

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

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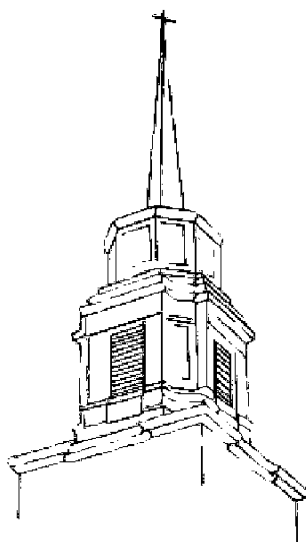
Donna Mastrovito  
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### **Director, After-School Program and Ascension Clothing Center**

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**

Prv 8:22-31

Rom 5:1-5

Jn 16:12-15

Worship Hymnal #1104

### **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 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

Monday, June 17, 2019

6:15 PM **Msgr. Rocco Piccolomini**, req. by Friends

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

6:15 PM **Joe Hickey**, req. by Family

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

6:15 PM **Starlene Goodrich**, req. by a Friend

Thursday, June 20, 2019

6:15 PM **Health and Intention for Carlene**

Friday, June 21, 2019

6:15 PM **In Honor of Rich Riley's 68th Birthday**, req. by Family

Saturday, June 22, 2019

4:15 PM **Anthony Genatossio (11th Anniv.)**, req. by Family  
7:15 PM **Fr. Jim Hoey**, req. by Family

Sunday, June 23, 2019

8:00 AM **Rose and Al Johnson, Sr.**, req. by family; **Betty Wroblewski**, req. by Lorraine Laurie  
10:15 AM **Joe Comeau**, req. by Family  
12:15 PM **Frank V. Wright**, req. by Family  
7:15 PM **Scott and Gwen Gow**, req. by Family

The Rosary is prayed each weekday **beginning with the Angelus at 5:50 p.m.**

Dear Friends in the Lord,

On this past Wednesday night, you took the Parish Choir out to eat. They were very grateful. I was very grateful to be there representing all of you. Mostly because I could tell them that you and I are very grateful for their ministry. At the receptions that were held to introduce the Legacy of Hope Capital Campaign, our Chair, Bob Spellane did a very interesting thing. He asked everybody to think about how they wound up at St. John's. Our parish is, of course, quite unique. We have found ourselves here, most of us, through varied and unconventional means! On Wednesday night, I shared one person's story. "The 12:15 Mass," she said. This is a great tribute to our choir. The choir members, and all of us, are blessed by the presence and gifts of Sean, Lucia and Monica. The three of them and all of us are blessed by the dedication and gifts of the choir members. They are taking their summer break after this weekend. It is a well-deserved break. Still, we eagerly await their return – along with new members, I hope – in the fall.

This month will also mark the end of the season for two of our other choirs, as well. The Filipino choir will sing at the 4:15 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. There will be a dinner reception in the parish hall after the Mass. Then on Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, the Lithuanian choir will sing at the 10:15 a.m. Mass. There will be a light reception in the parish hall after the Mass. Though it does not seem possible, the Filipino and Lithuanian communities have been with us on Temple Street for over 10 years. Then, again, when considering how completely involved they are with the St. John's community, you would have to know they have been here for some time. We all remain blessed to have them as one of us.

Bishop McManus has asked us priests to remind everyone that Religious Freedom Week will be celebrated in dioceses nationwide from June 22 to June 29. Throughout the week we will focus on the importance of preserving the essential right of religious freedom, both now and in the future, for Catholics and all people of faith. This year's theme is "Strength in Hope." The significant feast days during the week – Saints Thomas More and John Fisher on June 22, Saint John the Baptist on June 24 and Saints Peter and Paul on June 29 – inspire us to follow the example of these great saints who loved God above all and remained faithful in the face of adversity. You can visit [www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek](http://www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek) to download the "Pray-Reflect-Act" one-pagers for each day. Additional information is available at the diocesan website as well.

In Christ's Peace,  
Fr. John Madden

## ***THE MOST HOLY TRINITY***

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

Introit: *Benedicta sit*, Tob. 12:6

Opening: # 553 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Psalm 8, "O Lord our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth."

