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MASS SCHEDULE

Lord's Day Masses
Saturday 5:30PM, Sunday 8:30AM & 10:45AM
Weekday Masses: Monday through Friday, 7:30AM
Holy Day Masses: 7:30AM & 7:00PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30–5PM (or by appointment)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment. Please call to arrange for date and instruction.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the rectory office at least one year prior to the marriage to make arrangements.

CARE OF THE SICK

Please advise us of parishioners who are sick or in the hospital, that we might keep them in prayer and, if possible, visit them. Anyone who is unable to celebrate Mass with us in Church is urged to advise us so that we might bring the Eucharist to them at home.

Your Family Parish

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 9:00 AM -12:00PM

Stewardship – Time - Talent –Treasure

Sunday Collection	$	-
Parish Repairs & Cap. Improvement	$	-
Fuel	$	-
Total Collection for 9/5/21	**Not**	**Available**

Prayer of Blessing for Students and Teachers

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love
You surround us with the mysteries of the universe.
In times long past you sent us your prophets to teach your laws and bear witness to your undying love.
You sent us your Son to teach us by word and example that true wisdom comes from you alone.
Send your Spirit upon these students and their teachers and fill them with your wisdom and blessings.
Grant that during this academic year they may devote themselves to their studies & share what they've learned.
Grant this through Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Saturday marks the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.
May we always remember the many that were lost.

Prayer for 9/11, 20th Anniversary

God the compassionate one, whose loving care extends to all the world, we remember this day your children of our nation and the many nations and many faiths whose lives were cut short by the fierce flames of anger and hatred. Console those who continue to suffer and grieve, and give them comfort and hope as they look to the future. We ask you heavenly father to keep close to You our first responders; firefighters, police and rescue personal and all the innocents. May the sanctity of your grace bring a healing presence to all nations. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord who, in reconciling love, was lifted up from earth that he might draw all things to himself.
God bless America. - *Amen*

Mass Intentions

Week End Schedule

Sat Sept 11th 5:30pm Mass ✞Dorothy Morvillo, requested by her husband Dario
Sun. Sept. 12th 8:30am Mass for Health and Healing for Brian Flynn, requested by the Family
Sun. Sept. 12th 10:45am Mass for Parishioners
Sat Sept 18th 5:30pm Mass ✞The Roy Family, requested by the Roux Family
Sun. Sept. 19th 8:30am Mass ✞Vincent Picarello, requested by Mary Jo and Ron Kriz
Sun. Sept. 19th 10:45am Mass OPEN

Week Day Mass Schedule

Mon Sept 13th7:30am Mass for Health and Healing for Skip Sawyer, requested by Denise Davis
Tues. Sept 14th – 7:30am Mass for Parishioners
Wed. Sept. 15th – 7:30am Mass for Parishioners
Thurs. Sept. 16th – 7:30am Mass for Parishioners
Fri. Sept. 17th– 7:30am Mass for Parishioners
Tuesday, Sept. 14th is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Veneration of the relic will take place after Mass

Holy Saints this Week

Mon. Sept. 13th –*St. John Chrysostom*
Tues. Sept. 14th –*Exaltation of the Holy Cross*
Wed. Sept. 15th –*Our Lady of Sorrows*
Thurs. Sept. 16th –*Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian/Yom Kippur*

Intercessions for Life

For solidarity and peace in our global human family: that we may work together to protect the lives of those who are most vulnerable;
We pray to the Lord

Tabernacle Light, September 12th – September 18th

In loving memory those lost on 9/11 and for our armed forces, police and all first responders who bring peace and order to our lives

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH

Join Fr. Tokarz for our weekly novena to St. Joseph our patron saint on Wednesdays, after morning Mass. St. Joseph is our patron and we must pray to him for favors and blessings.

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." - MARK 8:34

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well.
We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. "Taking up my cross" means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it's convenient for me.

Prayers for the sick: Skip Sawyer, Brian, Gregory, Nancy, James, Chris, Eleanor, Grace Shelia Chace, Maryanne MacLeod, Skip Spinney, Wes, Judy, Paul, Kayleigh, Jerry, Mary, Marty, Jean, Ed, Theresa, Laura, Jacqui, Lindsey, Terry, Mary Baer, Elsa Polewarczyk, Ray Renzoni, Cathy Simmons, Mark, Karen Baum, Jason, Don, Michael Shutt, Robert Wild, Evelyn Centeno

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday Sept. 11th– 5:30 pm	Sunday Sept. 12th- 8:30am	Sunday Sept. 12th- 10:45 Mass
Altar Servers:	Altar Server:	Altar Server:
Acolyte:	Acolyte:	Acolyte:
Lector:	Lector: Lucille Roux	Lector: Jim Wrobel
Eucharistic Minister:	Eucharistic Minister:	Eucharistic Minister:

Parishioners of St. Joseph the Good Provider, Jesus asks his disciples, "who do people say that I am?" Peter responds, "You are he Christ." Jesus goes on to tell them, the Christ must suffer and be put to death and raised three days later. What is a Christian today? A Christian in the time of Jesus was meant to give everything for Christ if you were a follower. Jesus tells us "whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up your cross, and follow me." This is what we need to do and our faith demands it. Jesus speaks of renouncing possessions, taking up our cross and follow him or you cannot be my disciple. Jesus speaks of giving up all we own and follow him. Peter had just identified Jesus as the Christ (the Messiah in Hebrew) but he is not the kind of Messiah they expect. He is the one who Isaiah describes in the first reading. He is the one who will suffer on behalf of the people. He will be the one who will need to resist the temptation to let this cup pass. No wonder he refers to Peter as Satan. Peter's way of thinking is a temptation like Satan's was in the desert. "The Lord God is my help," Isaiah says twice in today's first reading. He looks to God for strength and endurance, knowing that his sacrifice is worth it. Today's readings are challenging. Let us reflect on how we take up our cross and put our faith into action. Every Sunday when we walk in here we make the sign of the cross. Christians are an odd lot. We take what was used as an object of torture & murder-the cross of Christ-and elevate it to a holy state. Just as Christ redeemed us through his death, the cross itself is redeemed through Jesus. It gives us comfort in our own suffering, reminds us of the promise of the Resurrection. The cross is universal, powerful, symbol of Christianity. Draw on it regularly to give you the strength to find God in all things. To follow the Lord means to take up your cross. Many things in life prevent us from following the Lord, but if we are to enter the kingdom of God, we must take up the cross. Once we accept Jesus' command, we truly live out our faith. Living out our faith, says James in his letter, means doing something concrete to show it.

NIECH BEDZIE POCHWALONY JEZUS CHRYSTUS! PRAISED BE JESUS CHRIST! - *Fr. Tom Tokarz, Pastor*

Religious Education News: Family registration packets and a class calendar have been emailed to returning families.

If you did not receive the CCD information or are new to the parish please contact Mary Jo Kriz

- Registration forms are due back by September 12
- Classes begin September 19.
- Grades k-5 will meet Sunday mornings following 8:30 Mass
- Grades 6,8,9,10 will meet 6:00 -8:00pm Sunday Evenings.

Classes will be held in person with social distancing and face masks. (Subject to change due to Covid 19, you will be notified.)
We are looking forward to an exciting year!
Thank you - *Mary Jo Kriz, D.R.E.*
508-341-1843 or maryjo.kriz@gmail.com
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE RETURNED THEIR FORMS!

Parish Council/Fall Fair Meeting
Monday, September 13th at 7:00pm
Parish Council members and Booth Chairpersons invited to attend our monthly meeting.
Individuals interested in attending are welcome to join us.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass This Fall
Bishop Robert J. McManus will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sun., Oct. 31 at 3:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Worcester. This liturgy of thanksgiving to God for many years of faithful witness to the sacredness of Christian marriage honors couples who are marking significant anniversaries -25th, 40th, 50th, etc. A light reception will follow Family & friends are welcome! Couples wishing to attend should **pre-register no later than Oct. 18** so that certificates may be issued. Complete the reg. form at worcesterdiocese.org/w..., or call 508-929-4311 or email aledoux@worcesterdioce...

Berlin Family Food Pantry will be collecting items Sept 26, the 4th Sun. of the month. Food Donation Box is at the Church entrance. *Thank you for your continued support & generosity!*

Fall Fair News

Fair will be held Sunday, October 3rd, 2021

Fall Fair Work Party

Thank you to all those who helped Saturday!
We will be holding regular work parties leading up to the Fair.
Join us every Saturday and evenings the week of the Fair!
Beginning at **9:00am** until we are done.
"Many hands make light the work!"
When you are shopping *please* add us to your list for the Adult /Children's Portuguese Booths.
Prizes are coming in, thank you! Baskets at Church entrances!
Larger prizes are needed for both booths and the raffle tables.

"Booth Highlight"
"RAFFLE CHANCES"
Tickets are coming in! Thank you!
If you need additional books let us know!
Chances will be sold after all the Masses!

"Booth Highlight"
CRAFT/VENDOR FLEA MARKET TABLES
If you or someone you know is a crafter or has something to sell you are in luck. The fee of $50 reserves a 15x15 area. The Fall Fair is well attended and a great opportunity to sell. Bring your own table and canopy. The Fair is held rain or shine.
Reserve early, spaces are limited.
For more information or to reserve a space call Church Office 978-838-9922

HARVEST, BAKE & CRAFT BOOTH
Have you planned your baking for the Harvest Booth yet???
Sharon & Ellen"would like you to bake your favorite baked goods for the Great St. Joseph's Harvest/Baked Goods Booth.
You'll have 22 days 'til the Fair, Get out your recipes & BAKE!!!
Note: Bring your finished creations to church on Sat., Sept. 2nd/3rd

Please note: We are NOT collecting for Attic Treasures at this time. This Booth, a favorite of many is on hold this year. Our hope is to hold a giant yard sale in the spring! So hold on to your donations!!! Please do not leave boxes outside the garage.

22 Days and counting until the Fair on Oct. 3rd
We need your help! It's a lot of hard work but a lot of fun too!

REMINDER Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers
The September signup sheet is posted in the Sacristy. There are many open Masses where we need servers.
PLEASE if you have not signed up check the sheets and see if there are any open spots where you can serve.

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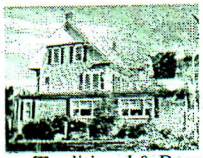

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