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PUBLIC EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS
with COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

You may attend Mass **in person** or continue to participate through **Livestreaming** on Facebook. Mass Schedule is:

Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 10:30 am

WEEKDAY: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:00 am

BAPTISM: Parents please email the Parish Office to arrange for instructions and Baptismal date.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning marriage, contact the Pastor at least one year in advance. Participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is expected.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday Drive Up Confessions 3:30-4:30 pm in the lower parking lot.

HOME & HOSPITAL VISITATION: Please notify us if you know of someone who is ill or homebound.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We hope that you will become an active part of our parish family.

Please introduce yourselves at your first opportunity, or call the Parish Center to register.

PRAYER REQUEST LINE: Call with your requests.

508- 886-2206 Paula Stidsen or PaulaStidsen@gmail.com

508- 886-4724 Jackie O'Brien



Handicap accessibility by the elevator entrance on the left driveway side of the Church building.

August 9, 2020



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

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Dear Lord,

Open our hearts
to realize we are blessed and called
to share our gifts with others.

Help us to be good stewards
of the gifts entrusted to us, to share our time,
our talent and our treasure to connect,
serve and impact the world. Amen.

PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363 (direct, confidential line).



Papal Tweet

Men and women who pray know that hope is stronger than discouragement. They believe that love is more powerful than death, and that love will surely triumph one day, even if it be in times and ways we do not know.



Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTIONS

PUBLIC MASSES HAVE RESUMED WITH COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS INCLUDING: WEARING MASKS, SOCIAL DISTANCING, AND USE OF HAND SANITIZER PRIOR TO RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST.

TO SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION OR REQUEST A TABERNACLE LAMP PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

* PERSON IS LIVING

NOTE: PUBLIC MASSES WILL BE LIVESTREAMED ON FACEBOOK SO YOU MAY PARTICIPATE FROM HOME.

Saturday, August 8 :

5:00 pm Victoria & Bernard T. Patsky
Requested by the Patsky Family

Sunday, August 9:

8:00 am All Souls in Purgatory
10:30 am * In Thanksgiving for Madisen Shaughnessy receiving First Communion today

Monday, August 10:

8:00 am Bertrand & Lucille Berube
Requested by the Skrocki Family

Tuesday, August 11:

8:00 am * People of St. Patrick's

Wednesday, August 12:

8:00 am All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, August 15:

5:00 pm

Sunday, August 16:

8:00 am



Come, O Holy Spirit,
Fill the world
with your Love...



Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Madisen Shaughnessy**

who is celebrating her

First Holy Communion

on Sunday, August 9 at the 10:30 am Mass.

May the Lord come into your heart and hear your every prayer.

May the joy and blessings

of this special day

be repeated many times over in the years ahead.



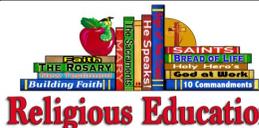
Visitation House Donations



Last Call... please return your bottles this week to the Church or Parish Center.

Our Knights of Columbus will get your donations to Visitation House.

Blessings for your generosity! *Thank You*



Religious Education

St. Patrick's 2020-2021 Registration

Please send in your registrations as soon as possible. This will help us plan appropriately for the coming year. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Mulry at:

Chris@stpatricksrutland.org or call 508-886-2010.

Grade 2 & High School - \$125 per student
Grade 1 & Grades 3-8 - \$100 per student

August 2, 2020

Mass/Mailed in/Electronic Collections

Higher Utilities	\$ 360.00
Holy Day (Ascension)	\$ 45.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,708.86
Weekly Offering	\$ 4,736.00
	\$ 6,849.86

Church in Central & Eastern Europe \$ 25.00

We are grateful to all who have been able to mail in their weekly offering or make use of on-line giving during this time.

It is a great help to us. *Thank you!*



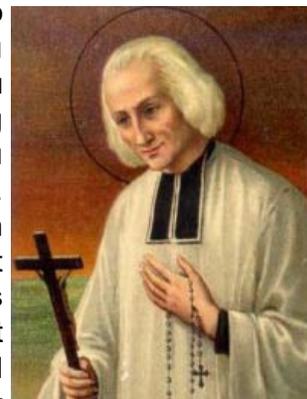
A Message from the Pastor...

