

**Mass Intentions for the week**

**NOTE:** No Mass on Thursday

**Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**

**4:00PM** † Alfred Landry....by Mr. & Mrs. Alphonse Pagnotto

**Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00AM**† José Arizmendi...por Jesús M. Arizmendi Nogueras

**Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00AM** † P. Augustus & Theresa Desmond...by Pat Krysiak

**Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00PM** † Rita Gastonguay...by Ray Gastonguay

**6:00PM** †

**Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00AM** † Marie Laure Rivard...by M. P. Rivard & family

**Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00AM --NO MASS**

**Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00PM**† William & Eleanor Desmond...by Pat Krysiak †

**Lucie Genzy (15 Ann) ...by Maureen & Merrill**

**Saturday,**

**July 18<sup>th</sup>**

**4:00PM** † Louise Morin....by Georgette Morin

**Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00AM**† Joaquin Calvillo (12 Ann)....Por Javier Calvillo



The Blessed Sacrament lamp is lit for all parishioners

Our Blessed Mother lamp is lit for all souls purgatory.

A candle to St. Francis of Assisi is lit for our Catholic religious freedom week.

**In Loving Remembrance**

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

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**Parish Support July 4-5**

Offertory: \$ 2,111  
Maintenance: \$207  
Fuel: \$ 52



Total: \$ 2,380

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

**2020 PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL**



Generate Joy  
What an inspiration it is for all us to know that when we support the Annual Partners in Charity Appeal, we generate joy in the lives of those served by our many agencies and ministries. And you, in turn, where in the joy of bringing hope into the lives of those we serve. It is why I offer my thanks to God for the prayers and support of the generous people of the Diocese Worcester." The world calls for and expects from us simplicity of life, the spirit of prayer, charity towards all, especially towards the lowly and poor, obedience and humility...."  
The Goal for St. Francis Parish is \$20,000. So far, we Collected 85% of our goal (Thank you those parishioners who already contribute). Please, help us make St. Francis of Assisi goal of \$20,000.



"Share Your Table with Love"  
The needs for our St. Vincent de Paul food Pantry for the month July 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\*\***

**Happening at St. Francis Parish- Phrase One Mass Schedules**

Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> – 8 A M. English Mass  
Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – 8 AM English Mass & 6PM Spanish  
Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> - 8 AM English Mass  
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This Sunday the first reading from the Prophet Isaiah

speaks about the power of God's Word. The Word of God rains down from the heavens and will not return until it has succeeded in what it was sent to do. In the gospel Jesus continues this message by telling his followers and us today the powerful parable of the sower and seed. The farmer sows his seed.

According to where it fell and how it took root, some of it died, withered and produced no fruit crop. Other seeds fell on rich, deep and fertile soil and produced a bumper crop.

We know that through this parable Jesus is talking about and describing himself. The sower and seed is Jesus himself, the Word. He is the Word that has come down from heaven and he will not return until he has succeeded in what he was sent to do. The soil into which the seeds are sown are our daily lives. At times the words that Jesus speaks to us literally falls on deaf ears. We hear these powerful and challenging from Jesus, but perhaps because of fear, we are reluctant to let them take root in our lives. But there are also times when we hear and welcome the words that Jesus speaks to us. We allow them to be sown in us, they take root, we nourish and nurture them and they produce fruit that can be seen in the quality of our daily lives.

Generally, we hear the word of God proclaimed when we gather as part of the parish community on a Sunday. Hopefully through the hymns, the readings and the gospel and the homily we hear a word that nourishes, nurtures and challenges us as we strive to live the Christian life. The real challenge is how we take that word away from the church after mass and live it our daily lives with and for others in our families, parish community and neighborhoods. In his letter to the Hebrews, St. Paul wrote that 'the word of God is alive and active'. This is as challenging now as when it was first written and read. It is a relevant now to us as to those who first heard it. The Word of God is alive and active, not out there somewhere, but in you and me, in all of us. May this word take root in us and bear much fruit, fruit that will last.

