

***"To Preserve The Flame"***  
**SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH**

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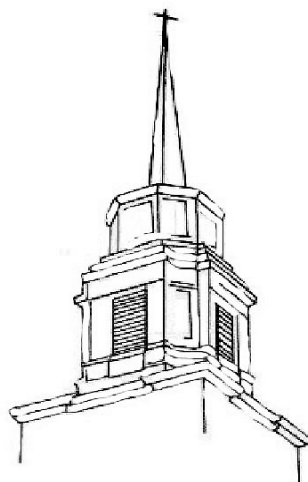
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Lord's Day Masses**

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 & 7:15  
PM

Sunday: 8 AM, 10:15 AM,  
12:15 PM & 7:15 PM

**Weekdays**

Monday-Friday 6:15 PM

**Holy Days**

Vigil 6:15 p.m.  
Holy Day 12:15, 6:15 p.m.

**Rectory Office Hours:**

Tues.-Fri. 9 am - 4 pm  
Jimmy Archibald, Manager  
[stjohnsworc@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsworc@gmail.com)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday- 3 pm  
Monday – Wednesday  
After the 6:15 p.m. Mass

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Please contact the parish office  
at least one year prior to  
planned date of marriage

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Please visit the parish website  
under the "Sacraments" tab

**Sacrament of the Sick**

Please contact the parish office

**Monthly Mass for Healing**

Followed by the Celebration  
Of the Sacrament of the Sick  
Fourth Monday of the Month

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, June 14, 2025

4:15 PM **Rocco A. Fresolo, Sr.**, req. by Family;  
**Pauline (Savage) Puishys**, req. by Marje and Paul Korpinen

7:15 PM **M/M Joseph P. O'Coin**, req. by Family;  
**Sophie Kozaczka**, req. by Family

#### Sunday, June 15, 2025

8 AM **Joseph Pulsifer and Richard Pezzuto**, req. by Donna and Bob Mastrovito

10:15 AM **Msgr. Edmond Tinsley**, req. by Friends

12:15 PM **Bernadette Okomo (Birthday Blessings)**, req. by Family; **Joseph Ginkus**, req. by Family

7:15 PM **Scott Gow**, req. by Friends

#### Monday, June 16, 2025

6:15 PM **Lorenzo Hoang Nguyen**, req. by Family

#### Tuesday, June 17, 2025

6:15 PM **William Kennedy**, req. by Family;  
**Arthur Deraney (12th Anniv.)**, req. by Family

#### Wednesday, June 18, 2025

6:15 PM **Joe Hickey**, req. by Friends

#### Thursday, June 19, 2025

6:15 PM **Michael Gonsalves**, req. by Friends

#### Friday, June 20, 2025

6:15 PM **Edou Bellevue**, req. by Friends

#### Saturday, June 21, 2025

4:15 PM **Francisco Austriaco**, req. by Family

7:15 PM **Sophie Kozaczka**, req. by Family

#### Sunday, June 22, 2025

8 AM **Joan Brenner**, req. by Donna Mastrovito and Deanna Povec

10:15 AM **Alice and George Haddad, Mary and Jerry Lynch**, req. by Friends

12:15 PM **Mary Virginia Quinn (5th Anniv.) and Michael Joseph Quinn (19th Anniv.)**, req. by Family

7:15 PM **Paul Letsky**, req. by Friends

The Rosary is prayed each weekday **beginning with the Angelus at 5:50 p.m.**

Dear Friends in the Lord,

On Monday we returned to Ordinary Time – the 10<sup>th</sup> week, to be exact. Still, for the next three Sundays, we are celebrating Feast Days. Today is Trinity Sunday, next week is Corpus Christi and on June 29<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. They could not have come at more opportune time. Every day, the world becomes a more divided and dangerous place, At the same time, though the need for rational leadership is more urgent, it is less available. Perhaps having one and half billion Catholics celebrating the great mystery of God's love. Followed by a sharing in the nourishment provided by the real presence of our Savior. Finally, seeking the intercession of two saintly examples of humble and servant leadership will be effective. In this way, it will help us to form an appropriate and fruitful response to the present madness and a peaceful way forward. I hope.

