



St. Joseph Church

Charlton, MA



Daily M-F 8:30 am
Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 am
& 5:00 pm

JANUARY 22, 2017

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PASTOR: Reverend Robert Grattaroti

SENIOR PRIEST: Reverend Normand Tremblay

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Reverend Donato Infante III

PERMANENT DEACONS: Deacon Peter Faford & Deacon Bill Shea

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

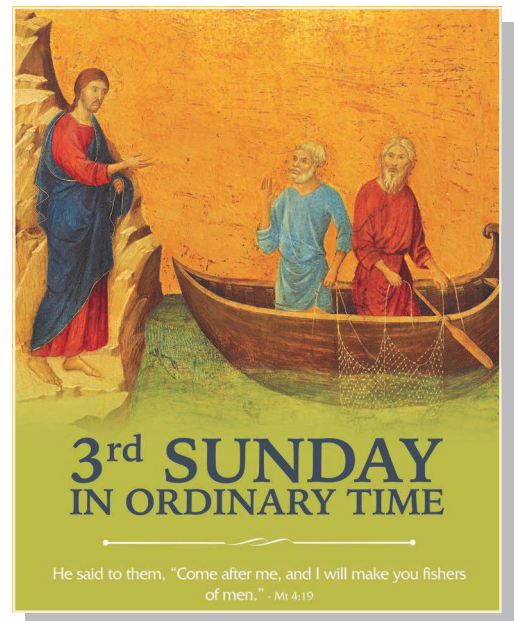
Baptismal Prep required, please call the office to register.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements begin a year prior to the anticipated date.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:45 pm and by appointment.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 1:00-6:00 pm, Wednesday noon-6:00 pm Friday noon-8:00 pm w/ Vespers at 6:00 pm and Divine Mercy Chaplet at 7:00 pm. First Friday/First Saturday Devotion at 9:00 pm with 24 hr. Adoration

ROSARY

Daily at 8:00 am
Saturdays at 3:45 pm

24 Hour PRAYER LINE

508-434-0106 or prayer@missionariesofmercy.net. 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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit material for consideration to cgkingston@yahoo.com by noon on Tuesdays.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

EDGE YOUTH MINISTRY (grades 6-8)
Diane Cetin
diane55382@aol.com

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

ADULT FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY
Cheryl Kingston
cgkingston@yahoo.com

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, January 21

4:30 pm Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus & their families by the Knights

Sunday, January 22

8:00 am Michael Stanton by Neil and Arlene
 10:00 am Sr. Rita Francis SSJ (Madeline Tiberii) by the Family
 5:00 pm James and Ellen Walsh by Anne & Tim Haran

Monday, January 23

8:30 am Special Intention by a Sister in Christ

Tuesday, January 24

8:30 am Joseph Benoit by Gloria & Gil Anderson

Wednesday, January 25

8:30 am Joshua Spellman by Mr. & Mrs. Michael O'Leary

Saturday, January 28

4:30 pm The Heon Family by Mr. & Mrs. Michael O'Leary

Sunday, January 29

8:00 am Joseph Yvon Proulx by sister-in-law Judy
 10:00 am Gerald Bonner by Debra Ciesluk
 5:00 pm Dr. Robert Blute, Sr. by the Parish Family

WITH GREAT JOY WE WELCOME **GREYSON CHRISTOPHER MORGAN** son of Michael and Kathlyn who was baptized in water and Spirit this weekend.



EILEEN MURPHY aunt of Paulette Vigneault, **FLORENCE PALERMO** mother of Michael and **SR. ROSE CLARISSE GADOURY**. Please keep them and their families in prayer.



