meeting	7:00PM-9:00PM	Lower Church Hall

## Thursday, October 26, 2023

Choir Rehearsal	6:30PM	Church
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## Saturday, October 28, 2023

Religious Education Classes Grades 1 & 2	10:00AM-11:15AM	Parish Center
Grade 2 Parent Meeting	10:00AM	Parish Center
CMSC Drivers Ed	8:30AM-3:00PM	Parish Center

## Sunday, October 29, 2023

Plumbing School	8:00AM-5:00PM	Parish Center
Grade 2 Family Mass	10:30AM	Church
AA Meeting	7:00PM-9:00PM	Lower Church Hall

### St. Jude Novena in Leicester

Join us for the St. Jude Novena at Saint Aloysius-Saint Jude Church, 489 Pleasant St., Leicester on **Sunday, Oct. 29 at 2:00 pm**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Homily, Litany to Saint Jude, Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Benediction.



### Did You Know? An Appropriate Way to Report Inappropriate Behavior

How should you communicate your concerns to someone who may be behaving inappropriately with children? The "I" message is a simple way to reframe what you want to say so that the listener hears you speak of your feelings and concerns rather than hearing a complaint against him- or herself. The "I" message, simply diagrammed, says, "I feel [feeling] when [situation] because [reason]." For example, you can say, "I feel anxious when you drive a child home alone after religious education classes, because that could put you or the child in a potentially risky situation." It is a much more constructive approach than saying, "You shouldn't be driving children home alone because it is against the rules and puts them in danger."

**For particular help you may call: Judith Audette, Director of Office for Healing and Prevention at (508) 929-4363**

Source: Paul J. Ashton, "CAREfronting vs. Confronting Those Who Behave Inappropriately," featured August 9, 2004, at [www.virtusonline.org/virtus](http://www.virtusonline.org/virtus).

### Parish Support



Weekly Goal	\$7,500
Last Weekend	\$2,708
Shortfall	(\$4,792)
Debt Redux	\$40
Year to Date	
Budget	\$315,000
Collections	\$157,491
Electronic Payment	\$8,860
Shortfall	(\$148,649)

The second collection this weekend is for  
**World Mission Sunday.**

**There will not be a second collection next weekend.**

## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Relic of Saint Jude Coming to Webster

The Arm of St. Jude the Apostle is coming to Webster on **Thursday, Nov. 16 from 1:00 - 9:00 pm** (Mass at 6:00 pm) at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 18 East Main St., Webster. Known as the Apostle of the Impossible, St. Jude is revered for his unwavering dedication and steadfast faith. All are welcome!



Visit [www.ApostleOfTheImpossible.com](http://www.ApostleOfTheImpossible.com) to learn more.

### All Saints Procession in Clinton

The 3rd Annual All Saints Procession departs from the front of St. John Church on **Sunday, Oct. 29 at 3 pm**. Come witness the statues and banners of over 30 saints carried through the streets of Clinton by over 150 men and women. Children are welcomed to come dressed as their favorite saints. 80 Union St., Clinton. **Phone the parish for more info: 978-368-0366.**



### St. Joseph weekly bible study group

will begin meeting on

Wednesday mornings, October 25, from 10am-Noon at the Parish Center. This is a very informal discussion group. All are welcome. You do not have to be a parishioner of St. Joseph's to attend. Give Lisa a call at 508-832-6683 or email: [stjoesreledaub@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesreledaub@gmail.com) for more information.

Registration is not necessary.

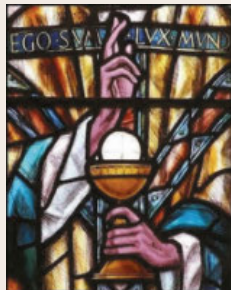
### Tenth Annual Celebrate Priesthood -

#### Taste of the Diocese Gala

**Saint Paul Diocesan Jr./Sr. High School  
144 Granite St., Worcester**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023 - 5:30pm**

For the past nine years, the Diocese of Worcester has hosted a wonderful gala called "Celebrate Priesthood - Taste of the Diocese" as a benefit for Retired Priest's Care. Join us in making this 10th Anniversary Celebration extra special by attending our upcoming tasting gala. Saint Paul Diocesan Jr./Sr. High School will host our tasting event in the spacious gymnasium.



**To make a donation, purchase tickets or to become a sponsor, call 508-929-4368 or visit [worcesterdiocese.org/celebrate-priesthood](http://worcesterdiocese.org/celebrate-priesthood).**

### NEWS FROM



A reminder, our confirmation retreat for candidates being confirmed this fall (grade 11) will be held on **Tuesday evening, October 24, 2023 from 5 - 9pm, at St. Joseph Parish Center**. It is for candidates ONLY.

Please arrive by 4:50.

Supper will be served. If you prefer, you may bring your own.

This is an important event in the final preparation for your confirmation. If you miss the retreat, you will need to attend another at a different location. Please plan in advance to be sure there is nothing else on your calendar.



### Grade 2 Parent Meeting

A meeting for parents of First Communion students is **Saturday, October 28, at the parish center, 10am**.

The meaning of and preparation for First Communion will be explained and a schedule of events will be given.

Please make every effort to attend.

The first grade 2 family mass is **Sunday, October 29, 10:30am at the church**. All families should arrive at the church by 10:20am.

### ALL SAINTS DAY CELEBRATION IN OXFORD

All **mothers** and **children** are invited to a special All Saints Day Celebration!

Wednesday, November 1, from 5:00-6:00PM  
Saint Roch Parish Hall, 334 Main St., Oxford

Children are encouraged to **dress up as their favorite saint**.

Bring a saint-themed **snack to share**.  
**RSVP and get more information by contacting Gina Hamwey at 774-571-2314 or [gina.hamwey@gmail.com](mailto:gina.hamwey@gmail.com).**



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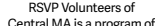
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