

Mass Intentions for the week

Saturday, March 28th

4:00PM † Louise Morin...by Maureen
† Raymond Garieph.... Barbara, Denise & Charles

Sunday, March 29th 5th Sunday in Lent

9:00AM † Robert Landry...by Mr. & Mrs. Alphonse Pagnotto
11:00AM † Isaias Vera... Por Irma Andino y los hijos

Monday, March 30

8:00AM †

Tuesday, March 31

8:00PM †

6:00PM †

Wednesday, April 1st

8:00AM †

6:00PM †

Thursday, April 2nd

8:00AM †

Friday, April 3rd

6:00PM †

Saturday, April 4th

4:00PM † Wilfred E. Rivard Sr. (23 Ann) ...by M.P. Rivard & family.

† Theresa Rochette...by the family

Sunday, April 5th

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00AM † Malvina Landry...by Mr. & Mrs. Alphonse Pagnotto.
11:00AM †



The Blessed Sacrament lamp is lit for the health of all doctors and nurses.



In Loving Remembrance

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

Parish Support

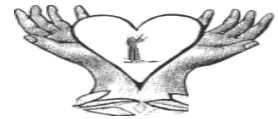
March 21-22

Offertory: \$ 0

Maintenance: \$0

Fuel: \$0

Others: \$0



Total:0 We are still collecting offertory by mail or you could drop it off in the mailbox from the rectory.

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

All Religious Education classes are canceled until further notice per the

Worcester Diocese.

A PRAYER IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

O God, whose Only Begotten Son bore the weight of human suffering for our salvation, hear the prayers of your Church for our sick brothers and sisters and deliver us from this time of trial. Open our ears and our hearts to the voice of your Son: Be not afraid, for I am with you always. Bless all doctors and nurses, researchers and public servants; give us the wisdom to do what is right and the faith to endure this hour, that we might gather once again to praise your name in the heart of your Church, delivered from all distress and confident in your mercy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



"Share Your Table with Love"
The needs for our St. Vincent de Paul food Pantry for the month April tuna, canned meat (spam ham), beef stew, canned chicken, canned fruit, Mac & Cheese, Jelly, Cereal, boxed potatoes, salad dressing and Raman soup.

Thank You for your donations.

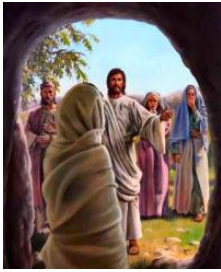
"When I was hungry you gave food...."

****Food Pantry Hours: Friday 12:30 -2:00PM****

Private Masses Celebrated by Fr. Matos

The Priest, Fr. Matos of St. Francis of Assisi are celebrating private Masses daily for intentions mentions in the bulletin.

We want everyone to stay safe, keep each other and our world in your prayers during this challenging time.



Jesus, the Resurrection and the Life

Next Sunday is Palm or Passion Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week when we recall and participate in the final week of Jesus' earthly life. So, it may seem a little premature to be talking about

resurrection and new life. The gospel today, which is very long, tells us about Martha, Mary, their brother Lazarus and their good friends Jesus. As we remember, Lazarus has died and has already been buried. Jesus hears about this but takes his time visiting his grieving sisters. When Jesus does arrive, Martha goes to meet him and is not happy with him at all. She says to him; *'If you had been here, my brother would not have died.'* Jesus answers her by saying; *'Your brother will rise again.'* Her response is honest and faith-filled; *'I know he will rise again at the resurrection at the last day.'* The Jesus takes this difficult and painful conversation to another level altogether; *'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even if they die, will live; whoever lives and believes in me, will never die. Do you believe this?'* Maybe as the end of our Lenten Journey is in sight and we prepare to celebrate the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus, this gospel and the words of Jesus offer us some much-needed encouragement and hope. The cross and the crucifix are central to Christian art, worship, prayer and devotion. But we have to remind ourselves not to simply stay at the cross. The pain of the cross leads us to the joy of the Resurrection. It is through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus that we are offered a new way of living our daily lives and the gift of new and everlasting life. The words of encouragement and hope that Jesus offers Martha, he offers to each of us personally at this stage of our Lenten journey. He says to you and me this very day, *'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even if they die, will live; whoever lives and believes in me, will never die. Do you believe this?'* Today and for the next few days, it might be good for us to sit with these words and particularly the question Jesus asks us; *'do you (actually) believe this?'* These days as we all know are not normal. With serious restrictions on our travel and association with others, we may be feeling alone or isolated; we are not. Through our faith, hope and prayer we are deeply connected to each other and to Jesus. At the start of Lent, Jesus asked us to stay with him; now today of all days we need to ask Jesus to be and stay with us. Jesus is about to experience his time of suffering and pain. For many of now, we too are experiencing fear and uncertainty in ways we have never before. This is our Passion Sunday in a very real and personal way; as families, communities and indeed whole countries. In these very challenging days let us not lose hope or faith in ourselves, each other or Jesus. Can we, in any way today hear these words of Jesus spoken to each of us

personally; *'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even if they die, will live; whoever lives and believes in me, will never die. Do you believe this?'*
-Br Michael Moore OMI

