

Levre PP. XIV 8 maggio 2025

St. Mary's Parish Jefferson, MA



#### **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, May 17

**4:30 PM Sylvia Ranieri** (*Pam Anzaldi & Cliff Smith*)

Sunday, May 18

8:00 AM Jean & Donald Claprood (The Family)

65th Wedding Anniversary

10:00 AM Jacquie Gerardi (Peter Gerardi)

**5:00 PM Terri McIvor** (*The Family*)

For Health and Wellness

Monday, May 19

12:00 PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Tuesday, May 20

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Wednesday, May 21

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Thursday, May 22

7:00 PM

Friday, May 23

7:00 PM

Saturday, May 24

4:30 PM Barbara & Ernest Rocha (Barbara Rocha)

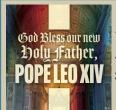
**Anniversary** 

Sunday, May 25

8:00 AM Barbara Rollins (The Rollins Family)

4th Anniversary

10:00 AM Dana Catarius



"We must be a church that walks together, that seeks peace, charity, and draws near to those who suffer."

~ Pope Leo XIV

# Schedule Around Campus...

Saturday, May 17

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

**Baptism of Colten John Pickrell** 

Sunday, May 18

8:00 AM Mass/Church

PB & J Making Mission/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

10:00 AM Mass/Church

Children's Liturgy of the Word/GR

PB & J Making Mission/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

4:00 -6PM Grade 6-10 Make-Up Class/GR 5:00 PM Mass/Church/Last 5 PM Mass 6:00 - 7:30 PM Grade 6-10 Make-Up Class/Hall

Monday, May 19

12:00 PM Mass/GR

4:15 PM Grade 1-5 Make-Up Class/Hall

Tuesday, May 20

8:00 AM Mass/GR

10:00 AM Bible Study/GR

4:15 PM Grade 1-5 Make-Up Class/Hall

Wednesday, May 21

8:00 AM Mass/GR

12:00 PM Retirement Luncheon/Hall 4:15 PM Grade 1-5 Make-Up Class/Hall

7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting/GR

Thursday, May 22

10:30 AM Faith Sharing/GR

Friday, May 23

Saturday, May 24

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

Sunday, May 25

8:00 AM Mass/Church

PB & J Making Mission/GR

Coffee Shoppe/GR

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





# Partners in Charity 2025 Appeal

### SHARING THE GIFT OF HOPE

Thank you to those who made a gift and a special thank you for those who gave for the first time. Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal. To date

105 of our 1,449 Parish Families have responded. and have helped us reach 54% of our Goal!

However, we need the support of all members of St. Mary's Parish if we are to be successful in reaching our parish goal of \$73,800.

If you have not yet completed your pledge, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office or in the collection basket.

We are confident that, with God's help and yours, we

will rise to it! If you have not made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the pew today, use the QR Code, or visit www. Partners-charity.net. Thank you!







Retired? Looking to reconnect with old friends or make new ones? St. Mary's IS THE PLACE TO BE!! Fr. Tim would love for you to join him for sandwiches, salads, coffee, desserts & great conversations. Feel free to bring a friend!

# BETTER TOGETHER RETIREMENT LUNCHEON

Join us for a free luncheon

WEDNESDAY MAY 21, 2025 ~ 12:00PM

Please RSVP by Sunday, May 18th

Sign up in the back of the church or leave a message for Sue Denoia at: (508) 829 - 6656 (include # of guests)

**Strolling Close-up Magic by: Steve Charette** 

### A Message from St. Mary's Parish

You will **never** receive an email or text from our parish, our pastor, or anyone associated with us looking to "reach out to you personally" for gift cards or cash—other then the official programs we administer for our charitable giving programs. DO NOT RESPOND TO EMAIL OR TEXT REQUESTS.

Either delete them or call the parish office to check. Hint: If you look at the actual email address it often looks "close" but it is not the actual parish email address!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



2025-26- Religious Education Registration

Forms for Grades 1 through Grade 11 have been mailed for those who have not yet registered! As always, placement for each day will be based on

a first come first serve system. Please return your form by June 15th to take advantage of our Early-Bird Registration Fee!

Make-Up Sessions have been scheduled for Grades 1-5! Mark you calendar...our next Make-Up classes for Grades 1-5 will be held on Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> 4:15-5:15PM in the Hall. Children who are required to attend a session received a letter in the mail!