Dear friends,

Below is a homily St. John Vianney, the patron saint of Priests, on following one Master. Needless to say, St. John doesn't pull punches.

FOLLOW ONE MASTER ONLY

"What a sad life does he lead who wants both to please the world and to serve God! It is a great mistake to make, my friends. Apart from the fact that you are going to be unhappy all the time, you can never attain the stage at which you will be able to please the world and please God. It is as impossible a feat as trying to put an end to eternity. Take the advice that I am going to give you now and you will be less unhappy: give yourselves wholly to God or else wholly to the world. Do not look for and do not serve more than one master, and once you have chosen the one you are going to follow, do not leave him. You surely remember what Jesus Christ said to you in the Gospel: you cannot serve God and Mammon; that is to say, you cannot follow the world and the pleasures of the world and Jesus Christ with His Cross. Of course you would be quite willing to follow God just so far and the world just so far! Let me put it even more clearly: you would like it if your conscience, if your heart, would allow you to go to the altar in the morning and the dance in the evening; to spend part of the day in church and the remainder in the cabarets or other places of amusement; to talk of God at one moment and the next to tell obscene stories or utter calumnies about your neighbor; to do a good turn for your next-door neighbor on one occasion and on some other to do him harm; in other words, to do good and speak well when you are with good people and to do wrong when you are in bad company."



God Bless, *Fr. Jim*



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus."
 (Matthew 14:29)

When you hear Jesus calling, do you respond immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen to how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

Celebrating Public Masses

As you enter the Church Please follow these Guidelines As an act of Christian Charity

- Please wear a Face Covering Remove only to receive Communion
- Maintain Proper Social Distancing 6-Foot from non-household members
- Keep your hands clean/sanitized

Thank you



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1KGS 19:9A,11-13A

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, “Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by.” A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm: PS 85:9,10,11-12,13-14

**R Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what God proclaims; the LORD — for he proclaims peace. Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land. **R**

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven. **R**

The LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps. **R**

Second Reading: ROM 8:35,37-39

Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people,

my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Alleluia:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I wait for the Lord;
my soul waits for his word.

Alleluia! Alleluia!



Gospel: MT 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. “It is a ghost,” they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter said to him in reply, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, “Truly, you are the Son of God.”



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



The Memorare

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.





Diocese of Worcester
Office of the Bishop
49 Elm Street
Worcester, Massachusetts 01609

August 6, 2020

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As baptized Christians, we are called to care for our brothers and sisters in need. This personal mission of each disciple of Jesus Christ is also reflected in the mission of the Church, including our parishes and our diocese. We are reminded daily of our mission to serve one another just as the world has been challenged to protect and preserve human life in the face of this Coronavirus.

In our own diocese, we are responding to people in need, in large part, through the 25 agencies and ministries supported by Partners in Charity. Donors who make a pledge or gift recognize that they, too, are responders by enabling others to do this work, whether specialized during this crisis, or simply made more poignant due to the pandemic. Consider for example,

- A special **COVID team of 20 priests** has been assembled and trained by the **Office for Divine Worship** to be available to give the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to those critically ill with the virus across our diocese.
- A team representing various ministries including **Worship, Communications, Catholic Schools and Fiscal Affairs** developed COVID Response procedures to keep our parishes and schools up-to-date and informed regularly about the ever-changing realities of COVID – from following health guidelines to re-opening for public liturgies including funerals for our deceased loved ones
- **Catholic Charities** and **Pernet Family Health Service** responded to families facing hunger or other needs. Catholic Charities also continued its programs in Worcester and Leominster with recovery programs for men and women dealing with substance abuse, as well as shelter services for homeless families.
- The **Development Office** and the **Fiscal Affairs Office** have been offering ongoing guidance to parishes and schools and assisted in accessing PPP loans through the CARES Act.
- **Religious Education, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and Marriage and Family** all adapted their programs for online support to keep people engaged, informed, and on track with sacramental preparation.
- **TV Ministry** expanded programming when churches were closed and continues to bring the Sunday Mass in English and Spanish as well as Daily Masses to homebound and quarantined parishioners via cable TV and the internet.

These ministries, and so much more, are made possible thanks to the thousands of annual donors to Partners in Charity. If you are one of the 11,025 donors who have made a pledge or gift toward the 2020 appeal, please accept my sincere thanks.

