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SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

September 1, 2024

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.”

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.

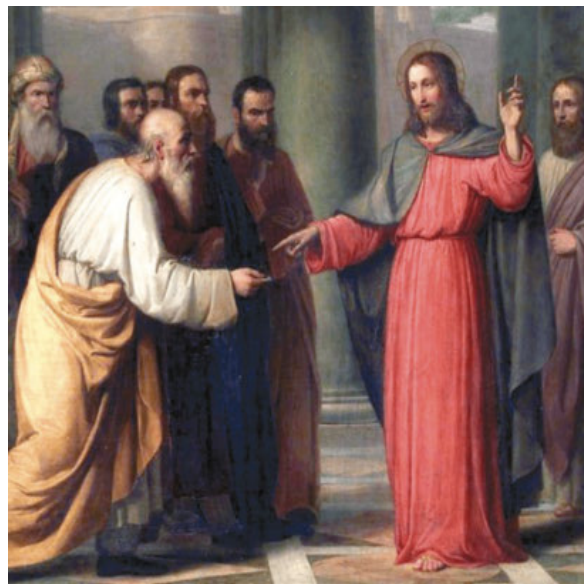
Thursday 5:00 p.m.

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.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



Saturday, August 31, 2024

4:00PM **Bea Bukoski**
We miss you!
by a friend

Sunday, September 1, 2024

8:30AM **People of St. Joseph Parish**
10:30AM **John and Grace Donatelli**
by a friend

Monday, September 2, 2024

8:00AM **Julien Boucher**
Anniversary Remembrance
by Pat

Tuesday, September 3, 2024

8:00AM **Jim Falvey**
Anniversary Remembrance

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

8:00AM **Richard Fleming, Sr.**
Birthday Remembrance
by his wife

Thursday, September 5, 2024

5:00PM **Nancy Parslow**
For God's blessings
on her birthday

Friday, September 6, 2024

8:00AM **Fr. Casimir Swiacki**

Saturday, September 7, 2024

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

Sunday, September 8, 2024

8:30AM **Lisa M. Martin**
by Mary Ellen and Errol Hall
10:30AM **Bernice Garry**
5th Anniversary Remembrance
by family

Saturday, September 7, 2024

Holy Communion Joe and Dolly Cloutier
Lector Doreen Goodrich
Altar Server Jean Ashton

Sunday, September 8, 2024

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- 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 - Iris Wood
Kayla, Patrick and Olive O'Donnell
Linda J. Harris - Giuseppe Struppa
Lynne Gobbi - John Cunningham
Derek Lapointe- Christopher Chiras

HAPPY
Labor Day

Auburn, Massachusetts

Dear People of Saint Joseph Parish,

As I prepared for mass on Monday, I read the first reading from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians. I was struck by the similarity that I saw in St. Paul's relationship with the Church in Thessalonica and the relationship I have with St. Joseph Church in Auburn. Unfortunately for Saint Paul, he spent most of his time away from that Church. He went on his missionary journeys instructing many people in the wisdom of the Gospel. I, on the other hand, spend most of my time in Auburn.

I hope that you will see the similarities as I quote the reading below:

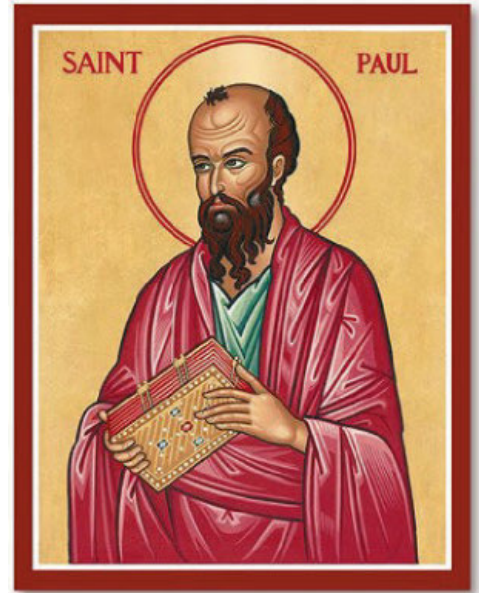
Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the Church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We ought to thank God always for you, brothers and sisters, as is fitting, because your faith flourishes ever more, and the love of every one of you for one another grows ever greater. Accordingly, we ourselves boast of you in the churches of God regarding your endurance and faith in all your persecutions and the afflictions you endure.

