



August 10, 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

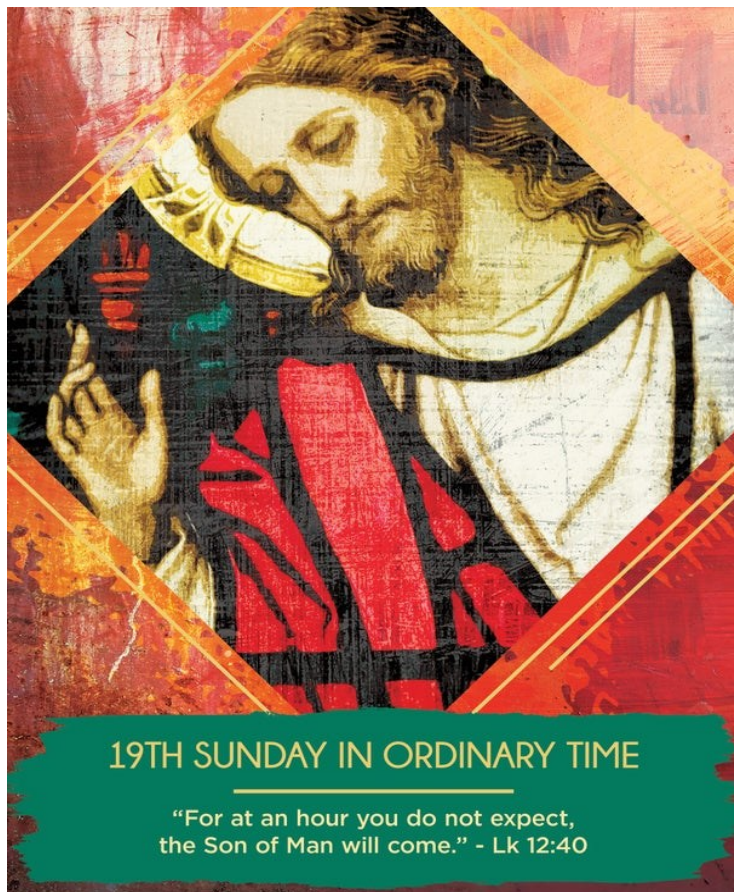
Confession: Saturdays at 3:45 pm.

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 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

Monday, August 11

8:30 am Clara LeClair by Grand Daughter,
Christina Roberts

Tuesday, August 12

8:30 am Special Intentions of James Karg by
Parishioner

Wednesday, August 13

8:30 am Fr. Norm Tremblay by a Friend

Thursday, August 14

8:30 am Mass Celebrated

7:00 pm Brody Colon by Parish

Friday, August 15

8:30 am Joseph Molnar by Vicki

7:00 pm Mass Celebrated

Saturday, August 16

4:30 pm Richard Murphy by Wife & Family

Sunday, August 17

8:00 am Special Intentions of Luke Carpenter
by Parishioner

10:00 am Alfred Laskowski (50th Anniv) by Family

5:00 pm Julie Ancil & Charles Oxnard by
Mark & Lynn Lorusso & Family

The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Fr.
Norm Tremblay by a Friend

WELCOME

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



Fr. Joseph McCabe

will speak at Masses this weekend as part of the annual missionary cooperative appeal.

Maryknoll is the popular name for the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, founded in 1911 to follow Christ's command to preach the Gospel to all the nations. They serve principally among the poor in places where the Church is unknown or in great need.

Maryknoll depends entirely upon the interest, prayers and support of its friends.

ULTREYA

Friday, August 15 starting with Mass at 7:00 pm. All are invited.



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass on Thursday, August 14 at 7:00 pm and
Friday, August 15 at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm.

