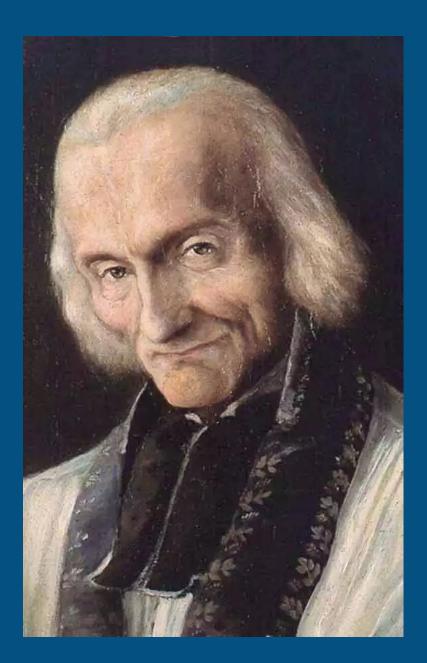
### North American Martyrs Church

Sunday, August 3, 2025, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8 Wyoma Dr. Auburn, MA 01501 | www.namartyrsauburn.org | 508 - 798 - 8779



Saint John Marie Vianney
Patron Saint of Parish Priests

#### <u>PASTOR</u> Rev. Frederick D. Fraini, III

#### <u>OFFICE STAFF</u> Lisa Burkitt

## Mass Schedule Monday- Wednesday & Friday 7 a.m. Saturday 8 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. (Vigil) Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

# Parish Office The parish office is located in the Church Hall and open Monday -Friday 9 am-2:30 pm

#### **BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are held on the first & third Sunday of the month following the 10:30 Mass.

Please contact the parish office for assistance or visit https://namartyrsauburn.org/baptism for detailed information and to obtain the Godparent Baptismal Testimony Form

#### **MARRIAGE**

Contact the parish office at least one year in advance of the wedding date to make arrangements

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you have family members who are ill, anticipating surgery, or weakened because of prolonged illness or advanced age, contact the parish office for assistance

#### **COMMUNION CALLS**

Parishioners who are sick or disabled may call the parish office to arrange for the Holy Eucharist to be brought to them at home

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 3 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, August 2nd, Saint Eusebius of Vercelli

8:00am Reverend Edmund F. Falvey 4:30pm Rita Ouellette

#### Sunday, August 3rd, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Rev. Father John Gee by the Noel Family 10:30am Gay Thomas by John & Heidi Worster

Monday, August 4th, Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest 7:00am Reverend Walter Riley

Tuesday, August 5th, Dedication of Saint Mary Major Basilica

7:00am Rev. John F. Gee by the Lindberg Family

Wednesday, August 6th, Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00am Alexander Kowalewski by Ann Trainor

Friday, August 8th, Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest

7:00am Jeffrey Dawson by Father Fraini

Saturday, August 9th, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

8:00am Mary Lou Gilmartin by Family 4:30pm Dr. Caesare Robert Valeri by his niece

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Sunday, August 10th, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am Estelle O'Brien by the Lindberg Family

10:30am Paul & Alberta Banks by Dottie Montville and Family



#### Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses will be celebrated at 7am, Noon and 6pm

"One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Contact the Vocation Office at (508) 630-4473 or email: donato.infante@gmail.com.

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We have received \$30,095 of the \$52,300 goal from 88 donors. Please consider giving, envelopes are available at the doors or you may give online!



<u>Stewardship</u>	July 27, 2025
Sunday Collection	\$2,832.00
Monthly Renovation	120.00
Hall Rental	360.00
Mass Intentions	30.00
Coffee	6.00
Funeral	400.00
Sanctuary/ Tabernacle Fund	120.00
Donation	140.00
Online Giving	544.00
Total:	\$4,552.00

#### Thank you for your generosity!

Tour St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer

St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer is holding an Open House on Saturday, Aug. 2 from 9:00 am to Noon. Tour the cloisters and view the historical display and enjoy light refreshments. The Trappist community is celebrating 75 years in the Diocese of Worcester and 50 years since the consecration of the Chapel. The Abbey is located at 167 North Spencer Road (Rt. 31).

