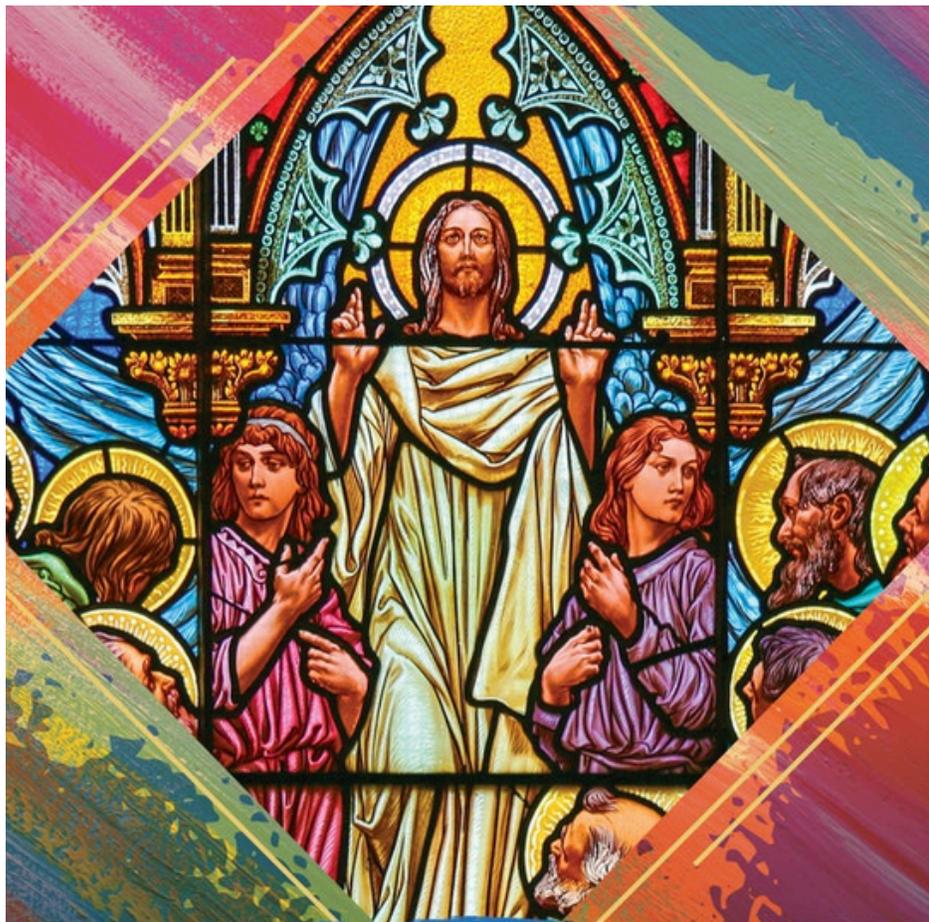


St. Joseph Church

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.



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment.” - Mt 5:22a

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FEBRUARY 15, 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 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

Monday, February 16

8:30 am Janet Roberts (7th Anniv) by Joseph & Christina Roberts

Tuesday, February 17

8:30 am Nestor Raul Rivera by Willie & Margarita

Wednesday, February 18

8:30 am John Mondino (7th Anniv) by Family

7:00 pm Kathryn DiGioia by Parish

Thursday, February 19

8:30 am Gertrude Violet Johnson (30th Anniv) by Iris & Family

Friday, February 20

8:30 am Yvonne Richard (5th Anniv) by Son, Edouard

Saturday, February 21

4:30 pm Paul Laramie by Wife & Family

Sunday, February 22

8:00 am Josephine & Charles Adcock by Family

10:00 am Marjorie Carr by Family

5:00 pm A & Dick Cahill by Family

The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Elizabeth Goudreau by Aunt Chris

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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

Daniel Reagan, friend of Fr. Bob. May he rest in the arms of the Lord and may his family find comfort in their faith.

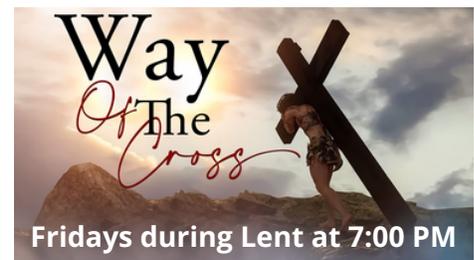
ULTREYA

Friday, February 20, following the Way of the Cross will be Mass and Ultreya. All are welcome to attend.