Dear Parishioners and Friends:

It is with deep sadness I inform you of the recent death of Sister Rose Clarisse, a member of the Sisters of St. Anne in Marlboro. She served as Spiritual Director in our parish for close to 20 years and had been on the faculty at Holy Name HS in Worcester, Anna Maria College in Paxton as well as on the staff at Pope St. John XXIII Seminary in Weston. Counselor, Mentor and Director to many lay people, priests and nuns, she was deeply revered by all and will be greatly missed. My relationship with her began some 40 years ago when I was spiritual director on the Cursillo she attended. She asked me to be her spiritual director, which I was happy to be; and then after receiving her degree in spiritual Counseling and Direction, I asked her to be my spiritual director. Many will attest to the fact that she was a wonderful loving instrument of grace who brought each closer to God. She now receives the glorious rewards of her labors as she hears the words of Our Lord: "Come, faithful and loving servant, receive the reward prepared for you in heaven." **MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.**

Blessings of peace and love, Fr Bob

UP & COMING EVENTS

PRAYER BEFORE MASS-Lord Jesus, You have told us that You hear our every word. Open our hearts so that we may hear Your every word and that we may live according to Your words. May we be free of distractions so that we may better understand the messages and lessons You want us to hear and to live by. **AMEN**

**RECTORY
OPEN
HOUSE**

Next Sunday January 29th following the 8:00 and 10:00 am Mass.



Mary Martha Guild will be selling tickets after Masses the weekend of January 29th for their 20 WEEK RAFFLE.

ILLUMINATE next Sunday, January 29th 6:30-8:00 pm. Adoration, Music and Speaker. All welcome!

Saturday February 4th at 6:30 pm. Open to all 21+ adults. More info to come.



17th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference

Men are invited to this annual conference, at Assumption College on Saturday, April 1st. www.firstmensconf.org for information/tickets. Come hear dynamic talks from Catholic leaders. Confession will be offered. Bishop McManus will offer the Mass. Call Julie Schroeder at 508-929-4345 for brochure.



We are collecting loose change to fund our upcoming **Youth Mission Trip** in Boston when we will learn about the particular challenges the urban poor face and work in various ministries that assist them. Please look for a container in the Narthex after Masses for your donation. For larger donations, see Fr. Donato or leave a check at the parish office made payable to St. Joseph Church.


SAVE THE DATE

The Diocesan Retreat for men considering a priestly vocations will be April 7- 8th in Putnam, CT. Speak to one of our priests if you are interested in receiving more information.



ADULT MISSION TRIP TO ESPWA IN HAITI MAY 2017

Mutually coordinated by Linda Faford, Kathy Znamierowski and Sandy Mahan. Linda has spent the last 20 years along with Deacon Peter at Espwa assisting the orphanage and the people of Haiti and both Kathy and Sandy have made several trips to Haiti with our teens. An informal INFORMATION NIGHT will take place Monday, February 6th at 7pm in the Cornerstone for all your questions. IF THIS GOT YOUR ATTENTION, please come and hear about our past experiences and the experience we hope to bring to the adults of this parish who feel called to make this trip.



CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S OPEN HOUSE EVENTS

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL WEBSTER
 Sunday, January 29th from 11:00-1:00pm or
 Wednesday, February 1st from 5:00-7:00 pm.
 For more information visit www.sjs-webster.com or call 508-943-0378 for a tour or to schedule a free shadowing.
 ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL – HAPPY STUDENTS – HAPPY FAMILY!

TRINITY CATHOLIC ACADEMY SOUTHBRIDGE
 Sunday, January 29th, from 11:30- 1:00 pm
 At the Open House, tuition raffle tickets will be sold for \$20 each. New families who visit the school and sign in that day will also be eligible for a drawing on the 29th, where we will also give away 1 ticket to be entered in the tuition drawing. The winner would receive full tuition for the 2017-2018 school year.

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS SCHOOL WORCESTER
 PreK-8 Open House on Thursday February 2nd, from 10:00-noon, 1220 Main Street. www.ourladyoftheangels.us, (508) 752-5609.

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY WORCESTER
 SPEND A DAY AT NDA! An invitation to all current 7th graders and transfer students to spend an academic day at NDA through May 1st. 508-757-6200 X 229 or admissions@nda-worc.org. NDA is the only Catholic, college preparatory school for young women in Central Massachusetts.

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL PreK-8 MILLBURY
 Open House for prospective families on Sunday, January 29th, from noon-2:00 pm at 17 Grove Street. www.assumption-cs.org. or call 508-865-5404 for more information.



