



PRINCE of PEACE

CATHOLIC PARISH

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MEETINGS

Baptism

Instruction is required for all parents seeking baptism of their child. Please contact the Rectory.

Care of the Sick

Please advise us of parishioners who are sick that we may keep them in prayer. We would also like to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church.

Confidential Prayer Line

To add intentions call Ellen Calamari at 978-660-3818 or the Rectory at 978-464-2871.

Marriage

Interviews, instruction and Pre-Cana are required. Please contact the Rectory at least one year in advance.

Programs

- Adult Bible Study

Please contact the Rectory for class schedule.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

- Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday 3:45 pm at the church, or by appointment.

Rev. H. Edward Chalmers, Pastor

STAFF

Parish Secretary, Paula Greeley

Religious Education Coordinator, Sharon Bushway



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

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(978) 464-2871

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(978) 464-2871

SCHEDULE/MASSES

Monday—Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 am

Holy Days/Feast Day 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:26-27

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Your talents are welcome. We encourage you to call a ministry chairperson to find out more about our on-going programs.

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Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

Saturday, October 9th
 3:45 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Unrequested
 Sunday, October 10th
 8:30 AM Unrequested
 10:30 AM Unrequested
 Monday, October 11th
 8:30 AM Unrequested
 Tuesday, October 12th
 8:30 AM Unrequested
 Wednesday, October 13th
 8:30 AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Thursday, October 14th
 8:30 AM For the Intentions on our Prayer Line
 and in our Prayer Intention Book
 Friday, October 15th
 8:30 AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Saturday, October 16th
 3:45 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Unrequested
 Sunday, October 17th
 8:30 AM Unrequested
 10:30 AM Olga Kersis, requested by Paul and
 Kathy Zavorskas

Saint John's, Shrewsbury, is offering two **Open Houses**—Saturday, **October 16, 9-11:30 am**, and Tuesday, **November 9, 6-8:30 pm**. Visit stjohnshigh.org/admissions/openhouse for info.

Notre Dame Academy Fall Open House, Sunday, **October 17th**, 1-3 pm. Register online at www.nda-worc.org/admissions. Meet faculty, students and parents, and tour classrooms and campus. Discover the difference at Notre Dame Academy.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, October 10th:

No classes this Sunday, October 10th.

Grades 1-6 will meet for class next Sunday, October 17th, from 9:30 am to 10:15 am in the Church hall.

Grades 7-10 will meet for class next Sunday, October 17th, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Rectory.

Confirmation candidates will meet for class next Sunday, October 17th, from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm on the Rectory porch.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 10th, 2021

Dear Friends,

As Christian believers, we are challenged to follow Jesus in a faithful way. For any one of us, this can be more than difficult as we deal with the effects of sin all around us. However, as one contemplates the reality of being faithful to Jesus, he or she must realize that each one of us is responsible to God for his or her life. We are accountable for the choices that we make and for the actions that result from those choices. The second reading from the Letter to the Hebrews given to us for the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time this year speaks to this issue. It says, "Brothers and Sisters: Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart. No creature is concealed from him, but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must render an account."

God knows us better than we know ourselves. He is aware of our virtues and vices as well as our good deeds and sins. Through a process of on-going conversion may we continue to make the necessary changes to be Christ-like. We need to develop a personal relationship with the Lord that can lead us on the way to eternal life. This can help us to reject sin and those occasions that lead to sin.

Almighty God gives us sufficient grace throughout our lives to help us save our souls. We should respond fervently to that grace and allow ourselves to know, love and serve God. In faith, hope and love may we remain close to the Eternal Father, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, and our dear Blessed Mother; while rejecting sin and the ways of Satan which can lead to an eternity of misery in hell. Be well and be safe.

God's love and prayers always,

Fr. Ed

Emmanuel Radio 1230AM, 970AM, and 101.1FM will broadcast a live 3 day Fall Pledge Drive 7am-6pm, Oct. 20-22, to raise funds needed to continue serving the Diocese. Call 508-767-1230 or visit 1230radio/com for info.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS MISSION APPEAL

Thank you to all who gave so generously to the Franciscan Sisters' Mission Appeal. To date, the parish has raised \$869! We will be sending their donation out this week. If you have not had a chance to donate and would like to do so, please use the small "special collection" basket on the table at the entrance to the Church. Thank you again for your continued generosity!

Good News!

October 10, 2021

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13;

Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

The vast array of possibilities in today's world is both an extraordinary advantage because it can so enrich life and a bewildering encumbrance as we face weighty decisions. Many think that life in the past was less complicated. It might have seemed that way, but women and men have always had to face the same fundamental questions: What is life all about? To what shall I commit myself? And answering such questions has seldom been easy.

Today's first reading underscores the importance of discernment or wisdom as we search for answers. It insists that such discernment or wisdom outstrips riches, or even health, as the goal to which we should strive. It further assures us that in our striving for wisdom we will discover that she does not come to us alone. Rather, she brings all good things with her.

The Gospel passage tells of a young man in search of true meaning, of wisdom, of eternal life. Having valued the law and the way of life it offers a believer, he is dissatisfied. He wanted something more satisfying; something deeper. He is still struggling to discover what life is all about, to what he should commit himself. Jesus tells him that he will not find what he is looking for in his riches. Rather, he should commit himself to the welfare of others. Unfortunately, this advice was too much. He went away sad. Even knowing that he was dissatisfied with his wealth, he still would not walk away from it.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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The collection for the weekend of October 2-3, 2021, was as follows:

Monthly	\$1,200.00
Make-up envelopes	\$ 151.00
Maintenance	\$ 55.00
Higher Energy Costs	\$ 50.00
Religious Ed Reg.	\$ 200.00
Mission Appeal Franciscan	\$ 739.00
Baptism Stipend	\$ 80.00
All Saints	\$ 15.00
All Souls	\$ 15.00
World Missions	\$ 15.00
Regular collection	\$ 880.00
Total Collection:	\$3,400.00

EIGHTH ANNUAL CELEBRATE PRIESTHOOD TASTE OF THE DIOCESE GALA

For the past seven years, the Diocese of Worcester has hosted a wonderful gala called "*Celebrate Priesthood—Taste of the Diocese*" as a benefit for Retired Priest's Care. We cannot let a year go by without pausing to reflect on the gift of the priesthood in the lives of all Catholics. On **Thursday, October 28, 2021**, we are planning an in-person **Taste of the Diocese** event preceded by live presentations to be streamed online for those who cannot gather with us in person. We are excited to announce a new venue for this year! **Saint Paul Diocesan Jr/Sr High School** will host our tasting event in the newly refurbished gymnasium and the live presentations will be streamed on the internet from the Burke Auditorium. Attendees can attend both events or simply drop in at any time for the tasting in the gymnasium. To make a donation, buy tickets, or get more information to place an advertisement, visit www.worcesterdiocese.org, or call Michael Gillespie at 508-929-4368.

The Prevalence of Abuse in Society

In surveys of adults, one out of five women and one out of ten men reported that they were sexually molested before they were 18 years old. This means that an estimated 40 million adult survivors of child sexual abuse are living in the U.S. today. An estimated 9.6% of all school children will be molested by an educator or an employee of a school between kindergarten and 12th grade. Between 13% and 34% of all females will be victims of sexual assault before the age of 18, and 7% to 16% of all males will also be victimized before they are 18. For particular help you may call Judith Audette, Director of the Office for Healing and Prevention at 508-929-4363