



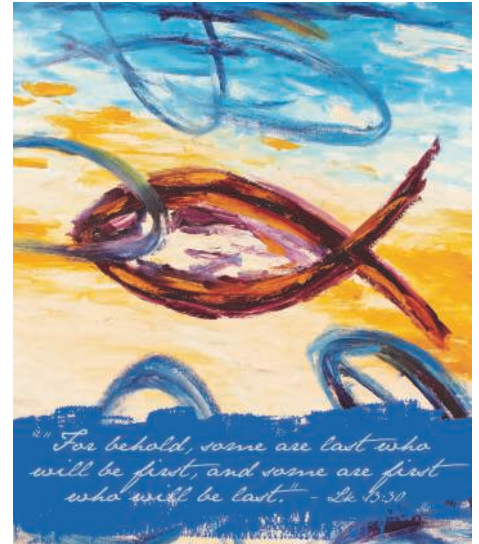
St. Joseph Church Charlton, MA

MASSES CELEBRATED
 Daily M-F 8:30 am
 Saturday 4:30 pm
 Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am & 5:00 pm
 1-800-MASSTIMES when traveling

August 21, 2016

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PERMANENT DEACONS: Deacon Peter Faford & Deacon Bill Shea



<p>SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM</p> <p>Baptismal Prep October 15th 5:30 pm pre-register 508-248-7862</p>	<p>SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY</p> <p>Arrangements begin a year prior to the anticipated date.</p>	<p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION</p> <p>Saturdays at 3:45 pm and by appointment</p>
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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday & Wednesday noon-6:00 pm.
 Friday noon-8:00 pm with Vespers at 6:00 pm and Divine Mercy Chaplet in song at 7:00 pm www.stjosephscharlton.com/adoration

ROSARY

Saturdays at 3:45 pm

24 Hour PRAYER LINE:

508-434-0106 or prayer@missionariesofmercy.net
 website: www.missionariesofmercy.net
 You may also indicate your intentions in the Prayer Book 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. JOSEPHS ORDER OF SECULAR FRANCISCANS meet the

third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the coffee room.
www.stjosephscharlton.com/order-franciscan-seculars

ST. JOSEPH'S FOOD PANTRY

second and fourth Wednesdays from 9-11 am. Donations are welcomed.
www.stjosephscharlton.com/food-pantry

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

FIRST LIGHTS (grades k-5)
 Sr. Agnes Patricia
sisteragnespatria@yahoo.com

EDGE PROGRAM (grades 6-8)
 Diane Cetin
diane55383@aol.com

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

ADULT FAITH FORMTION
 Cheryl Kingston
cgkingston@yahoo.com

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit material for consideration to Cheryl Kingston at cgkingston@yahoo.com by 10:00 am on Tuesdays.

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, our families, our neighbors, our nation and the world.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 20

4:30 pm Kathy Jones by the Family

Sunday, August 21

8:00 am Joseph Proulx by his Wife & Daughter

10:00 am William Reil (18th Anniv) by his Wife & Family

5:00 pm Halina Gielo by the Perczak Family

Monday, August 22

8:30 am John Seguin, Sr. by a Friend

Wednesday, August 24

8:30 am Joseph Benoit by the Family

Friday, August 26

8:30 am Stanly & Stasia Kozminski by the Family

Saturday, August 27

4:30 pm Dale & Phyllis Roberto by the Family

Sunday, August, 28

8:00 am Nancy Gauthier by Paul & Ellen Thibodeau

10:00 am Frank Gard by Alice Burkin Shaw

5:00 pm Joe Plant by the Family

Prayer intentions may also be indicated in the book in the Narthex. The book is presented at the altar at weekend Masses and during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Sometimes I need direction, Lord Jesus. Nudge me, push me, shove me in the right direction, for You know all! I recommit myself to You with all my heart.



JAMES GOUCHIE cousin of Fr. Bob. Please keep him and his family in prayer.

