



St. Joseph Church

CHARLTON, MA

MASSES CELEBRATED

Daily M-F 8:30 am
 Saturday 4:30 pm
 Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 am

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 4, 2015

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female."
- Mk 10:3-6



PASTOR: Reverend Robert Grattaroti
SENIOR PRIEST: Reverend Normand Tremblay
ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Reverend Jonathan Slavinskis
PERMANENT DEACONS: Deacon Peter Faford & Deacon Bill Shea

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:45 pm

BAPTISM

First & Third Sunday
 of the month, please register
 for instruction at 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.

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.

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.

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.

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Saturday, October 3, 2015

4:30 pm Russell Hokanson by Ron & Shelia Hokanson



Sunday, October 4, 2015

8:00 am Edward J. Mallard by the O'Toole Family

10:00 am David Nordstrom by Ruth Nordstrom

5:00 pm Helen Frederick by Michele & Jeannine

Friday, October 9, 2015

8:30 am Darryl Faad by the O'Toole Family

Saturday, October 10, 2015

4:30 pm Howard Oliver by the Family

Sunday, October 11, 2015

8:00 am Bruce Hebert by the Family

10:30 am William (Red) Gillespie by the Family

5:00 pm Special Intention for Joan & Family
By a Sister in Christ



The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for Madeline Reilly by her husband John.

III Nicholas Wightman & Bess Couture

II Dan Lapomado & Britney



BAPTISMAL PREP CLASSES for parents and sponsors of children begins Saturday October 24th after the 4:30 Mass. Please call the church office at 508-248-7862 to pre-register.



With great joy we welcome Thea Angelina Taylor daughter of Juliette & Levi who will be baptized in Water and the Holy Spirit this weekend.

Rest in Peace Alice Castellano, please keep her family in your prayers. Also, Bruce Hoffman. Please keep his family and long time companion Mary Casey in prayer.



PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Oh my God, I place all my hope in Jesus, my loving Savior, truly present before me on the altar. He who on the cross offered to Thee the super abundant merits of His Divine Blood, shed for our sins. Do Thou graciously accept the offering, which I now make to Thee at the hands of Thy priest, of the holy Victim who has reconciled us to Thyself and being fully appeased by Him, grant to my soul the graces it needs in order to receive my Lord worthily. AMEN

PARISH SUPPORT

Last Weekend's offerings were \$11001.00

\$484.00 for our Building Fund

\$332.00 received for our Capital Campaign



Capital Campaign Commitments have come to a close and we are most grateful for the increased offerings many have made as a result. Thank you, again, for

your continued support, especially when you make up your donation after having been away.

Why not consider online giving? Online giving is a way for you to use any form of electronic payment (debit, credit & bank check). Parishioners can choose to have their donation occur weekly or monthly. Online giving results in consistent giving with year-end reports for tax purposes. Forms are available in the Narthax or on our parish website.

Also, please consider St. Joseph Church in your estate planning and the making of your wills.

UP AND COMING EVENTS



Join us for a farewell gathering for Deacon Bob Dio after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, October, 18th. Let us thank and wish him well in his new assignment.

Fr. Ralph DiOrio will be conducting an Anointing session and the Laying on of Hands with the Holy Sacrifice of Mass on October 6th at 12:00 am at Maironis Park 52 South Quinsigamond Ave., Shrewsbury. Call 508-832-7890 for more information.

MATT MAHER who performed at the Festival of Families for Pope Francis, will be in concert Friday, October 16th from 7:00-9:30 pm at Mechanics Hall in Worcester. Tickets are available at mechanicshall.org or 508-752-0888.



MEAT RAFFLES BUILD COMMUNITY-recently the Charlton Villager wrote a nice article about our Mary Martha Guild and their Meat Raffles held in our church hall. Why not save the date for our next Meat Raffle on November 14th at 6:00 pm and come see what its all about?

National Grid will remove several trees along H. Putnam Ext. because they pose a hazard to the wires this winter. The wood will be available for the taking. Feel free to help yourselves. This should happen this Fall.

Parish Retreat-Save the Date
November 13th through 16th for more information, contact Deacon Bill Shea at 508-254-8512 or deaconbill@stjosephscharlton.com



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.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (ages 3-7)

Sundays during the 10:00 am Mass



FIRST LIGHTS (GRADES K-5) Coordinator Sr. Agnes Patricia 508-248-7862 or sisteragnespatria@yahoo.com



EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM (grades 6-8)

Coordinator: Diane Cetin 508-248-7862 or diane55383@aol.com.