We do celebrate in the Most Holy Trinity that we have not been left in the dark in our struggle to understand God and to follow the divine will. Throughout his life, Jesus talked about God as his Father and referred to himself as God's only Son. He recognized that his mission was to do the will of the Father. He promised us the gift of the Holy Spirit who would inspire us to continue in the church the work he had begun and to draw everyone into the love of God the Father of us all. This feast reminds us of the simple truth that God's plan is for us to share in his life of glory.

Jesus reveals the mystery of the Trinity to us, not just to reveal the truth about God, but also to know the truth about ourselves – as to what is our origin, where is our destiny and how we can arrive at our true and final destination. We only exist, the world only exists, because God gives life, He is the Father who looks upon us as his children. Every day is a call to love the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We strive to make the Holy Trinity an active part of our entire life. Love is the binding force of the relationship between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; so when we love we are sharing in that community of love which is the living, triune God.

This celebration of the abundance of God's love is an occasion for appreciating what God has done and continue to do for us. It is a celebration that is all the more imperative in this troubled world. It calls on us to respond to the love of God, poured into our hearts by Christ and the Holy Spirit, and invites us to look forward to the day when we shall share in the glory of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

In Christ's Peace,  
Fr John Madden

## ***THE MOST HOLY TRINITY***

### **THIS WEEKEND'S HYMNS**

Entrance Song– Come Now, Almighty King #549

Psalm 8: When I behold Your Heavens

Resp: “O Lord, our God, how wonderful Your Name in all the earth!”

Offertory– O God Almighty #551

Communion Chant: “O Father of Jesus, we praise you. O First-born of many, we bless you. O Spirit, O God, how we love you!”

Sending Forth– Holy God, We Praise Thy Name #614

### **TODAY'S READINGS ARE AT #1102 IN THE**

#### **HYMNAL**

Prv 8:22-31

Rom 5:1-5

Jn 16:12-15

### **VOCATIONS REFLECTION – TRINITY SUNDAY**

– “We boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.”

How do you hope to share in God's glory...as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (508)630-4473 or you can send an email to [donato.infante@gmail.com](mailto:donato.infante@gmail.com).

**PARTNERS IN CHARITY** – Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2025 Partners in Charity Appeal. We have received gifts and pledges in the amount of \$63,385.00 towards our goal of \$76,600. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the church or visit [www.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net) to do it online. Thank you!

**THE SHOWER TRAILER** is back at St. John's for another summer. We are in need of travel size toiletries (soap, shampoo, body wash etc.) and men's clothing, especially underwear and socks. Donations can be sent to or dropped off at the rectory anytime. Thank you for your generosity to this important mission.

**FREE DENTAL CLINIC** for children ages 18 and under with no dental insurance will be held on Saturday, June 14 from 2-5 PM at the Dental Associates of Marlborough office, 222 Bolton St., Marlborough. The office will provide free cleanings, exams, x-rays and dental education to the children. Please contact the office to set up an appointment at 508-485-1800.

**OUR COFFEE SHOPPE** will be closed this weekend and next weekend. We will re-open on June 29 after the 10:15 AM Mass. If you are able to volunteer, please speak to RoxAnn Gusar (508-769-0187) or Dan and Deb Donovan (508-735-9345).

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED** – the rectory receives many calls every week from people looking for ways to participate in and serve the mission of St. John's. One critically important way, and where there is a need, is as a liturgical minister. If you would be interested in serving as a Lector, an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and/or as an Altar Server, please call the rectory. Thank you.

**CHAIR YOGA**- Chair yoga for flexibility, mobility and strength! Every Tuesday from 5-6 pm, at the Xavier center. Only \$5. Everyone is welcome!

### **LET YOUR US SENATORS AND REPS KNOW WE NEED OUR PRIESTS AND NUNS!**

- We need your help. An increasing number of priests, religious sisters and brothers, and others serving the Church throughout the United States will be forced to abandon their ministries and leave the country for a lengthy period of time under the terms of their Religious Worker Visa if policymakers do not act soon. Please check the link and send a message to your representative. [votervoice.net/mobile/USCCB/home](http://votervoice.net/mobile/USCCB/home) (NOTE: This affects all religions and has bi-partisan support. Spread the word and ask people you know to act as well!)