WITH GREAT JOY WE WELCOME

Michael Anthony Barbale son of Jeffrey and Megan, Caroline

Elizabeth Nowak daughter of Krcyszpof and Tamara and Allyson

Linda and Adelyn Gloria Reger daughters of Eric and Leeann who were baptized in water and Spirit this weekend.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TEENS WHO ARE VOLUNTEERING AT CAMP SUNSHINE THIS SUNDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.



ECUMENICAL DAY OF PRAYER

Saturday, August 27th at the Worcester City Hall from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Representatives from all the cities and churches within Worcester County will be present. On this prayer day, parking is available at the Worcester library free of charge.



UP AND COMING EVENTS & NEWS

FEAST OF LOVE takes place after the 10:00 am Mass this weekend. All are invited to join in the meal and take part in this sharing.



MEET THE MERCY CHALLENGE!!! In preparation for the closing of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, we invite everyone to consecrate to Jesus through Mary and to Divine Mercy by completing the **33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY** and **33 DAYS TO MERCIFUL LOVE** respectively. The 33 Days to Morning Glory will begin Thursday, September 1st and end October 6th. Sessions will be offered Thursday mornings 9:30-11:00 am AND evenings 6:30-8:00 pm. Registration forms will be available in the Narthex. Susan Montville at tsmontville@aol.com

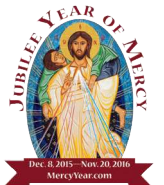


BLESSING OF THE BACK TO SCHOOL BACKPACKS will take place Sunday, August 28th at the 10:00 am Mass.



Mass of Remembrance for those we have loved and lost will be held on Monday, August 29th at 8:30 am. All welcome.

THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY CELEBRATION planning meeting is scheduled for September 10th at 11:00 am-12:00 pm in the Cornerstone.



SAVE THESE DATES

- **Dinner Dance** October 1st at Southbridge Hotel to celebrate 15 years in our new parish complex.
- **Jubilee Year of Mercy Celebration-** November 19-20th.
- **Cursillo-**The next Men's Cursillo will be Feb.9th-12th at the Immaculate Conception Church, Putnam, CT.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

for grades K-8 will take place after all Masses the weekend of August 27-28th.

TEACHER MEETING-*Firstlights* is having a teacher meeting on Sunday August 28th after the 10:00 Mass. We will be meeting in the classrooms behind the coffee room. The purpose of this meeting is to hand out the class lists, manuals and to go over the schedule for the year. Anyone interested should attend the meeting at this time.

LIFE TEEN

PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

in the Cornerstone. A parent need attend only one of the following meetings to register a child: Tuesday, September 13th 7:00 pm, Thursday, September 15th 7:00 pm or Saturday September 17th 10:00 am.

Your help is needed!

EDGE our middle school religious education ministry is in need of group leaders for the 2016-17 school year. Contact Diane Cetin at diane55382@aol.com.

firstlights religious education teachers are needed for 3rd and 4th grade on Mondays. Classes meet from 3:30-4:45 pm from September to April. Contact Sr. Agnes at 508-248-7862.

**Do you suffer with an addiction?
Do you need support?
Do not lose hope!**

Fr. Bob, Fr. Donato or one of our deacons is available to talk with in private. Call to arrange a meeting 508-248-7862.



Parish Support for the weekend of August 14th was \$11,192.00.00 in offerings, \$491.00 for the Building Fund and \$625.00 for our Capital Campaign. Thanks to all who utilize mail-in, electronic or direct bank deposit offerings. God bless you for your continued support of our parish and its works.

REMEMBER A LOVED ONE IN A SPECIAL WAY

As part of our 15th Anniversary Celebration, new Altar Server candle lighters are available for a donation of \$60.00 each. Candle lighters will be suitably inscribed. Call Jenn or Dick Vaughan at 774-230-7458 or 774-230-2163 or email jharwich@gmail.com.



