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## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### **Weekends**

Saturday: 6:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 AM

### **Daily**

Mass (Tuesday & Friday): 9:00 AM

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 10:00-11:00 AM  
(At St. Augustine 3:00-3:45 PM)

### **Holy Day Masses:**

As announced

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms:** Please contact the parish office to schedule date of preparation and date of baptism.

**Marriage:** Please contact the pastor at least one year before planned date of marriage.

**Visitation or Anointing of the Sick:** Anytime. Please contact the pastor.

If you are a visitor or if you are new to our parish, we welcome you. If you would like to become a member of our parish, you may call the parish office, contact us by e-mail or return this form by mail or by placing it in the offertory collection.

This form may also be used for change of address or to request a call from a member of our staff.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

New parishioner  Change of address  Please contact me

## Linwood/Uxbridge, Massachusetts

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

- Saturday, October 17**  
**6:00 PM** Rita Cogliandro by her family  
 Mary White by her family
- Sunday, October 18**  
**9:00 AM** Eugene and Jeannette Picard by  
 Helen and family
- Tuesday, October 20**  
**9:00 AM** **MASS AT ST. AUGUSTINE**
- Friday, October 23**  
**9:00AM** Venancio & Krisencia Mosqueda by the  
 Butler family  
 Susan Campo Weiss by her mother
- Saturday, October 24**  
**6:00 PM** Leo, Margaret, and Paul Fitzpatrick  
 by Mary Fitzpatrick
- Sunday, October 25**  
**9:00 AM** Rick Bartlett and Theresa Bartlett  
 by Bruce and Christine Bartlett

**Liturgical Roles October 24 & 25**  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

- 6:00 PM** M. Fitzpatrick  
**9:00 AM** C. Guertin
- Lectors**
- 6:00 PM** M. O'Sullivan  
**9:00 AM** A. Darling
- Altar Servers**
- 6:00 PM** D. Rousseau  
**9:00 AM** C. Wilson
- Ushers**
- 6:00 PM** J. & M. Morrissey, J. Cote  
**9:00 AM** D. & M.B. Guertin, R. Poulin

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**Readings for the week of October 18, 2020**

- Sunday:** Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 [7b]/1  
 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21
- Monday:** Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5 [3b]/Lk  
 12:13-21
- Tuesday:** Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf.  
 9]/Lk 12:35-38
- Wednesday:** Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [cf. 3]/Lk  
 12:39-48
- Thursday:** Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19  
 [5b]/Lk 12:49-53
- Friday:** Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/  
 Lk 12:54-59
- Saturday:** Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/  
 Lk 13:1-9
- Next Sunday:** Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]  
 1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40



**CALENDAR**

<b>Sunday, October 18</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
	10:00 AM	R.E. Family Mtg.
<b>Tuesday, October 13</b>	9:00 AM	Mass <b>(at St. Augustine)</b>
	5:00 PM	TOPS (Parish Hall)
<b>Wednesday, October 21</b>	6:00 PM	Rosary Makers Group (St. John Paul II Rm.)
<b>Thursday, October 22</b>	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Hall)
<b>Friday, October 23</b>	9:00 AM	Mass
<b>Saturday, October 24</b>	10:00 AM	<b>NO</b> Confessions
	4:00 PM	Bible Study (Parish Hall)
	6:00 PM	Mass
<b>Sunday, October 25</b>	9:00 AM	Mass.
	10:00 AM	R.E. Gr. K-2, 6-8
	10:00 AM	R.E. Retreat Gr. 3-5

**NOTE**

**WHILE FR. VICTOR IS AWAY**

**Weekday masses will be as follows:**

**9am at St. Augustine**

**Tuesday, October 20, 27**

**9am at Good Shepherd**

**Friday, October 23, 30**

**WEEKEND MASSES WILL STAY THE SAME**

**THERE WILL BE NO CONFESSIONS DURING THIS TIME**

**Living Faith Booklets** are available for October, November and December. Stop by the rectory Monday, Wednesday or Friday to pick up or call the rectory at 508-234-7726 to make arrangements. We ask for a \$2 donation to defray the subscription cost. Thank you.

**Holiday Fair Update**

Due to the many concerns and challenges posed by COVID 19, our annual Holiday Fair will not take place this fall. We hope to be able to hold it, or a smaller version, in the spring. This is a major fundraiser for our parish. In the meantime, we are considering other ways to support our parish and also foster community spirit...the first of which is our fall raffle. The items are on display in the Mary Chapel. Tickets are 3 for \$5.



Religious Ed Classes will begin with parent meetings for students in grades Preschool – 8<sup>th</sup> grade on Sunday, October 18, 2020 at 10:00 am. There will be grade level meetings held in the Parish Center, the main Church, and in the Mary Chapel. This will be a brief 20-minute meeting that will include an overview of our curriculum this year, Pflaum Gospel Weeklies, and instructions on how to use this curriculum with your children at home. We will meet again in November before Thanksgiving to check in with parents and review the next cycle of Gospel Weeklies. In addition, our Catechist team will create videos to share with families to help with the book, *What the Church Believes and Teaches*. This is part of the same program.