### **BUSINESS NETWORKING IN WORCESTER**

- Andy Olewinski and Geoff Boucher (Our Lady of Czestochowa, Worcester) are launching a business group within the church. The group would be filled with like-minded business professionals who are trying to expand their business while connecting and engaging the community. If you are interested and want to learn more then please call either Geoff at 774-641-3326 or Andy (508) 414-7893 for more details.

### **RELICS OF PADRE PIO COMING TO OUR DIOCESE**

- St Anne's Shrine in Sturbridge is blessed to be the ONLY host of Padre Pio's Relics in the Worcester Diocese. All events and Masses are open to the public. Monday June 16, 7:00 pm Mass followed by 8:00 pm Conference by Mr. Joseph Santoro of the National Centre for Padre Pio, Barto, PA. Tuesday, June 17: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Viewing of the Relics ending with 4:00 pm Mass with Bishop McManus. You can learn more about Padre Pio's life at [www.padrepio.org](http://www.padrepio.org). St. Anne Shrine is located at 16 Church Street, Sturbridge

### In Our Catholic Community...

**OUR MONTHLY MASS FOR HEALING** – will be celebrated on Monday, June 23 . After the 6:15 PM Mass, the Sacrament of the Sick will be administered to those seeking God’s healing and merciful grace.

**THE CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB**—The next meeting is this Monday, June 16 at 7 PM in the rectory dining room. We will be discussing HOPE: THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF POPE FRANCIS. All are welcome.

**A CROATIA AND MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. STEPHEN GEMME** as the chaplain will be held from October 5- 13, 2025. It is being sponsored by the Worcester Catholic Men’s Conference, but all are welcome to join. To register or for more information contact Canterbury Pilgrimages at [canterburypilgrimages.com/tour/wmc](http://canterburypilgrimages.com/tour/wmc) or call 800-653-0017.

**CAR DONATION PROGRAM**- Did you know you can donate your car, truck, motorcycle or boat to Catholic Charities and help us help your Worcester County neighbors? It’s quick and easy to do. Just visit our website to donate your vehicle online at [www.ccworc.org](http://www.ccworc.org) or call 1-888-CAR-7308 1-888-CAR-7308 to arrange a convenient pickup time and confirmation of your donation from Catholic Charities Donation Angel Program. The car in your driveway can help us to continue to offer many services to children, families and elders in our community so that they may regain home for a brighter future. Thank you!

**RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK 2025** takes place June 22–29. This year’s theme is “Witnesses to Hope.” The week begins with the Memorial of Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More, ends with the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul, and includes the Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist and the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. More resources are available at [worcesterdiocese.org/religiousfreedomweek](http://worcesterdiocese.org/religiousfreedomweek) to help the faithful pray, reflect on, and take action for religious liberty, both here in this country and abroad.

### Financial Report

Last weekend we received \$7177.50 We also received:

Candles- \$925.00	Cath Comm- \$531.00
Stipends- \$860.00	Donation- \$1600.00

Total- \$11,033.50 Unrestricted- \$10,502.50 Restricted- \$531.00

Expenses- \$30,057.91

Rectory Water Damage Cleaning (18,321.25) House (2178.57) Schola (1217.99) Altar (170.00) Administration (3925.64) Clergy Benefit Plan (1132.00) Website (8.22) Funerals (200.00) Stipends (425.00) Church Envelopes (792.91) Federak Payroll Taxes (1386.42) Partners in Charity (300.00)

**Food for the Poor Donations** - \$225 IMO Joseph Pulsifer; \$255 IMO Joan Brenner; \$150 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$25 from a friend; \$200 from a friend; \$200 from a friend; \$25 IMO Ralph “Barry” Woodward; \$30 IMO Zachary Paskalis; \$50 IMO John Boyle

#### **FOOD FOR THE POOR:**

Income– \$4819.01  
Expenses- \$15,067.91  
Golf Tournament- \$4000.00

There is one collection this weekend.

### Our Parish Community...

...Offers prayers and condolences for the families of Judge Ronald King, Darlene Lavana, Zachary Paskalis and Brian Wilson who have been born into eternal life.

## **WORD OF LIFE**

**“O Trinity, eternal Trinity! Fire, abyss of love ... Was it necessary that you should give even the Holy Trinity as food for souls? You gave us not only your Word through the Redemption and in the Eucharist, but you also gave yourself in the fullness of love for your creature.”**

**St. Catherine of Siena**