If you have NOT yet made a pledge or gift, now is the time. With only a few weeks left, we need your help. I cannot imagine what it would have been like these past few months if these

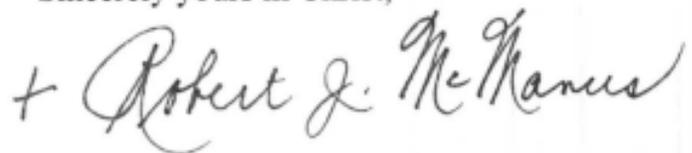
agencies and ministries had not been able to respond. *This crisis isn't over.* We need every gift to assure that we can continue to respond after September 1 when our new fiscal year begins.

As Christians, we give out of gratitude to God so that we can be witnesses of God's love to others in need. In last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus challenged his disciples to share their five loaves and two fish in order to feed thousands of people. As Christian stewards, when we share our treasure in thanksgiving we too can respond to the needs of others in miraculous ways for, with God's help, all things are possible. Whether you make a pledge or gift of \$50 or \$5,000, today is your chance to offer relief to those in need. Please use the attached card or go online to partners-charity.net and be counted as a Partner in Charity.

Please be assured of my prayers for your health and safety and that of all your loved ones during these challenging months to come.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

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Circles of Honor

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Visit - Partners-Charity.net or call 508-929-4368.

Father's Day

Spiritual Remembrance - 2020



In Memory of ...

Chester T. Oliver Jr.
Dr. Eugene Belisle



Rutland Food Pantry

...here to help

Distribution Dates

Note Time Change

Date	Time
August	
Thursday, August 13, 2020	6:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday, August 22, 2020	9:00 - 10:00 AM
September	
Thursday, September 10, 2020	6:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday, September 26, 2020	9:00 - 10:00 AM

At our last distribution on July 25, we serviced 37 families with 105 family members with one new family joining us for the first time. As federal relief monies have stopped, we are expecting an increase in people utilizing our service in the coming weeks. All donations of non-expired, non-perishable food are greatly appreciated.

Please continue to drop off donations at St Patrick's Church downstairs on the stage (enter using the door on the Pommogussett side of the church). Donations may be dropped off anytime, as the side door is unlocked during non-Mass hours. Please do not leave bags of food outside the church building.

Our immediate needs are:

- Gluten Free and Sugar Free items
- Canned Meats- Chicken, Tuna or Ham
- Soup
- Bottled Juice
- Baked Beans
- Coffee/Tea
- Snacks - cookies, fruit bars etc

Thank you for all your help, support and continued prayers.



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<https://www.nrtbus.com/>

HOPE ALIVE

ROMANS 5:5

Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us."

Romans 5:5

"Hope Alive" was the theme for Steubenville Live this year. Here's a brief overview of the focus for Session 1 on Saturday:

Jesus offers us a hope that does not disappoint.

When we place our hope in worldly things or idols, they will fail and disappoint us. God is faithful to his promises, and to fully see that, we must understand what God has promised us. We will unpack God's promises and offer practical ways to fully trust in God's faithfulness - what it means to truly have living hope.

Many of us live in the midst of uncertainty, suffering, and loss, and it can be difficult to find hope that will last. Often, in our desire for peace and joy, we place our hope in the wrong things and only find disappointment. Jesus Christ offers us a hope that does not disappoint. When we place our hope in Him, He walks with us in our loss, helps us endure, redeems it, and makes us come alive.

Step out of loneliness, sadness, fear and anxiety today

and experience **Hope Alive!**



PICKING UP THE PIECES: Evangelizing During the Pandemic (Zoom.com Sharing Session)

Many Catholics are stepping up to help others and to share their faith in Jesus Christ with them. "How has evangelizing changed for you over the past months due to the pandemic?" **Choose one of three FREE 90 min. sharing sessions--**, Tuesday, August 25 at 7:00 pm; Thursday, August 27 at 7:00 pm; or Saturday, August 29 at 10:00 am. Send time/date, your name, phone, and email to boucherjohn@hotmail.co... by August 18 to receive Zoom video session link. (Zoom account not required.) Hosted by Worcester Parish Renewal and Evangelization Committee.

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