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# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

October 13, 2024

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"**

## 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, 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

### Monday, October 14, 2024

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

### Tuesday, October 15, 2024

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

### Wednesday, October 16, 2024

8:00AM **Robert Cicio, Sr.**  
Anniversary Remembrance  
by family

### Thursday, October 17, 2024

5:00PM **Fr. Don Huhn**

### Friday, October 18, 2024

8:00AM **Joseph and Mary**

### Saturday, October 19, 2024

4:00PM **Dottie Van Keuren**  
Anniversary Remembrance

### Sunday, October 20, 2024

8:30AM **People of St. Joseph Parish**

10:30AM **Aldona Jakniunas**  
Anniversary Remembrance

### 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](mailto:stjoesreledaub@gmail.com), for more information. Registration is not necessary.



Saturday, October 19, 2024

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

Sunday, October 20, 2024

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

10:30am  
Holy Communion **Chris Benvenuti +2**  
Lector **Sandy Pierce**  
Altar Server **Paul Molis**



Deborah Halley - Carlo Whaley- Donna Perron  
John (Woody) Wood - Lois Maniero  
Susan Schmidt - Judy Maillet - Elaine Lamb  
Thomas McMahan - 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  
Lynne Gobbi - John Cunningham  
Derek Lapointe- Christopher Chiras

## Auburn, Massachusetts

**Dear People of Saint Joseph Parish,**

Church tradition dedicates October as the month of the Holy Rosary. Catholics have prayed the rosary for centuries and the rosary continues to contribute to the spirituality in the Church even today.

Early monks used to use knotted or beaded strings to keep their place in prayer. Middle eastern peoples used knotted or beaded strings to keep count of many things. To use a beaded string in a monastic setting was just an extension of a usual secular custom.

Monks eventually shared the practice with laypeople who wished to join their prayers with the monastic communities.

While the monks usually recited the psalms, lay people would adapt their common prayers to the practice since printed scriptures were very expensive and most laypeople could not read. Lay people could easily memorize the Creed, Lord's Prayer, Hail Mary, and the Trinitarian Doxology that make up the prayers on the beads of a rosary. Many different arrangements were practiced among the faithful people depending upon the nearby monastic community.

Saint Dominic and the Order of Preachers were instrumental in the popularizing of praying the rosary. Saint Dominic claimed to receive a vision of Our Lady of the Rosary who instructed him to pray the rosary and encourage others to do the same.

The rosary employs different levels of prayer that all Christians can pray. The repeated recitation of biblical texts brings calm and rhythm to the prayer. All the prayers on the rosary give glory to God and incorporate the veneration of Mary in the process. The mysteries of each decade provide material for meditation upon the life and work of Jesus in the Gospel and the celebration of Mary's participation in God's plan of salvation. Praying the rosary can bring the Christian to contemplation with an open spirit to do God's will.

The traditional rosary had 150 beads for the Hail Mary. It was a reflection of the 150 psalms in the psalter. Pope John Paul II expanded the mysteries to include the Luminous Mysteries that we can celebrate today.

Some people have expanded their observance of the rosary with additional prayers. The Fatima Prayer is one common addition. Others add the Memorare, Hail Holy Queen, the Miraculous Medal Prayer, the Prayer to Saint Michael, or other local tradition.

I pray the rosary. It is part of the way that I raise my mind and heart to God. I encourage the parishioners to do the same. You do not have to do all the mysteries at once. Some people do a decade every day. Others pray a chaplet, five decades, every day. You may adopt the practice that serves you and your communication with God best.



**Sincerely, Fr. Paul Bomba**

## ***Stewardship!!!***

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

***"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (MARK 10:25)***

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. However, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most to us! That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

# Sunday, October 13, 2024



## Sunday, October 13, 2024

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

## Monday, October 14, 2024

No Religious Education Classes Grades 3 - 8

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

## Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Bible Group 10:00AM-Noon Parish Center

Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00PM Lower Church Hall

## Wednesday, October 16, 2024

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

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

## Thursday, October 17, 2024

Choir Rehearsal 6:30PM Church

## Saturday, October 19, 2024

Religious Education Classes Grades 1 & 2 10:00AM-11:15AM Parish Center

Grade 2 Parent Meeting 10:00AM-11:00AM Parish Center

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

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

## Sunday, October 20, 2024

Grade 2 Mass 10:30AM Church

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

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

## 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.**

## Senior Fraud Prevention - Worcester

There will a Presentation on Senior Fraud Prevention on **Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 10 am** in the Our Lady of the Angels Parish Center, 1222 Main St., Worcester. The presentation is sponsored by the OLA Charitable Ministries.