Sing & Praise



With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption



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An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Donations and name are accepted for Easter Memorial Flowers. Please, submit printed name and donations, using your monthly envelopes or you could also use your own envelopes and then mail it to the church or you could drop it in the mailbox of the rectory. Thanks



Partners in Charity

If you have not yet made a give or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope, visit www.parnter-charity.net. Thank you!

Happening at St. Francis of Assisi

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Tuesday, March 31st Postponed until further notice

Wednesday, April 1st Postponed until further notice

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Friday, April 3rd Food Pantry...church(drive-thru) Parking lot in the church. ...12:30PM _ 2PM.

Saturday, April 4th Postponed until further notice

1230AM, 970AM & 101.1FM EMMANUEL RADIO SPRING PLEDGE DRIVE CALL TO ACTION

Due to the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic Emmanuel Catholic Radio's major fundraiser, the Spring Pledge Drive, did not take place March 25-27. The demand for Emmanuel Radio has increased exponentially during this world-wide crisis while our critical funds from the pledge drive have evaporated. Please help us keep this important ministry coming to you during this devastating pandemic. The sick, elderly, lonely and the entire Diocese of Worcester are counting on us for the Daily Mass, Holy Rosary, diocesan announcements, Coronavirus updates, and so much more. Your tax-deductible donation will keep us on the air serving all local diocesan parishes/Catholic schools and organizations & charities. To donate/pledge, call (774) 222-2566; visit 1230radio.com; or mail your donation to Emmanuel Radio, P.O. Box 20027, Worcester, Ma 01602. Stay safe and God bless.

Also, you can access the Daily Mass on Emmanuel Radio seven days a week these easy ways:

- 1) Tune in at 8am EST daily on 1230AM, 970AM or 101.1FM on your radio dial;
- 2) Stream the 8am Daily Mass live at <https://streamdb3web.securenetsystems.net/v5/1230WNEB>
- 3) Watch the Daily Mass on Facebook/1230AM Emmanuel Radio <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/daily-readings>

I am praying for you. Keep the faith!

Jesús, la resurrección y la vida



El próximo domingo es el Domingo de Ramos o de la Pasión, el comienzo de la Semana Santa cuando recordamos y participamos en la última semana de la vida terrenal de Jesús. Por lo tanto, puede parecer un poco prematuro hablar de Resurrección y vida nueva. El

Evangelio de hoy, que es muy largo, nos cuenta acerca de Marta, María, su hermano Lázaro, buenos amigos Jesús. Como recordamos, Lázaro ha muerto y ya ha sido enterrado. Jesús se entera de esto, pero se toma su tiempo para visitar a sus afligidas hermanas. Cuando Jesús llega, Marta va a su encuentro y no está contenta con él. Ella le dice; "Si hubieras estado aquí, mi hermano no habría muerto". Jesús le responde diciendo: "Tu hermano se levantará de nuevo". Su respuesta fue honesta y llena de fe; "Sé que resucitará en la Resurrección el último día". Jesús lleva esta conversación difícil y dolorosa por completo a otro nivel; 'Yo Soy la Resurrección y la Vida. Si alguien cree en mí, aunque haya muerto, vivirá; Quien vive y cree en mí, nunca morirá. ¿Cree tú esto?'

Tal vez cuando se acerca el final de nuestro viaje de Cuaresma y nos preparamos para celebrar la Pasión y Resurrección de Jesús, este Evangelio y las palabras de Jesús nos ofrecen un aliento y una esperanza muy alentadores. La cruz y el crucifijo son fundamentales para el arte cristiano, la adoración, la oración y para la devoción. Pero tenemos que recordarnos a nosotros mismos que no debemos quedarnos en la cruz. El dolor de la cruz nos lleva a la alegría de la Resurrección. Es a través de la Vida, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesús que se nos ofrece una nueva forma de vivir nuestra vida diaria y el don de una vida nueva y eterna.

