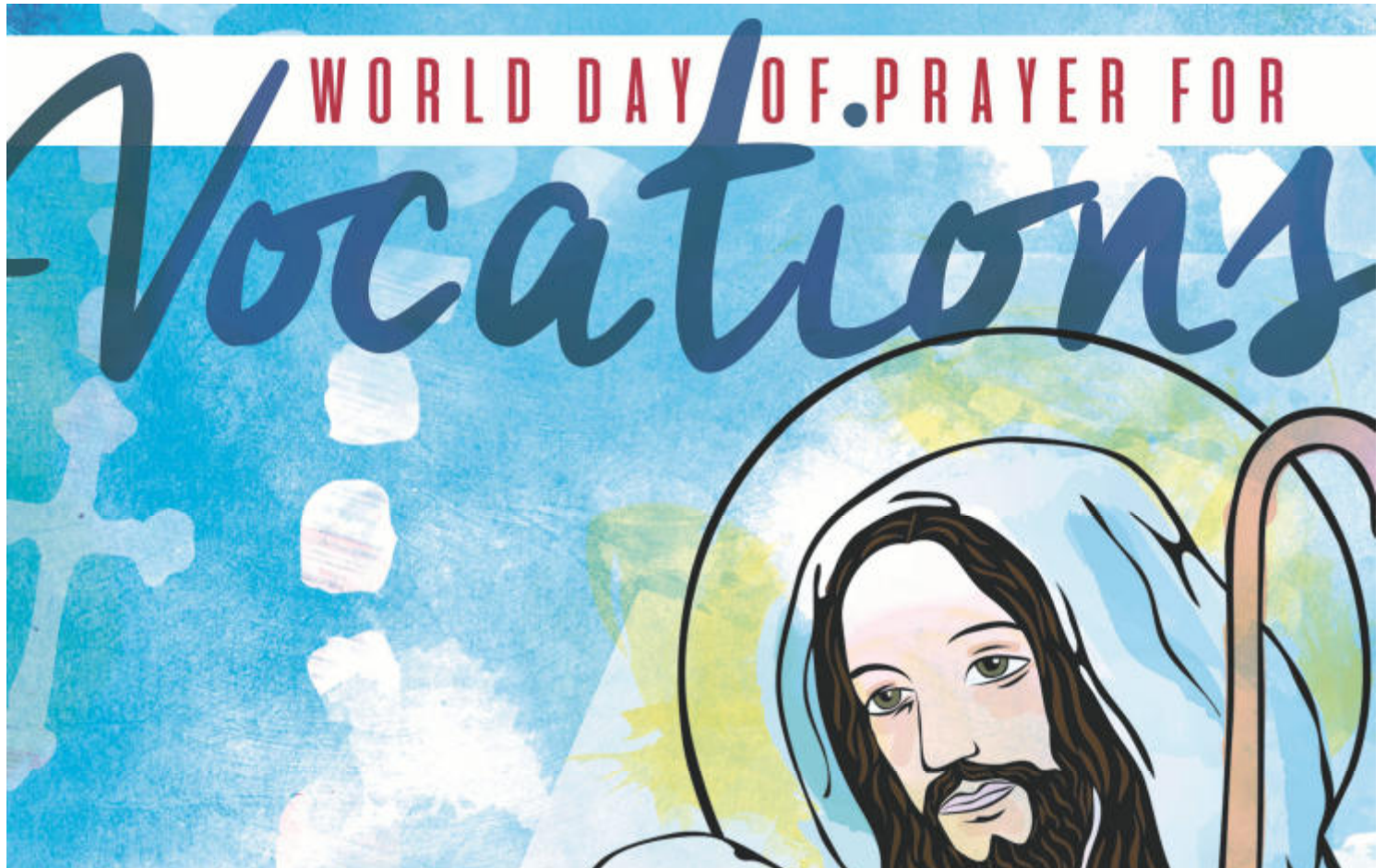


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LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

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 _____

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New parishioner Change of address Please contact me

Linwood/Uxbridge, Massachusetts

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

- Saturday, April 17**
6:00 PM Sam & Rita Cogliandro by their family
 Adrienne Landry (14 anniv.) by her family
- Sunday, April 18**
9:00 AM Peggy Gendron (birthday remembrance),
 Theresa Benjamin & Steve Walter by their families
- Tuesday, April 20**
9:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Helpers of
 the Holy Souls
- Friday, April 23**
9:00AM Antonio & Ramon Luy by the Butler family
- Saturday, April 24**
6:00 PM The People of Good Shepherd
- Sunday, April 25**
9:00 AM Daniel Manna by his family
 Stanley & Lucy Witek by their family

Liturgical Roles May 1 & 2

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 6:00 PM** M. Destrempe
9:00 AM A. Wagstaff