This is evidence of the just judgment of God, so that you may be considered worthy of the Kingdom of God for which you are suffering.

We always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and powerfully bring to fulfillment every good purpose and every effort of faith, that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, in accord with the grace of our God and Lord Jesus Christ.

Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba



Monthly Holy Hour for Priests—Worcester

On **Friday, Sept. 6 from 7:00—8:00 pm**, the monthly Holy Hour for Priests will take place at Christ the King Parish at 1052 Pleasant Street in Worcester. The Holy Hour consists of silent Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary, and a brief spiritual reflection. Please join us to pray for our priests.



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.

Stewardship!!!

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” James 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your words and actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God daily? Do you use your talent to help those in need without expecting anything in return? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

Sunday, September 1, 2024



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

Monday, September 2, 2024

Plumbing School 5:30PM-10:00PM Parish Center

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

Plumbing School 5:30PM-10:00PM Parish Center

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

Saturday, September 7, 2024

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

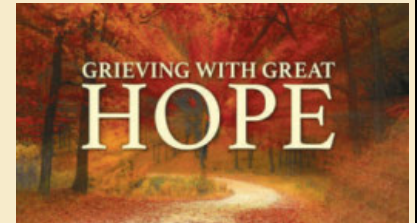
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Plumbing School 8:00AM-5:00PM Parish Center

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

Grief Support Workshop in Uxbridge

St. Mary Parish, Uxbridge will be offering a workshop entitled, "Grieving with Great HOPE" on **Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, and 10, 6:30 – 8:30 pm**. This five-week Catholic Apostolate seeks to assist those mourning the loss of a loved one. As Catholics we are given hope for eternal life in the risen Lord for ourselves and for our loved ones. The workshop is for anyone who has lost a loved one including a spouse, child, sibling, cousin, etc. and will include video presentations, sharing, and prayer. This updated workshop teaches practical tools for intentional mourning and participants will journey together to become disciples of hope. Cost is \$18.00 and includes an accompanying workbook. St. Mary's is located at 77 Mendon Street, Uxbridge.



**To register, please call the office at 508-278-2226,
access the website at stmaryuxbridge.org/grieving-with-great-hope,
or email dmoriarty@stmaryuxbridge.org.**



Parish Support



Weekly Goal	\$7,500
Last Weekend	\$3,349
Shortfall	(\$4,151)
Fuel	\$1806
Debt Redux	\$200
Year to Date	
Budget	\$255,000
Collections	\$126,072
Electronic Payment	\$9,710
Shortfall	(\$119,218)

The second collection this weekend is for **Maintenance**.
The second collection next weekend will be for **Fuel**.
Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Learn more about American Heritage Girls



Do you know of a girl aged 6-18 drawn to Christ-centered scouting? Come explore American Heritage Girls (AHG)! AHG Troop 0716, located at Our Lady of Loreto, 37 Massasoit Road in Worcester is hosting an information and registration night on **Sept. 10 from 5:00-6:30 pm**. Come learn more about the programs which celebrate the hearts and lives of girls and how her gifts, service, talents and abilities can lead her and others to a closer relationship to Christ.

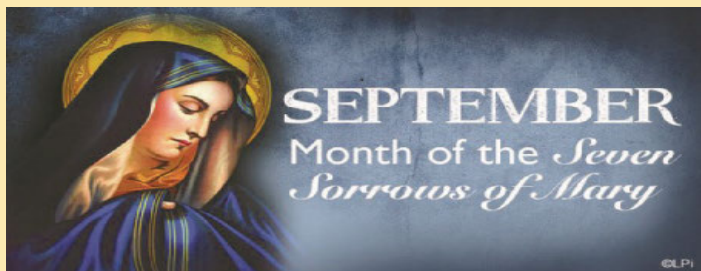
Please email: troop0716ahg@gmail.com for more information.