### Religious Ed Registration for 2025-2026

Registration is now open for all children in grades
1-11 for 2025-2026! Please note if your child is in
grade 2 or 11 at a Catholic School they must attend
classes at their parish to receive their Sacraments.
Your registration form and payment must be
received in order to secure your child's/children's
spot. Please visit our website to register:
https://namartyrsauburn.org/annual-religiouseducation-registration

#### Let Us Pray

Ava Blazis, Kayla Bowes, Eric Baumgarten, Paul Beckwith, Susan Bradley, Haddie Boucher, Michele Burke-Pellegrini, Betty Capuano, Louie Costagna, Frank Cole, Shirley Connor, Jonathan Corey, Christine Cote, Gail Craig, Brianna Croteau, Jacob DeCarolis, Derosas Family, Elaine Doherty, Richard Dowd, Sadie Dutton, Paul Dyke, Ruthann & Charles Flynn, Bob Fuller, Suzanne Gird, Lori Girouard, Deacon Jim Graves, Jim Groves, Mary Hannon, Elijah Johnson, Kim Johnson, Maureen Jomes, Edward LaConto, Jean LaConto, Michael LeFlecer, Lafrry, Donna & Michael Langevin, Paige Lariviere, Benjamin & Jane Larsen, Michael LeFlecer, Barbara Letourneau, Michael Leung, Richard Levansavich, Sr., Audrey-Lynn Marron, Bill Martin, Mary McCafferty, Michael McGrail, Max Mullen, Gary Nickerson, Bill & Denise Norberg, Matteo Padilla, Mary Lou Paulli, Peggy Patenaude, John Power, Theresa Power, Anthony Real, Paula Ruoppo, Edward J. Rutkowski, Joseph Sbrogna, Raymond Scanlon, Dan Slavinskas, Scott Staruk, Sophie Stodolski, David Tatro, Jake Thibeault, Bonnie Turner, Evelyn Urban, Heidi Worster, Walter Wheeler & Tracy Williams. For all the men and women serving in our country's military.

Dear Friends,

On Thursday, August 4th, the worldwide Church will celebrate the feast day of Saint John Marie Vianney. St. John Vianney is the patron saint of parish priests. While in the seminary, I remember being absolutely fascinated by reading and hearing stories of his most remarkable, fascinating life.

As the priestly patron's Feast day draws near, I am thrilled to announce that two young men from our parish will continue their discernment of priestly vocations next month at respective seminaries. Heath Mulcahy will begin the propaedeutic stage of seminary formation at my Alma mater Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. While Mateo Peschiera will begin his propaedeutic stage at Our Lady of Providence seminary in Providence, RI. Please continue to pray both with and for these two remarkable young men as they discern the will of God in their lives.

One of my favorite stories about Saint John Vianney's life included an altercation he had with Satan himself. The Devil would often torment this holy priest in an attempt to prevent him from saving souls through tireless hours in the confessional. It is said that Satan once told him: "Vianney, if there were three more like you, my kingdom would fall." That quote certainly speaks volumes about the tremendous zeal and love for souls this magnificent priest possessed. If we had three more priests like him on earth, Satan's kingdom would fall. Join me in continuing to pray for all priests, and for future priests! May we all possess the same Divine Love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, that he did! Three years ago, on his feast day, one of our parishioners shared with me this story of his life...enjoy!

Once upon a time John Vianney was called by the rector of the Major Seminar where he was studying for the priesthood, to inform him of the negative report he received from his professors. The rector, with fear and trembling, said: "John, your teachers don't think you have what it takes to be ordained a priest and they cannot in good conscience present you for ordination. One professor in particular went on record saying that you are a total ass!"

John was not perplexed at all. After a moment of silence, he replied: "Father Rector, do you remember the story in chapter fifteen of the book of Judges where God uses Samson to kill a thousand Philistines with the jawbone of an ass, thus saving the people of Israel?"

"Of course I do," answered the Rector.

"Now tell me," continued John, "If God could work such a wonderful deed with the jawbone of an ass, can you imagine what God can accomplish with a total ass?"

Not by titles or material wealth is this man known throughout the world. He may have been challenged intellectually, but his heart made up for it. Intellect and ability are important, but dedication and availability come first.

Saint John Marie Vianney, pray for us!!!

God Love You!

Rev. Father Frederick D. Fraini, III



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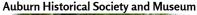


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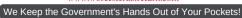
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