

"To Preserve The Flame"
SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

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Fr. Jean Robert Simbert Brice

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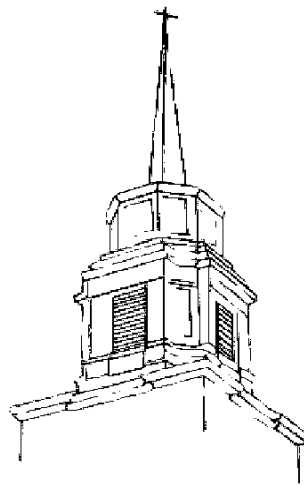
Donna Mastrovito
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Ascension Clothing Center

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

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
Fourth Monday of the Month

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 5, 2021

4:15 PM **All Souls in Purgatory and Deceased Members of FOSS**

7:15 PM **Richard Linga**, req. by Friends

Sunday, June 6, 2021

8:00 AM **Gloria Heagan**

10:15 AM **Plyciu Family** req. by Danta Snarskis;

Anna Leseman req. by Lithuanian Community

12:15 PM **Janina Miliauskas (10th Anniv)**, req. by Family

7:15 PM **Frank Wright**, req. by Friends

Monday, June 7, 2021

6:15 PM **Mitch Romano**, req by Diane Gustowski

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

6:15 PM **Paul Voellings** req by Friends and Family

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

6:15 PM **Jennifer Lamby** req by Family

Thursday, June 10, 2021

6:15 PM **John T Maroney, Birthday Remembrance**, req by family

Friday, June 11, 2021

6:15 PM **Deceased Members of Holy Name Class of 1971**

Saturday, June 12, 2021

4:15 PM **For Departed Loved Ones**

7:15 PM **Paul Towle**, req by Friends

Sunday, June 13, 2021

8:00 AM **Betty Wells**, req by family

10:15 AM **Leonard Smith**, req by family; **Ryan**

Quinn (7th Anniv), req by family

12:15 PM **Mary Seymour**, by family; **Robert,**

Marguerite and Patricia Tangney, James and

Barbara O'Connor, req by family

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,

It gives me great joy to be able to tell you that Bishop McManus is assigning Fr. Brice as the Associate Pastor of St. John's. This will be announced in the Catholic Free Press on Friday and becomes official on July 1st. As you may know, Fr. Brice and I first met in Grand Goave, Haiti during our parish trips to Brit's Home. What he accomplished at St. Francoise and its Mission churches in the face of the 2010 earthquake and, later, Hurricane Matthew was phenomenal. Fr. Brice has been both a great friend and a big help to me and to St. John's over the past two years. We have seen that he is a hard and willing worker. I could not be happier that he is an "official" part of our parish community. Congratulations, Brice. *Ad multos annos.*

It also gives me great joy to point out what many of you already know – our seminarian, Deacon John LaRochelle will be ordained to the priesthood by Bishop McManus on Saturday, June 19 at 10:00 a.m. in the Cathedral of St. Paul. The restrictions being lifted means that everyone is welcome to attend the Ordination. On the following day, Sunday, June 20 at 3:00 p.m., John will celebrate a mass of Thanksgiving – also called "First Mass" – here at St. John's. John has had a stellar seminary experience. He entered six years ago as a mature, faithful young man and an accomplished CPA. He will enter the Cathedral on June 19th as all of that and much more. Congratulations, John. *Ad multos annos.*

Following on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. In his Pastoral Letter restoring the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days, Bishop McManus said the following:

The celebration of the Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives as Roman Catholics. It is where Christ gives himself to us in his Body and Blood. Christ is present at every Mass, in his Word proclaimed, in a tangible way in his Body and Blood and in the person of his priest. He is present to feed us with Word and Sacrament, to embrace us with his love and to give us the grace we need to face the struggles of our daily lives. We hunger for his presence. We draw from the Mass the grace we need to love, and we return to it in thanksgiving to God for all he has given to us.

How wonderful it is that our prayer has been answered and as we celebrate these two great mysteries "we can gather once again to praise God's name in the heart of the Church."

In Christ's Peace,
Fr. John Madden

SELEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

THIS WEEKEND'S HYMNS

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Int.: *Cibavit eos ex adipe frumenti*, Ps 81: 17 (He fed them with the finest of wheat, alleluia; and with honey from the rock he satisfied them, alleluia, alleluia.)

Op.: # 953 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Ps. 116, "I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord."

Alleluia: # 208

Prep.: # 937 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

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

Comm.: *Qui manducat carnem meam*, Jn [6:57](#) (He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood, abides in me, and I in him, says the Lord.)

