

"To Preserve The Flame"
SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

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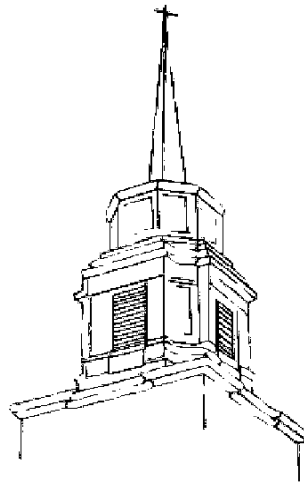
Donna Mastrovito
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Ascension Clothing Center

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

Holy Days

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

Rectory Office Hours:

Tues.-Fri. 9 am - 4 pm
Jimmy Archibald, Manager
stjohnsworc@gmail.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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, November 7, 2020

4:15 PM **Francis and Joan Henrickson**, req. by Family; **All Souls in Purgatory and Deceased Members of F.O.S.S.**

7:15 PM **Skylar Rose Seeley**, req. by Donald and Dorothy Favreau

Sunday, November 8, 2020

8:00 AM **Evelyn Foley (9th Anniv.)**, req. by Family; **Fr. Joe Coonan**, req. by Al and Sue Johnson

10:15 AM **Michele A. Sargent (1st Anniv.)**, req. by Family; **Sarah Paldino**, req. by Family

12:15 PM **Larry Kenney (5th Anniv.)**, req. by Family, **Health and Intentions of Norm Crosby**, req. by Frank Carroll

7:15 PM **Joshua Kozaczka**, req. by Family

Monday, November 9, 2020

6:15 PM **Joseph Pezzella**, req. by Family; **Judith Patnod**, req. by Family

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

6:15 PM **In Thanksgiving of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

Wednesday, November 11, 2020

6:15 PM **Deborah A. Foley**, req. by Frank Carroll and Family

Thursday, November 12, 2020

6:15 PM **Joshua Kozaczka**, req. by Net of Compassion

Friday, November 13, 2020

6:15 PM **Paul Dever**, req. by Marcia Meehan

Saturday, November 14, 2020

4:15 PM **Msgr. Rocco Piccolomini**, req. by Friends

7:15 PM **Emile Dumas, Steve and Angelina Troio**, req. by Family

Sunday, November 15, 2020

8:00 AM **Christopher Johnson**, req. by Family; **Theodore "Ted" and Gennie Laurie**, req. by Daughter Lorraine

10:15 AM **Health and Intentions of John Malvarose**, req. by Wife

12:15 PM **Cheryl Seymour (1st Anniv.)**, req. by Family; **Patricia Nolan Foley**, req. by Joan Belanger, Rosemary Foley and Marcia Meehan

7:15 PM **Joshua Kozaczka**, req. by Family

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

Dear Friends in the Lord,

Last Sunday, our friends at the Net of Compassion opened Hotel Grace. This marks the fifth winter season that we have hosted the city's emergency overflow shelter. As with everything, the Coronavirus has affected Hotel Grace, as well.

The first change is the location. Since we are not conducting the After-School program at the Msgr. Tinsley Center this year, the shelter is being housed there. The increased space compared to the church hall here on Temple Street is a significant advantage in many ways. My sincerest thanks to my friend, Pastor Richie Gonzalez and all the volunteers from NOC who have done a tremendous job in cleaning, reorganizing and setting-up the space on Vernon Street. Another change is that the shelter will be open every day until March 31, 2021. Whatever the temperature the Msgr. Tinsley Center will be a safe haven for our homeless sisters and brothers as together we battle this terrible pandemic. Another and, I think, the best change is the addition of a shower trailer.

Thanks to a generous donation, inspired by Joshua Kozaczka, there are showers and clean clothing available every day.

