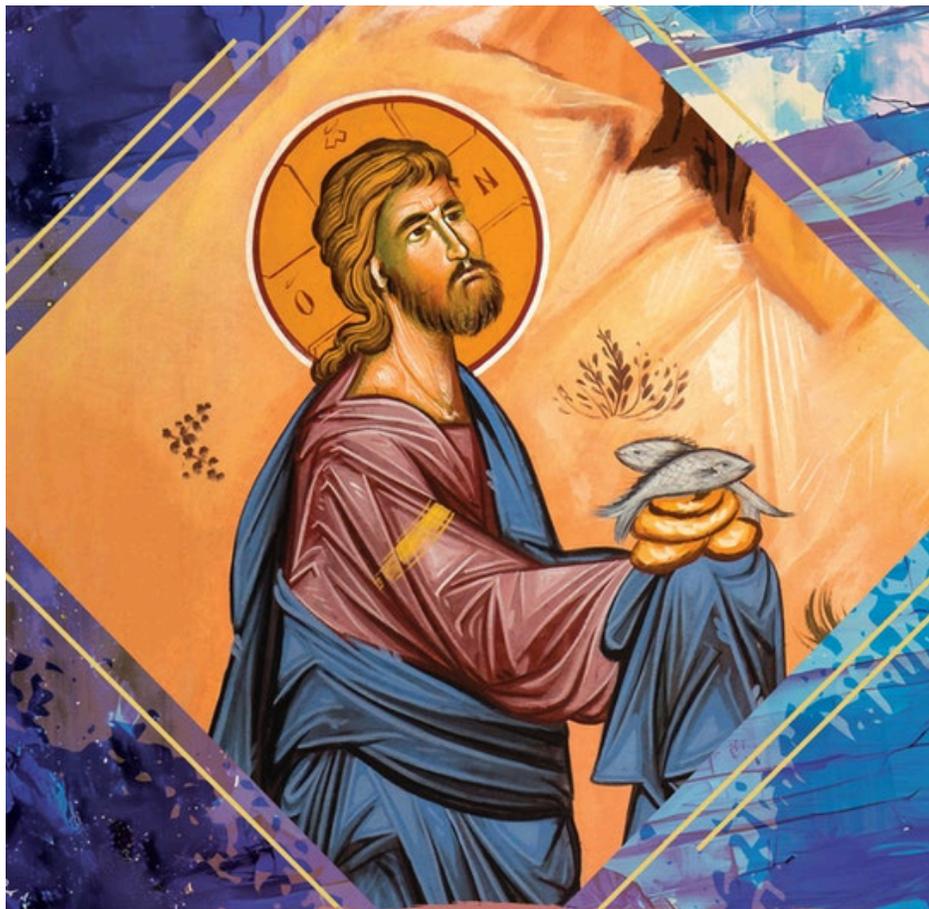


St. Joseph Church

CHARLTON, MA

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.



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." - Mt 5:16

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FEBRUARY 8, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil | 4:30 pm

Sunday | 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 5:00 pm

Daily Monday-Friday | 8:30 am

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

Saturday | 3:45 pm or by appointment

BAPTISM

To register a child for Baptism, call the parish office or scan parish QR code below. Our next session is March 15.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements begin a year prior to wedding date.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday | Noon-7:00 pm

2nd Wednesday of Month | 2:30-4:30 pm

Friday | Noon-5:00 pm

CLERGY

Pastor: Fr. Bob Grattaroti

Senior Priest: Fr. Charles Monroe

Permanent Deacons:

Steve Miller & Bill Shea

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 7

4:30 pm Armand Carpentier by Sister, Jeanne

Sunday, February 8

8:00 am Laurette Sleeper by Gilbert & Gloria Anderson

10:00 am Bruce McKinstry (1st Anniv) by Family

5:00 pm Roger Goudreau by Daughter

Monday, February 9

8:30 am Mass Celebrated

Tuesday, February 10

8:30 am Mass Celebrated

Wednesday, February 11

8:30 am Residents & Staff of Charlton Manor by Michael Turpin

Thursday, February 12

8:30 am Mass Celebrated

Friday, February 13

8:30 am Helen & Carole Clark by Son & Husband

Saturday, February 14

4:30 pm Ann & Tony Chiusano by Family

Sunday, February 15

8:00 am William Keyes by Family

10:00 am Winifred Gonyea (15th Anniv) by Dale Gonyea

5:00 pm Elizabeth Goudreau (3rd Anniv) by Aunt Chris

The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Roger Goudreau by his Daughter

