



August 3, 2025

St. Joseph Church

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS

10 H. Putnam Ext.

P.O. Box 338, Charlton City, MA 01508

We are a Community of Faith, called by Jesus Christ to reach out in love to each other, our families, our neighbors, our nation and the world.

CLERGY

Pastor: Father Bob Grattaroti

Senior Priest: Father Charles Monroe

Deacons: Bill Shea, Steve Miller

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday 8:30 AM

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

SACRAMENTS

Holy Encounters with God

BAPTISM

Our baptismal prep session is September 21.
Call parish office or scan QR code to register

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

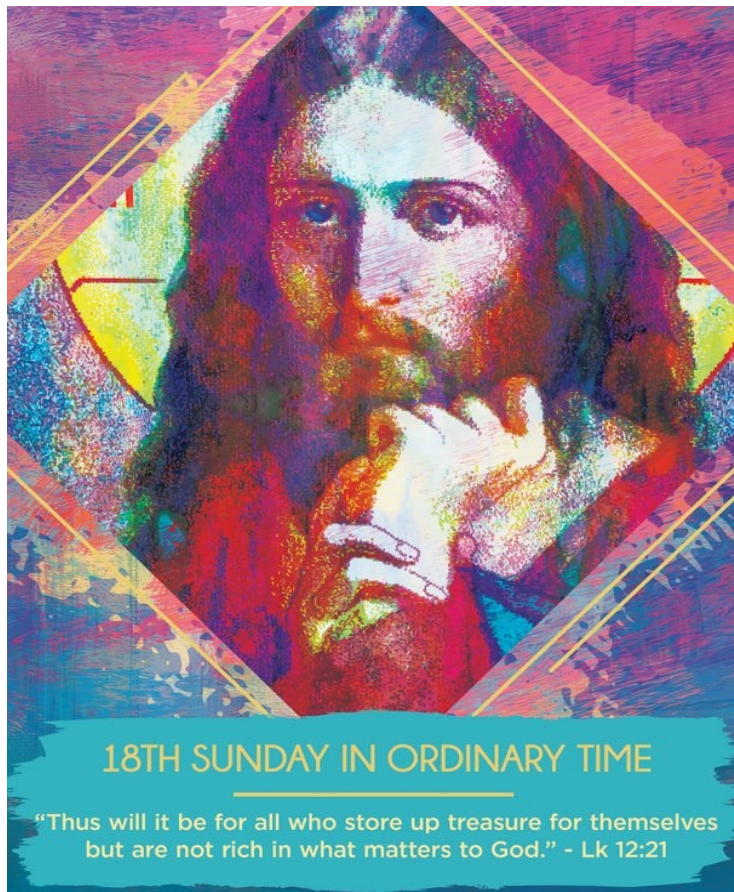
Confession: Saturdays at 3:45 pm.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements begin a year prior to wedding date. Call the parish office.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday & Friday: Noon—5:00 PM
2nd Wednesday of month: 2:30—4:30 PM



PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Office 508-248-7862

Parish Email stjoecharlton@aol.com



St. Joseph's Parish Charlton



@stjosephscharlton

Parish Website

stjosephscharlton.com

or Scan QR code



St. Joseph Church, Charlton, MA

PRAYER & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 2

4:30 pm Michael Sklarz by Parish

Sunday, August 3

8:00 am Loretta DiFederico by Parish

10:00 am Sharon Grybowski by Parish

5:00 pm Paul Fisher by Family

Monday, August 4

8:30 am Special Intention of Daniel Goguen by a Parishioner

Tuesday, August 5

8:30 am Dorothy Provost by Parish

Wednesday, August 6

8:30 am Mass Celebrated

Thursday, August 7

8:30 am Special Intention of Christopher Robinson by Parishioner

Friday, August 8

8:30 am Mass Celebrated

Saturday, August 9

4:30 pm Allan Turmelle (4th Anniv) by Wife, Sandra

Sunday, August 10

8:00 am Ted & Jane Dada by Family

10:00 am Robert Ferron (5th Anniv) by Family

5:00 pm Roger Goudreau (6th Anniv) by Daughter

The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Robert Hearnlayne and Ellis Chaffee by Brenda Chaffee

If you have requested a Mass Intention and would like to bring forth the gifts, please see an usher before Mass.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. 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

WELCOME

We are glad you are here. New members are encouraged to register via our website or call the parish office.

LITURGIES & HOLY HOURS



Spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

Come soak up the **SUN**

SUMMER
Holy Hour
Mondays
6:30-7:30 PM
June*July*August

Could you watch one hour with me?