Michael Moore OMI

# Sing & Praise



*The seed that falls on Good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.*

*La semilla cayó en tierra buena y dio fruto.*



### *In Loving Remembrance*

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### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI RAFFLE TICKETS



## FUNDRAISER RAFFLE

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$ 2,500
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$1,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$ 500
- 4<sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 250
- 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, & 7<sup>th</sup> Prize \$ 100

*Although we are going through this difficult time, we continuing with the annual raffle. If you are interested in a book of raffle tickets or if you need more information, contact the Rectory, María Paulino or Awilda Martínez. If someone already has tickets sold, contact Awilda, Maria, or call the rectory.*

***The draw will be held on August 9, 2020.***

## **The Church Building -Phrase 3**

**Daily Mass Chapels** -The use of smaller “daily Mass” chapels should be suspended with all liturgies taking place in the main church.

**Holy Water** - All standing Holy Water should be removed from all fonts. Small individual bottles of Holy Water might be appropriately provided for parishioners or Holy Water may be made available in larger closed containers, from which the faithful might draw a personal supply. All water fountains should be turned off.

**Hymnals and Missalettes**- Hymnals and Missalettes will be removed from the church and stored for possible future use. Only “one-time use” worship aids may be used and should be disposed of after one use. The faithful may also be reminded of online sources for the daily readings, etc. which may be accessed on their cell phone.

**Marking the Floor**, the floor will be marked with removable tape at six-foot intervals approaching all communion stations and approaching all rest rooms.

**Cleaning**- Pew backs and surfaces in bathrooms will be disinfected after every Mass. Door handles and other surfaces should be disinfected daily. Gloves should be used when cleaning and emptying trash receptacles. Further guidance has been provided by the CDC. 5

People arriving at

**People arriving at Church** Masks and Social Distancing All members of the congregation should be masked and required to observe a minimum of a six-foot social distance. Liturgical ministers are not masked, except for the isolated instances noted below.

**Seating**- In order to promote social distancing, people should be seated at least six feet apart in every-every-another pew.

**Collection**- Instead of passing collection baskets, parishioners should be directed to place their donations in conveniently located standing baskets, from which gloved ushers may transfer the money to drop-safe. The donations should be quarantined for three days before counting in order to assure that any trace of the virus has been neutralized.



Este domingo la primera lectura del profeta Isaías habla sobre el poder de la

Palabra de Dios. La Palabra de Dios llueve desde los cielos y no volverá hasta que haya tenido éxito para lo que fue enviado a hacer. En el Evangelio, Jesús continúa este mensaje diciéndole a sus seguidores y hoy a nosotros la poderosa parábola del sembrador y la semilla. El agricultor siembra su semilla. Según dónde cayó y cómo echó raíces, parte de ella murió, se marchitó y no produjo ningún cultivo de fruta. Otras semillas cayeron sobre suelos ricos, profundos y fértiles y produjeron una gran cosecha.

Sabemos que a través de esta parábola Jesús está hablando y describiéndose a sí mismo. El sembrador y la semilla es Jesús mismo, la Palabra. Él es la Palabra que ha bajado del cielo y no volverá hasta que haya tenido éxito en lo que fue enviado a hacer. El suelo en el que se siembran las semillas es nuestra vida cotidiana. A veces las palabras que Jesús nos habla, literalmente caen en oídos sordos. Escuchamos las palabras poderosas y desafiantes de Jesús, pero tal vez debido al miedo, somos reacios a dejarlos echar raíces en nuestras vidas. Pero también hay momentos en que escuchamos y damos la bienvenida a las palabras que Jesús nos habla. Les permitimos sean sembrada en nosotros, echan raíces, alimentadas y cuidadas y producen frutos que se pueden ver en la calidad de nuestra vida diaria.