Meetings: Masks are required. Seating will be assigned. Parents will be asked to sign that they received the curriculum so that we can be sure that everyone receives the materials. Thank you for your understanding.

Parish Center Library – Grades Preschool – grade 1  
(4 families)

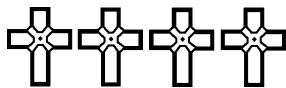
Parish Center Pope John Paul II Classroom – Grades 2-3  
(6 families)

Church – Grades 4-5 (7 families)

St. Mary Chapel – Grades 6-8 (4 families)

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**Confirmation preparation classes** will begin on Sunday, October 25 at St. Augustine's. We will offer a hybrid model. For those who are comfortable, we will meet in person from 5-7 PM. If you are not ready to join us in person, we ask you to join us virtually. An email will be sent with specific details. Please RSVP to Donna Wilson when you get the email.



**The Knights of Columbus Mumford Council #365** is hosting its Annual Essay Contest 2020. Entry forms and instructions are located in the bulletin rack inside the main doors of the church. Questions should be directed to Devin Graham, Grand Knight, at [GrandKnight365@gmail.com](mailto:GrandKnight365@gmail.com).

### SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

#### Weekend of October 10 & 11

Sunday Regular \$2864; Electronic \$1058;  
Utilities \$135; Parish Savings \$162;  
Candles \$10;  
St. A. Reimbursement \$2542.67  
**Other Income**

Number of Envelopes: 66 Thank you

*(The participation of all is very important  
and is appreciated by the whole community)*



### Food Pantry and New Day Outreach

*"...I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me."  
Matthew 26:40*

On the last full weekend of each month, we have an opportunity to respond to Jesus' call for us to help those in need. Next weekend, **October 24 & 25**, is our Food Pantry and New Day Outreach weekend.

#### Food Pantry

This month our donations will go to the **Northbridge Association of Churches Food Pantry**. Please purchase an extra item or two when you do your shopping this week and bring them to church next weekend. Just a note: Food pantries are not allowed to distribute any food items that have expired; they have to throw them away. Please check expiration dates carefully if you bring an item from your home!

#### New Day

Monies received in the Good Shepherd Church replica on the last weekend of each month are used to help individuals and families from our parish, and also to support various community causes. Your generosity each month enables us to continue to help those in need.

### **October 18, 2020 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Nobody enjoys paying taxes. Despite our displeasure in being forced to do so, we also realize that the monies generated from taxes allows governments to provide essential services for its people. Corruption really gets our goat, however. When we witness malfeasance, overspending, irresponsibility, and dishonesty in governmental spending, the grave injustices make an already unpleasant and arduous task even more difficult. The inappropriate distribution and use of hard-earned monies can leave a person quite angry and disconnected. It's bad enough the government wants something from me, now God does, too?

God is not concerned necessarily with our money, although its proper use does factor into our faith life. As the payment of secular taxes speaks of our allegiance to the government, our return to God speaks of our allegiance to God. All of creation, even the entire universe, is fashioned in the image and likeness of God. What speaks to God and has meaning and relevance to him? All of creation and indeed our very selves! God delights in us and when we present ourselves back to him, he delights even more! As the payment of secular taxes is designed to secure the equitable distribution of goods and services to all people, so is our return of ourselves to God in gratitude meant to advance God's kingdom here on earth.

When our exclusive and sincere allegiance is given to God, God can use us to set things right and straight again. The wounds of sin distort our relationship and disorder our world. By giving ourselves and all of creation back to God in gratitude, we acknowledge the proper Creator and Author of life for who He is and devote our labors exclusively to God's kingdom and the justice, peace, or order God envisions. In giving back to God all that belongs to God, we set the axis of our lives correctly and put our priorities in proper order. All of our relationships, especially with God, our brothers and sisters, and all of creation are perceived more clearly as they really are. Using, accumulating, wasting, exploiting, hoarding, and self-preservation are no longer necessary. cLPi

The Daily and Sunday TV Masses, Family Rosary and other programs produced by the Diocese will no longer be available on Charter/Spectrum Channel 193 after October 23. If you watch on a non-Spectrum cable company like Clinton or Shrewsbury, there is no change. If you watch on the internet, nothing has changed. TV Ministry is working to get on more local access stations over the next few weeks. It could mean a simple change to channel 194 in towns that have Spectrum cable. Before October 23, an updated list will be available online at [worcesterdioecese.org](http://worcesterdioecese.org) and mailed to all our Daily Mass supporters.

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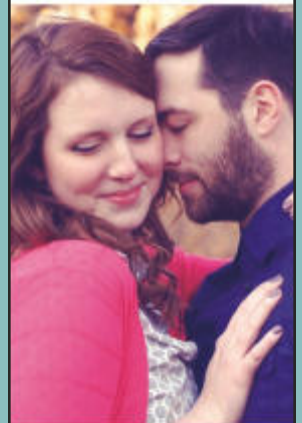
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