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 Fridays during Lent. Each week 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.* On Friday, February 27 our presenter will be Chris Mullen.

WORD OF LIFE

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility. If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you. God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple."

respectlife.org/navigating-infertility

LENT

Lent is a 40-day, liturgical season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, beginning on Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence. Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of 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.

Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed Lenten penitential practices.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



MOVIE NIGHT

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

MIRACLES
from **HEAVEN**



Hallow Pray40 Lenten Challenge

Journey Back Home to the Father with our Parish!

THE RETURN
Based on The Prodigal Son

Sign Up on Hallow TODAY!

Adoration **ST. JOSEPH CHURCH CHARLTON** Mass

PARISH MEN'S RETREAT

Join us for a Lenten experience that will breathe life into your faith.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27th 6:30-8:00 PM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28th 9:00 AM-5:30 PM

Stations + Dynamic Speakers + Confession
Walking Through The Litany Of Trust

SIGN UP AT THE ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE IN NARTHEX

Sponsored by Ordinary Men Ministry



Family LENT Prayer Journey

Miracle HUNTERS

Sign up for this Lenten Adventure on Hallow.

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



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

Next Weekend

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.

Trinity Catholic Academy
7th Annual Silent Auction
with Fr. Jonathan Slavinkas

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

6:00 – 10:00 PM

Publick House Historic Inn

Get your tickets now!

trinitycatholicacademy.networkforgood.com/events/95838-2026-tca-auction-showcase-dinner-tickets



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Save the Date
May 16, 2026
Mother's Day Spring
Tea Fundraiser

2:00 – 4:00 PM
St. Joseph Church
Charlton

LIFE TEEN CORNER

What's up?



St Joseph Charlton
LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

No Life Teen - Winter Break

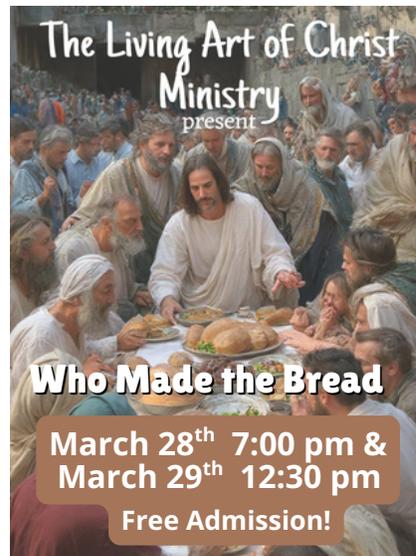
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Life Teen - A journey through Jesus' Public Ministry

THE LIVING ART OF CHRIST MINISTRY



An original drama by Alexander Diaz Salisbury about a struggling family chosen by God to serve His only Son, transforming the family from chaos to love through the act of sharing His bread.

BUS TRIP OPEN TO ALL



STEWARDSHIP

PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of February 8

Weekly Offerings will be reported next week.

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.

Ash Wednesday, February 18, is the Annual Diocesan Collection for the Support of our Diocesan Priests who have retired in good standing.

Giving online has never been easier. Use the QR code on the front of the bulletin to access our link to make a secure gift with a credit card.

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

Walking with Purpose Charlton-a Bible study program for adult women in all stages of life. WWP incorporates at-home Scripture study, weekly small group discussions, and building fellowship as we grow together in our faith, allowing us to recognize ourselves as beloved daughters of God. We typically run Spring & Fall sessions with our next study starting in April, with Wednesday evening & Friday afternoon options. New to the parish? Want to delve deeper into our beautiful Catholic faith? Come and see what WWP is about at our Open House on Wednesday, March 11 from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Coffee Room. WE have a Chair for YOU! All are welcome! For more information, contact Chris Mullen 508.250.9596 or Lynn Lorusso 508.612.3999.

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.

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

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"I did not come to abolish but to fulfill"

Jesus calls us to live with integrity, love, and holiness, going beyond the letter of the Law to embrace its full meaning. Priests participate in this mission by bringing His grace to the world through the sacraments, helping others encounter God's love. Could God be inviting you to this ministry of service? Reach out to the Vocation Office at 508-630-4473 or donato.infante@worcesterdiocese.org

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