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

REST IN PEACE

Billy Dighton and John Rainville, husband of Maryann. May they rest in the arms of the Lord and rejoice in the glory of heaven, and may their families find comfort in their faith.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Bann II Mark Pover & Heather Larsen

Bann II Stephen Porth & Maria Iudiciani

WHAT'S HAPPENING

IMPORTANT NOTICE

**CAUTION
DRIVE
SLOWLY**

Please be mindful of your speed as you enter and leave our parking lot.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



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

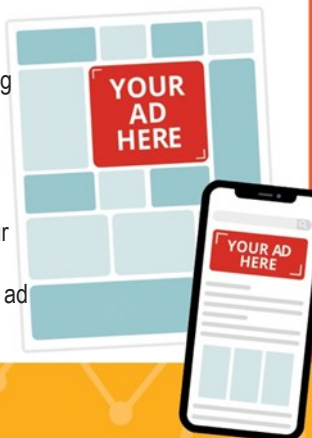
Van Transportation Available: \$25 PP (based on full van occupancy of 10)
RSVP Chris - Cmulen@charter.net or see Lynn in the office by August 31st

CONSIDER AD SPACE IN OUR NEWLETTER

PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Josh Nwaozuzu from LPi, our newsletter printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish newsletter and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



LPi Josh Nwaozuzu
(216) 302-7611
jnwaozuzu@4lpi.com

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 Monday, September 8 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. All are invited to the meeting. Alex 774-200-3381.

FIRST LIGHTS

Religious education registration for grades 1-5 begins now for the new school year. Forms can be printed from the parish website, or come in to obtain one from the office staff, or one can be mailed to you. Classes begin in September.

REGISTER NOW



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.

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.**

WHAT'S HAPPENING

UPCOMING EVENTS



Diocese of Worcester Cursillo Movement
Attention all Cursillistas

JOIN US FOR A
Day of Renewal
FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, & FUN

Sunday, August 24, 2025

12:30 - 4:30 WITH MASS @ 5:00PM
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CHARLTON MA

Witness Speaker: Denise Thomas
CURSILLISTA & FORMER LAY DIRECTOR

RSVP - NAME AND # ATTENDING VIA TEXT BY 8/17 TO:
PAM @ 774.239.8909

LIFE TEEN CORNER

St Joseph Charlton
LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Town Hall Meeting

Calling all Teens.
Wednesday, August 13th,
7:00 pm in the Church Hall

Chick-fil-A
Dinner is on us

Can we add...

I wish we could...

This was cool...

Attention new, current, or Confirmed,
we want to hear from you!
Join us to discuss our
Life Teen Program. Share your
thoughts and ideas.

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!

AN AFTERNOON OF BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

Mechanics Hall
**THE WORCESTER ORGAN
PERFORMANCE SERIES**

Our own Cathy Merrill
will be performing.

Worcester Organ Performance Series
Worcester Chapter AGO Organists Artist
Showcase

Wednesday, August 13, 2025
Doors Open: 11:30 AM | Performance: 12:00 PM
Mechanics Hall, Worcester, MA

Free Admission

*Lunch is welcome—bring your own or pick
something up at concessions!*

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.



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.

STEWARDSHIP

PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of August 3:

Weekly Offerings: \$15,047.96

Building Fund: \$587.00

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!

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.

MARY MARTHA GUILD RAFFLE WINNER

CONGRATULATIONS

Week 20 Winner: \$500 Ava Miragliuolo
\$100 Nickie Gebo
\$50 Brenden May

TOTUS TUUS WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Our deepest thanks to Diane Cetin and Rickey Reyes who so wonderfully coordinated this past week's exciting event as well as all of the team and helpers for a job well done. We had 50 school children here in our parish for a week of daily Mass, Adoration, Confession and lots of fun. On the last day, the ice cream truck came for a visit, and Charlton Fire Department came by to spray us all with water. Fun was had by all. This year's lessons were on the Sacraments and the Joyful Mysteries.

FUNDRAISERS



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

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



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!



St. Joseph Church, Charlton



**JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

PARISH CONTACTS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-5: First Lights

Sr. Agnes Patricia

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Grades 6-8: EDGE

Sandra Buron

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Grades 9-12 Life Teen

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Ted and Patty Covill

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PARISH RESOURCES

ASSISTIVE
LISTENING
SYSTEM
AVAILABLE



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

24 HOUR PRAYER LINE
prayer@missionariesofmercy.net

“Faith is the assurance of that
which is hoped for.”

If you believe in the Giver of the call, you can
hope to be true to it. Will you follow Christ as
a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?
Contact the Vocation Office at 508-630-4473
or donato.infante@gmail.com.

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.

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