

# *"To Preserve The Flame"* **SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH**

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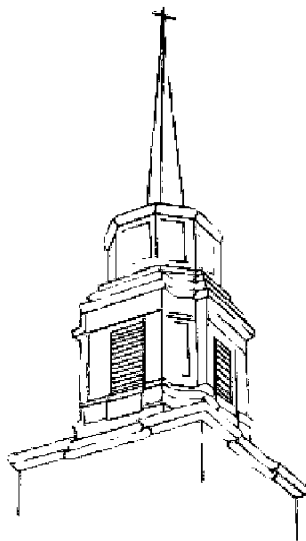
Donna Mastrovito  
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### **Director, After-School Program and Ascension Clothing Center**

Sr. Patricia Murphy, SSJ

### **Music Ministry**

Sean Redrow, Director  
Lucia Clemente Falco, Asst. Dir.



## **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **Lord's Day Masses**

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 & 7:15 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 10:15 am,  
12:15 pm & 7:15 pm

### **Weekdays**

Monday-Friday 6:15 pm

## **SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Acts 2:1-11

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

Jn 20:19-23

Worship Hymnal #1099

### **Rectory Office Hours:**

Tues.-Fri. 9 am - 4 pm  
Jimmy Archibald, Manager  
[stjohnsworc@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsworc@gmail.com)

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Mon.-Thurs.. 6:45 pm  
Saturday- 3 pm

### **Holy Days**

Vigil 6:15 p.m.  
Holy Day 12:15, 6:15 p.m.

### **Sacrament of Marriage**

Please contact the parish office at least one year prior to planned date of marriage

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please visit the parish website under the "Sacraments" tab

### **Sacrament of the Sick**

Please contact the parish office

### **Monthly Mass for Healing Followed by the Celebration Of the**

**Sacrament of the Sick**  
4th Tuesday of the month  
6:15 pm

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 8, 2019

4:15 PM **Joseph and Ann Kirklauskas, Jan and Michalina Pieniazek, Julia Kasparian, Leo and Helen Matys, Health and Int. of Elaine Kasparian, Lee and Dolores Matys and Family, Barbara and Joseph K.,** req. by Family

7:15 PM **Scott Gow,** req. by Family

Sunday, June 9, 2019

8:00 AM **Denise Pappas,** req. by a family friend; **John O'Neil,** req. by Family

10:15 AM **Ryan Quinn (5th Anniv.),** req. by Family; **Juozas and Janina Miliauskas.,** req. by Family

12:15 PM **The Tangney and O'Connor Families, Bernadette Quinn,** req. by Family; **Lenny Smith (1st Anniv.),** req. by Family

7:15 PM **Pauline Fresolo (1st Anniv),** req. by Family

Monday, June 10, 2019

6:15 PM **103rd Birthday Wishes for Anna Leseman,** req. by the Lithuanian Community

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

6:15 PM **Health and Intentions for Carlene; Margaret Creamer (5th Anniv.),** req. by Family

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

6:15 PM **Dan Martel,** req. by Family

Thursday, June 13, 2019

6:15 PM **Francis Polucha,** req. by Family

Friday, June 14, 2019

6:15 PM **Sirkka Duggan,** req. by Family

Saturday, June 15, 2019

4:15 PM **Rocco Fresolo, Sr.,** req. by Family; **Birthday Blessings for Bernadette Okomo,** req. by Family

7:15 PM **Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. O'Coin,** req. by Family

Sunday, June 16, 2019

8:00 AM **Jim Gannon and Joe Crowley,** req. by family; **Health and Intentions of Anthony Sweeney,** req. by Family

10:15 AM **Anthony Guinto,** req. by Family; **Andy Sokolowski, Sr., George, Wilbur and Eddie Roix.,** req. by Family

12:15 PM **Milton Joseph Pepin, Sr.,** req. by Wife Helen and Family; **Emilio and Lucy Piccerillo,** req. by Family

7:15 PM **Dennis Cashman,** req. by Family  
The Rosary is prayed each weekday **beginning with the Angelus at 5:50 p.m.**

Dear Friends in the Lord,

Happy Pentecost!

We welcome the Diocesan Charismatic Prayer ministry with us this weekend. On Friday night, they held a multi-lingual prayer meeting in the main church. On Sunday at 2 p.m., there will be a prayer meeting in the chapel followed by a social in the hall.

