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THE ASSUMPTION
OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
AUGUST 15



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

August 11, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



Saturday, August 10, 2024

4:00PM **Ann R. Cote**
by daughter Judith

Sunday, August 11, 2024

8:30AM **Richard O'Connor**
Anniversary Remembrance
by Judy

10:30AM **Richard Fleming, Jr.**
by his Mom

Monday, August 12, 2024

8:00AM **Louis Sargentelli, Jr.**
25th Anniversary Remembrance
by Joan Going

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

8:00AM **Joanne Kilsheimer**
Anniversary Remembrance
by her brother

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

8:00AM **Fr. Peter H. White**
6:30PM **Geraldine D'Allesandro**
Birthday Remembrance
by family

Thursday, August 15, 2024

8:00AM **People of St. Joseph Parish**
Noon **Carol Boraccini**
3rd Anniversary Remembrance
by her sister Nancy

Friday, August 16, 2024

8:00AM **Alice Larue**
by her friends

Saturday, August 17, 2024

4:00PM **Arthur Wood**
Birthday Remembrance
by family

Sunday, August 18, 2024

8:30AM **Fr. Charles Dumphy**
10:30AM **Kathleen Lagacy**
6th Anniversary Remembrance
by family



Saturday, August 17, 2024

Holy Communion Fred Fraini/Carol Fraini
Lector Lucie LaJeunesse
Altar Server Jean Ashton

Sunday, August 18, 2024

8:30am
Holy Communion Len Angers/Jean Ashton
Marek Sitkowski
Lector Patty Bickford
Altar Server Patty Bickford
10:30am
Holy Communion Brad Wass +2
Lector Lisa Wass
Altar Server Paul Molis



Deborah Halley - Carlo Whaley- Donna Perron
John (Woody) Wood - Lois Maniero
Susan Schmidt - Judy Maillet - Elaine Lamb
Thomas McMahon - Elsie Faneuil - Julia
William Daniels - Anne Berberian
Marianne and Robert Haroian - Lana Khoury
Joseph Cloutier, Jr. - Derek Degon
Joyce and Bruce Seaman - Judith Daniels
Patrick and Kate Dee - Francis Kavanagh
Patty Snow - Arthur Cote - Victoria Crowe
Steven Dufault - Richard Chiras - Michelle Kist
Deborah and Victoria Mink - Francis Khoury
Peggy Markvenas - Timmy Canty - Iris Wood
Kayla, Patrick and Olive O'Donnell
Linda J. Harris - Giuseppe Struppa
Lynne Gobbi - John Cunningham
Derek Lapointe- Christopher Chiras

Auburn, Massachusetts

Dear People of Saint Joseph Parish,

The National Eucharistic Congress met in Indianapolis a few weeks ago. I know some people who participated in the Congress, but have not yet been in contact with them to learn their impression of what took place and how it had an effect upon their faith and prayer. I hope to cross that threshold soon.

I have been online to discover the speakers at the Congress. The official website for the Congress is willing to share that information for a fee. Both EWTN and You Tube were willing to do it for free. I like free better.

Some of the speakers at the Congress were: Bishop Robert Barron, Colonel Mike Hopkins, Father Mike Schmitz, Chris Stefanick, Gloria Purvis, Monsignor James Shea, and Sister Bethany Madonna. The concluding liturgy was led by Cardinal Luis Tagle who was sent as the personal emissary of the Holy Father. He was the preacher at that mass and delivered a very good homily. He is the prefect for the Dicastery for Evangelization.

Most of the speakers did not say anything new. Much of what they said has been professed by the Church for centuries. Much also was said about how the Eucharist has played a central focus of their lives. This personal aspect seems to be the most interesting part of their talks. I anticipate that most of us have had similar experiences. Our First Holy Communion was a significant event in our childhood. Coming to mass each weekend is a significant event on our weekly schedule. The speakers captured the impact such events had in their lives that contributed to the life of the Church.

I enjoyed the talks that I was able to view. I anticipate that some of them will have snippets that I will incorporate into my homilies here at St. Joseph Church. If you listen to the talks and then hear me talk the same talk, you will know who is the source. I usually give credit to my sources.

I enjoyed listening to the talks on the computer. More than a few times I heard something that I wanted to hear again. The computer video is just too easy to back up and have an instant replay. It was as if I stopped the speaker and asked him or her to say that again, and they did. I would not have been able to do that in Indianapolis if I went to the Congress.

My primary interest was in the speakers, but I also tuned in some of the liturgies. The music and singing at the liturgies was great.

I hope that some of the parishioners will explore the Eucharistic Congress. It was worth my while to explore the event.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Congress**

Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba

Stewardship!!!

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!"
(1 Kings 19:7) God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need God's help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we unite our sacrifice with Jesus' sacrifice to do the will of God, Our Father. We receive the strength and courage to be His missionary disciples.

Join the Parish

Become a member of Saint Joseph Parish. Fill out one of the Parish Enrollment Forms found in the vestibule of the church or on the back table of the parish center. Place it in the mail, deliver it personally, or drop it in the collection basket.



Recognizing Signs of Child Sexual Abuse

Changes in behavior, extreme mood swings, withdrawal, fearlessness, excessive crying, bed-wetting, nightmares, fear of going to bed, sleep disorders, and a fear of certain places, people, or activities can be signs that a child has been traumatized by sexual abuse.

For particular help you may call:

Judith Audette,

**Director of Office for Healing
and Prevention**

at (508) 929-4363

Source: Philip J. Lazarus, "Trauma and Children: A Parent Handbook for Helping Children Heal," VIRTUS, May 12, 2003.