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. 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

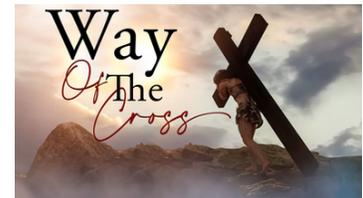
REST IN PEACE

Kathryn DiGioia wife of Tommaso, Shirley Ennis, mother of Michael and Mark Belsito, husband of Charlene. May he rest in the arms of the Lord and may his family find comfort in their faith.

Welcome to St. Joseph Church, we are glad you are here. New members are asked to register via our website or contact the parish office. Please prepare for Mass by silencing your cell phone. Thank you.



Mass with Distribution of Ashes Wednesday, February 18 at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm. Distribution of Ashes also at 4:00 pm.



The Way of the Cross through the Seven Sorrows of Mary on Friday evenings during Lent at 7:00 pm.

Each Friday a woman member of our staff will give a brief reflection on one of the Seven Sorrows. This Friday, Diane Cetin will give a reflection on the prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34-35). *A sword will pierce her soul.*

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

A session sponsored by the Bay State Health Center will take place this Wednesday, February 11 at 6:00 PM at the United Methodist church on Stafford Street, Charlton, all invited.

LENT

Lent is a 40-day, somber liturgical season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in the Catholic Church, beginning on Ash Wednesday and ending before the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. It serves as a period of preparation for Easter, echoing Jesus' 40 days in the desert and inviting repentance and renewal.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Coffee and Discussion
WITH FR. BOB

February 8 after the 10:00 AM Mass in the St. Amelia Room

Saints & Novenas
Please join us!

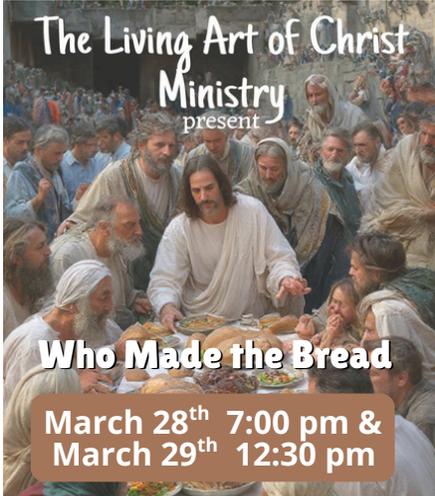


MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday, February 19th
6:30 pm in the Cornerstone

MIRACLES
from HEAVEN

THE LIVING ART OF CHRIST MINISTRY



The Living Art of Christ Ministry present

Who Made the Bread

March 28th 7:00 pm &
March 29th 12:30 pm

This is an original drama written and directed by Alexander Diaz Salisbury about a family with struggles, chosen by God to serve His only Son, transforming the family from chaos to love through the act of sharing His bread. St Joseph Church Charlton. FREE ADMISSION!



Hallow Pray40 Lenten Challenge

STARTS **LENT** FEB 18

Journey Back Home to the Father with our Parish!

THE RETURN
Based on The Prodigal Son

Sign Up on Hallow TODAY!

JOIN THE WAITLIST



Family LENT Prayer Journey

Miracle HUNTERS

Sign up for this Lenten Adventure on Hallow.



WAY OF THE CROSS

Every Friday During Lent
7:00 PM

PARISH LENTEN MEAL
FRIDAY MARCH 6TH AT 6:00 PM
ALL ARE WELCOME

REFLECTION ON THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY

Grant me the courage to walk in Your footsteps

WHAT'S HAPPENING

COMING EVENTS



Save the Date!
 Sunday, February 22
AFTER 10:00 AM MASS



Join us for brunch and a teaching by Stephen Sycks on **The Church & Earthly Means to Glory** in the parish hall.
 Deacon Steve will be our witness speaker.