What has not changed is the need for the care and generosity of the St. John's and the larger community to help sustain the effort. If you are able to volunteer at Hotel Grace, please send a text to Pastor Richie (774-578-1128). If you would like to prepare or help with a meal, please contact Sandy Meindersma at 508-207-3159 or smeindersma@gmail.com. There is always need of underwear for both men and women, socks, t-shirts, and toiletries. In a related matter, we will be giving away winter boots and coats, as always. We cannot do it at a special event as we have done in the past. Instead, we will give them away as we receive them. Please drop the boots, coats or donations off at the rectory and we will disburse them to our guests in an ongoing manner. Thank you, again and always, for your assistance.

The process for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will be different this year, too. We will determine the process once we are able to speak with the candidates. Therefore, we want to first gather all those who are interested in receiving any of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation). If you are interested, please contact me either by phone or by email. If you are aware of someone who is or might be interested in the receiving the sacraments, please ask them to contact me. We will be accepting names until the middle of December. At that point, we will determine how to proceed with the program. Thank you.

In Christ's Peace,
Fr John Madden

THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEKEND'S HYMNS

Op.: # 403 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns
MORNING SONG

Ps 63, "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, thirsting
for you my God."

Alleluia: # 208

Prep.: # 391 City of God, Jerusalem PURPOSE
Eucharistic Accs.: # 214, 215, common tone "Amen",
311

Comm.: Quinque prudentes virgines, Mt 25: 4, 6
(The five wise virgins took oil in flasks with their
lamps...)

662 Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life THE CALL
Cl.: # 409 Sleepers, Wake! WACHET AUF!

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Wis 6:12-16

1 Thes 4:13-18

Mt 25:1-13

PRAYER SHEETS AND BULLETINS are available
at the back of the church. Please remember you must
take them with you when you leave. Please do not leave
them in the pews. The prayer sheet contains the Gloria
and the Creed, the Prayer of St. Michael the Archangel
and the Prayer in Time of Pandemic.

REMINDER:

Holy Communion will be distributed at 11:30 AM on
Sunday morning. Please enter off of Harding Street and
proceed behind the rectory and church to the communion
station. Please wear a mask at all times and remain
in your vehicle.

Confessions will now be heard on Saturday from 3:00
to 3:45 PM in the Church. Please wear a mask and prac-
tice social distancing while waiting.

LIVE STREAMING- Sunday Masses will be live-
streamed according the following schedule on the par-
ish Facebook Page:

Saturday Vigil: Live-streamed @ 4:15 PM

Sunday Mass: Live-streamed @ 10:15 AM

THE ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CENTER is always in
need of plastic bag donations. Anyone willing to donate
can drop them at the Center, the rectory or in the back of
the church after Mass. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-9- If you have registered your kids for Reli-
gious Ed, there will be a materials pick-up at the St.
John's Rectory this weekend, November 7 (2-4 PM) and
November 8 (10 AM-12PM) There is still time to regis-
ter if you would like to receive materials for class. Go
to the parish website and click on the Religious Educa-
tion link. We will be happy to prepare a packet for you.

Confirmation class begins Tuesday, November 10th at
7 PM in the church. This is the deadline for registration.
Anyone not registered by November 10th will need to
wait until Fall 2021. Please bring a copy of your baptis-
mal certificate if it was not done at St. John's. Thank
you!

THANKSGIVING BASKET SIGN-UPS will contin-
ue through November 12. Sign ups will only be done
over the phone and for residents in the 01604 and 01610
(Vernon Hill) zip codes. We will be distributing the
baskets on Tuesday, November 24 from 12-3 PM. We
are in need of basket donations. If you would like to
donate a basket (with a turkey and all the traditional
Thanksgiving fixings) please contact the rectory or drop
the basket off anytime before the distribution time.

TV MASSES WILL END ON SPECTRUM CH 193-

The Daily and Sunday TV Masses, Family Rosary and
other programs produced by the Diocese will no longer
be available on Charter/Spectrum Channel 193 after Oc-
tober 23. If you watch on a non-Spectrum cable compa-
ny like Clinton or Shrewsbury, there is no change. If
you watch on the internet, nothing has changed. TV
Ministry is working to get on more local access stations
over the next few weeks. It could mean a simple change
to channel 194 in towns that have Spectrum cable. Be-
fore October 23, an updated list will be available online
at worcesterdiocese.org and mailed to all our Daily
Mass supporters.

