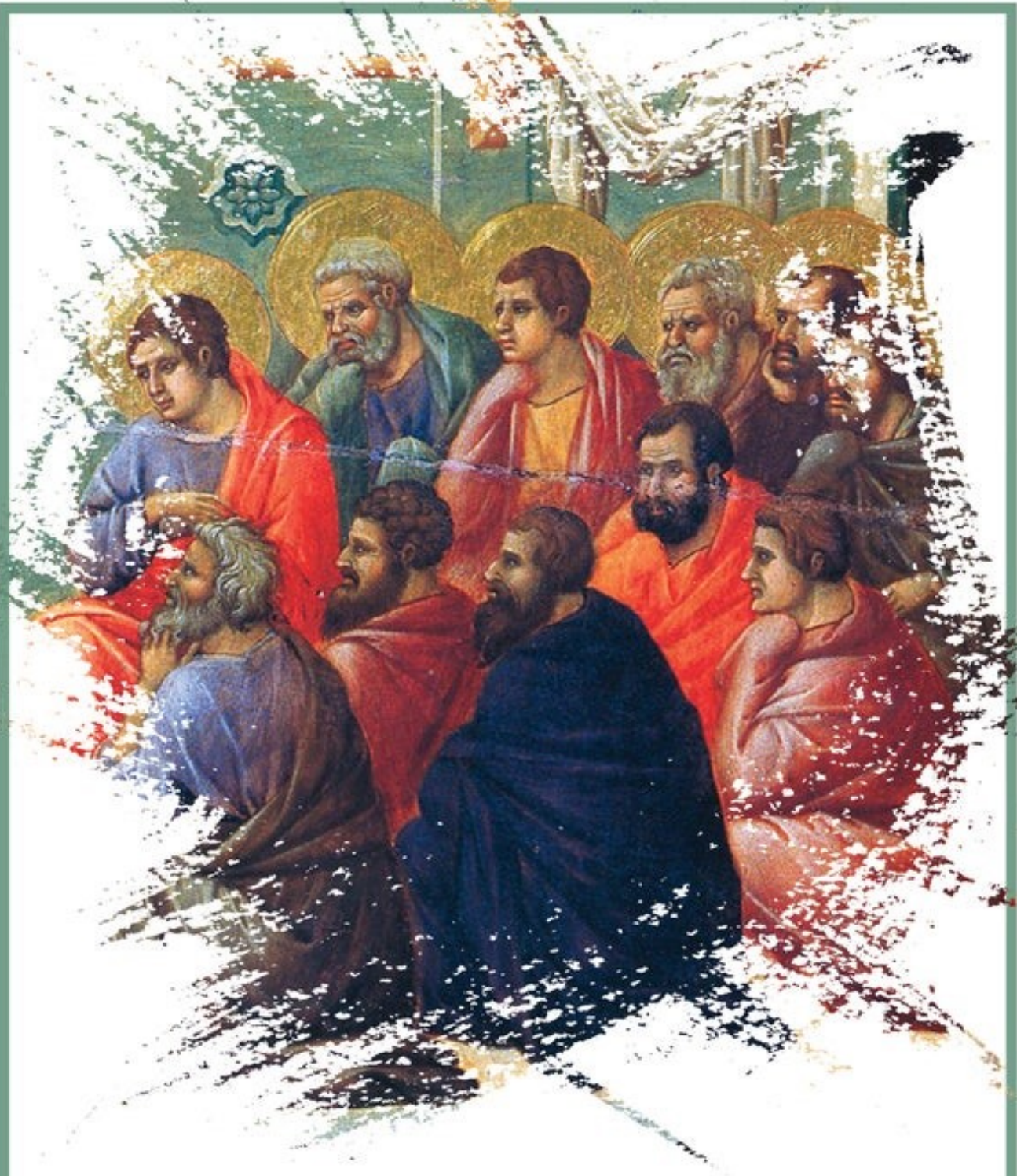


St. Mary's Parish Family

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JESUS SUMMONED THE TWELVE AND BEGAN TO
SEND THEM OUT TWO BY TWO. - MK 6:7

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ALL ARE WELCOME HERE
 If you are alienated or upset,
 we welcome you lovingly.
 If you are in need of forgiveness,
 Jesus forgives you completely
 with unconditional love.
 If you have been hurt by the Church,
 we are truly sorry.
 If you are angry, Jesus offers you peace.
 If life has become burdensome,
 we are here to support you.
 We are happy you are here...
 and want you to stay.
 We would like to share our lives with you.

Mass Schedule and Intentions



Saturday, July 13

4:30 PM Robert Beals & Patricia Randal Taylor
 (The Ruder Family)

Sunday, July 14

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's
 10:00 AM In Memory of Sharon & Bud McManus
 (Pam Reponen)

Monday, July 15

12:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Tuesday, July 16

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, July 17

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, July 18

Friday, July 19

Saturday, July 20

4:30 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Sunday, July 21

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's
 10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Choir Volunteer Needed
 Can You Share Your Talents?