En general, escuchamos la palabra de Dios proclamada cuando nos reunimos como parte de la comunidad parroquial el domingo. Con suerte, a través de los himnos, las lecturas, el Evangelio y la homilía, escuchamos una palabra que nos nutre y nos desafía mientras nos esforzamos por vivir la vida cristiana. El verdadero desafío es cómo nos llevamos después de la misa esa palabra de la iglesia y la vivimos en nuestra vida diaria con y para otros en nuestras familias, comunidad parroquial y vecindario.

En su carta a los Hebreos, San Pablo escribió que ‘la palabra de Dios es viva y activa’. Esto es un reto ahora como cuando fue escrito. Ahora es relevante para nosotros en cuanto a aquellos que lo escucharon por primera vez. La Palabra de Dios está viva y activa, no en algún lugar, sino en ti y en mí, en todos nosotros. Que esta palabra eche raíces en nosotros y dé mucho fruto, fruto que perdure.

Michael Moore OMI

**Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana**

**Daily Scripture Readings**

**July 13, 2020**

Isaiah 1:10-17  
 Salmo//Psalm 50:8-9,16BC-17,21,23  
 San Mateo//Matthew 10:34-11:1

**July 14, 2020**

Isaiah 7:1-9  
 Salmo//Psalm 48:2-3A,3B-4,5-6,7-8  
 San Mateo//Matthew 11:20-24

**July 15, 2020**

Isaiah 10:5-7,13B-16  
 Salmo//Psalm 94:5-10,14-15  
 San Mateo//Matthew 11:25-27

**July 16, 2020**

Isaiah 26:7-9,12,16-19  
 Salmo//Psalm 102 13: -14AB,15-21  
 San Mateo//Matthew 11:28-30

**July 17, 2020**

Isaiah 38:1-6,21-22,7-8  
 Isaiah 38:10-11,12ABCD,16  
 San Mateo//Matthew 12:1-8

**July, 18, 2020**

Micah//Miqueas 2:1-5  
 Salmo//Psalm 10:1-14  
 San Marcos/ Mark 12:14-21

**Sunday, July 19, 2020**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wisdom//Sabiduría 12<sup>o</sup>13,16-19  
 Psalm//Salmo 86:5-6,9-10,15-16  
 Roman 8:26-27  
 San Marcos/ Mark 13:24-43

**ORACION EN TIEMPO DE PANDEMIA**

*Oh Dios, cuyo Hijo único cargó con el sufrimiento de toda la humanidad por nuestra salvación, escucha las oraciones de tu Iglesia por nuestros hermanos y hermanas enfermos y auxilianos en esta hora de angustia.*

*Abre nuestros oídos y nuestros corazones para escuchar la voz de tu Hijo: “No tengan miedo, estoy con ustedes siempre.”*

*Bendice a todos los doctores y enfermeras, investigadores y servidores públicos; Danos la sabiduría para hacer lo correcto y la fe necesaria para vivir este momento; Que nos volvamos a reunir una vez más para bendecir tu nombre en el corazón de la Iglesia, libres ya de toda ansiedad y confiados en tu misericordia. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo. Amen*

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

**DRIVE-THRU**

**FUNDRAISER**

**ONLY**

**\$5 & \$1**



**Drive-Thru  
Fundraiser +**

**August 30<sup>th</sup>**

**12PM – 3PM**

**FOOD FUNDRAISER**

*St. Francis of Assisi church Parking lot.*

*63 Sheridan Street, Fitchburg, MA*

*Our Annual fundraiser festival August 9<sup>th</sup> is canceled due to Covid -19 protocols but we will be*

*having a takeout Pre order fundraiser*

*We will be selling food tickets after Mass starting Saturday, July 12.*

*Annual Raffle tickets August 30<sup>th</sup> at 3PM.*

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*Aunque estemos pasando esta triste situación, Vamos a continuar con las rifas. Si alguien está interesado en un libro de boleto de rifa o necesita más información, comuníquese con Rectoría, María Paulino o Awilda Martínez para obtener más información. Si alguien ya tiene boletos vendidos, comuníquese con Awilda, María o llame a la rectoría.*

*El sorteo se realizará el 9 de agosto de 2020.*

**Misa de la semana**

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