Las palabras de aliento y esperanza que Jesús ofrece a Marta, nos las ofrece personalmente a cada uno de nosotros en esta etapa de nuestro viaje de Cuaresma. Él nos dice a ti y a mí hoy mismo: "Soy la Resurrección y la Vida. Si alguien cree en mí, aunque muera, vivirá; Quien vive y cree en mí, nunca morirá. ¿Crees esto?" Hoy y durante los próximos días, podría ser bueno que nosotros meditemos estas palabras y particularmente la pregunta que Jesús nos hace; '¿Crees (en realidad) esto?'

Como todos sabemos, estos días no son normales. En nuestro viaje con serias restricciones y para asociarnos con otros, podríamos sentirnos solos o aislados; pero no lo estamos. A través de nuestra fe, esperanza y oración, estamos profundamente conectados entre nosotros y con Jesús. Al comienzo de la Cuaresma, Jesús nos pidió que nos quedáramos con El; Ahora, hoy y todos los días, debemos pedirle a Jesús quien sea el que se quede con nosotros. Jesús está a punto de experimentar su tiempo de sufrimiento y dolor. Para muchos de nosotros, también experimentamos miedo e incertidumbre de una manera que nunca antes habíamos experimentado. Este es nuestro

Saint Francis of Assisi

Domingo de Pasión de una manera muy real y personal; como familias, comunidades y, de hecho, de países enteros. En estos días tan desafiantes, no perdamos la esperanza o la fe en Jesús, en nosotros y en los demás. ¿Podemos, de alguna manera, hoy escuchar estas palabras de Jesús que nos hablan personalmente a cada uno de nosotros? 'Yo Soy la Resurrección y la Vida. Si alguien cree en mí, aunque muera, vivirá; Quien vive y cree en mí, nunca morirá.' ¿Tú cree esto?
-Br Michael Moore OMI

Comunión Espiritual

*Creo, Jesús mío, que estás real y verdaderamente en el cielo y en el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar Te amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo ardientemente recibirte dentro de mi alma; pero ya que no puedo hacerlo ahora sacramentalmente, ven al menos espiritualmente a mi corazón
Y ahora, como si ya te hubiera recibido, me uno y me abrazo todo a ti
No permitas, Señor, que jamás me separe de ti
Amén*

UNA ORACIÓN EN TIEMPO DE PANDEMIA

Oh Dios, cuyo Hijo Unigénito soportó el peso del sufrimiento humano para nuestra salvación, escucha las oraciones de tu Iglesia por nuestros hermanos y hermanas enfermos y líbranos de este tiempo de prueba. Abre nuestros oídos y nuestros corazones a la voz de tu Hijo: No tengas miedo, porque siempre estoy contigo. Bendice a todos los médicos y enfermeras, investigadores y servidores públicos; danos la sabiduría para hacer lo correcto y la fe para soportar esta hora, para que podamos reunirnos una vez más para alabar tu nombre en el corazón de tu Iglesia, liberados de toda angustia y confiados en tu misericordia. Por Cristo nuestro Señor. Amén.

Atención: Misas privadas celebradas por el Padre. Matos

El Padre Ángel Matos, Pastor de St. Francis celebrará misas privadas diariamente con intenciones mencionadas en el boletín.

Queremos que todos se mantengan seguros, mantengan a los demás y a nuestro mundo en sus oraciones durante este momento desafiante.

March 28th - April 5th, 2020

Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana

Daily Scripture Readings

Lunes, 30 de marzo//Monday, March 30

Daniel 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62

Salmo//Psalm 23:1-6

San Juan//John 8:1-11

Martes,

31 de marzo//Tuesday, March 31

Números/Numbers 21:4-9

Salmo//Psalm 102:2-3,16-21

San Juan//John 8:21-30

Miércoles, 01 de abril// Wednesday, April 01

Daniels 3:14-20,91-92,95

Daniels

3:52-56

San Juan//John

8:31-42

Jueves, 02 de abril

// Thursday, April 02

Génesis//Genesis 17:3-9

Salmo//Psalm 105:4-9

San Juan//John 8:51-59

Viernes,

03 de abril// Friday, April 03

Jeremías//Jeremiah 20:10-13

Salmo//Psalm 18:2-7

San Juan//John 10:31-42

Sábado, 04 de abril // Saturday, April 04

Ezequiel//Ezekiel 37:21-28

Jeremías//Jeremiah 31:10-13

San Juan//John 11:45-56

Domingo, 05 de abril // Sunday, April 05

Palm Sunday

Isaías//Isaiah 50:4-7

Salmo//Psalm

22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24

Filipenses//Philippians 2:6-11

San Mateo//Matthew 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

NOTICIAS DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA



Todas las clases de educación religiosa se cancelan hasta nuevo aviso según la diócesis de Worcester.

Partner in Charity



Si aún no ha hecho una donación o compromiso, complete un sobre de Partner in Charity.
¡Gracias!