

Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday, Oct. 19th

4:00PM † P. Henry, Louise & Patrick
Desmond....by Pat Krysiak

Sunday, Oct. 20th 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM †
11:00AM † Joe Rodriquez (1st Ann).by Mary Guzman
† Isidro Aquino...Por la familia
† Mark Allard...por su Esposa

Monday, Oct. 21th

8:00AM †

Tuesday, Oct. 22th

8:00 AM †

6:00PM †

Wednesday, Oct. 23th

8:00 AM †
6:00PM † Aracelia Oquendo (Eterno Descanso)..by
Rosa y Pedro Cruz.

Thursday, Oct. 24th

8:00AM †

Friday, Oct. 25th

6:00PM † Richard Harrigan....by Pat Krysiak

Saturday, Oct. 26th

4:00PM † Mrs. Anna Decarreux...by The Ladies Guild

Sunday, Oct. 27th 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM † Jane Melket ...by Tim Melket
11:00AM † Isaiás Vera...por su esposa y hijo



The Blessed Sacrament lamp is lit in memory of Jennifer Rivera requested by Yesenia Quinones.



A candle to Our Blessed Mother is lit for the health of Julio Mateo requested by Ana Mateo.

A candle to St. Francis of Assisi is lit for Special intention for Divina Marinez, Barnardina Escobar requested by Ivette Hernandez.

Parish Support October 12th & 13th

Offertory: \$2185

Fuel: \$165

Maintenance: \$34

All Souls: \$30

Total: \$2,414.00



Remember when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received, only what you have given,"

St. Francis of Assisi.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Please pray for our Confirmation Students of 2019 that are being Confirmed November 23 at St. Joseph Church in Fitchburg.

Our St. Francis of Assisi Confirmandi 2019 are:
Natasha Sepúlveda, Nathalie Vadis, Anthony & Alexander Polanco Diaz, Daniela Padilla, Briana Basile

Toys for Tots

Register your child(ren) to receive toys for Christmas. Your child must be from 0-13 years old. You must have a birth certificate for each child, prove of residence (Address) and your identification (ID). If you already register with another agency, you will not be able to register again and the both registrations will be denied. Registration will be held in the CCD office ONLY on Sundays from 9AM – 12PM.

For Further information please call Yesenia at 978-342-3521 or email: Yquinones08@aol.com.

Thank you, Yesenia Quinones



“Share Your Table with Love”

Special Food Drive for Thanksgiving Baskets
Saint Vincent de Paul society is having Food drive for Thanksgiving Baskets for the needy. Items needed: canned

soup, canned fruit, cranberry sauce, canned corn, canned green beans, turkey gravy, stuffing, cereal, boxed potatoes and cocoa mix. (No expired items please.) **The due date is Sunday, November 10th. Bags are available at the front of the church.**

FUELFUND

Winter is coming soon! We encourage you to consider a donation to our fuel fund to help us to defray the bills for fuel during the winter season... Thank you!

ENVELOPES FOR ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCES



Envelopes are in the vestibule of the church. Please write the names of your loved departed ones and Fr. Matos will offer

the mass every Sundays.

Don't give up or give in

Up until recently, one of my brothers ran marathons. He would run one full marathon and a half one each year! He was asked to speak to a group of runners who were preparing to run a marathon for the first time. At question time, he was asked what it took to run a full marathon. His reply was honest and sincere; it takes



time, discipline, practice, patience and perseverance. Not bad advice; this could also be a very good description of what it takes to be a follower of Jesus and live a life of prayer.

The gospel this Sunday begins with a very clear statement that is very relevant for us today; 'Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart.' He tells the story of a woman who goes to a judge seeking justice. She keeps at him, refusing to give up or give in. In the end he gives up and gives her what she is seeking. Jesus says that we when we come to God in prayer, we are to have the same courage, strength and perseverance as the woman. We are not to give up or give in. So perhaps as it is when preparing to run a marathon, a life of prayer also takes time, discipline, practice, patience and perseverance. It won't happen automatically or by itself. I can talk about prayer, I can read about prayer and I can even watch others pray, but unless I make a start myself, I will never learn to pray. As the saying goes, practice make perfect!

Let's be honest, sometimes maintaining a regular prayer life can be difficult, even frustrating. It can feel as if our prayers are not being heard or answered. This can be disheartening. But Jesus encourages us not to give up or to give in; he simply says to us, keep going, hang in there, I am with you and I am listening to you.

What do I when I can't pray? I try to pray! I pray the prayers I have known since I was a child; The Our Father, The Hail Mary and The Rosary. As St. Paul's says to us in his letter to the Ephesians; **'Pray at all times, as the Spirit leads. For this reason, keep alert and never give up; pray always for God's people.'** (6.18).

