

Mass Intentions for the week

NOTE: No Mass on Thursday

Saturday, December 19th

4:00PM †Albert & Rita & Tyler Dupris.

Sunday, December 20th

11:00AM † † Lydia Ortiz... Mary Guzmán
† Jesé Benjamín Bueno Pénalo. by his sister

Monday, December 21st

8:00AM † Alphonse's Parents... by Evelyn Pagnotto
† Therese Marble... by Donald Marble

Tuesday, December 22nd

8:00PM †Evelyn's Parents by Evelyn Pagnotto
6:00PM †

Wednesday, December 23rd

8:00AM † Louise Morin ... by Pat Krysiak
6:00 PM †

Thursday, December 24th

4:00 PM † Anthony Barbero... by Biglow Fam.
6:00 PM † Celyn Cruz (16th B-day) ... por su abuela

Friday, December 25th

8:00 AM † Noel Gastonguay... by his son
11:00 AM † Ernestina Colon y Edgardo Torres... by Carmen Torres (Millie)

Saturday, December 26th

4:00PM † Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Landry... Mr. & Mrs. Alphonse Pagnotto

Sunday, December 27th

11:00AM † Lydia Ortiz... Mary Guzmán
† Jesé Benjamín Bueno Pénalo. by his sister.



The Blessed Sacrament lamp is lit for all soul purgatory.

Our Blessed Mother lamp is lit to all the Priest and nuns.

A candle to St. Francis of Assisi is lit for all the parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi.

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 December 11-12

Offertory: \$ 3,418

Total: \$ 3,418 Thank you!

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



December 19th - Advent Retreat for all the students of CCD.

NO Classes December 20th -25th

& 27th - December 2nd. Christmas and New year's break.

FUELFUND

Winter is Here! We encourage

you to our fuel fund. We are in need of your generosity gift to help us defray our oil bills. Thank you!



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



May GOD's blessings come to you a Thousand fold; May the Love in your Heart never get old; and may you find treasures more precious than gold.

Have a and a Blessed Christmas Happy New Year to You and Your Family.



*Letter from Bishop McManus
Christmas 2020*

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
As Advent gives way to Christmas, we find ourselves
in a continued state of waiting, longing and
expectation for a promised vaccine. How our world
has changed in a year!

Last Christmas, none of us had heard of COVID-19.
Since then, our lives, jobs, recreation and worship
have been shaped by it. COVID precautions have led
to COVID-fatigue as we long for a return to normal
life.

Anxious waiting and expectation for the vaccine
marks and impacts our celebrations. Gatherings in
church and at home will be smaller, travel truncated,
carols fewer, precautions increased and parties
cancelled.

But Christmas is not cancelled. Our way of
celebrating has changed, but our reason for
celebrating remains the same. While the world
awaits the arrival of a vaccine, we celebrate the
arrival of the world's Savior.

We hope for a vaccine that for a time will ward off
illness and death. The Divine Savior whose birth we
celebrate gives us resurrection and reunion. We pray
the vaccine will restore normal life on earth. The
grace Christ offers promises eternal life in Heaven.
For two millennia Christians throughout the world
have celebrated Christ's birth. Many of these
Christmases have been marked by famine, plagues
and wars. Through those hardships and others,
Christians have found in Christ the strength, hope and
joy to persevere, endure and triumph over all of life's
uncertainties.

As we wait for the vaccine to come, let us rejoice,
give thanks and find peace in the Savior who has
already come, defeated sin and death and will come
again to share His definitive triumph of eternal life.
With every prayerful best wish for a Blessed and

Merry Christmas, I remain
Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

Sing & Praise



*Forever I will sing the goodness of the
Lord.*



*Cantaré, Cantaré eternamente las
misericordia del Señor.*

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peace. AMEN.*



Safe Environment

*Our Parish follows the guidelines of our
Diocese of Worcester "Protecting God
Children" Policies. Any questions or
Concerns, please call the victim service
coordinator from the Diocese of Worcester Judith
Audette, (508) 929-4363.*

Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule



***Thursday, December 24th – 4PM English Mass &
6PM Spanish.***

***Friday, December 25th - 8 AM English & 11AM
Spanish.***

***Thursday, December 31st – 4PM English & 6 PM
Spanish.***

***Friday, January 1st – 8 AM English & 11AM
Spanish***

*Please make sure you let us know which Mass you
are attending. Our Church capacity is only 134
people.*

*Carta de nuestro Obispo Robert
McManus*

Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

A medida que el Adviento da paso a la Navidad, nos encontramos en un estado continuo de espera, anhelo y expectativa por la vacuna prometida. ¡Cómo ha cambiado nuestro mundo en un año!

La Navidad pasada, ninguno de nosotros había oído hablar de COVID-19. Desde entonces, nuestras vidas, trabajos, recreación y adoración han sido moldeados por él. Las precauciones de COVID han provocado fatiga por COVID ya que anhelamos volver a la vida normal.

Espera ansiosa y expectativa por la marca de la vacuna e impacta nuestras celebraciones. Las reuniones en la iglesia y en el hogar serán más pequeñas, los viajes se truncarán, los villancicos menos, las precauciones aumentarán y las fiestas se cancelarán.

Pero la Navidad no se cancela. Nuestra forma de celebrar ha cambiado, pero nuestro motivo de celebración sigue siendo el mismo. Mientras el mundo espera la llegada de una vacuna, celebramos la llegada del Salvador del mundo.

Esperamos una vacuna que por un tiempo evite la enfermedad y la muerte. El Divino Salvador cuyo nacimiento celebramos nos da resurrección y reunión. Oramos para que la vacuna restaure la vida normal en la tierra. La gracia que ofrece Cristo promete vida eterna en el cielo.