Lectors

- 6:00 PM** M. Landry
9:00 AM S. Desjourdy

Altar Servers

- 6:00 PM** D. Rousseau
9:00 AM A. Kay

Ushers/Greeters

- 6:00 PM** L. Carter, B. Pomfret, G. White
9:00 AM D. & MB Guertin, R. Poulin

Readings for the week of April 25, 2021

- Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29
 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18
- Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/
 Jn 10:1-10
- Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [117:1a]/
 Jn 10:22-30
- Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/
 Jn 12:44-50
- Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/
 Jn 13:16-20
- Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/
 Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/
 Jn 14:7-14
St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26—2:3 or
 Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14
 and 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 13:54-58
- Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/
 1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 18	9:00 AM	Mass
Tuesday, April 20	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Mass TOPS (Church Hall)
Wednesday, April 21	6:00 PM	Rosary Makers (Church Hall)
Thursday, April 22	7:00 PM	Bible Study (Church Hall)
Friday, April 23	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday, April 24	10:00 AM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Confessions (Church) Bible Study (Church Hall) Mass
Sunday, April 25	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Mass First Communion Prep (Church)

Star of Bethlehem

Maysoon Khair will be here this weekend representing the school of Joy for slow learner children and over a hundred Christian families who make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved olive wood religious articles.

After all masses there will be a display of these beautiful hand carved items; such as nativity scenes, crucifix, rosaries, last supper and many other beautiful religious statues.

Please stop by and look over the carvings that are available and help support this self-help project to keep the Children and the Christians living in the Holy Land.

Thank you and God Bless you.

Rosary Makers



The Rosary Makers group will meet Wednesday, April 21 at 6:00 pm in the Church hall.



4th Sunday of Easter

Any builder worth his or her salt knows the value and importance of a cornerstone. Properly laying and securing this primary unit determines how the rest of the project unfolds and its success. Cornerstones are necessary elements not only of buildings but of lives as well. Many human beings conduct the business of their lives paying little attention to a grounding reference or starting point. Hence, what unfolds is a tapestry of relativism, with few anchors or guideposts and many impulsive choices. Some consider love to be their cornerstone. While this may sound attractive and useful, the pursuit of love without a simultaneous pursuit of its source can be shallow and self-focused. Just because a person chooses to do no harm and love others does not mean that they are living in truth and properly anchored to the real cornerstone.

Jesus is the true and authentic cornerstone and shepherd. It is only in following the Risen One as the way, the truth, and the life that we can move from being well grounded ethical people to properly focused moral ones. Proper conduct, a true sense of justice, wisdom, virtue, moral principles, faith, hope, and love will be difficult to find unless we listen to the right Voice. It is when we learn to listen to the voice of God that we begin our journey on the road to salvation. It is only the Good Shepherd, the authentic and solid cornerstone, who can guide us through life's questions and challenges and bring us to the safe and proper pasture.

A person's life only has meaning when the cornerstone is properly selected and set. Understanding themselves only as random acts of creation, existing without intent or purpose, will color their choices and influence their decisions. The foundation of their lives will be simply a matter of preference and choice, leaving benchmarks of growth and higher ideals optional to pursue. Whereas people who believe that they are fashioned and loved into existence by a God who purposely made them, have this incredible unconditional relationship at their source which has tremendous significance. Their allegiance is not to themselves but to their Creator. Life, then, is an adventure in search of this Creator God and a journey of self-discovery that seeks to unite their will to His. There is a cost. We have to give up our life in order to gain our life. As ironic as that sounds, it is true. It is only when we finally figure this out that the true cornerstone of our lives will be properly laid and we can, with God's help, get about the business of properly constructing a temple that endures.

The Lighter Side**A Good Sermon**

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible.
— George Burns

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS**Weekend of April 17 & 18**

Regular \$1869; Electronic \$473; Utilities \$75;
Parish Savings \$95; Easter Flowers \$20; Candles \$10;
Easter \$80; Living Faith Booklets \$1;

Total Envelopes: 56
Thank you!

**First Eucharist Preparation****April 25 at Good Shepherd****10:00 am—10:45 am****in the Church****First Eucharist will be held on
Sunday, May 8, 2021 at 11:00 am****Confirmation Preparation****April 25 at St. Augustine at 5:00 pm**

**Confirmation I students must attend class 5-6pm.
Parents may pick up their student at 6pm.**

**Confirmation II students must attend class 5-6pm. A parent
or sponsor must attend with the student for Rehearsal and
Reconciliation service from 6-7pm. This is a requirement of
the Diocese.**

2021 Knights of Columbus Senior Scholarship

For more than 10 years, the Knights of Columbus Council 365 has awarded qualified High School Seniors scholarships for university, college and secondary education. Last year eight students were awarded a \$500 scholarship for educational expenses. To be eligible, you need to be a member, or have an eligible relative (father, grandfather, uncle or deceased family member) of Knights of Columbus Council 365 to sponsor your application, which can be found at our website: www.kofc365.org. The deadline for submission of applications has been extended to May 1, 2021.

Not a member of the Knights of Columbus, that problem can be solved. Just view our website and leave a request to join our membership. We'll contact you with the necessary paperwork to start the initiation process right away.

Northbridge Association of Churches

The Northbridge Association of Churches (NAC) are expanding their hours to be open the last Saturday of each month from 10am-Noon. The next Saturday opening will be April 24. The NAC can always use volunteers as well, so please let Lois Holmes at loisholmes@yahoo.com know if you are willing to serve on any of our open days. Current weekly hours remain the same, Tuesday 10am-Noon and Thursday 1pm-3pm.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. @nbsp; Give your marriage new life by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on
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