LIFE TEEN (grades 9-12) Contact Deacon Bill Shea at bshea@dienesusa.com.



Kick Off Event. Fun was had by both the teens and the Core Team.



Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Slavinkas, Fr. Jonathan's parents, for providing the home cooked Italian Dinner for all on October 3rd.



college connection Attention parents/grandparents of students at college! Now is the time to get your child's college mailing address to us so they can receive their first St. Joseph Church Care Package. You can get the address to us by either putting the information in the collection basket or email it to Tina Coderre at trcoderre@charter.net.



THANK YOU POPE FRANCIS
In his historic address to Congress, the Holy Father expressed his belief that Congress' sole responsibility is to preserve and defend the dignity of its fellow citizens.

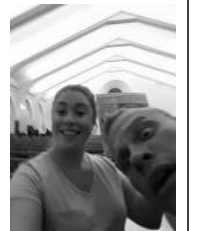
Specifically, he called them to act on immigration, the environment and the economy stating the common good. He spoke of historic Americans who shared the fundamental values of hard work and self-sacrifice to build a better future. He especially mentioned Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., St. Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton, four representative Americans whose virtues to preserve liberty, support civil and political rights, social justice and the fruit of faith respectively, we are called to exemplify in our goal to build a better future for America. The Pope challenged them in regards to the current refugee/immigration situations and necessitated the need to defend all human life and explicitly cited his desire to abolish the death penalty. He called for responsible steps to avert environmental deterioration caused by human activity and to overcome historic differences and open a dialog to help manage conflict in the world with definite concern regarding the arms drive. He summoned us to collectively seek effective solutions to the threats to today's families which come from within and outside of the family.



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH DAY-PRAYER VIGIL

Please join us for Mass at Problem Pregnancy 470 Pleasant St., Worcester with either Fr. Bob/Jonathan at 10:00 am on Saturday, October 10th. We would also like to have people commit to an hour to stand with us during the vigil 7 am-noon, please sign up in the Narthax after Masses today.

Congratulations to Sarah Stone a senior at Westfield State College. She is the \$50 Amazon gift card winner for last weekend. To be considered, please forward students picture to one of Fr. Jonathan's social media pages.



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED...Our food pantry is running low and the winter months are particularly tough. Would you consider bringing in grocery items to help re-stock our shelves? We are especially low on peanut butter, cereals, rice mixes, sauce and canned veggies. Thank you for your continued support.

Have you considered a Cursillo weekend?

Cursillo or "short course in Christianity" is an uplifting and educational experience. The weekend is conducted by a team of laypeople and clergy who deliver organized talks followed by discussions. What the presenters add to the talks is the witness of their own lives, their struggles and triumphs in Christ. The weekend is full of laughter, prayer, great music, wonderful meals and so much more. The next Cursillo weekend will be for men on December 17-20, 2015 at the Prindle Pond Conference Center in Charlton, MA., please contact Carolyn Galgano at or 508-847-7005 or angels3cma@gmail.com.



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

ST. JOSEPH PRAYER 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.

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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS-submit bulletin materials for consideration to Cheryl Kingston at cgkingston@yahoo.com. All information must be received by noon on Tuesdays.

Readings for the Week of October 4, 2015

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Monday: Jon 1:1--2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Celebrate Priesthood!

Wednesday, October 28th at Mechanics Hall in Worcester will be a benefit event to recognize our diocesan priests and support the Priests' Retirement Fund. REGISTER ONLINE at www.worcesterdiocese.org click on Celebrate Priesthood. Also, please consider advertising in their 2015 program book.



CURRENT OFFERINGS

FAITH SHARING AND FORMATION

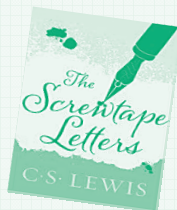
Wednesday mornings at 10:30 in the Cornerstone. All are encouraged to attend.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

with Sister Rose Clarisse, check back for the next date.

Book Club

Next discussion will be Thursday, November 19th at 7:00 pm in the Cornerstone. We are reading C.S. Lewis' *Screwtape Letters*. All are welcome to join in the discussion.



DIVORCE SUPPORT MINISTRY

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

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.

WIDOW/ER SUPPORT GROUP

For widows on 2nd Saturday of the month/widows and widowers the 4th Saturday of the month from 11:00-noon. Contact Pat Lawrie at 508-248-5050.

ACKNOWLEDGING WITH GRATITUDE OUR NEWSLETTER/BULLETIN SPONSORS

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