Lectors



The lectors' manual of readings for the 2025 Church year are now available in the sacristy. Please pick up and sign out your copy.

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



The title, Our Lady of Sorrows, given to our Blessed Mother focuses on her intense suffering and grief during the passion and death of our Lord. Traditionally, this suffering was not limited to the passion and death event; rather, it comprised the seven dolours or seven sorrows of Mary, which were foretold by the Priest Simeon who proclaimed to Mary, This child [Jesus] is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed and you yourself shall be pierced with a sword so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare (Luke 2:34-35.) These seven sorrows of our Blessed Mother included the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt; the loss and finding of the child Jesus in the Temple; Mary's meeting of Jesus on His way to Calvary; Mary's standing at the foot of the cross when our Lord was crucified; her holding of Jesus when He was taken down from the cross; and then our Lord's burial. In all, the prophesy of Simeon that a sword would pierce our Blessed Mother's heart was fulfilled in these events. For this reason, Mary is sometimes depicted with her heart exposed and with seven swords piercing it. More importantly, each new suffering was received with the courage, love, and trust that echoed her fiat, let it be done unto me according to Thy word, first uttered at the Annunciation.

Source: CERC, Fr. William Saunders

Food Pantry Reminder

Next weekend is our monthly food collection. Items most needed are macaroni & cheese, canned soups, tuna, cereal, peanut butter, jelly and pasta.

Food collections will be donated to Auburn Youth and Family Services.



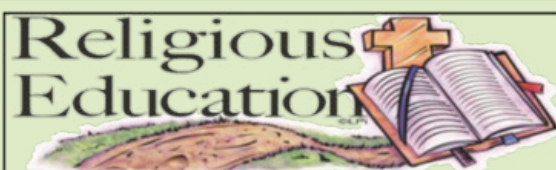
Miraculous Medal Novena at Our Lady of Loreto Church

Our Lady's Annual Miraculous Medal Novena begins on **Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 7:00 pm** and continues for nine consecutive Tuesday nights, ending on Oct. 29. Mark the dates and plan to come and bring a friend.

This year's speakers are (in order) Rev. Jonathan Slavinkas, Rev. Alfredo Porras, Most Reverend Robert J. McManus, Rev. Edward Niccolls, Deacon Paul Audette, Rev. Paul O'Connell, Rev. Frederick Fraini, III, Rev. Juan Echavarria, and Rev. Jose Rodriquez. All are welcome to participate in this special yearly devotion to our Blessed Mother, Mary. The church is located at 37 Massasoit Rd. in Worcester.



NEWS FROM



WELCOME BACK TO OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAMILIES

Classes begin on Monday, September 16, for grades 3 – 8 and Saturday, September 21, for Grades 1 & 2.

Spread the news. We are still accepting new students. If you would like more information or to register your son/daughter in our religious education program, please contact the office at 508-832-6683 or email: stjoesreledaub@gmail.com. It's wonderful when our family grows.



Safe Environment Training

Any volunteer working with children is mandated by the diocese of Worcester to complete a one-time Safe Environment training. If you currently volunteer or may volunteer in the future with parish groups such as religious education, Knights of Columbus, parish events, and have not completed a safe environment training, contact the religious education office at 508-832 6683 to make arrangements.

We offer an in-person training at the parish center, 68 Central St. on **Monday, September 9, 6:30pm**. We also offer an online tutorial for you through the diocese of Worcester. If you have completed the training in the past, you only need to submit a new CORI application with a copy of your license.

We cannot have any volunteers working with our children who have not completed this training.

Participants taking the online class also need to complete a CORI form and submit a copy of their license, which is also provided from the religious ed office.

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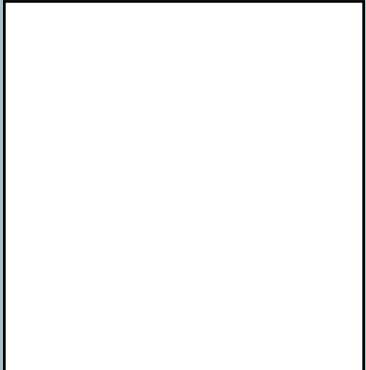
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