When we sit or kneel to pray, it is worth remembering that it is always God who calls us to pray in the first place. Our decision to pray is our response to that divine and sacred call. Prayer is about our daily relationship God. It nourishes and strengthens our friendship with God. Prayer is not just about us talking to God; it also and perhaps more importantly about us listening to God. In the Old Testament, God calls young Samuel. Eventually, Samuel responds, *'Speak, Lord, I am listening.'*

Today and this coming week, I ask God to give me the same courage, faith, patience and perseverance as the woman in the gospel. May I too approach God with hope and humility. May I pray continually and never lose heart.

Sing & Praise



Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth



Hymns: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Processional: # 656 'Christ Be Our Light'*
- Offertory: # 650 "Prayer of St. Francis"*
- Communion: # 525 "Gift of Finest Wheat"*
- Processional # 668 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

In Loving Remembrance

In your charity, please pray for all the souls of all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace. AMEN.



Baptism Preparation

Please call the office and make an appointment with Fr. Matos before baptismal Classes at 978-342-9651

Everyone is invited!!



Sunday, October 20th from 10 am -1 pm,
St. Francis Ladies Guild will be having a holiday fair at the Church Hall.

We will be having food, lottery tree, Chinese Auction, Flea Market and much more...Everyone is invited!
Sponsor by Gardner Rehab and Nursing Home.

Happening at St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday, October 20th9:00AM.... Mass

Monday, October 21th ... Mass chapel...8 AM
.....Clase de Liturgia 7PM

Tuesday, October 22nd ...Mass.... chapel 8:00AM & 6 PM Spanish Mass Church

Wednesday, October 23rd ...Mass...chapel...8:00AM
...Mass....Church. Spanish 6:00PM

Thursday, October 24th ...Mass Church...8:00AM

Friday, October 25th Food Pantry...church hall
12:00PM _ 2PM
...Mass.... church..... 6:00PM

Saturday, October 26th
Adoration Blessed Sacrament 12:30pm – 3PM
3-3:40.... Confessions...church

The St. Boniface Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Red Cross blood drive on Saturday, November 2 from 9am until 2pm in the St. Boniface Church Hall on Mass Ave in Lunenburg. To reserve a donation time please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Lunenburg MA as the location code. Christmas is right around the corner - why not give the gift of life!

Vendors Wanted for Worcester Bazaar
Sacred Heart-St. Catherine of Sweden Parish, 596 Cambridge St. Worcester is looking for vendors for our Annual Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday, Nov. 2 from 8 am-2 pm**. Fee is \$25.00 (we provide the table). If you are interested please call June at 508-579-1067.

Holiday Fair in Linwood
Good Shepherd Parish in Linwood (Uxbridge) will host its annual Holiday Fair on **Saturday, Nov. 9 from 9 am to 2 pm** in the Parish Center (behind the church) and Parish Hall (beneath the church). The fair will feature a selection of crafts, baked goods, a cookie walk, over 60 themes raffle baskets along with gift card and super raffles, a luncheon, and much more. Please see the website www.goodshepherdlinwood.org for more details.

No Te Rindas Ni Cedas



Hasta hace poco, uno de mis hermanos corría maratones. ¡Corría un maratón y medio cada año! Se le pidió que hablara con un grupo de corredores que se preparaban para correr un maratón por primera vez. En el turno de preguntas, se le preguntó qué se necesitaba para correr un maratón completo. Su respuesta fue honesta y sincera; Se necesita tiempo, disciplina, práctica, paciencia y perseverancia. No es un mal consejo; Esto también podría ser una muy buena descripción de lo que se necesita para ser un seguidor de Jesús y vivir una vida de oración.

El Evangelio de este domingo comienza con una declaración muy clara que es muy relevante para nosotros hoy; "Jesús les contó a sus discípulos una parábola sobre la necesidad de orar continuamente y nunca desanimarse". Cuenta la historia de una mujer que acude a un juez en busca de justicia. Ella sigue con él, negándose a rendirse o ceder. Al final, él se rinde y le da lo que ella está buscando. Jesús dice que cuando venimos a Dios en oración, debemos tener la misma valentía, fuerza y perseverancia que la mujer. No debemos rendirnos ni ceder. Entonces, tal como es cuando se prepara para correr un maratón, una vida de oración también requiere tiempo, disciplina, práctica, paciencia y perseverancia. No sucederá automáticamente o por sí solo. Puedo hablar sobre la oración, puedo leer acerca de la oración e incluso puedo ver a otros orar, pero a menos que empiece yo mismo, nunca aprenderé a orar. Como dice el refrán, ¡la práctica hace la perfección! Seamos honestos, a veces mantener una vida de oración regular puede ser difícil, incluso frustrante. Puede sentir como si nuestras oraciones no fueran escuchadas o respondidas. Esto puede ser desalentador. Pero Jesús nos anima a no rendirnos ni a ceder; él simplemente nos dice, sigue adelante, espera, estoy contigo y te estoy escuchando.

