

"To Preserve The Flame"
SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

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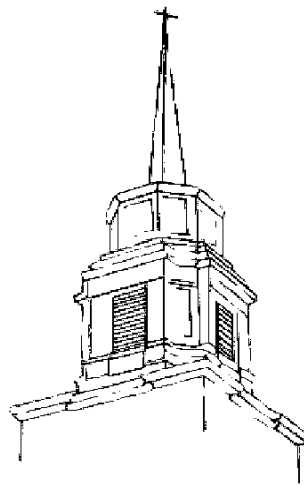
Donna Mastrovito
Dianne Gustowski

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
Monday – Wednesday
After the 6:15 p.m. Mass

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 12, 2021

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

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

Sunday, June 13, 2021

8:00 AM **Zachary Covello**, req by family ; **Thaddeus Skowronski**, req by family

10:15 AM **Leonard Smith**, req by family; **Ryan Quinn (7th Anniv)**, req by family

12:15 PM **Mary Seymour**, req by family; **Robert, Marguerite and Patricia Tangney, James and Barbara O'Connor**, req by family

7:15 PM **Joshua Kozaczka**, req by family

Monday, June 14, 2021

6:15 PM **Anna (1st) and George (39th) Naum**, req by children

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

6:15 PM **Thomas Prokopowicz (2nd Anniv.)**, req. by family

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

6:15 PM **Betty Wells**, req by family

Thursday, June 17, 2021

6:15 PM **Matthew DiStefano**, req by Frank Carroll and Family

Friday, June 18, 2021

6:15 PM **Arthur Deraney (8th Anniv.)**, req by family

Saturday, June 19, 2021

4:15 PM **Zigmas Snarskis**, req by Ronald Snarskis

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

Sunday, June 20, 2021

8:00 AM **James Gannon and Joseph Crowley**, req. by Family

10:15 AM **Veronica Balnis**, req by Birute Snarskis; **Edward Swalec II**, req by family

12:15 PM **Robert Sullivan**, req by Ursula Arello and Eleanor Winston

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,

We have survived the Time of Pandemic. Yeah!!! While the virus and its dangers have not vanished, people are getting vaccinated at a good rate, at least here in MA. I have missed you all so much, especially the kids. I cannot tell you how meaningful it is to work with your children. They give me so much hope, energy, and love. I look forward to seeing them all again, whenever that time comes.

Despite the pandemic, we had two great groups of children that received two of the Sacraments of Initiation. 23 kids made their First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, and 18 teens made their Confirmation. The fact that we could have in house classes and the celebration of these sacraments with people in attendance is an absolute miracle. Many, many thanks to Donna Mastrovito, Carole Cronin, and Dan Shaughnessy who do a fabulous job! I never have to worry about First Communion and Confirmation. Thanks again.

So, I promised a Religious Education party as soon as it was safe to have it, and it is happening! I have reserved the pavilion area at Rutland State Park on Sunday, August 8th for us. All members of the Religious Ed program are welcome. Look out for a Flocknote with details and sign ups. Rutland State Park has swimming and hiking, and clean bathrooms. It will be a great time for us to reunite and celebrate our terrific faith community.

The plan is to resume regular classes in September. Please check the bulletin and Flocknote for sign ups. I am always in need of teachers and aides, so if you want to help, you can email me at dhgustowski@gmail.com.

This is the best parish I have ever belonged to. The people of St. John's are the best there is. I am so grateful to belong here, and also that you let me serve your children and families. In 8 years, I have not had one single day where I dreaded going to work. God has blessed me so much!

May God bless us all in abundance, today and always.

Peace and Serenity,
Dianne Gustowski

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEKEND'S HYMNS

Int.: Exaudi Domine vocem meam, Ps 27: 7, 9 (Hearken, O Lord, unto my voice which has called to you; deign to be my help, forsake me not, do not despise me, O God my Savior.)

Op.: # 601 The God of Abraham Praise

Ps 92, "Lord, it is good to give thanks to you."