We are in need of a volunteer to direct our Teen Choir. Our teens lead us in song at the 5PM Mass on Sunday from September to May.

Contact Sarah at the office:
 508-829-4508

Someone you know may be in an abusive relationship.
 Abuse Hotline 508-755-9030

Schedule Around Campus...

Saturday, July 13

3:30 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Mass/Church

Sunday, July 14

8:00 AM Mass/Church
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 10:00 AM Mass/Church
 Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 6:00 PM St. Mary's Volleyball Practice/Back Field

Monday, July 15

12:00 PM Mass/GR
 6:15 PM R. Volleyball @ St. Joseph's, Charlton
 Against St. Peter
 7:00 PM C. Volleyball @ St. Joseph's, Charlton
 Against St. Joseph's

Tuesday, July 16

8:00 AM Mass/GR
 10:00 AM Bible Study/GR

Wednesday, July 17

8:00 AM Mass/GR
 7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR
 6:00 PM St. Mary's Volleyball Practice/Back Field

Thursday, July 18

Friday, July 19

Saturday, July 20

3:30 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Mass/Church

Sunday, July 21

8:00 AM Mass/Church
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 10:00 AM Mass/Church
 Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR
 Coffee Shoppe/GR
 6:00 PM St. Mary's Volleyball Practice/Back Field

Pastoral Care Minister **NEEDED**

St. Mary's Jefferson is looking to hire a
Full Time Pastoral Care Minister

For more information email Fr. Tim Brewer at:
tbrewer@stmaryjeff.com



Partners in Charity 2024

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2024 Partner in Charity Appeal. St. Mary's Jefferson has received 171 donations from our wonderful families bringing us \$18,602.00 away from our goal of \$73,800! If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the pews of the church. Or visit www.partners-charity.net to do it securely online and note your parish so that it is counted towards our target. You can even make your gift from a Smartphone by texting DONATE to 84576! Partners in Charity is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving 26 Charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization, and worship. We help those in need, regardless of race, creed or circumstance, to find hope. Thank you! We couldn't do it without you!



The Medical Missionaries of Mary, an international congregation of Women Religious, will speak here at St. Mary's, on August 3-4, 2024, to invite you to support their missionary work.

Sister Kathie Shea, MMM will be telling you about their work in Africa and Latin America, bringing God's healing love to our wounded world.

The focus of their ministry is particularly to mothers and children and those on the margins of society. Working through community-based health care projects and clinics to tertiary level teaching hospitals they bring health care to those who would not otherwise have access to it.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Are You Ready for the Next Step?

Are you or someone you know:

- Interested in becoming a Catholic?
- Learning more about the Catholic way of life?
- Already baptized, but haven't received First Eucharist or Confirmation yet?

Already a Confirmed Catholic, but still seeking more in life? Journey with those becoming Catholic and learn more about your own faith. You won't be there to teach, but to learn with them as you continue your ongoing initiation as a disciple of Christ.

Come and join us! Open to all who are seeking to know Christ more fully in their life.

Contact Deacon John for more info: Cell/Texts: 508-958-0998; Email: deaconjohnladroga@gmail.com



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



"Faith-Sharers NEEDED!"
Can you share your gift as a CATECHIST? We are in need of a minimum of 50 teachers as well as substitutes and general aides before we are able to welcome more than 400 young people back for a new year of Faith Sharing. Religious Education classes are held on Sunday afternoons and evenings as well as Monday and Tuesday afternoons. **Teachers are needed at all grade levels.** We provide training and will equip you with all that you need to help our beautiful children fall in love with Christ. **Please call the Rel. Ed. Office today if you are interested. Visit the "Teacher Recruitment Board" at the entrance of the Church for information and to see what grades are still in need teachers!**



NOW ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE! Visit our website today at www.stmarysjeff.com for Grade 1-11 2024-2025

Religious Education Registration! Classes are filling up quickly...get your registrations in TODAY!



The purpose of SoulFest is to celebrate God's love and encourage all who attend to live from the inside out as soul-connected, risk-taking believers in God's Love.

Enrich your soul this summer! Spectacular 3-day event!!
www.thesoulfest.com for details and ticket sales

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: Soulfest recruits volunteers ages high school through adult to help with the event success. This is an incredible service opportunity for Confirmation Candidates!



KEEPING OUR PARISH FAMILY SAFE!

We are in the process of updating our parish Safe Environment records!

All parish volunteers are required to complete Safe Environment Forms as mandated by the Diocese of Worcester. Letters will be sent to those volunteers who need to complete or update any forms!