## **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 this weekend,**

**October 12th and 13th.**

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



## Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

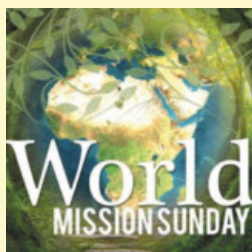
### **REMINDER ...**

**The Msgr. Thomas F. Neary Council #13637 Knights of Columbus of St. Joseph Parish will hold its monthly meeting on Tues., October 15 at 7:00PM in the lower church hall.**



### ***A Message from Bishop McManus ...***

My dear friends in Christ,  
In his message for World Mission Day 2024, Pope Francis shared the following: "the Risen Lord remains close to his missionary disciples and walks beside them, particularly when they feel disoriented, discouraged, fearful of the mystery of iniquity that surrounds them and seeks to



overwhelm them. So, 'let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of hope!' (Evangelii Gaudium, 86). The Lord is greater than all our problems, above all if we encounter them in our mission of proclaiming the Gospel to the world. For in the end, this mission is his and we are nothing more than his humble co-workers, 'useless servants' (cf. Lk 17:10)."

The second to the last weekend of October is celebrated as World Mission Sunday around the world. Our diocese joins with the worldwide church in supporting the work of the Holy Father through the various missionary societies.

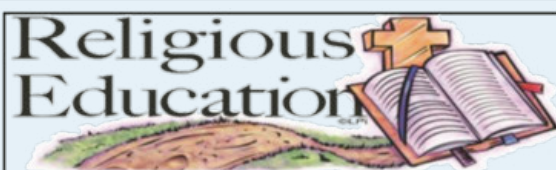
The Holy Father continues, "I desire to express my closeness in Christ to all the men and women missionaries in the world, especially to those enduring any kind of hardship. Dear friends, the Risen Lord is always with you. He sees your generosity and the sacrifices you are making for the mission of evangelization in distant lands."

Your donation on the weekend of October 20 is critical. The Pontifical Mission Societies serve the Church's universality as a global network of support for the Pope in his missionary commitment by prayer, the soul of mission, and charitable offerings from Christians throughout the world. These donations assist the Pope in the evangelization efforts of particular Churches (the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith), in the formation of local clergy (the Pontifical Society of Saint Peter the Apostle), and in raising missionary awareness in children (Pontifical Society of Missionary Childhood).

In a world where so much divides us, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism. It also provides an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in nearly 1,200 mission dioceses. Thank you for prayerfully reflecting on your own baptismal call, and support World Mission Sunday in your parish.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain  
Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus  
Bishop of Worcester

### **NEWS FROM**



**Classes are not in session Monday, October 14, in observance of Columbus Day.**



We are still accepting registration for religious education classes for grade Kindergarten through grade 10. Please call or email the office at 508-832-6683 or [stjoesreledaub@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesreledaub@gmail.com), if you would like more information. It's wonderful when our family grows!!!



### **Parish Support**



Weekly Goal	\$7,500
Last Weekend	\$5,094
Shortfall	(\$2,406)
Maintenance	\$1,635
Debt Redux	\$30
Year to Date	
Budget	\$300,000
Collections	\$147,699
Electronic Payment	\$11,725
Shortfall	(\$140,576)

The second collection this weekend is for  
**Fuel.**

The second collection next weekend will be for  
**World Mission Sunday.**

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish.*

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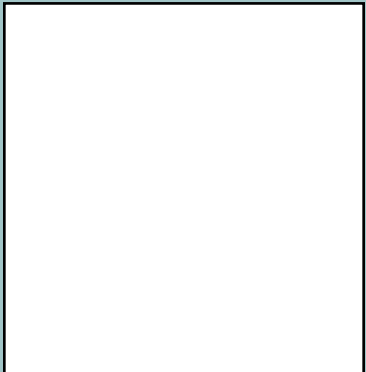
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