Today's Solemnity completes the Easter Season. On Monday we begin Ordinary Time. Still, today is the first of three important Sunday celebrations. Pentecost is, of course, the reception of the promised gift of the Holy Spirit; next is Trinity Sunday, the central mystery of the Christian faith and, finally, Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of the Lord, the source and summit of the Christian life. This is yet another mini-retreat, if you will, that the liturgical calendar provides. All of them being well timed. As Easter ends and summer begins, we return to Ordinary Time. Or, more accurately, we transition into the serene, even lazy, days of the season. We do so as we celebrate and re-member the most important teachings of the Christian faith and life. They are ordinary days, yes. Still, *the world is charged with the grandeur of God.* And, as Manley Hopkins continues, *Because the Holy Ghost overbent World broods with warm breast and with ah! bright wings.*

This is also our second "Commitment Weekend" for Legacy of Hope, the diocesan capital campaign. As you can see in the announcement included in the bulletin, to date we have pledged \$121, 525 with 56 gifts. This is only 6% participation. To be honest, the diocesan staff is nervous. I have assured them that this is how we roll on Temple Street. For years and years St. John's parish has run in the black. Over the same many years, we have met the Partners in Charity goal, as well. Albeit not in the first few weeks of the drive. Likewise, I am confident that we will meet the target for Legacy of Hope. Thereby helping both the parish and the diocese. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

We are aware the nation's immigration laws are, well, arcane. In fact, for whatever reason that I do not understand, after July 1 Fr. Sebastian will not be allowed to return home to Colombia for two years. He doesn't comprehend the reasoning either. However, he has gone home. He will be returning at the end of the month. I/We have thoroughly enjoyed his time with us. I assured him of my/our prayers for safe travels and that he thoroughly enjoys his time with his mother and family.

In Christ's Peace, Fr John Madden

## **In Our Catholic Community...**

**A MASS FOR HEALING** will be held Tuesday, June 28 at 6:15 PM. After the Mass the Sacrament of the Sick will be administered. Anyone seeking the healing touch of God's love and mercy is welcome.

**IGNATIUS VOLUNTEER CORPS (IVC) NEW ENGLAND**, a yearlong volunteer opportunity for women and men 50 years of age and better, is recruiting volunteers for the upcoming (September to June) year. Volunteers give two full days/week of service and commit to a monthly spiritual reflection program in the Jesuit tradition. IVC works with nonprofits in the Boston/Worcester/Providence areas that address problems of homelessness, education, immigration and more. Get info and application by contacting regional director Dave Hinchey at [newengland@ivcusa.org](mailto:newengland@ivcusa.org), or check out the IVC New England website [www.ivcusa.org/new-england](http://www.ivcusa.org/new-england).

**HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS**- On Friday, June 14 from 7 to 8 PM a holy hour to pray for priests will take place at Immaculate Conception Church on 353 Grove St., Worcester. It will consist of adoration, a short reflection, the rosary, silent prayer and benediction, and will be repeated on the second Friday of each month. All are welcome to attend.

**NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART 2019**- Join us at Sacred Heart-St. Catherine of Sweden Parish, 596 Cambridge St., Worcester on Thursday, June 20 – Friday, June 28: 7pm to 8 pm, Novena to the Sacred Heart. Homilists in order: Fr. Richard Reidy, Fr. Ed Nicolls, Fr. Eric Asante, Fr. Dennis O'Brien, Fr. Walter Riley, Fr. Mark Rainville, and Fr. Don Ouellette. On Friday, June 28, Feast of the Sacred Heart, principal celebrant will be Bishop McManus.

## **Financial Report**

Last weekend we received \$7765.31. We have also received:

Monthly- \$2168.00	Restoration- \$308.00
Candles- \$218.00	Parking- \$35.00
Stipends- \$70.00	Ascension- \$1365.00
Legacy of Hope- \$20.00	

**Total- \$11,949.31 Unrestricted- \$11,621.31 Restricted- \$328.00**

**FOOD FOR THE POOR:** \$125 IMO Jim McDonald; \$25 IMO Nello Allegrezza; \$25 IMO Michele Wexler-Dale; \$50 IMO Ann Cotter; \$100 IMO Jean Sullivan; \$100 IMO Ralph Tiscione, Sr.; \$25 from a friend; \$150 from a friend; \$20 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$40 IMO Deacon Mike Chase; \$100 IMO Graciano and Luzonia

**Expenses— \$15,167.91**  
Schola (853.64) Administration (5415.94) Altar (130.00) Rectory Cable/Phone/Internet (643.70) First Communion (1000.00) Church Gas (278.90) Rectory Gas (456.24) Ascension Gas (422.02) Stipends (1090.00) House (185.51) Federal Payroll Taxes (3263.74) Legacy of Hope (287.00) Funerals (152.80) Postage (67.71) Preserve the Flame (681.00) Rectory Alarm (34.71) Mothers Day (205.00)

### **Food for the Poor:**

Income- \$3444.90 Expenses- \$1995.48

This weekend's second collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign.

## **Our Parish Community...**

...Offers prayers and condolences to the families of Anthony Mazzone, Thomas Riley and Mac Rebennack who have been born into eternal life.

