



St. Joseph Church

CHARLTON, MA

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P.O. Box 338 Charlton City, MA 01508

Pastor
Reverend Bob Grattaroti

Permanent Deacons

Bill Shea
Steve Miller

**CURRENT MASS
SCHEDULE**

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 10:00 am & 5:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by appointment, call
Parish Office at 508-248-7862.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal preparation is required.
Our next session is August 22nd.
Call to register at 508-248-7862.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements for a wedding
begin a year prior to the date.
Call Parish Office at 508-248-7862
for arrangements.

***Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament***

Eucharistic Adoration is located in
the front 2nd story window of the
East wing of the building. You are
able to park and pray from your
vehicle at any time.



SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a
deserted place and rest a while." So they went
off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place.

- Mk 6:31b-32

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**18
July
2021**



Saturday, July 17

4:30 pm **Kathy Jones** by the Family

Sunday, July 18

10:00 am **Janet Hammond & Fennie Morris** by the Family

5:00 pm **Dr. Wayne Marchand** by David & Karen Kaufmann.

Tuesday, July 20

8:30 am **Kim Perron** by the Family

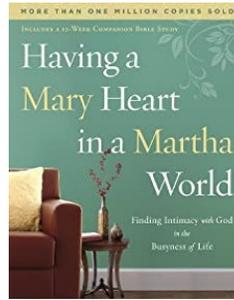
Saturday, July 24

4:30 pm **Winifred Shea** by the Family

Sunday, July 25

10:00 am **Alphonse & Gladys Beland** by the Family

5:00 pm **Liz Smith** by Susan & Norman LeBlanc



AUGUST BOOK CLUB

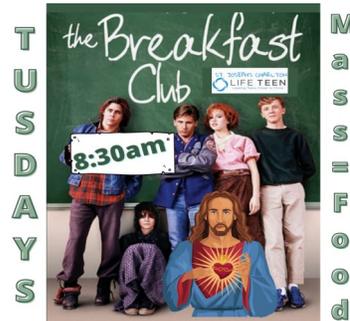
The discussion will take place Thursday, August 19th at 7:00 pm on *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World* by Joanna Weaver



WHITE WATER RAFTING
(Date change) NOW Thurs Aug. 12th
\$95 Each - Lunch Included
Text Sarah to Sign-Up 774-230-8324 (only 8 spots)



To receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, send an email to stjoecharlton@aol.com or call 508-248-7862 to make appointment with Fr. Bob.



Teens join us Tuesdays for morning Mass and then Breakfast on us! Questions? Contact Sarah at 774-230-8324.



Our next **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION** session will take place Sunday, August 22nd after the 10:00 am Mass. Scan QR code for registration form and information.



Rest in Peace

ELAINE RONSKI. May she rest in the arms of the Lord and rejoice in the glory of heaven and may her family find comfort in their faith.

Congratulations and our best wishes to **Brian Smith & Amanda Doyle** who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage last weekend.



SAVE THE DATE
Annual Golf Tournament
Saturday, October 2nd
7:30 Shot Gun Start
Heritage Country Club
in Charlton



BOTTLE+CAN DRIVE
ALL SUMMER
HELP NEEDED



Consecration to Saint
JOSEPH

**The Year of
St. Joseph**

33 Days to Consecration-Consecration to St. Joseph
The Wonders of our Spiritual Father by Fr. Calloway.

Books are \$15.95 at Marian.org or Bouchers in Worcester. Each of the 33 days read a couple of the pages and meet to discuss the readings.

Please note the change in times for discussion.

Monday 6:30-7:30 pm-5 weeks starts July 19th or
Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 pm-5 weeks starts July 21st.

Meets in the classroom by the Coffee Room on the main floor. For those preparing for consecration on your own, Day 1 is July 20th. Contact Susan at 508-735-3269 if you have any questions. Consecration on August 21st.

ADULT  FAITH
FORMATION

•**FORMED.ORG**-dive into your faith at home. Discover books, audio talks, movies and studies. There is something for everyone to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church. Free.

•**CATHOLIC CD'S**-available at the front door for \$3.

•**HALLOW APP**-Hallow is a Catholic prayer app that offers audio guided meditation to help us grow in our faith & spiritual lives and find peace in God. Found at Apple of Android app stores.