556 Hidden Here before Me

Cl.: # 614 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Ex 24:3-8

Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

LIVE STREAMING- Sunday Masses will continue to be live-streamed according the following schedule on the parish Facebook Page:

Saturday Vigil: Live-streamed @ 4:15 PM

Sunday Mass: Live-streamed @ 10:15 AM

FOR THE TIME BEING THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE WILL CONTINUE:

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 be heard on Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 PM in a section of the sacristy of the main Church. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing.

THE CLOTHING CENTER at the Ascension Campus is overloaded at the moment. While we are most grateful for your generosity, we are unable to take any more donations until further notice. We know that the Salvation Army and other places are accepting donations. We will notify you when we are able to take them again. Thank you

2021 ANNUAL PARTNERS IN CHARITY

APPEAL - To date, 158 families have already donated gifts and pledges totaling \$58,234 toward our parish goal of \$76,600. We are profoundly grateful for those donations. For those parishioners who have not already donated we ask your kind consideration of a gift to the appeal... which you can make online. Just go to **partners-charity.net/donate**. Also, donor envelopes can be found in the church pews over the next couple of weekends. If using an envelope, you can return it through to the rectory through the mail or by dropping it off at the rectory's front door. Hopefully, you will consider making a gift from your generosity and spirit of sacrifice. It takes many gifts to reach our diocesan goal of \$5 million. All checks should be made payable to "Partners in Charity". We hope you'll be generous in making a gift which reflects your gratitude to God for all you have. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN IN HOMELESS SHELTERS

- Children living in more than 90 homeless shelters across Mass. count on Horizons for Homeless Children volunteers. Can they count on you? Volunteer to play with homeless children at our Playspace in one of more than 90 family shelters. We have a high need for volunteers in Worcester. A commitment of 2 hours a week for 6 months and an orientation are required. Upcoming online volunteer orientation: Tuesday, May 18 or Thursday, June 17 from 6-8 pm. To find out more, view other orientation dates, or to apply, call 774.260.2612 or visit www.horizonschildren.org/playspace.

HOLY HOUR TO PRAY FOR PRIESTS

- On Friday, June 11 at 7:00 pm a holy hour 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 to pray for our priests.

In Our Catholic Community...

DIOCESAN SUMMER YOUTH EVENTS-

The Diocesan Youth Ministry Office will be offering several exciting opportunities this summer for middle and high school youth! Events include a trip to an aerial adventure course, whitewater rafting, summer worship nights, the Diocesan volleyball league, and the Diocesan Youth Discipleship Team. To get more information or to register a group for any of these opportunities go to the Diocesan Youth Ministry website at neworchester.org or contact Tim Messenger at tmessenger@worchesterdiocese.org or 508-929-4360.

DIOCESAN SUMMER YOUNG ADULT EVENTS-

All young adults (ages 18-39) are invited to join us for our Diocesan Young Adult Ministry events this summer! Events include weekly pick-up volleyball, hiking trips to Mt. Wachusett and Mt. Monadnock, an aerial adventure course, and whitewater rafting. Some events require registration in advance. To sign up or to get more information go to neworchester.org/summer-young-adult-events or contact Tim Messenger at tmessenger@worchesterdiocese.org or 508-929-4360.

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.

Financial Report

Our Office Manager, Jimmy recently had surgery to repair a broken ankle. Thankfully, the surgery was a success. Still, he has been instructed to take time to rest and heal. We know that the ankle will heal and this too shall pass. Until then, it will be a challenge for him and for us. Therefore, we ask that you be patient with us. We will provide the weekly financial report when we can. We will return your emails and phone calls—eventually.

Mostly, please pray for Jimmy, his wife, kids and family. Pray, too, for those of us running around the rectory offices without a clue as what to do next!

FOOD FOR THE POOR:

\$100 In Memory of Christopher and Patrick Johnson, \$250 from a friend, \$100 from a friend, \$10 from a friend, \$100 from a friend, \$100 from a friend, \$50 from a friend, \$100 from a friend, \$50 from a friend, \$50 from a friend, \$20 from a friend, \$150 IMO Robert Warfield, \$1,150 IMO of George Bailey, \$100 IMO Jack Tebo, \$25 IMO Juliann Shea, \$2,600 IMO Ricky Linga

Our Parish Community...

...Offers prayers and condolences to the families of Gavin McLeod, Francis Bailey, Jr. and Mark Eaton who have been born into eternal life.

...Welcomes Adrian Ryan Torres and James Daniel Vazquez who have entered the Catholic Community through the waters of Baptism.

WORD OF LIFE:

**"Where there is no love, put love —
and you will find love."**

St. John of the Cross