Stephen Sycks is from our Diocesan Office where he functions as the Parish Liaison Officer. Prior to working for the Diocese, Stephen spent time as a Division Director for the March of Dimes after starting his career in banking. He was grateful to have the opportunity to transition out of the corporate world and follow his passion for doing good works. Stephen is a convert to our faith and made his Cursillo in November of last year.



St. Joseph Church Charlton
 Parish Men's Retreat
Walking Through The Litany Of Trust
 Stations of the Cross
 Adoration
 Friday February 27th 6:30-9:00 pm
 Saturday February 28th 9:00 am-5:30 pm
 Registration Details Coming Soon



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH CHARLTON
 A WALKING WITH PURPOSE BIBLE STUDY
Reclaiming Friendship
 Open House
 MARCH 11 FROM 7:00-8:00 PM
 Registration Now Open at:
stjosephscharlton.com
 Wednesday Evenings 6:30 - 8:00 pm
 beginning April 8
 or
 Friday Afternoons 1:30 - 3:00 pm
 beginning April 10

LIFE TEEN CORNER



What's up? St. Joseph Charlton **LIFE TEEN**
 Leading Teens Closer to Christ

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8
 No Life Teen - Super Bowl Sunday

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15
 No Life Teen - Winter Break

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17
 The painting begins!! Please join us in the Cornerstone @ 12 noon. Many hands make the burden light. Dinner will be on us.

OPEN HOUSE



Trinity Catholic Academy
 11 Pine Street, Southbridge, MA
 508-765-5991

OPEN HOUSE

NEW DATE!
 January Open House rescheduled!

Pre-K – 8th Grade
 Sunday, February 8
 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 Meet our teachers, visit classrooms, and apply for early registration!

LET YOUR
 GOOD DEEDS
Shine
 OUT FOR
 ALL TO SEE

STEWARDSHIP

PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of January 25

Weekly Offerings \$9504.76 and Building Fund \$385.00

Weekend of February 1

Weekly Offerings \$18,200.91 and Building Fund \$780.00

Remember, 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. We appreciate everyone's continued support.

Thank you to everyone who made up offerings missed on snowy weekends. We are most grateful to our online and mail in givers as they come through even in a blizzard. Giving online has never been easier. Use the QR code on the front of the bulletin to access our online link to make a secure gift with a credit card.

ONLINE giving

You can schedule your weekly offerings through our fast, easy and convenient online program. Please contact Lynn Lorusso at lynn@stjosephscharlton.com or go to stjosephscharlton.com/e-giving to do so. It is of great help to us!

YOU make a difference!

FOOD PANTRY

Hours of Operation

Tuesday: 6:30-7:30 pm

Wednesday: 9:00-11:00 am



MINISTRY MINUTE

Seven Sisters - This ministry is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest. A dedicated group of ladies pray a Holy Hour for Fr. Bob & Fr. Charlie each day of the week. This ministry is open to new members, please contact Barbara Perron for more information 508.868.3827.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY



This year's theme is "Serve God by Serving Others". Offerings may be received at any time. Pulpit appeals will begin in March.

The Diocese has reviewed the various parish goals and set ours at \$93,000 for this year. Last year we received close to \$98,000. We are indeed most grateful to Diane and Dan Cetin for facilitating this Diocesan Charity once again. Much thanks to you all, our generous and loving faithful people for your loving response to this appeal.

THANK YOU

The **Mary Martha Guild** Holiday Bazaar was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who made a donation, volunteered and/or and attended the fair. Proceeds from the bazaar allowed MMG to donate \$8000.00 to the St. Joseph Church building fund. Special thanks to the Bazaar committee members.

Fight hunger with a simple purchase of a floral bouquet!

STOP&SHOP

Give a Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet from the Sturbridge Stop & Shop during the month of February.

With every purchase of this \$10.99 bouquet, Stop & Shop will donate \$1.00 to our St. Joseph Church Food Pantry.



Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet

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Assistive
Listening
System
Available
-Please Ask-



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

24 Hour Prayer Line

prayer@missionariesofmercy.net

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS OFFICE

"You are the light of the world"

On World Marriage Day, we honor couples who shine Christ's love through their union. Holy matrimony is a vocation of light, illuminating the world with faith and fidelity. Renew your commitment with your spouse in prayer.



"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together."

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