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Respect
Life
Sunday



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



"Let the
little children
come to me"

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 6, 2024

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



Saturday, October 5, 2024

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

Sunday, October 6, 2024

8:30AM **Harriet Bomba**
by a parishioner

10:30AM **Geraldine D'Allesandro**
18th Anniversary Remembrance
by family

Monday, October 7, 2024

8:00AM **All Souls Day Remembrances**

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

8:00AM **People of St. Joseph Parish**

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

8:00AM **Rosalie LaCroix**
by her friend Anna

Thursday, October 10, 2024

5:00PM **Rosalie LaCroix**
by Leona Racki

Friday, October 11, 2024

8:00AM **Fr. Charlie Logue**

Saturday, October 12, 2024

4:00PM **Charles and Theresa
Modzelewski**
Wedding Anniversary
Remembrance
by daughter Theresa Sarsfield

Sunday, October 13, 2024

8:30AM **Stacie Jude Angers**
Birthday Remembrance
by family

10:30AM **Roger McCauliff, Sr.**
Anniversary Remembrance
by family

Saturday, October 12, 2024

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

Sunday, October 13, 2024

8:30am
Holy Communion Len Angers/Jean Ashton
Marek Sitkowski
Lector Patty Bickford
Altar Server Patty Bickford

10:30am
Holy Communion Scott Maselek +2
Lector Don Lagacy
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. - Joseph Cloutier, Sr.
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 - Derek Degon
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,

Saint Joseph Church opened the new book for mass intentions for 2025 on Tuesday, October 1. Parishioners may offer a mass intention for any person, alive or deceased. Parishioners may offer a mass intention for any noble reason or even a "special intention" if they do not want their cause published or even if they do not want me to know the intention for which they wish me to offer a mass.

The usual stipend remains the same. It is still \$10. If the stipend is a heavy burden on a person who wishes to offer a mass intention, I can still offer the mass and waive the stipend. Only I can waive the stipend at St. Joseph Church. Jean, the secretary, cannot waive the stipend.

Stipends for masses are one way that the Church supports her priests financially. Some places chose to eliminate the practice of stipends and immediately the number of intentions went severely down. If it has no tangible value, people thought, it must be worthless. So stipends returned to those places quickly.

Parishioners may request an intention by telephone. Please follow up by sending the stipend to the rectory. If you place the stipend in the collection basket on Sunday, please use a separate envelope for the stipend and mark the front with "Mass Stipend." Please include the date and time and the stated intention of the mass on the envelope so Jean does not have to go through the entire book to find it.

I may only take one intention with a stipend for one mass. If another parishioner has already requested an intention for a particular day and time, I must honor their wishes. I will not bump their request. Please choose another day and time.

If a mass does not have a particular request from a parishioner, I will take that mass for my own intentions. You may notice that some masses are offered for priests, those are usually the ones that I request. I also offer masses for deceased relatives and friends.

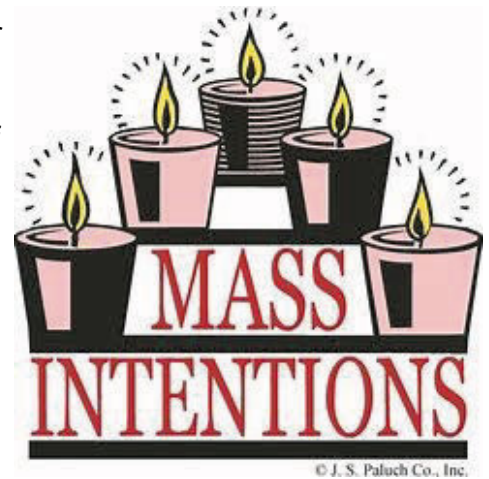
Throughout the year I offer masses for your All Souls Day requests. Parishioners who submit the November 2 envelope with requests have masses offered for those intentions at those masses.

Church law only allows me to take mass intentions that I can fulfill for one year. That is why the 2025 book did not open until October 1.

Please place your requests as soon as possible. Some parishioners place their requests early and usually get the dates they request. Parishioners who delay often cannot get their request honored, especially when they request a weekend mass.

I find it a privilege to celebrate mass for parishioners' intentions. The list is posted in the sacristy, in the bulletin, at the ambo, and on the altar. Please pray with me at mass for those intentions.

Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba



Stewardship!!!