¿Qué hago cuando no puedo rezar? ¡Intento rezar! Rezo las oraciones que he conocido desde que era un niño; El Padre Nuestro, El Ave María y El Rosario. Como nos dice San Pablo en su carta a los efesios; ‘Ore en todo momento, según lo gué el Espíritu. Por esta razón, manténgase alerta y nunca se rinda; reza siempre por el pueblo de Dios "(6.18).

Cuando nos sentamos o nos arrodillamos para orar, vale la pena recordar que siempre es Dios quien nos llama a orar en primer lugar. Nuestra decisión de rezar es nuestra respuesta a ese llamado divino y sagrado. La oración se trata de nuestra relación diaria con Dios. Nutre y fortalece nuestra amistad con Dios. La oración no se trata solo de que hablemos con Dios; también y quizás más importante sobre nosotros escuchando a Dios. En el Antiguo Testamento, Dios llama al joven Samuel. Finalmente, Samuel responde: "Habla, Señor, ¡que tu siervo escucha!".

Hoy y esta semana que viene, le pido a Dios que me dé el mismo valor, fe, paciencia y perseverancia que la mujer en el Evangelio. Que yo también me acerque a Dios con esperanza y humildad. Puedo rezar continuamente y nunca desanimarme.

Bautismo

Para el Bautismo, Llame a al 978-342-9651 de la oficina parroquial hacer una cita con el Padre Matos



Clase de Liturgia

La clase de liturgia es el 14 de octubre a las 7PM con el Padre Matos en el hall de la iglesia. La clase son especialmente para todos que sirven en iglesia y para todos.

NOTICIAS de Educación Religiosa

Oremos por nuestros estudiantes de la Confirmación 2019 que van a recibir el sacramento de la confirmación el 23 de noviembre, en St. Joseph - Fitchburg con los otro Fitchburg Confirmandi con nuestro Obispo Robert McManus. Nuestro San Francisco de Asís Confirmandi 2019 son los siguientes:
Natasha Sepúlveda, Nathalie Vadis, Anthony & Alexander Polanco- Diaz, Daniela Padilla, Briana Basile .



Regalos de la Catedral de San Pablo:

Guerra espiritual
Tema: ¿De qué lado estás luchando?
Iglesia de San Bernardo
Dirección: 236 Lincoln St, Worcester, MA 01605
26 de octubre de 2019
Edades: 13-25, admisión de donaciones de \$ 10
8 AM - 5PM
Cualquier pregunta o información, por favor de llamar al 508-799-4193

¡Todos están invitados!



Domingo, 20 de octubre, desde 10 am – 1pm
St. Francis Ladies Guild, tendrá una feria de otoño y

navidad en el hall de la Iglesia. Tendremos comida, árbol de lotería, subasta china, flea market y mucho más ...
Patrocinador de Gardner Rehab and Nursing Home.

**Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana
Daily Scripture Readings**

Lunes, 21 de octubre // Monday, Oct. 21

Romanos//Romans 4:20-25

San Lucas // Luke 12:13-21

Martes, 22 de octubre // Tuesday, oct. 22

Romanos//Romans 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21

Salmo//Psalm 40:7-10,10,17

San Lucas // Luke 12:35-38

Miércoles, 23 de octubre // Wednesday, Oct. 23

Romanos//Romans 6:12-18

Salmo//Psalm 124:1b-8

San Lucas // Luke 12:39-48

Jueves, 24 de octubre // Thursday, Oct. 24

Romanos//Romans 6:19-23

Salmo//Psalm 1:1-4,6

San Lucas // Luke 12:49-53

Viernes, 25 de octubre // Friday, oct. 25

Romanos//Romans 7:18-25a

Salmo// Psalm 119:66,68,76,77,93,94

San Lucas // Luke 12:54-59

Sabado, 26 de octubre // Saturday, oct. 26

Romanos//Romans 8:1-11

Salmo// Psalm 24:1b-4b,5-6

San Lucas // Luke 13:1-9

Domingo, 27 de octubre// Sunday, oct. 27

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirácides//Sirach 35:12-14,16-18

Salmo//Psalm 34:2-3,17-19,23

2 Timoteo// 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

San Lucas // Luke 18:9-14

Celebrando Nuestra Hispanidad



Domingo, 27 de octubre de 12:30pm en el hall. Prepara la comida favorita de tu país para compartir con la comunidad.

Sobres para Los Fieles Difuntos

Los sobres están el vestíbulo de la Iglesia. Por Favor escriban los nombres de sus seré querido difuntos y el Padre Matos ofrecerá la Santa Misa los domingos durante el mes de noviembre.