Alleluia: # 208

Prep.: # 720 The Kingdom of God

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

Comm.: Unam petii, Ps 27: 4 (One thing have I asked of the Lord, this will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.)

585 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Cl.: # 627 O God, Beyond All Praising

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

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.

ATTENTION ALL FAMILIES! Rising 3rd and 4th graders are invited to register for the Ascension Summer Program for a summer's worth of fun! The program engages students through daily academics, athletics, activities, and twice weekly field trips. Camp runs 9 AM - 4 PM from June 30 - July 28. To learn more or sign up, visit our social media pages on Facebook (Ascension Summer Program) or Instagram (@ascensionsummerprogram).

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, 163 families have already donated gifts and pledges totaling \$65,074 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!

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK WILL BE CELEBRATED IN DIOCESES NATION-WIDE 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 "Solidarity in Freedom". The significant feast days during the week (Saints Thomas More and John Fisher – June 22, Saint John the Baptist – June 24, and Saints Peter and Paul – 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. Please visit www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek to download the "Pray-Reflect-Act" pages for each day on various religious liberty topics. These excellent resources are intended to inspire us to learn more about religious liberty from a Catholic perspective, help us to pray about particular issues, and provide us with tools to act on what we learn. Additional information and resources for parish and personal use can be found at www.worcesterdiocese.org/religiousfreedomweek.

In Our Catholic Community...

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.

HOMEMAKERS WANTED! WALK-IN INTERVIEWS EVERY TUESDAY FROM 10 AM-12 PM -

Catholic Charities, located at 10 Hammond St. in Worcester, is hiring homemakers and hosting walk-in interviews every Tuesday from 10 am-12 pm. Homemakers and Home Health Aides are trained by our Homecare team to provide a variety of support services, which are essential in maintaining a disabled or dependent person's safety and wellbeing. To keep this program alive, we need to grow our Homecare team to meet the increasing demands of the areas that we serve, which consists of Amherst, Athol, Leominster, Milford, Southbridge, Greenfield, Shelburne Falls, and Worcester. Walk-ins welcome, or contact Paula, Homecare Supervisor: **508-414-9084**. Those interested may also apply online at ccworc.org.

Financial Report

The past 2 weekends we have received \$14,906.82. We have also received:

Monthly- \$537.00	Restoration- \$260.50
Candles- \$283.00	Donation- \$750.00
Parking- \$140.00	Stipends- \$1490.00
Free Press- \$39.00	Copier Reimb.- \$668.16
School Rent- \$4833.72	

FOOD FOR THE POOR: \$25 from a friend, \$100 from a friend, \$20 from a friend, \$50 from a friend, \$50 from a friend, \$100 from a friend, \$50 from a friend, \$50 from a friend, \$85 IHO Morris Bergman, \$40 IHO Lisa McDonough, \$40 IMO Dorothy Morrissey, \$1,225. IMO John Simoncini, \$100 IMO Juliann Shea, \$20 for prayers answered, \$30 IMO Daniel Moynihan, \$930 IMO Angelo Pappas, \$2,000 IMO Jennifer Lamby, \$50 IMO Janet C. Stirring

Expenses- \$24,353.71
Administration (6693.28) Cable/Phone/Internet (623.28) Ascension Phone (117.97) Clergy Benefit Plan (1057.00) State Payroll Taxes (2244.51) Stipends (905.00) Envelopes (642.00) Altar (930.00) Household (846.60) Federal Payroll Taxes (2525.24) Office (2643.19) Ascension Electric (1122.58) Dumpster (1737.74) Fire Alarm (249.32) Phone Repair (1181.00) Alarm Monitoring (360.00) Copier (475.00)

Our Parish Community...

...Offers prayers and condolences to the families of Officer Emmanuel Familia, and Tyler Love who have been born into eternal life.

...Welcomes Emily Parker Barry, Natalie Marie Rosario-Barry Owen Patrick Trainor, Claire Connors Mahoney who have entered the Catholic Community through the waters of Baptism.

WORD OF LIFE:

"Do not be anxious: go straight on, forgetful of self, letting the spirit of God act instead of your own."

St. Julie Billiart