Durante dos milenios, los cristianos de todo el mundo han celebrado el nacimiento de Cristo. Muchas de estas Navidades han estado marcadas por hambrunas, plagas y guerras. A través de esas dificultades y otras, los cristianos han encontrado en Cristo la fuerza, la esperanza y el gozo para perseverar, resistir y triunfar sobre todas las incertidumbres de la vida.

Mientras esperamos la llegada de la vacuna, regocijémonos, demos gracias y encontremos la paz en el Salvador que ya vino, venció al pecado y a la muerte y vendrá de nuevo para compartir su triunfo definitivo de la vida eterna.

Con cada mejor deseo de oración por una feliz y bendecida Navidad, me quedo

Sinceramente tuyo en Cristo,

*Reverendísimo Robert J. McManus
Obispo de Worcester*

Legacy of Hope Update PARISH GOAL: \$147,675



*We Are Now in The
Commitment Phase of The
Campaign Here at The
Cathedral and Need Every*

*Parish Family to Make Their Pledge. The Key To
Our Success Is **100% Participation.***

*Our Needs With the funds raised through the
Legacy of Hope Campaign, St. Francis of Assisi
parish will address the following: Update our
kitchen to serve safe certification specifications.
Establish a fund for ongoing parish maintenance
needs (i.e. repairing the church windows and
repair the front steps of the church) Keep in Mind
1. Your tax-deductible pledge can be made over 48
months 2. Completed pledge cards can be placed in
the offertory basket or mailed in 3. Pray for our
community to come together to make this a
successful campaign!*

*Thank you for your continued support to St.
Francis of Assisi and the Diocese of Worcester!*

**To learn more or make your gift,
VISIT OUR CAMPAIGN WEBSITE AT WWW.
LEGACYOFHOPE. WORCESTERDIOCESE.
ORG.**

Prayer in time of Pandemic

*Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and
villages "curing every disease and illness." At your
command, the sick was made well. Come to our aid
now, in the midst of the global spread of the
coronavirus, that we may experience your healing
love.*

*Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they
regain their strength and health through quality
medical care.*

**Fourth Sunday of Advent- Worcester Diocese
Fourth Sunday of Advent**

*"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" (Luke 1:28) After
Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life
was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live
with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects
the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary,
we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our
gratitude and generosity.*

4º Domingo de Adviento

“¡Salve, llena eres de gracia, el Señor es contigo!”.
(LUCAS 1:28) Después de Jesús, miramos a María como una administradora ideal. Toda su vida la vivió en obediencia al llamado de Dios. María nos enseña a vivir con alegría por todo lo que se nos ha dado. Así como la luna refleja la luz del sol, María refleja la luz de Cristo. Como María, estamos llamados a reflejar la luz de Cristo al mundo a través de nuestra gratitud y generosidad.

Legado de Esperanza Meta parroquial: \$ 147,675



Ahora estamos en la fase de compromiso de la campaña aquí en San Francisco de Asís y necesitamos que cada familia parroquial haga su compromiso. **La clave de nuestro éxito es la participación al 100%**

Nuestras necesidades Con los fondos recaudados a través de la Campaña Legado de Esperanza, nuestra parroquia abordará lo siguiente: Actualice nuestra cocina para servir especificaciones de certificación seguras. Establecer un fondo para las necesidades continuas de mantenimiento de la parroquia (es decir, reparar las ventanas de la iglesia y reparar los escalones del frente de la iglesia)

Tenga en cuenta

Su compromiso deducible de impuestos se puede realizar durante 48 meses. Las tarjetas de compromiso completadas se pueden colocar en la canasta del ofertorio o enviarlas por correo

¡Ore para que **nuestras comunidades** se una para hacer que esta campaña tenga **éxito!** ¡Gracias por su continuo apoyo a San Francis de Assisi y la Diócesis de Worcester!

PARA OBTENER MÁS INFORMACIÓN O HACER SU COMPROMISO, VISITE EL SITIO WEB DE NUESTRA CAMPAÑA

WWW.LEGACYOFHOPE.WORCESTERDIOCESE.ORG



Lecturas Bíblicas de la Semana

Daily Scripture Reading

Monday, December 21, 2020

Song of songs 2:8-14

Salmo//Psalm 33:2-3,11-12,20-21

San Luke 1:39-45

Tuesday, December 22, 2020

1 Samuel 1:24-28

1 Samuel 2:1,4-7

San Luke 1:46-56

Wednesday, December 23, 2020

Malachi 3:1-4,23-24

Salmo//Psalm 25:4bc-5ab,8-10,14

San Luke: 1:57-66

Thursday December 24, 2020

2 Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12, 14a,16

Salmo//Psalm 89:2-5,27,29

San Luke 1:67-69

Friday, December 25, 2020

Isaiah 9:1-6

Salmo//Psalm 96:1-3,11-13

San Luke 2:1-14

Saturday, December 26, 2020

Acts 6:8-10

Psalm 31:3cd-4,6-8b,16bc,17

San Matthew 10:17-22

Sunday, December 27, 2020 -

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Sirach 3:2-6

Salmo//Psalm 128:1-5

Col 3:12-21

San Luke 2:22-40

**Misa de la Navidad y de
Víspera de año nuevo**

Jueves, 24 de diciembre – 4PM inglés y 6pm español.

Viernes 25 de diciembre – 8 Am inglés y 6PM español.

Jueves, December 31st – 4PM English & 6 PM Spanish.

Viernes, 1 de diciembre - 8 AM inglés y 6pm español.