



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

February 7, 2016

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PASTOR: Reverend Robert Grattaroti

SENIOR PRIEST: Reverend Normand Tremblay

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Reverend Jonathan Slavinkas

PERMANENT DEACONS: Deacon Peter Faford & Deacon Bill Shea



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Next prep class is February 13th
after 4:30 Mass. Pre-registration
is required.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please begin arrangements
a year prior to the
anticipated date.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:45 pm

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

PRAYER LINE: 508-248-7141 or
508-248-0064. You may also

indicate your intentions in the
Prayer Book in the Narthex.

www.stjosephscharlton.com/submit-prayer-request

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

sisteragnespatricia@yahoo.com

EDGE PROGRAM (grades 6-8)

Diane Cetin

diane55383@aol.com

LIFE TEEN PROGRAM (grades 9-12)

Deacon Bill Shea

bshea@dienesus.com

ADULT FAITH FORMTION

Cheryl Kingston

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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit material for consideration to
Cheryl Kingston at
cgkingston@yahoo.com by 9:00 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, to our families, to our neighbors, to our nation and the world.

Saturday, February 6

4:30 pm Raymond Bellerose by Nancy McDonald

Sunday, February 7

8:00 am Donald Mahan by the Bertrand Family

10:00 am Frank Gard by Stephanie Barrett & Rene Tremblay

5:00 pm Jack Hession by the Kingston Family

Monday, February 8

8:30 am Mike Flynn by the Bertrand Family

Tuesday, February 9

8:30 am Cecilia Wickson by Bob

Wednesday, February 10

8:30 am For the intention of Michael by his aunt

Friday, February 12

8:30 am For the intention of Matthew Carpenter by his Parents

Saturday, February 13

4:00 pm Donald Mahan by Iris Jennings

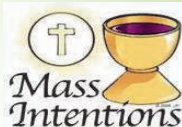
Sunday, February 14

8:00 am Charles Adcock by the Family

10:00 am Infant Michael Morin by the Family

5:00 pm Michael Tarasiak by the Family

The sanctuary lamp burns this week for Paul Laramee by his wife.



UP AND COMING EVENTS

Raffle! Mary Martha Guild 20-week raffle tickets are on sale after Mass. Only \$20 with 24 chances to win.

Blessing of the Throats in honor of St. Blaise takes place this weekend at the end of all Masses.



HAVE A HEART

The annual "Have a Heart" Baby Shower to benefit Problem Pregnancy takes place this weekend. A tree in the Narthex has red hearts marked "baby" with needed items attached to each heart. Problem Pregnancy helps women to bring their babies to term and promote life. Thank you from the St. Joseph Church Pro Life Committee.



Dear Lord, may I receive you in this Communion with open arms, and a loving contrite heart, so that I may be filled with Your grace, for my good and Your glory! Amen.

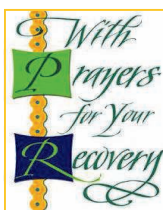
Please keep the following, who have recently died, in your prayers: William Eisnor, Rita Smith and Kevin Walsh.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ADULTS WHO WILL BE CONFIRMED AT THE CATHEDRAL TODAY.

Brittany Marment, Jennifer Bardier, Brian Cardrant, Ashley Stone, Jessica Denning, Martin Anderson, Karen Zaleski, Stephanie Ranellone, Rachel and Sarah Tuniewicz

OOPS we missed someone...our apologies to Lisa Chiafullo. Please add Lisa to your prayers as she is also a candidate to be confirmed at the Easter Vigil.



Fr. Norm is recovering from a fall he took last weekend. Please keep him in your prayers as he recuperates. If you wish to send him a card or well wishes, please direct them to the parish and we will see that he receives them.

Rite of Welcoming

takes place this weekend at 10:00 am Mass. We are welcoming Paula Hall and Ricci Hall, Jr.

A great Lenten experience! Get your tickets for Joseph's Dream taking place at the Hanover Theatre February 17 & 18th. Good seats are still available. Go to www.josephsdream.net or www.thehanovertheatre.org for information.



Priesthood Discernment Retreat

Have you thought of a vocation to the priesthood? The Diocese of Worcester will hold its annual Discernment Retreat directed by Bishop McManus on March 18th & 19th. This retreat begins 6:00 pm Friday and ends 6:00 pm Saturday. It is for men of high school age and older. The retreat will take place at the Immaculate Conception Retreat Center in Putnam, CT. There is no cost and transportation is provided if needed. Visit worcestervocations.com for more information. To sign up contact Fr. Jim Mazzone at jmazzone@charter.net.