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name." (GENESIS 2:19)

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

Sunday, October 6, 2024



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

Monday, October 7, 2024

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

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Finance Committee Meeting	7:00PM	Lower Church Hall
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Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Plumbing School	5:30PM-10:00PM	Parish Center
AA Meeting	7:00PM-9:00PM	Lower Church Hall

Thursday, October 10, 2024

Choir Rehearsal	6:30PM	Church
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Saturday, October 12, 2024

Religious Education Classes Grades 1 & 2	10:00AM-11:15AM	Parish Center
CMSC Driver's Education	8:30AM-3:00PM	Parish Center

Sunday, October 13, 2024

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

Tuesday, October 8
7:00 PM
in the Lower Church Hall

Knights of Columbus

Msg. Thomas F. Neary Council #13637
of St. Joseph Parish
Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus will hold our annual Tootsie Roll Drive after the Masses next weekend,



October 12th and 13th.

Please support this worthy cause that assists children and young adults with intellectual disabilities. Thank you.



Parish Support



Weekly Goal	\$7,500
Last Weekend	\$2,904
Shortfall	(\$4,596)
Catholic Schools	\$735
Debt Redux	\$75
Year to Date	
Budget	\$292,500
Collections	\$142,605
Electronic Payment	\$11,355
Shortfall	(\$138,540)

The second collection this weekend is for the **Maintenance.**

The second collection next weekend will be for **Fuel.**

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

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 St. Joan of Arc Food Pantry.

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

In *The Secret of the Rosary*, Saint Louis de Montfort said that public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to call down God's mercy. The Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering.

JOIN US FOR THE 2024 AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA YEARLY ROSARY RALLY

What: The Holy Rosary

When: Saturday, October 12, 2024
at Noon

Where: Drury Square, Auburn
(Parking available behind
the Verizon Store)



For more information
contact Judy at 508-832-5431.

Celebrate Priesthood: Taste of the Diocese

Join our 11th annual Celebrate Priesthood event on **Thursday, October 24 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm** at St. Paul Diocesan Jr./Sr. H.S. and visit with priests and parishioners from around the diocese while enjoying tastings from dozens of vendors and ethnic delicacies and various refreshments, beer and wine. All proceeds benefit Priests' Retirement Fund.



Visit worcesterdiocese.org/celebrate-priesthood to learn more.

St. Joseph Christmas Bazaar



Start cleaning out your attics, closets and boxes in the basement. The St. Joseph annual Christmas Bazaar is Saturday, December 7, and we are beginning to collect donations.

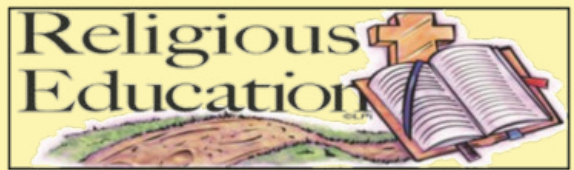
Donations of jewelry, knit goods, handmade items, holiday décor, toys and attic treasures will help make this year's event successful. We cannot accept clothing, bedding, or large furniture. We do accept small appliances, i.e. coffee makers, blenders, mixers, etc.

Donations may be brought to the parish center on Monday, Tuesday, or Friday between 10:00am and 3:00pm. Please call ahead to be sure Lisa is available.

We can always use more helpers to make our bazaar a success.

Please contact Mary McGrail 508-832-9779 or Lisa Wass at 508-832-6683, for any questions.

NEWS FROM



Grade 2 Parent Meeting

A meeting for parents of First Communion students is **Saturday, October 19, at the parish center, 10am.**

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 20, 10:30am at the church. All families should arrive at the church by 10:20am.



St. Joseph weekly bible study group

will begin meeting on Tuesday morning, **October 15, 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, for more information. Registration is not necessary.

Vianney Dinner

The next Vianney dinner is **Tuesday, Oct. 8 at North American Martyrs, 8 Wyoma Drive in Auburn.**

The evening begins with 6 pm Mass, followed by 6:30 pm dinner, and 7:00-8:30 pm social. These are nights for men, high school aged and up, interested in learning more

about a priestly vocation. Don't want to come alone? Bring a friend! You are welcome to come to all or part of the evening as your schedule allows.

An RSVP is not needed but it is helpful in getting an accurate count for food.

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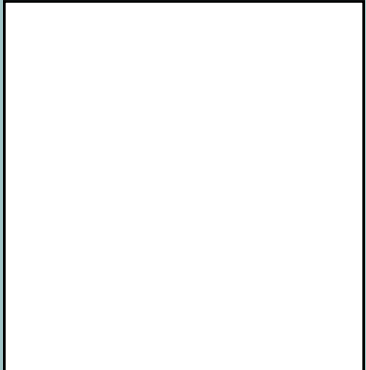
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