



Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor
and you will have treasure in heaven;

***then come,
follow me.***

Mark 10:21

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

4:00 PM (Sat. Vigil),
7:30 AM & 10:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday -Thursday: 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 2:45 PM – 3:30 PM
(Or by appointment)

ADORATION:

Holy Hour for Priests on Second Friday 7:00 PM

WELCOME!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., no matter what your own self-image, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here.

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

October 10, 2021

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Oct 9: 4:00 PM	Vigil 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun, Oct 10: 7:30 AM	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time +Mike Glavickas, 26th Anniversary, from Family
10:00 AM	+Walter Lalone, 3rd Anniversary, from Family
Mon, Oct 11: 9:00 AM	
Tues, Oct 12: 9:00 AM	
Wed, Oct 13: 9:00 AM	
Thur, Oct 14: 9:00 AM	
Sat, Oct 16: 4:00 PM	Vigil 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time +Anna M. Duffy and +Robert W. Duffy, from Family
Sun, Oct 17: 7:30 AM	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 AM	+Robert Remillard, 12th Anniversary, from Family

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH**INFANT BAPTISM**

Celebrated on Saturdays at 2:00 pm or Sundays at 11:30 am.
Contact the church office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

From grades Pre-K to 11. Contact our Religious Ed.
Administrator Mary Sycks at 508-868-8119.

RCIA

For adults seeking full admission into the Church through
Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist. Please call the Church
Office for registration which takes place during the month of
September.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

For Catholics who received first communion but have not yet
been confirmed a diocesan-wide adult (18 or older) Confir-
mation celebration is offered every year in February at the
Cathedral of St. Paul in Worcester. If interested, please
contact the Church office.

HOLY ORDERS

If interested in learning more about the Permanent Diaconate
please contact the director of this program Deacon William
Bilow at 508-929-4335. For information about entering the
Priesthood, contact our Vocation Director Rev. Donato
Infante at 508-630-4473.

HOLY MATRIMONY

Contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

ANointing OF THE SICK & COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home,
is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home. If there is an
urgent need for this sacrament, dial the emergency extension.

THIS SUNDAY'S WORD

In Sunday's First Reading, Solomon prays for pru-
dence and wisdom. He expresses his gratitude for
how all good things in life "together came to me in
(Wisdom's) company."

Can you remember the last time you prayed specifi-
cally for prudence and wisdom? Prudence is general-
ly taken to mean cautiousness, foresight. But in theol-
ogy, prudence is like the charioteer of the virtues. It
guides and directs the other virtues in a right direc-
tion. Its function is to point out which course of ac-
tion is to be taken in any concrete circumstance. For
example, without prudence bravery becomes foolhar-
diness, mercy sinks into weakness, and temperance
into fanaticism.

Wisdom does not mean knowledge. I can know all
there is to know but still not be a wise person. The
virtue of wisdom helps us to take what we know, and
use it for the greater good. Henry David Thoreau said
that "It is a characteristics of wisdom not to do des-
perate things." This particular definition certainly can
help us to see how prudence and wisdom so often
walk hand-in hand.

The young man in the Gospel had knowledge: he
knew how to become wealthy and he knew about the
commandments. But he lacked wisdom. Jesus told
the young man that he could have heaven, he could
have eternal life, but in order to get that, he had to let
go of his earthly securities. Now the young man is
upset because Jesus' advise will inconvenience him
or deter him from his own plans.

The wisdom of life tells us that life is a journey of
progressive poverty we will, slowly but surely, lose
our youth, our health, our memory, our eyesight, our
hearing, and in the end we will lose everything that
we though was of great value. The wise person
knows this. The prudent person uses this knowledge
to enjoy and have a good life according to God's will,
according to God's commandments.

**IN MEMORIAM**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Michael J. Ruggieri** and keep his family in your prayers during this time of loss. May God grant them hope and strength in the days ahead.



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There are no Religious Education Classes on Sunday, October 10th. Classes will resume on Sunday, October 17th.

DAILY ROSARY

Everyone is invited to pray the Rosary at 8:30 am prior to morning daily Mass, Monday through Thursday. This is lead by parishioner Mike Casey.

BIBLE STUDY IN OCTOBER

All are invited to participate in a presentation and discussion of Saint Paul’s Two Letters to the Thessalonians on Tuesday evenings, October 12, 19 and 26 in the Church Hall from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. These two Letters are of particular interest because of Paul’s insights concerning the nature and timing of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. Frank McGuire will serve as presenter and discussion moderator.

OUTDOOR ROSARY ON THURSDAYS

Weekly outdoor Rosary will be held on Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in Our Lady’s Garden on the Church grounds on the rectory side. Weather permitting. This is lead by Parishioner Mike Mitchell.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL GROUP MEETING

The Society Saint Vincent de Paul group will be meeting Sunday October 17th after the 10am Mass, in the basement of the church. Anyone is welcome to join. Members are dedicated to helping individuals and families in need in our community.

UPCOMING PROLIFE EVENT

During the weekend of **October 23-24**, our parish will host a Virtual Baby Bottle Drive to benefit Visitation House, whose mission is to help homeless pregnant women by providing care and dignity of the body, mind, and soul. After 2 years of pandemic restrictions, the Bottle Drive no longer uses physical baby bottles to hold your donation. You will have the opportunity to donate online or by sending a check to Visitation House. Online link information and self-addressed envelopes will be provided. Thank you.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT 10/03/2021

Sunday Ordinary (includes Online)	\$ 4,462.50
Catholic Schools Annual Appeal	\$ 30.00
All Saints Day	\$ 10.00
Assumption of Mary	\$ 9.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 35.00

HYMNAL READINGS: 1030

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32
 Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41
 Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46
 Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
 Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7
 Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12
 Next Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

TREE REMOVAL

As some of you may have noticed, we had some trees that were removed. Some of the trees were dead. The big maple by the memorial was removed because the roots were damaging the foundation of the church.

DIOCESAN SCOUT RETREAT

All Catholic Scouts ages 10+ are invited to the Diocesan Scouting Retreat which will take place on Saturday, Oct. 30. The event will take place at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette from 8am-5pm. The day will include fun activities, inspiring talks, times of prayer and worship, and Mass! Cost is \$40. Registration information is available at: neworchester.org/scouting-retreat.

EMMANUEL RADIO 2021 FALL PLEDGE DRIVE

Emmanuel Catholic Radio, a non-profit 501(c)(3) ministry, will broadcast a live three-day Fall Pledge Drive from 7am–6pm, October 20 - 22, 2021 to raise the funds needed to bring the Daily Mass, Holy Rosary, and EWTN programming to the Diocese of Worcester. Your tax-deductible gift will help keep Catholic radio on the air serving all local diocesan parishes/Catholic schools and organizations/charities. To donate/pledge/make a prayer request call (508) 767-1230; visit 1230radio.com; or mail your donation to Emmanuel Radio, P.O. Box 20027, Worcester, MA 01602.

PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Cathaleen Peloquin, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363 (direct, confidential line).