All forms can be found on the St. Mary's Parish website! (www.stmarysjeff.com)

Thank you in advance for assisting us in ensuring that we offer a safe place for all our parish family, especially our parish children, to learn and worship!



<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchJefferson>

To report abuse, please contact Judith Audette, Director of Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester at 508-929-4363

JULY 14TH, 2024



St. Mary's Game Schedule
Competitive (C) and
Recreation (R)



Date	Time	Location/Score	Opponent	Team
6/10	6:15 PM	0-3 St. Louis	St. Louis	R
6/10	7:00 PM	3-0 St. Mary's	St. Joseph's	C
6/17	6:15 PM	Forfeit	N.A.M	C
6/17	7:00 PM	1-2 Mount Carmel	Mount Carmel	R
6/24	7:00 PM	2-1 St Mary's	St. Bernadette	C
6/24	7:00 PM	1-2 St. John's	St. John	R
7/1	6:15 PM	0-3 St. Mary's	St. Peter (A)	C
7/1	7:00 PM	Postponed	O.L.H	R
7/8	6:15 PM	1-2 O.L.L.	O.L.L.	R
7/8	7:00 PM	3-0 St. Mary's	Sacred Heart	C
7/15	6:15 PM	St. Joseph's Charlton	St. Joseph's	C
7/15	7:00 PM	St. Joseph's Charlton	St. Peter	R
7/22	6:15 PM	St. Christopher's Worc.	N.A.M	C
7/22	7:00 PM	St. Christopher's Worc.	St. John	R
7/29	7:00 PM	St. Christopher's Worc.	Sacred Heart	C
7/29	7:00 PM	St. Christopher's Worc.	O.L.H.	R

Christmas in July

We are accepting donations of ALL School Supplies

(ex. Backpacks, pencils, notebooks, markers, folders, binders, crayons, glue sticks, hand sanitizer, tissues, wipes etc.)

All collections will be donated to students of local Worcester in need.

Questions: Call or text Patrice Gallagher at: 508-335-6795



Will You Share Your Gifts?

Each week we will showcase one of our many Ministries that you can use your gifts and talents to serve our parish. This week we highlight...

RICA Ministry

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

These volunteers participate in the preparation of men and women who seek to gain full initiation into the Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Please Contact Deacon John:
jladroga@stmaryjeff.com

JULY 14TH, 2024



The Gospel recounts when Jesus instructs His twelve apostles to begin their missionary work two by two. He encouraged them to take very little — a walking stick and sandals.

If you can recall a time you packed for a trip, or even left the house for a day's travel, you might remember making a list or packing days in advance. We tend to pack so we know we will be comfortable. If we extend this concept of "comfort" into other areas of our lives, we will most likely find a few instances where we ensure life is comfortable. It could be buying extra food at the grocery store, making sure we have the most updated technology, or even feeling safe in our bank accounts. It is not bad to have extra food in the pantry or a new phone. And it isn't bad to save money. These things can be good when used properly. But what if we are looking to these things for comfort, security or even happiness? Imagine if Jesus approached you and said, "Go out and do my work, but you can only bring a walking stick and shoes." Would you be willing to surrender all the rest? A key component of living out our call as Christian stewards is total surrender. It is trusting in God during our best moments and our hardest. It is looking to Him for security, comfort and happiness.

Reflect on the ways you might be looking for comfort in the things of this world. Tangibly find a way to become independent from that "thing" so that you can become more dependent on God.

PARISH TITHE

Our Parish Tithe for the **Week of July 7th** will go to
"St. John's Food for the Poor"



We offer our **THANKS AND GRATITUDE** to
***Our Parishioner, Janet Vignaly, who has filled in
for Peter Girardi, while he has been away.***

DID YOU KNOW....

During the late 19th Century and early 20th Century, the hills of Central Massachusetts were an attraction for the city folks from Boston and New York. The summer hotels of Holden and surrounding towns attracted those people who wanted to get away from the summer heat of the city. Most of Holden's summer hotel business peaked in the 1920s and 1930s with the hey day of these hotels between 1890 and 1920. These hotels were the Mt. Pleasant House (1888-1956) operated by the Prendergast family, the Summit House operated by Ella Nawn, the Eagle Lake House (1812-1939), the Jefferson (1902-1904) on Kendall Road, and the Elmwood House (1812-1938) operated by the family of John Rivers, Jr. All were summer hotels except for the year round Mt. Pleasant House.

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2023-2024

Months of September - June

	<u>June</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Amount Collected.....	\$38,641	\$480,391
One Time Donations.....	\$0	\$63,457
Amount Needed.....	\$50,062	\$517,561
Surplus/< Deficit >.....	\$(11,421)	\$26,287

In an effort to make our reporting more accurate, the Finance Committee has decided to report our collection totals once a month. Bulletin finances reflect actual collections and expenses. Thank You