



# St. Joseph Church

CHARLTON, MA

**MASSES CELEBRATED**

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 am &  
5:00 pm

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 23, 2015**

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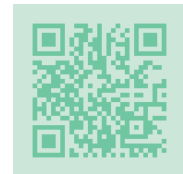
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Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"  
Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe  
and are convinced that you are the Holy  
One of God." — Jn 6:67-69

**PASTOR:** Reverend Robert Grattaroti  
**SENIOR PRIEST:** Reverend Normand Tremblay  
**ASSOCIATE PASTOR:** Reverend Jonathan Slavinkas  
**PERMANENT DEACONS:** Deacon Bob Dio  
Deacon Bill Shea and Deacon Peter Faford



**SACRAMENT OF  
RECONCILIATION**

**Saturday at 3:45 pm**

**BAPTISM**

**First & Third Sunday  
of month, please register  
for instruction 508-248-7862**

**MATRIMONY**

**Please begin arrangements a  
year prior to anticipated date**

ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
noon until 6:00 pm in church

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Rosary

Saturdays at 3:45 pm

PRAYER LINE: 508-248-7141 or 508-248-0064.  
You may also indicate your intentions in the  
Prayer Book located in the Narthex.

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MARIAN MOVEMENT PRAYER

CENACLE

Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction  
of the Blessed Sacrament takes place  
Mondays at 7:00 pm in the church.

ST. JOSEPH'S ORDER OF SECULAR  
FRANCISCANS meet the third  
Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm in  
the coffee room

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ST. JOSEPH'S FOOD PANTRY open  
the second and fourth Wednesdays from  
9-11 am. Donations are always welcomed

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:** We are a Community of Faith, called by Jesus Christ to become His hands, His feet, His heart, reaching out in love to each other, to our families, to our neighbors, to our nation and the world.

# St. Joseph Church—Charlton, MA

## Saturday, August 22

4:30 pm Happy and Gin Vaughan, by The Family

## Sunday, August 23

8:00 am Andy and Mary Warner (3rd Anniv) by the Parish Family

10:00 am William Reil (17th Anniv) by Wife and Family

5:00 pm William T. McGuirk by Ronda Bertrand-Robbins

## Tuesday, August 25

8:30 am Joan Helen Kotrba by Fr. Jonathan

## Thursday, August 27

8:30 am Raymond Bellerose by Jennings Family

## Saturday, August 29

4:30 pm Jane and Ted Dada by Tim and Chris Dada

## Sunday, August 30

8:00 am Ann Cierpich by The Parish Family

10:00 am George Dumas by Theresa Dumas

5:00 pm Joe Plante by The Family



## PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Loving God, your Son calls us to ever greater trust even as He fulfilled your will to secure our salvation. Help us to draw closer to you in faith, hope and love. AMEN

**NEW LOOK**-Please bear with us as our editorial team strives to provide a fresh look to our weekly bulletin. Direct bulletin concerns to Cheryl Kingston at [cgkingston@yahoo.com](mailto:cgkingston@yahoo.com)



## BIDDING FAREWELL

Our prayers and best wishes are with Deacon Bob Dio as he begins his new assignment on September 1 at St. Peter Parish in Worcester. He has been reassigned by our Bishop, but, we are most grateful for his twelve years of pastoral ministry in our parish.

**BLESSINGS OF BACK PACKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES** takes place today during the 10:00 am Mass.

Please pray for all our children as they prepare to enter a new school year.



Also we would like to wish all our college students well as they embark on a new year. We will keep you in our prayers.

## UP AND COMING EVENTS



## Parish Retreat-Save the Date

November 13th, 14th and 16th, 2015 for more information, contact Deacon Bill Shea at 508-254-8512 or [deaconbill@stjosephscharlton.com](mailto:deaconbill@stjosephscharlton.com)

## CURSILLO 2015 RENEWAL DAY

Saturday, October 3rd 10:00-3:30 pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Worcester. Tickets are \$15 before September 12th (\$20 after). Contact Dave Tittle at 508-248-5555 or [dtsoulseeker@gmail.com](mailto:dtsoulseeker@gmail.com).

Parish Mission with Fr. Simeon Gallagher  
September 26-October 1st. Save the Date



## Meat Raffle

Saturday, September 19th starting at 6:00 pm in our church hall. Come join us for fun, food and a variety of raffled meats

## Dominican Sisters Bake Sale

August 29th-30th for the benefit of the lepers in their care.

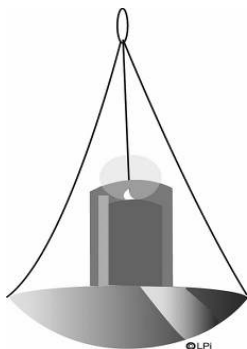
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Wedding Banns

Millie McTigue & Dylan Normandin

**MASS OF REMEMBRANCE** for those we have loved and have passed to Eternal life takes place **Monday, August 31st at 8:30 am.**  
All are welcome.

**SACTUARY LAMP**...burns this week for **Roland A. Courtemanche (30 yr. Anniv)** by the Mahan Family



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Last Weekend's offerings were \$11,011.00  
\$510.00 received for our Capital Campaign  
\$522.00 for our Building Fund  
\$486.00 Feast of the Assumption



Again we thank the *Parish Knights of Columbus* and *Ted's Variety* for sponsoring Christian music artist, Chris August.

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On behalf of Fr. Paul Gins and the Servite Friars serving in Zululand, thank you for your donations totaling \$2508.00 received during his visit.

Welcome to Saint Joseph Parish: If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or at the Parish Office. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will favor your Parish with your prayers, weekly presence, talents and financial assistance according to your means.

# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes are forming, please return registrations as soon as possible.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY (ages 3-7)

Sundays during the 10:00 am Mass

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### FIRST LIGHTS (GRADES K-5)

Classes begin September 20th

ASSISTANTS ARE NEEDED, please contact Coordinator Sr. Agnes Patricia at 508-248-7862 or [sisteragnespatria@yahoo.com](mailto:sisteragnespatria@yahoo.com)



### EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM (grades 6-8)

Sunday, September 20th from 3:30-5:00 pm KICK OFF event followed by the 5:00 Mass.

Core Members are needed, please contact Coordinator: Diane Cetin at 508-248-7862 or [diane55383@aol.com](mailto:diane55383@aol.com)

### LIFE TEEN (grades 9-12)

Sunday, September 20th beginning with Mass at 5:00 pm and followed with KICK OFF event from 6:00-8:00 pm.

Contact Deacon Bill Shea at [bshea@dienesusa.com](mailto:bshea@dienesusa.com)

## NEW ALTAR SERVERS

If you are interested in becoming an altar server and have made your first Holy Communion, please contact Fr. Jonathan at [jjslavinkas@gmail.com](mailto:jjslavinkas@gmail.com) or 508-248-7862 for further information.



Pope Francis instituted a day of prayer entitled "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation" to be celebrated on September 1st each year. He emphasizes the dignity of the human person as the motivation for caring for the environment.

"I appeal to everyone through out the world, not to forget this dignity which is ours. No one has the right to take it from us." Encyclical: Laudato Si

### PRAYER FOR OUR HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS' VISIT

O'Loving Father, we ask You to bless in a special way our Holy Father Pope Francis, as we welcome him to our country. Coming as Your vicar on Earth, we pledge him our prayers, our Love and our Support. We pray that his presence among us will bring us closer to You and produce an outpouring of Your spirit upon us.

We ask that we may more fully comprehend the Gospel of Life and Love which Your Son Jesus came to proclaim. In every age, in every place, in spite of the evil that may prevail, You have been and still are with us leading us to the fullness of your beauty and Glory. We also request that his presence strengthen, heal, renew, inspire and enliven us in our common destiny as brothers and sisters in the human family. We pray through Christ our Lord, AMEN



## THANK YOU—CHRIS AUGUST

We are grateful and were blessed to have Chris come sing his wonderful song, "The Maker" and perform for us last Sunday.



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

A ministry that seeks to challenge, prepare and motivate adults of faith to give expression to the relationship to Jesus Christ in action for the mission of evangelization. - J.E. Ragan



### CONSOLING THE HEART OF JESUS

Registration has begun! Forms are in the Narthex. What a beautiful way to prepare to live out the year of Divine Mercy as proclaimed by Pope Francis. This retreat is designed for the busy

person who seeks to live a holy life. This is a 10 week easy retreat incorporating Divine Mercy and Marian Devotion with the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius. Offered Wednesdays beginning September 9th from 10:30-12:00 noon and/or Thursdays beginning September 10th from 9:30-11:00 am or 6:30-8:00 pm in the Cornerstone. The cost for materials is \$29.95. Direct your questions to Susan Montville at 508-735-3269.

### FAITH SHARING

Wednesday mornings 10:30 in the Cornerstone. All are encouraged to attend.

### SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

with Sister Rose Clarisse takes place Thursday, September 10th. Please sign up in the Narthex.

### DIVORCE SUPPORT MINISTRY

meets the 2nd and 4th Monday each month 7:00-9:00 pm in the Knights Room

### WIDOW/ER SUPPORT GROUP

For widows on 2nd Saturday of the month and for widows and widowers the 4th Saturday of the month from 11:00-noon. Contact Pat Lawrie at 508-249-5050 for details.

### R.C.I.A. (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Are you an adult who would like to be baptized? Were you baptized but not evangelized or completely initiated? If you are in need of further instruction or initiation, please contact Ted or Patty Covill at 508-248-4718 or Fr. Bob at 508-248-7862

## August 23, 2015

**BEREAVED PARENTS GROUP**-meets the last Thursday of the month from 7-8:30 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room.

**ST. JOSEPH SHAWL MINISTRY**-join us at 10:00 am on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Contact Mary Stewart at 248-5851 for more information.

**GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN**-grandparent and kinship caretakers interested in sharing their experiences caring for grandchildren and learning about resources should contact Ted or Dianne at 508-764-4553.

**DRESSES FOR AFRICA**-in need of gently used pillow cases to make dresses to send to Africa. Also polyester thread, rick-rack, bias tape & lace. Kindly bring your donations to the Charlton Sewing Center at 12 Stafford St., Charlton, MA.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BOX**-leave good used clothing and shoes in box located in the back of the church.

**MEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION**-*If you met God what would you want Him to say?*

Strengthen Your Brother's Ministry is sponsoring a day of reflection Saturday **September 12, 10:30-1:30 pm** at St. Ann's Oxford. Benediction/Adoration/Teaching/Lunch. The cost is \$15. Contact Mark Kackley at 508-463-7834



Camp Sunshine 2015

One week where St. Joseph's representatives touched the hearts of 100 children.



OR, was it 100 children touched the hearts of St. Joseph representatives? Thank you for all your support and watch for next year's trip.

### Readings for the Week of August 23, 2015

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69  
 Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51  
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26  
 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32  
 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51  
 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13  
 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mk 6:17-29  
 Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Back; Megan DeMorris, Molly Hennessey, Hannah Sorensen, Josh Barrette  
 Front; Shelly St. Laurent, Anne Marie DeMorris, Kris Rusack, Sara McMenemy, Emily Rusack, Dan Doyle, Mimi Shea, Veronica Dumas, Emily Carpenter, Deacon Bill, Katie Shea, Michelle Aronson

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