HOLY HOUR FOR LAY PEOPLE TO PRAY FOR

PRIESTS -On Friday, November 13 from 7 - 8 PM, a
holy hour for lay people to pray for priests will take
place at Immaculate Conception Church on 353 Grove
St., Worcester. This holy hour will consist of time for
silent adoration, as well as a short reflection, the rosary,
and benediction. Please join us for this important act of
service and prayer for our priests. *Repeats every second
Friday of the month*

In Our Catholic Community...

UMASS COMMUNITY OUTREACH FOOT

CLINIC– Do you have problems with your feet? All are invited to the UMass Community Outreach Foot clinic on Saturday, November 14 from 9 AM to 1 PM at the St. Francis Xavier Center, 20 Temple St. Meet with medical providers about diabetic foot inspections, tobacco cessation education, vascular disease assessments, nutritional education and much more. Get free foot screenings and learn more about foot care. All are welcome to attend.

PROCEDURES FOR REPORTING SEXUAL

MISCONDUCT- If you are aware of an incident of sexual misconduct and the suspected offender is a priest, deacon, candidate, seminarian, religious, lay minister, employee or volunteer, you are encouraged to report the matter to the Diocese of Worcester. The report can be made by phone, contact Judy Audette, Victims Assistance Coordinator, (508) 929-4363 or in writing, and sent to 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD – AGAIN!

“Say No to ROE” - The state legislature has extended the session until January 5th, 2021. Please remind the members of the Joint Committee on Judiciary that you oppose the expansion of abortion in Massachusetts. Please call the Committee at 617-722-2396 and let them know you are **opposed** to H3320 and S1209 – the ROE legislation. Every telephone call helps! Remember these bills would remove: 1. The requirement that young girls obtain consent before an abortion 2. The requirement that efforts be made to save a living baby who survives abortion; 3. The requirement that late term abortions be performed in hospitals; and 4. The bills would allow abortion on demand for all nine months of pregnancy. For more information about how the ROE legislation would expand abortion in Massachusetts visit www.macatholic.org. Thank you!

Financial Report

Last weekend we received \$7480.16. We have also received:

Monthly- \$463.00	Restoration- \$84.00
Parking- \$70.00	All Souls- \$475.00
Donation- \$2000.00	School Rent-\$9667.44
All Saints- \$382.00	

Total- \$20,621.60 **Unrestricted-** \$20,537.60 **Restricted-** \$84.00

FOOD FOR THE POOR: \$50 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$20 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$500 from a friend; \$10 from a friend; \$100 from a friend; \$50 from a friend; \$300 from a friend; \$50 from a friend; \$232.54 from a friend; \$20 IMO Florence Trapasso; \$50 IMO Larry Collins; \$50 IMO Jack Creamer; \$500 from St. Mary's, Jefferson; \$50 IMO Deborah and M. Ursula Shea; \$60 IMO Christopher and Patrick Johnson; \$50 IMO Msgr. Tinsley; \$50 IMO Lance McKee; \$100 IHO of Frank Carroll and all Veterans; \$5,000 from Country Bank; \$100 IMO Christopher Sebring

Expenses– \$11,307.19

Schola (546.00) Altar (125.01) Administration (4456.02) Ascension Phone (153.08) State Payroll Taxes (1073.28) Church Hall (310.50) Stipends (890.00) House (467.45) Haitian Apostolate (562.00) Federal Payroll Taxes (1689.02) Rectory Plumbing (244.74) Ascension Fire Alarm (121.93) Copier (668.16)

Food for the Poor

Expenses- \$3405.17

Our Parish Community...

...Offers prayers and condolences to the families of Anthony Romeo, Trung Ngyuen, Sir Thomas Sean Connery and Charlene Diaz who have been born into eternal life.

...Welcomes Devin Michael William Murphy who has entered the Catholic Community through the waters of Baptism.

Word of Life

"Christ has dominion over all creatures, a dominion not seized by violence nor usurped, but his by essence and by nature."

–Cyril of Alexandria