...Welcomes Quinn James Morris who has entered the Catholic Community through the waters of Baptism.

## **Word of Life**

**“Jesus reveals God as the power of resurrection. The future contains forms of death that frighten us, but the future is not obliterated by death. Rather, the future is resurrection as well. To know this through Jesus is to live into the future, looking for the forms of resurrection God gives us. God is stronger than all our deaths, and this strength is imparted to us so that we can live and die in our many deaths. Through resurrection, Jesus is in our future and therefore opens us up to our futures.” –Marjorie Hewitt Suchocki**

## ***PENTECOST SUNDAY***

### **THIS WEEKEND'S HYMNS**

Int.: *Spiritus Domini*, Wis. 1:7

Op.: # 544 Come, Holy Ghost

Ps. 104, "Lord, send out your spirit, and renew the face of the earth."

Sequence: # 1100 Veni Sancte Spiritus / Holy Spirit, Lord divine

Alleluia: # 208

Prep.: # 534

Eucharistic Accs.: # 353, 356, 355, 311

Sunday 7:15: 371, 372, 373, 311

Comm.: *Factus est repente*, Acts 2:2, 4

# 539 Laus Tibi Sancte Spiritus

Cl.: # 533 Fire of God, Undying Flame

### **ONGOING EVENTS AT ST. JOHN'S**

**June 24**— Catholic Book Club, 7 PM in the rectory.

The selection for June is "The Election of Pope Francis: An Inside Account of the Conclave that Changed History" by Gerard O'Connell

**BIBLE STUDY** will not meet for the summer months. Meetings will resume in September. Have a great summer!

### **THE LEGACY OF HOPE CAPITAL CAM-**

**PAIGN** Commitment Weekend #2 is this weekend. Pledge envelopes are available in the church. Donations can be turned in at Mass, mailed to the diocese or the rectory or made online at [legacyof-hope.worcesterdiocese.org](http://legacyof-hope.worcesterdiocese.org). To date we have 56 donations totaling \$121,525 toward our target of \$554,361. Thank you for your generosity.

**HOPE FOR HOUSING GIFT CARDS**— Next weekend (6/16) will be the last time Hope for Housing cards will be sold until September. Stock up Dunkin' Donuts gift cards for the summer! As a reminder, you receive the FULL VALUE of any Hope for Housing gift cards you purchase. With each purchase, the business associated with the card makes a donation to the Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance to help families struggling to stay in their home or apartment. Cards are sold at the Saturday 4:15 PM and Sunday 8:00 & 10:15 AM Masses 2 times per month. For more details on this program see the parish website.

**SUMMER CATHOLIC CAMP** will take place June 24-28th at the Ascension Campus. Our theme is "Tracking Mary" and is open to all students grades 1-8. Registration is open and available on the parish website.

**DIOCESAN PENTECOST CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MEETING**— Celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit, and the birthday of the Church! Join with brothers and sisters from Brazilian, English, Filipino, Haitian, Hispanic, Vietnamese and other prayer groups and communities from throughout central Massachusetts. To be held Sunday, June 9 from 2 to 5 pm at here at St. John's (lower church). The day includes prayer and praise, Talks on "Experiencing the Baptism in the Holy Spirit" and "Opening to the Gifts (Charisms) of the Spirit." Prayers for releasing the Power of the Holy Spirit in your life! Fellowship and refreshments follow. For more info please email us at [ccrwochesterdiocese@gmail.com](mailto:ccrwochesterdiocese@gmail.com) or call 978-537-7257.

**THE ST. RAFOA PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** will be meeting on Wednesday June 12th, 9:30-11:00am in the lower chapel. All knitters and crocheters are welcome to come. If anyone needs a prayer shawl for someone, please call Connie at 508-755-5172. The shawl makers will be knitting at home for the summer. They will meet again September 11th.

**PARISH CHOIR**— Next week marks the end of the Choir season for the Parish Choir! It's been such an amazing year, and the members of our Choir have all done such wonderful music making that has brought even deeper substance and meaning to our Liturgies all year. We also thank the Cantors and the Schola who will continue singing over the summer. Your time, dedication, talent, and commitment to St. John's is so inspiring! Thank you for bringing us even more deeply into the presence of God again this year!

**4TH ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC** will be held on Sunday, July 14 at Lake Park in Worcester at 1 PM. At the Bottom of Hamilton St. is Lake St., take a right onto Lake St. and then take the first left on to Coburn Ave. The entry to park is on left and we will be at the large pavilion. We will be serving hot dogs, hamburgers, watermelon and soft drinks. Come enjoy the food, socializing with fellow parishioners, fun & games. A signup sheet will be on each wall in the entry at the front of the church and on the table in the back of the church. We need an accurate headcount by July 7 for food purchases. Anyone that would like to bring a dessert it would be welcomed.