•**CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH**-contact Susan Montville at 508-735-3269. Next session begins this week.



134th Annual Novena to Saint Anne July 18 - 26 St. Anne-St. Patrick Parish-Sturbridge, MA

Daily Schedule: 5:30 pm Confessions at St. Anne Church, 6:30 pm Rosary Procession from the Generations Statue by the Gift Shop; 7:00 pm Novena Mass-Outdoor Pavilion. On the Feast of Sts. Anne and Joachim; on Monday July 26 - celebrating the first *World Day for Grandparents and Elderly*, there is a Healing Mass at 11:00 am in the Pavilion and Closing Liturgy at 7:00 pm.

Visit stannestpatrickparish.com for more information.

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

My deepest and most heartfelt gratitude to all of you for the loving and gracious expression of your sentiments as I celebrated 85 years of life. I am awestruck at the goodness, so lovingly and generously poured out upon me on this occasion, and I am so thankful to every one of you.

I especially thank the members of our Parish Staff. Deacon Bill for coordinating the Dinner. Sarah Stone, Youth Minister, for the beautiful decorations. Brian and Judy Brosnihan and all their helpers for cooking and serving a most delicious meal. The day couldn't have been the celebration it was without The Knights of Columbus, Mary Martha Guild, Lifeteen, our great maintenance staff, and of course our ushers who are always around to do whatever is needed. But most especially I thank all of you. I would wish to include everyone by name but that, of course, is not feasible. Please pardon if I have failed to adequately recognize anyone.

It is hard for me to wrap my head around 85 years. By God's grace I am what I am and I hope that what I am has assisted you to be closer to God. All I can say, over and over again is Thank You...Thank You!



Fr. Bob with family & friends



Church beautification project.
Pole #4 by EDGE Ministry.



**WORLD DAY FOR
GRANDPARENTS
AND THE ELDERLY**

Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time on July, 25 on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20), close to the feast of Sts Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Recalling the upcoming feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple - when the elderly Simeon and Anna encountered the child Jesus and recognized Him as the Messiah - Pope Francis said, "the Holy Spirit even today stirs up thoughts and words of wisdom in the elderly." The voice of the elderly "is precious," he said, "because it sings the praises of God and preserves the roots of the peoples."

The elderly, he continued, "remind us that old age is a gift and that grandparents are the link between the different generation, to pass on to the young the experience of life."

He emphasized the importance of grandparents and grandchildren getting to know one another, because "as the prophet Joel says, grandparents seeing their grandchildren dream," while "young people, drawing strength from their grandparents, will go forward and prophesy."

"Behold I stand at the door and knock"

It's time. Time to learn more about your faith. It's time to experience what our religion can do for you. Jesus is waiting for you personally. Cursillo weekends are a wonderful fun way to give you a start on this journey. Two weekends are being offered in 2021.

Women's Cursillo weekend October 14 - 17
Men's Cursillo weekend November 11-14

Go to www.fourthday.org and download your application today OR call Pam Hamilton at 774-239-8909 for more information.

You will be so glad you did!

6 year old Lily and her 4 year-old brother, Jay, were sitting in church. Jay giggled, sang and talked out loud. Finally, his sister had had enough, "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Jay asked. Lily pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

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**STOP TAXPAYER
FUNDING OF
ABORTION**

The Hyde Amendment has protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful

members of Congress want to take away these laws. Billions of federal taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion. Government money would be better spent supporting women in crisis pregnancies and struggling new mothers than paying to end the lives of their children. It is critical that Catholics send a strong message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. **Sign the petition at www.notaxpayerabortion.com.**

Visit <https://bit.ly/no-taxpayer-abortion-action>

Stewardship Corner

PARISH OFFERINGS for the weekend of July 11th were \$12,355.00 with \$659.00 for our Building Fund. Our deepest gratitude for your kind and conscientious offerings our parish. Thank You over and over again!

“For it is in giving that we receive.”

- St. Francis of Assisi

WELCOME

to St. Joseph Parish, we are glad you are here. If you are new to the Parish use the scan code to register today.



Scripture readings for week of July 18th

M: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42
T: Ex 14:21-15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10-17/Mt 12:46-50
W: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-28 [24b]/Mt 13:1-9
Th: 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
F: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 13:18-23
S: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

EDGE NEEDS YOU!