SIGN UP TODAY!!! Awesome News! Volleyball SIGN UP TODATH: Awesome Mentals and High-Summer Volleyball Team! Middle and Highschool teens, contact Coach Janet at janet.vignaly@gmail.com



Incredible events and Opportunities for our Young People: Check out these Diocesan summer youth events and trips! Offering a wide array of opportunities this summer, in-

cluding social and spiritual experiences. For more information or to reserve spots contact Tim Messenger at tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org or at 508-929-4360.

Worcester Diocesan Youth Retreat "Revealed" ~All high school youth (current 8th graders to graduating seniors) are invited to the annual Diocesan Youth Retreat! A fun, laid-back, and spiritually powerful weekend. The retreat will include fun games & activities (including open gym for basketball, frisbee, lawn games, board games, etc.), a lot of free time to relax and recharge, engaging talks geared toward teenagers, dynamic music, as well as spiritual encounters with Jesus Christ through Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and the opportunity for confession!

Aerial Adventure Outing @ Boundless Adventures ~High Ropes and Zipline Park Tuesday, July 8th

White River Rafting @ Crabapple White Water~ August 14<sup>th</sup>.

# A Message from the Worcester Diocese:

Let your US Senators and Reps know we need our priests and nuns!

We need your help. An increasing number of priests, religious sisters & brothers, and others serving the Church in the Diocese of Worcester and 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:

### www.votervoice.net/mobile/USCCB/home

(NOTE: This affects all religious and has bi-partisan support. Spread the word and ask people you know to act as well!!

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

# MAY 18TH, 2025



# St. Mary's Youth Volleyball

#### First Practice:

When: Sunday, May 25 at 6:00 PM

Where: St. Mary's, Jefferson

Behind the Parish Hall on Fairview Ave.

#### **Practices:**

Wednesdays & Sundays ~ 6 -7 during the summer.

#### Games:

When: Monday evenings at 6:15 or 7:00 PM, starting on

June 9th.

Where: St. Christopher's in Worcester, St. Joseph's in

Charlton, or St. John's in Clinton.

#### Questions:

Please email janet.vignaly@gmail.com



The Meal Train is a service that helps prepare and deliver evening meals to St. Mary's parishioners in need.

When a Meal Train request arises, volunteers receive an email from our Meal Train coordinator, Kim Drozd. This email details the requested dates, specifies whether the assistance is needed for an individual or a family, includes the delivery time, and provides the local address. Volunteers can choose a convenient date to prepare a meal, which should be a simple dish suitable for one's own family. The volunteer then delivers the meal and places it in a designated cooler at the recipient's door.

Participating not only provides practical support but also fosters community connections. Through this simple act of kindness, you can make a significant impact on someone's life during a challenging time. Your help, whether as an experienced cook or a willing supporter, is greatly appreciated.

For more information or to volunteer, contact: Kim Drozd at: 508-450-8400 or Beth Cunningham at 508-272-6923 or email her at: beth@stmaryjeff.com.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE
A DONATION USING
YOUR MOBILE PHONE VIA
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# MAY 18TH, 2025



"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (John 13:34) "As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually

comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know, or someone that doesn't look like you.

### **PARISH TITHE**

OUR PARISH TITHE FROM THE WEEK OF MAY 11TH
Will Go To

**Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry** 



#### We offer our

### THANKS AND GRATITUDE

TO

The parishioner who cooked for our teacher party! and

The parishioner who painted the fence in the parking lot at the far side of St. Mary's Drive.

# DID YOU KNOW....

Pope Leo XIV chose his name in part to honor Pope Leo XIII, who was known for his focus on worker' rights during the industrial revolution and his encyclical "Rerum Novarum" on capital and labor. The new Pope also noted that the name Leo signifies strength and courage. Pope Leo XIV's choice of name was also seen as a way to signal a continuation of Pope Francis's commitment to social justice, particularly in the face of modern challenges like the rise of artificial intelligence. The name Leo, meaning "lion" in Latin, also carries a historical weight withing the Catholic Church, recalling the first Pope Leo (Leo the Great) who is known for his diplomatic efforts.

#### STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH BUDGET 2024-2025

MONTHS FROM 9/1/24 - 8/31/2025 - END OF FISCAL YEAR

	<u>APRIL</u>	YEAR TO DATE
Amount Collected	. \$53,742.00	\$403,276.00
One Time Donations	\$2,500.00	\$46,250.00
Amount Needed	\$52,514.00	\$425,320.00
Surplus/< Deficit >	\$3,728.00	\$24,206.00

Bulletin finances reflect actual collections and expenses through the current year to date monthly period. Thank you.