Parish Support for the weekend of January 15th was 12,572.00 with \$25.00 for the Capital Campaign and \$524.00 for the Building Fund. Thank you for your continued generosity.

MINISTRY SHOWCASE

ECUMENISM MINISTRY: Chris McTigue
 508-248-4726, cmct@verizon.net

We represent St. Joseph's at monthly meetings and encourage participation from our church at community ecumenical services and events. Some of the past year's opportunities were: The Winter Coat Closet, Christian Unity Sunday, Living Faith Lenten Series, Easter Sunrise Service at Old Sturbridge Village and the National Day of Prayer. We would love to have more people join us to help spread the word with the various events that we participation in. Our focus is on what our faith has in common with other faith communities. We are "One in Christ for the Community"! This year we are focusing more on common prayer, discussion and fellowship.

thank you Knights of Columbus, Alex Diaz & Team, Kyle Sullivan, Billy, Don and Fr. Donato for their efforts making Stump the Priest Night possible.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL WHO RECENTLY RECEIVED A TOP INTERNATIONAL AWARD



Knights of Columbus Council 11379 has earned the distinction of Star Council, one of the organization's top awards, for the 2015-2016 fraternal year. The award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership recruitment and retention, promotion of the fraternal insurance program, and sponsorship of service-oriented activities. The award was presented at a special ceremony on January 4th.

Attention High School Seniors planning to attend college in the Fall, the Greater Worcester Community Foundation is accepting applications for their 2017 college scholarships (130 scholarships available).

Free applications must be submitted by March 6th. Get your application and further requirement information at www.greaterworcester.org. Don't delay! If you have questions, Call 508-755-0980.



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH SUPPORT GROUPS

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY-10:00 am on 3rd Saturday of the month. Mary Stewart at 508-248-5851.

DIVORCE SUPPORT MINISTRY-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. Ted or Dianne at 508-764-4553.

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.

CALIX SOCIETY-for anyone concerned with alcoholism or drug dependency. Third Saturday of each month 9-10:00 am. Knights Rm. Paul 774-696-7543.

- Would you like to join the Knights of Columbus? Contact Allan at 508-248-7154 or Kyle 508-248-0982 or khagger@charter.net. On January 15th seven men, including Fr. Norm, were admitted to Council 11379 of the Knights of Columbus to evangelize others through their charity. Please consider joining them!
- Meetings are held monthly on the 1st Wednesday in the Knight's Room. Beginning with Rosary at 6:30 pm, meeting comes to order at 7:00 pm.



Light of Simplicity Retreat
 Discover how simplicity can shine a light on what is essential & important in our lives.
 WOMEN'S RETREAT: March 3-5
 MEN'S RETREAT: call for info
 Retreat includes meals, liturgy, music, free time and workshops. Begins at 6:00 pm Friday and concludes at Sunday brunch at noon.
www.holyfamilyretreat.org
 860-760-9705 or Monica at 508-248-6414.

Do you suffer with an addiction? Do you need support?
 Fr. Bob, Fr. Donato or our deacons are available to talk with in private. Arrange a meeting at 508-248-7862.



Our website www.stjosephscharlton.com or facebook.com/St-Josephs-Parish-Charlton will have up to the minute news, schedules, pictures and ministry information.

- ⇒ **LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA CD RACK**-Catholic CDs are available for a \$3.00 donation. We encourage you to return the CD's in the reception office for others to use.
- ⇒ **BOOK CLUB**-Our next book selection will be Thursday, February 16 at 7pm. Please join us in our discussion of Matthew Kelly's *Resisting Happiness*. All are welcome! Lisa Diezel 774-641-3737.
- ⇒ **Formed.org**-Catholic on-line resource for movies, books and video programs. Use parish code: 7526f6 to access all these resources.
- ⇒ **SATURDAY FORMATION SESSION**-After 1st Saturday Mass on February 4th at 9:45 am in the Cornerstone, Fr. Bob will give a talk on *CHURCH HISTORY*. Free to all!



Light of the World Retreat
 February 17, 18 & 19, 2017
 with conclusion on Monday evening
St. Joseph Church
 Register with Deacon Bill at bshea@dienesusa.com
 or call 508-248-7862

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