We are seeking small group leaders! If you have a child going into the 6th, 7th or 8th grade we would love for you help us out. Also, students who has made their Confirmation are encouraged to join the team.



EDGE
Catholic Middle School Ministry

Are you feeling the call to help out?

Please pray on this; we need approximately 14 leaders for a successful EDGE year beginning this Fall.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS-Show favor, O

Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. -AMEN



Summer greetings from Emmanuel Radio! God knows you deserve a vacation, but God also knows you should not take a vacation from Him. Help bring the Mass, Holy Rosary and Catholic programs to you and others in need of His word.

Donate at 508-767-1230; www.1230radio.com; or mail Emmanuel Radio, PO Box 20027, Worcester 01602 and we will send you the book "Do Something Beautiful for God: The Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa". (Min. \$40 Gift). It is a great summer read!



Let us stay in touch with you through texts and/or emails. Text the word CHARLTON to 84576 or app.flocknote.com/stjosephscharlton

Parish Bulletin

Requests for bulletin submissions should be sent by Monday to cgkingston@yahoo.com.

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW HOMEBOUND?

Call Deacon Bill at 508-254-8512 or 508-248-7862 to let us know how we can be of assistance.



Homebound

"They were like sheep without a

Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you? Contact the Vocation Office at 508-630-4473 or email: director@worcestervocations.com.

OPENING HYMN

SING, O SING

Dan Schutte



1. Sing, O sing, like the wind and sea; let mu - sic fill the
2. Night and day we an - nounce your praise, O Lord of ev - 'ry
3. Might - y Mas - ter of rag - ing storm, we kneel be - fore your
4. Hear us, Lord of the sun and moon; we bless you night and
5. Make us shine like the stars of night; we bless your ho - ly



1. skies! Lift your voice like the thun - d'ring waves: let songs of
2. land, give you thanks for the sun and stars, all bless - ings
3. pow'r. Lov - ing Lord of the faith - ful rain that makes the
4. day. Guide us, Lord, as we jour - ney home; be with us
5. name! Make our love like a blaz - ing light; O set our



1. praise a - rise! Praise God with drums and danc - ing! Praise God with
2. of your hand. Help - er of all who la - bor, Com - fort to
3. des - ert flow'r. Giv - er of song and sor - row, Grow - er of
4. on our way. Spir - it of field and for - est, Pow - er of
5. hearts a - flame! Mas - ter of dawn and dark - ness, Mak - er of



1. flute and horn! Bless - ed be our God, Might - y Lord of all!
2. all who mourn. Praise to you, O God, Might - y Lord of all!
3. ev - 'ry seed. Praise to you, O God, Might - y Lord of all!
4. snow and rain. Praise to you, O God, Might - y Lord of all!
5. shin - ing star. Praise to you, O God, Might - y Lord of all!

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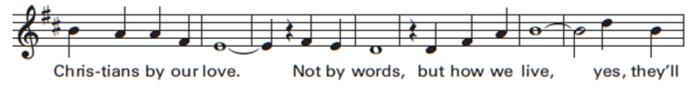
CLOSING HYMN

BY OUR LOVE

Tom Kendzia



By our love, by our love, they will know we are



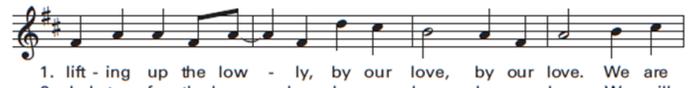
Chris - tians by our love. Not by words, but how we live, yes, they'll



know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our love.



1. When we feed the hun - gry, they will know by our love,
2. Wel - come to the strang - er, they will know by our love,
3. Free - dom to the cap - tive, they will know by our love,



1. lift - ing up the low - ly, by our love, by our love. We are
2. shel - ter for the home - less, by our love, by our love. We will
3. com - fort to the bro - ken, by our love, by our love. We will



1. one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, and we
2. walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, and to -
3. work with each oth - er, we will work side by side, and we'll



1. pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored.
2. geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
3. guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each oth - er's pride.

Bridge

We sing praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one,
they will know we are Christians by our love. (to Refrain)

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