Alleluia: # 208

Prep.: # 550 How Wonderful the Three-in-One

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

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

Comm.: *Benedicimus Deum*, Tob. 12:6

# 937 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Closing.: # 551 O God, Almighty Father

### **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

**ST JOHN'S LITHUANIAN CHOIR** will be singing Sunday June 30th at the 10:15 AM Mass. We will be having a reception downstairs after the Mass. All are welcome and invited to join.

### **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 donations totaling \$154,930.11 toward our target of \$554,361. Thank you for your generosity.

**HOPE FOR HOUSING GIFT CARDS**— This weekend 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.

**PARISH CHOIR**— This 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 sign-up 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. All are welcome, there is no cost.

**DIVINE MERCY SERIES**— St. Mary Parish, Uxbridge will be hosting the ten-part series, "The Second Greatest Story Ever Told" which chronicles the inception of the Divine Mercy beginning Monday, July 22 to Sept. 23 from 6 – 8pm. This program will be facilitated by Joan Hauge and Mary Fahey. The book, "The Second Greatest Story Ever Told" written by Fr. Michael Gaitley and the accompanying workbook are required. Cost for the program is \$10.00 and an additional \$22.00 for the two books. The program will be held at St. Mary Parish, 77 Mendon Street in Uxbridge. Please contact email: [dmoriarty@stmaryuxbridge.org](mailto:dmoriarty@stmaryuxbridge.org) or call the parish office at 508-278-2226 to register.

**DIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT RETREAT**— All young adults (ages 18-39) are invited to the Diocesan young adult retreat on August 2-3 at Immaculate Conception Retreat Center in Putnam, CT! If you are looking for a chance to relax and get spiritually recharged, then this retreat is for you. All are welcome! Cost is \$50. To register for the retreat, go to [www.neworchester.org/2019-young-adult-retreat](http://www.neworchester.org/2019-young-adult-retreat). Deadline to register is July 17th.

## 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.

**IGNATIAN 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 non-profits 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 [new-england@ivcusa.org](mailto:new-england@ivcusa.org), or check out the IVC New England website [www.ivcusa.org/new-england](http://www.ivcusa.org/new-england).

**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 Niccolls, 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.

**THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR OF GREATER PARIS** will present a Free Concert at Christ the King, Worcester on Tuesday, July 16, 7:15-8:15 PM. Under the direction of Professor Francis Bardot (the President of the French Choir Directors Association) forty-five young people and their adult leaders from Greater Paris will inspire you. All are welcome to attend.

## Financial Report

Last weekend we received \$7850.66. We have also received:

Monthly- \$1127.00	Restoration- \$77.00
Candles- \$239.00	Parking- \$165.00
Stipends- \$90.00	Eileen George- \$300.00
Catholic Communication- \$338.00	

**Total-** \$10,186.66 **Unrestricted-** \$9771.66 **Restricted-** \$415.00

**FOOD FOR THE POOR:** \$30 IMO James Cavanaugh; \$50 from a friend; \$25 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$25 IMO Ralph Woodward; \$1000 from Eat to Give, Inc.; \$200 IMO Nick Argento; \$50 IMO Ann Wesolowski

**Expenses-** \$9635.41

Administration (5066.61) Clergy Benefit Plan (2014.00) Envelopes (655.16) Household (220.07) Schola (677.80) Marriage Prep (27.50) Catholic Communication (338.00) ( Church Alarm (116.79)

**Food for the Poor:**

Income- \$3,675.00 Expenses- \$6,435.55

## Our Parish Community...

...Offers prayers and condolences to the families of Theresa Ward, George Senkavitch and Pat Bowlen who have been born into eternal life.

...Welcomes James Philip Vazquez, Declan Joseph Pacheco, Zachary Steven Montville and Margot Jean Cavalieri who has entered the Catholic Community through the waters of Baptism.

## Word of Life

**“Greatly ought we to rejoice that God dwells in our soul; and more greatly ought we to rejoice that our soul dwells in God... For the almighty truth of the Trinity is our Father, for he made us and keeps us in him. And the deep wisdom of the Trinity is our Mother, in whom we are enclosed. And the high goodness of the Trinity is our Lord, and in him we are enclosed and he in us.”**

**–St. Julian of Norwich**