Sunday, August 11, 2024



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AA Meeting 7:00PM-9:00PM Lower Church Hall

Monday, August 12, 2024

CMSC Driver's Education 8:30AM-3:00PM Parish Center

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

CMSC Driver's Education 8:30AM-3:00PM Parish Center

Religious Ed Teacher Meeting 6:30PM-7:30PM Parish Center

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

CMSC Driver's Education 8:30AM-3:00PM Parish Center

AA Meeting 7:00PM-9:00PM Lower Church Hall

Thursday, August 15, 2024

CMSC Driver's Education 8:30AM-3:00PM Parish Center

Friday, August 16, 2024

CMSC Driver's Education 8:30AM-3:00PM Parish Center

Saturday, August 17, 2024

Plumbing School 8:00AM-5:00PM Parish Center

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Plumbing School 8:00AM-5:00PM Parish Center

AA Meeting 7:00PM-9:00PM Lower Church Hall

Deadline approaching for St. Thomas More scholarships

Each year the St. Thomas More Society of our Diocese awards a scholarship of varying amounts, usually around \$3000, to a law student attending an accredited law school in the fall. Applicants or parents must be registered and active members of a parish in the Diocese of Worcester. Applicants may be in any year of law school studies.

Applications may be obtained by visiting the diocesan website, www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society, by mailing requests to: St. Thomas More Society, Chancery Office, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609 or by calling Mary Whitney at 508-929-4345.

Applications are due on or before August 15, 2024.



Parish Support



Weekly Goal	\$7,500
Last Weekend	\$5,098
Shortfall	(\$2,402)
Maintenance	\$1,650
Debt Redux	\$110
Year to Date	
Budget	\$232,500
Collections	\$116,756
Electronic Payment	\$8,515
Shortfall	(\$107,229)

The second collection this weekend is for **The Church in Central/Eastern Europe**. There will not be a second collection next weekend. Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

2024 PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2024 Partners in Charity Appeal. Partners in Charity is the annual appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving 28 charitable, educational



and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization and worship.

Saint Joseph Parish has reached 77% of our goal of \$60,700.

That is \$46,517 from 132 donors.

If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please prayerfully do so by filling out a commitment pledge envelope in the back of the church near the last pews and returning it in the collection basket, to the church office or by mailing it directly to the Diocesan office on Elm Street in Worcester. Gifts can also be made online at

www.partners-charity.net. Thank you!

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Thursday, August 15



We will celebrate Mass on
Wednesday, August 14
at 6:30 p.m. and on
Thursday, August 15
at 8:00 a.m. and Noon.

The Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary is a
Holyday of Obligation.

There will not be a 5:00 p.m. Mass
on Thursday, August 15.

SAVE THE DATE -Mini Retreat for Women

The Commission for Women
of the Diocese of Worcester
will be having a Mini-Retreat
for Women with Francesca
LaRosa on Saturday, Nov.
16, 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at
St. Anne's Parish,
Shrewsbury. Francesca is an
internationally recognized Catholic composer, with her sheet
music being played in churches all over the world. She is
most well known for her settings of the Psalms and prayers
set to music, as she composes music to God's Word to help
people memorize and proclaim the Word of God.
To receive a registration flyer or more information, please
email worcestercommissionforwomen@gmail.com.



Prayer for Evangelization Revitalization of Parishes in the Worcester Diocese



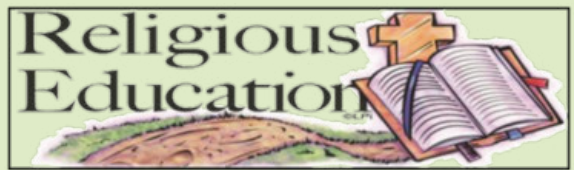
Eternal Father, we ask you, through the
intercession of Mary, Our Mother, the Star
of the New Evangelization, to pour forth
your Holy Spirit upon the entire diocese of
Worcester.

Root us deeply in the heart of your son so
that we may radiate him more fully,
sharing with others the Good News of
Jesus Christ, who alone is the fulfillment
of all human longing.

Help us revitalize our parishes and make them beacons of
light and hope, so as to transform hearts, and welcome the
lost back to your flock.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, renew and transform
us to be missional and fruitful in the work of evangelization
according to your holy will. Amen.

NEWS
FROM



TEACHER MEETING

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 ~ 6:30pm
at the Parish Center - Grades K-8

Summer is moving quickly and it's time to plan for
the new Religious Ed year. Thank you to all who
are returning to teach this year and for your
commitment to our program. Sharing your time
and your faith with our kids is a blessing.

***We are in need of a grade six teacher on
Monday evenings from 6:45pm-8:00pm. If you
are interested in teaching or have questions,
please give Lisa a call at 508-832-6683, or
email: stjoesreledaub@gmail.com.*** You do not
have to be a parent to teach. If you have an
interest in teaching but are unsure, please come
to the meeting.

***The Religious Education office will be closed
from Monday, August 19, through Friday,
August 23.*** You may still drop off student
registration papers in the box outside the parish
center (it will be emptied daily), put them in the
basket at mass or mail to 68 Central St.

Volunteer Opportunities

Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC)
New England is interviewing
applicants now for fall openings.
IVC Service Corps Members
combine direct service
opportunities at non-profits
serving those in need in our
communities with monthly spiritual
reflection in the Jesuit tradition.

Volunteers, 50 years of age and better, serve two full days/
week from September through June.

**For more information and an application,
contact IVC New England Director Dave
Hinchen: dhinchen@ivcusa.org.**



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