Father Joseph McCabe, M.M. of the Maryknoll Diocesan Missionary Cooperative Appeal will speak at Masses next week.

Father McCabe has served as missionary in Tanzania, Russia & Asia to name a few locations. He will invite us to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ and His Gospel to all people.



While at the parish, Fr. McCabe will be happy to talk with any parishioners who are interested in overseas mission work.

BAPTISM

With much joy we welcome Lainey Judith Hopkins child of Danile & Taylor, who will be baptized in water and Spirit this weekend.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Bann I Mark Pover & Heather Larsen

Bann I Stephen Porth & Maria Iudiciani

WHAT'S HAPPENING

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Fr. Charlie's Bible Study will continue to meet Mondays at 6:30 PM and Wednesday mornings at 9:00 AM. Everyone is welcome when your schedule allows.



Register Now

Full Flyer in Narthex



Free Will Offering

Brown Bag Lunch
generously donated by
Mary Martha Guild

Pilgrimage to Divine Mercy Shrine

Saturday, September 13th

Carpool departs church 7:00 am

Van Transportation Available: \$25 PP (based on full van occupancy of 10)
RSVP Chris - Cmulen@charter.net or see Lynn in the office by August 31st

EXCITING NEW EVENT



In search of and embracing Church treasures? Beginning September, we will offer Family Faith Gatherings. Our first gathering will be Sunday, September 21 with Mass at 10:00 AM, followed with breakfast, and an exciting presentation by Sister Theresita Donach of the Sisters of the Holy Family entitled, *Jesus, our Savior*. She is a dynamic speaker who specializes in Family Faith dynamics. The entire family is encouraged to attend, children, grandparents, aunts/uncles. **Save the Date.**

MINISTRY MEETING

The Living Art of Christ Ministry is preparing for their next production; "Who Made the Bread"!

If you are interested in participating, the first meeting is September 8 at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. All are invited to the meeting. Alex 774-200-3381.

PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. BOB

September 28–October 10

Travel with Fr. Bob to Rome and Paris with an audience with the Pope. We are working on permission for Fr. Bob to celebrate Mass at the refurbished Notre Dame Cathedral.

Cost: \$5,999.00 Airfare and All included except lunches & travel insurance. 20 People have already signed up.

www.proximotravel.com or call 855-842-8001.

CORI REQUIREMENTS



A CORI is required for parishioners involved in most ministries here at

St. Joseph Church. This is regardless of being CORI'd elsewhere. Please request a CORI to ensure the youth of the parish are safe and the parish is compliant with these Diocesan mandates.

Deaconbill@stjosephscharlton.com is our contact at St. Joseph Church. If you or someone you know has been a victim of sexual abuse from a ministry at St. Joseph Church, call Judith Audette 508-726-2880.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

UPCOMING EVENTS



Day of Renewal
Save the Date
Sunday, August 24, 2025
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW!
URSILLO Movement
Diocese of Worcester



Worcester Catholic Women's Conference

"I Thirst for the Salvation of Souls"

WHEN: Saturday, September 27, 2025
7:00 AM – Registration begins
8:30 AM to 6:00 PM – Program:
Adoration, Rosary, Speakers,
Lunch, Confession, Mass

WHERE: St. Joseph School in Webster, MA

See flyers in the Narthex
for more information

Save the Date

**Saturday
September 27th**

**Worcester Catholic
Women's Conference**

TICKET PRICES:
(morning pastries, coffee and lunch included)
\$25 for students
\$50 for adults (until Sept. 16th)
\$60 for adults (after Sept. 16th)

Hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATES

Mary/Martha Guild Holiday Craft Bazaar

St. Joseph Church Hall, Saturday,
December 6

A fundraiser to support our parish
community.

Seeking crafters, first come, first served.
Contact Joyce Marcelonis at 774-262-0820.

HOLYWORD SQUARES Game Night

Saturday, September 27 in our Church Hall.



LIFE TEEN CORNER



A day at LAKE BUFFUMVILLE
Charlton, MA, August 8th 10 am to 4 pm

Join us for a day of swimming, cornhole,
beach volleyball, food, and friends!
**Open to those entering high school
and those who just graduated high school.**

RSVP required


Call Kathy for more information 508-248-7862 X 115

REGISTRATION OPENS AUGUST 1



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CHARLTON
A WALKING WITH PURPOSE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Ordering Your Priorities

Wednesday Evenings 6:30 - 8:00
beginning September 17, 2025
and
Friday Afternoons 1:30 - 3:00
beginning September 19, 2025

Open House
SEPTEMBER 3rd FROM 7PM-8PM

Our mission is to help every Catholic woman and girl in America encounter Christ through our Bible Studies.