Our missionaries to Haiti have returned safely and wish to thank all parishioners at St. Joseph Church for your

generosity. We provided 14 suitcases filled with school supplies, clothing, medical supplies, toys and games. In addition, your financial support provided funding for operational expenses like food, clothing and medical support, along with support for the religious education program, sacrament training and religious supplies. Overall your support was greatly needed and much appreciated. Thank you!

Please note that the **DONATION BOX** has been moved. It is now located inside the church sanctuary on the left as you enter.



Take a look at what's available!!
LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC

MEDIA CD RACK has been installed and is located inside the main entry doors. The CD's are available for a donation. This is an easy way to grow in your faith formation. Please note that we also accept gently used *LIGHTHOUSE CD's*. You may bring them to the church office. Suggestions contact Karen Todd at 508-248-6397.



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH SUPPORT GROUPS

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY-Will not meet in the summer. Resumes the 3rd Saturday in September. Contact Sr. Agnes or Ellen Thibodeau (508-248-9161) if you know of someone in need of a prayer shawl.

WIDOW/ER SUPPORT GROUP-Will not meet in the summer. Pat Lawrie at 508-248-5050.

DIVORCE SUPPORT MINISTRY-meets the 2nd and 4th Monday each month 7:00-9:00 pm in the K of C Room.

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN-Sharing experiences caring for grandchildren and learning about resources. Contact Ted or Dianne at 508-764-4553.

PARENT AND CHILD CONNECTION-Will not meet in the summer. Amy Nelson 774-200-6989. Check out facebook.com/123parentchildconnectionatsaintjoes.

NEXT STEP BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: For parents who have lost a child. Meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at the Medical Office Bldg. at Harrington Hospital. Basement level, Room #4. Contact Sue Brunell 508-344-1564 to join.

Readings for the Week of August 21

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1-2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-5/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10-13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-21/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

ARE YOU SOMEONE WHO:

- * Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- * Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- * Was baptized Catholic, but have not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

Our RCIA Ministry offers a small group setting to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, insights and faith story in an accepting setting. Contact Ted or Patty Covill at 508-248-4718 or tcovill@charter.net.



- ⇒ **NO SPIRITUAL DIRECTION** with Sr. Rose Clarisse offered in August. Sessions resume on September 8th. You can contact her at 508-485-3791.
- ⇒ **THE BIBLE AND MARY** video Bible Study continues Wednesdays at 10:00 am OR Saturdays at 9:30 am in the Cornerstone. Please join us when you can.
- ⇒ **BOOK CLUB**-Thursday August 25th at 7:00 pm in the Cornerstone. Book: **Matthew Kelly's Beautiful Mercy**. Lisa Diezel at lisadiezel@aol.com
- ⇒ **FR. DONATO'S JOURNEY TO THE PRIESTHOOD**-October 12th at 10:00 am or October 15th at 9:30 am in the Cornerstone. All invited.
- ⇒ **LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA CD RACK**-located inside the main entry door. The CDs are available for a donation. Karen Todd 508-248-6397.
- ⇒ **THE FOOTPRINTS OF GOD**-Movie *Peter, Keeper of the Keys* will be shown Wednesday, September 7th at 6:15 pm in the Cornerstone. All Welcome. Free Event.



Did you know? The Vatican published Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation on the family. The lengthy document, entitled *The Joy of Love*, affirms the Church's teaching that stable families are the building blocks of a healthy society and a place where children learn to love, respect and interact with others. At the same time the text warns against idealizing the many challenges facing family life, urging Catholics to care for, rather than condemning, all those whose lives do not reflect the teaching of the Church. Read the summary of *The Joy of Love* at http://en.radiovaticana.va/news/2016/04/08/pope_francis_apostolic_exhortation_on_the_joy_of_love/1221178



- Meetings are held monthly on the 1st Wednesday in the Knight's room. Recitation of the Rosary at 6:30 pm, then the meeting comes to order at 7:00 pm.
- To become a member of the St. Joseph Knights of Columbus, contact any knight or Kyle Haggerty at (508) 248-0982 or khagger@charter.net.

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