PRAYING FOR THE YOUTH

All parishioners are invited to participate in intercessory prayer for our youth. Starting Ash Wednesday, there will be a basket in the Narthex with prayer cards, each containing the name of one of the more than 600 youth in our parish family. Our goal is to have every youth prayed for by at least one parishioner throughout the year. As part of your Lenten journey, please take a card and support our youth with your prayer. Thank You!

GUIDE LINES FOR FASTING AND ABSTAINING DURING LENT



Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays during Lent.

Fasting is to be observed by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 years of age on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

OUR FRIDAY LENTEN SCHEDULE

- 6:00 pm Penitential Psalm and Vespers
 - 6:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet in song
 - 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
 - 7:30-9:30 Year of Mercy Friday Adoration
- Come for any or all as your time permits.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Saturday, March 5
9-noon
Free event in the Cornerstone



Come and "know who you were created to be".

Sponsored by:
Mary Martha Guild
Contact Julia at 508-248-3250 or
jdmcdonough923@gmail.com



Parish support for the weekend of January 31st was \$12,933.00 in Parish Offerings, 342.00 for the Building Fund and \$667.00 toward our Capital Campaign. Thank you for your continued support.

WEEKLY MINISTRY SHOWCASE

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren
Ted & Dianne Dubsky 508-764-4553
dbdubsky@aol.com

This ministry is for grandparents and kinship caretakers interested in sharing their experiences caring for grandchildren and learning about resources that are available to them. This support can be over the telephone, face to face in a private setting or in a traditional "support group." All options are confidential.

THANK YOU-Last week's wine tasting was a fun event with over 50 women in attendance. We'd like to thank Ted's Package & Variety for helping make this happen as well as Fr. Jonathan and Rene Jalbert for putting it all together. Look for more fun events like Trivia Night, Paint Night and Family Pizza Day to come in the near future.



The St. Stanislaw Society of Southbridge is hosting a pancake breakfast for the benefit of Trinity Catholic Academy on Sunday, February 28th from 7:30-11:30 am at LaSalle Reception Center, Southbridge. The cost is \$8.00 for adults/seniors, \$5.00 for children 6 to 12 and free for children under 5 years. Tickets sold at the door.



**Do you suffer from an addiction?
Do you need support?
Do not lose hope. Fr. Bob or Fr. Jonathan are available to talk with in private. To arrange a meeting, call 508-248-7862.**

A LENTEN TEACHING *Signs of the Season of Lent*

Pascal Candle -representing the risen Christ is removed until the Easter Vigil.

Flowers -are also removed and return at Easter.

Purple -is the penitential color of the season.

Alleluia -is not sung during Lent. It is gloriously proclaimed beginning at the Easter Vigil.

Holy Water -a reminder of our baptism, is removed until the Easter water is blessed at the Easter Vigil.



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH SUPPORT GROUPS

BEREAVED PARENTS GROUP-If you are interested in this group, contact Sue Brunell at beadlady1113@yahoo.com or 508-344-1564.

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

WIDOW/ER SUPPORT GROUP-widows on 2nd Saturday of the month & widows/widowers the 4th Saturday of the month from 11:00-noon. Contact Pat Lawrie at 508-248-5050.

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

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN-Are you interested in sharing experiences caring for grandchildren and learning about resources? Call Ted or Dianne at 508-764-4553.

Readings for the Week of February 7, 2016

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-5, 7-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-10/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3-5, 10-11/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Ps 51:3-6, 12-14, 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-6, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-15/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13



⇒ **ADULT FAITH SHARING**-Wednesdays 10:00 am or Saturdays at 9:30 am in the Cornerstone. Contact Cheryl at cgkingston@yahoo.com.

⇒ **SPIRITUAL DIRECTION** with Sister Rose Clarisse on Thursday, March 3rd. Please sign up for a time in the Narthex.



- ⇒ **MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND**-April 21-24th at Immaculate Conception Spiritual Center, Putnam, CT. Contact Carolyn Galgano at 508-847-7005 or angels3cma@gmail.com to learn more or to obtain an application.
- ⇒ **ANNUAL CATHOLIC MENS CONFERENCE**-Saturday, March 12th at Worcester DCU Center. Go to www.firstmensconf.org.
- ⇒ **BOOK CLUB**-The next book club is Thursday March 10th at 7:00 pm in the Upstairs Conference Room. The book to be discussed is *The Name of God is Mercy* by Pope Francis.



- ◆ K of C Meetings are held monthly on the 1st Wednesday of the month in the Knight of Columbus Room. Recitation of the Rosary @ 6:30 pm, meeting comes to order at 7:00 pm.
- ◆ To become a member of the St. Joseph Church Knights of Columbus, please contact Kyle Haggerty at (508)248-0982 or khagger@charter.net or speak with any member of the K of C.
- ◆ K of C St. Patrick's Day Dinner, Saturday March 12th. Hold the date. Details and tickets to come.

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