ST. IGNATIUS SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

A 30-week prayer experience in the tradition
of St. Ignatius will be held at St. Peter Church,
Worcester beginning September 30.

Information night, July 29 at 6:30 PM at
St. Peter Church, 929 Main St., Worcester.

www.IgnatianSpiritualExercisesWorcester.com.

SUMMER CAMP

Totus Tuus (grades K-6)

August 4-8 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
(2:00 PM on Friday)

Free with lunch and snacks provided.

Directed by Rickey Reyes.

Pick up for Kindergarten students is
11:30 AM (2:00 PM Friday).

Last minute Totus Tuus registrations are
still available. Contact Diane at
508-248-7862 X222.

STEWARDSHIP

PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of July 27:

Weekly Offerings: \$11,726.33

Building Fund: \$272.00

YOU make a difference!

Thank you for your continued contribution, helping to ensure the sustainability of our parish.

We do not “pass the basket” but rather invite you to leave your parish support in the collection basket at the entry or with an usher.

FOOD PANTRY

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Food Pantry Hours

Tuesday: 6:30–7:30 PM

Wednesday: 9:00–11:00 AM

Donations Always Welcome!

Our Food Pantry is in need of the following items to help replenish our inventory; Juices, Tomato Sauce, Coffee, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Taco Kits, Paper Products, Personal Products, Cake & Quick Bread Mixes and Canned Vegetables (except corn). Thank you.

SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING

Give
Online

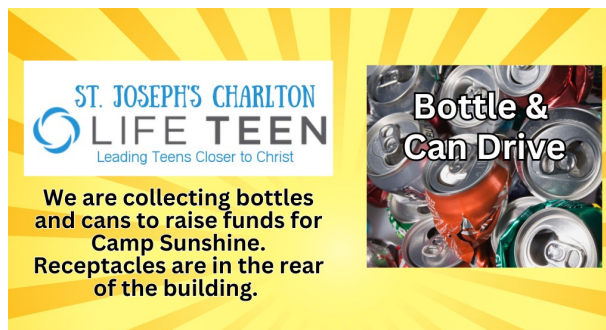
Schedule your offerings through our fast, easy and convenient online program. Contact Lynn at lynn@stjosephscharlton.com or stjosephscharlton.com/e-giving.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Our EDGE program, needs Assistant Small Group Leaders for the 2025–26 school year. No experience necessary, just a love for our faith and Jesus, as well as a desire to share it with our youth.

EDGE meets on Tuesdays throughout the school year from 6:30–8:00 PM. Volunteers meet from 5:30 to 8:30 PM every Tuesday to assist with set up and clean up. Contact the EDGE Director, Sandra Buron at 508–523–1562 or at mrsbedge2018@gmail.com for more information and training dates.

FUNDRAISERS



ST. JOSEPH'S CHARLTON
LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Bottle & Can Drive

We are collecting bottles and cans to raise funds for Camp Sunshine. Receptacles are in the rear of the building.



St Joseph Charlton
LIFE TEEN
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SAVE THE DATE

Golf Tournament
Heritage Country Club Charlton
September 20
7:30 am Shot Gun Start!

Proceeds help support our Life Teen High School Youth Ministry program

Registration information coming soon!

MARY MARTHA GUILD RAFFLE WINNER

CONGRATULATIONS

Week 19 Winner: Joe Green \$50

St. Joseph Church, Charlton



**JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

PARISH CONTACTS

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PARISH RESOURCES

ASSISTIVE
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SYSTEM
AVAILABLE



Gluten free hosts are available upon request. Please, ask an usher.

24 HOUR PRAYER LINE
prayer@missionariesofmercy.net

“One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.”

If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Contact the Vocation Office at 508-630-4473 or donato.infante@gmail.com.

HELP WANTED-SALES SUPPORT

The Holy Rood Guild at St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, known for the exceptional quality and fine tailoring of liturgical vestments, is seeking a Sales Support Specialist. Excellent communication and computer skills required. Respectful, interaction with clergy and religious organizations necessary. Experience in sales, artistic design, and customer service a plus. For information and to apply, contact Fr. Stephen Shanahan at 774-315-3107 or frstephen@holyroodguild.com.

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