



St. Francis of Assisi Parish
 ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
 ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH

April 21, 2024

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Mass Schedule	
Saturday	Sunday
4PM St. Thomas A Becket	8AM St. Joseph's Chapel 10:30AM St. Thomas A Becket
Daily Mass ▪ Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	
9AM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket Daily Masses are canceled when school is delayed/canceled due to weather	
Confession ▪ Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Saturday ▪ 3PM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket Or by appointment	
Eucharist Adoration	
Tuesday ▪ 6:00PM ▪ St. Joseph Chapel In the event a cancellation is necessary it will be announced	
Rosary	
Tuesday ▪ 7:10PM ▪ St. Joseph Chapel For more information contact Liz via phone or text at 774.364.2158	

Fourth Sunday of Easter
"The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone"

MASS INTENTIONS


Week of April 21, 2024

faith
Formation



SUNDAY, APRIL 21 · GR. 1-6 9AM-10AM


04/20/2024	SATURDAY 4:00PM	Pastor's Intentions
04/21/2024	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) Mark J. Cranston <i>Req by: Paul Cranston and Family</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) Ronald Rainka <i>Req by: Shirley Salvadore and Family</i>
04/22/2024	MONDAY 9:00AM	(+) In Memory of Sandra Orsdulak <i>Req by: Paul Lizak</i>
04/23/2024	TUESDAY 9:00AM	Votive Offerings
04/24/2024	WEDNESDAY 9:00AM	Pastors' Intentions
04/27/2024	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Carmela LaMacchia <i>Req by: Bill & Vickie King</i>
04/28/2024	SUNDAY 8:00AM	For all living and deceased members of the Orsdulak Family <i>Req by: Paul Lizak</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	(+) Donald & Marylou Nelson <i>Req by: Shirly Salvadore</i>



Tues. 6PM - 7PM
ADORATION AND
BENEDICTION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
along with 7:10PM
ROSARY GROUP
will be hosted at
ST. JOSEPH CHAPEL

PRISCILLA MCGLYNN IS OUR PARISH OUTREACH COORDINATOR

One of her responsibilities is sending cards to parishioners experiencing illness, hospitalization or loss. Please call Priscilla at 508.822.3128 to let her know who may need a card or a phone call *(please include their address/phone number)* so they know that they are not alone and that they are in our thoughts & prayers.



A Mass intention is a specific petition for which the Mass is offered. Mass intentions can be requested on behalf of another living person; for example, the healing of someone who is sick or to commemorate a wedding anniversary. However, Mass intentions are most commonly offered in remembrance of a person who has died.

Contact Deacon Malcom if you would like to request a Mass.

ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL PTO



5K FOR PLAY

A COMMUNITY EVENT TO HELP FUND THE JOE C. KNIGHT MEMORIAL PLAYGROUND FOR ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL!

SAVE THE DATE!
05.04.24
@ GRENVILLE PARK WARE, MA 9AM-1PM

TIME TO REGISTER & DONATE!



REGISTER AND DONATE VIA RUNSIGNUP
USE THE QR CODE OR GO TO
[HTTPS://RUNSIGNUP.COM/RACE/MA/WARE/5KFORPLAY](https://runsignup.com/race/MA/WARE/5KFORPLAY)

REGISTER BY APRIL 20TH TO SECURE YOUR T-SHIRT!

We are looking for business sponsors to donate \$300 or more
QUESTIONS AND BUSINESS SPONSORS: PLEASE CONTACT KAYLA CASIELLO
K.CASIELLO@STALOYSIUSCS.COM

Parish Weekly Collection Week of: April 14, 2024	
Envelopes	\$2,272.00
Anonymous Cash	\$293.00
Loose Checks	\$435.00
On-Line Giving	\$235.00
Total	\$3,235.00
Special Collections That Stay in the Parish	
Fuel	\$185.00
Maintenance	\$382.00
Easter	\$10.00
Easter Flowers	\$10.00
Total	\$587.00
Additional Collections That Leave the Parish	
Emergency Assistance Fund	\$30.00
Mass Stipends	\$27.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	\$10.00
Total	\$67.00
Total Collection	\$3,889.00

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work
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 **ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH**

MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday, May 8 · 6:30PM · St. Joseph's Hall

All Women of the Parish are Welcome

Contact Mary Ann Jordan via email at mjordan92557@gmail.com for more information.

Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes Discovery with Barcelona with Father Stephen Gemme of St. Paul's Cathedral


October 13 - October 22, 2024 10 Days • 15 Meals



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Fatima, Aljustrel, Valinhos, Cathedral of Burgos, Lourdes, Grotto of Massabielle, Barcelona, La Sagrada Familia			
Day 1	Overnight Flight	Day 6 – 7	Hotel Mercure Imperial Lourdes , Lourdes
Day 2 – 3	Hotel Estrela de Fatima , Fatima	Day 8 – 9	Occidental 1929 Hotel, Barcelona
Day 4 – 5	Silken Gran Teatro, Burgos	Day 10	Tour Ends, Return Home

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Because of the generosity of 47 parishioners, we have surpassed our goal of \$25,000! Our parish has donated \$28,593 towards the Diocesan mission of charity, education and ministry! By your support we are able to be God's helping hands, serving thousands of families and individuals throughout Worcester County.

Thank You!

Barre Food Pantry

Kindly remember your donations of nonperishable food items as well as health and beauty aids for the Barre Food Pantry in the vestibules of the churches.

Distribution dates are the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 10am -11:30am and the 3rd Thursday from 5:30pm -7pm at the Barre Congregational Church.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Rectory
Sunday, May 5th · 1pm - 3pm

Spring Open House

ALL ARE INVITED TO OUR 1ST PARISH SPRING OPEN HOUSE

JOIN IN THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET NEW PARISHIONERS
 AND GET TO KNOW OTHERS THAT YOU SEE EACH WEEK!

Hearts on Fire will provide refreshments Hope to see you there

**THE ARTISANS @
 ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

The Raffle Quilt and Christmas Fair Crafters will be meeting at St. Joseph's Hall the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month from 10AM - 12PM

Sewers will be working on quilt blocks and crafters will be working on items for the Christmas Craft Table.

Knitters and Crocheters, you are invited to bring your projects and join in this fellowship!

**Our next get-together is
 Wednesday, May 1**

Can't attend a day time meeting but want to contribute? Please email Beth Cunningham at elizabethcunningham68@gmail.com.



WE HAVE

Exciting News

TO SHARE!

We have some exciting news regarding the Emergency Fund! It was started about ten years ago as a way our parish could have a few dollars to be able to help when someone knocked on the rectory door.

More and more families have needed assistance over these past ten years. Through the grace of God, the fund's balance has grown along with the scope of assistance. We are blessed with parishioners who give to the fund on a regular basis. In addition, we have applied for and have been granted a couple of grants. Just this year, we applied and received a grant of \$5,000 from the Barre/Fidelity Charitable Fund.

The funds name has been changed to **"St. Francis of Assisi Charitable Needs & Resources Fund"**.

The mission of our fund is to *Help Families and Individuals in need by assessing the needs for Food, Fuel & Utilities*. The one-time assistance will be assessed individually to the circumstances of each family. In addition to helping with the immediate financial needs we will provide clients with recommendation of other resources in the area for legal assistance, housing, and counseling. If you need assistance or know someone who needs assistance please contact **Paula Wood at 978-355-2228 Ext. 6**



worldwide
marriage
encounter

1 John 3:1 "Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are."

John 10:11-18 "I am the good shepherd, and I will lay down my life for my sheep."

Jesus leads us as we listen and hear his voice. Let us lay down our life for our spouse. Let us make a decision to love our spouse. Signing up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will help you and teach you tools to transform your marriage.

You can find one by looking up WWME.org.

Some of the dates to sign up are:

June 7-June 9, 2024 in Upton,, MA

June 21-June 23, 2024 in Huntington, NY

August 2-4, 2024 in Portland, CT

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee.

For more information or to apply, call Joe & Ginny Vatele at 978-870-5646 or <https://wwmem.org/>



The Sacrament of Confirmation



Confirmation is the sacrament by which Catholics receive a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Through Confirmation, the Holy Spirit gives them increased ability to practice their Catholic faith in every aspect of their lives and to witness Christ in every situation.

Please pray for our Confirmands who will receive their Sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, May 13th
Mary Queen of the Rosary Church · Spencer



Please Pray for the Children of our Parish who are preparing for their First Holy Communion.

Gabriel, Kelsey, Luca and Weston

Sunday, May 19

10:30AM Mass

St. Thomas a Becket Church

Our Good Shepherd



This Sunday is called Good Shepherd Sunday because in the Gospel reading Jesus tells His friends that He is the Good Shepherd who loves His sheep.

When sheep are out grazing in open fields, the shepherd watches them and protects them from hurting themselves, getting lost, or being killed by wild animals. Jesus looks after us like a shepherd looks after his sheep. He gave us the Church so we could know what is good for us, and He protects us from being ruined by the devil by giving us grace in the sacraments.

Now, Jesus did something that an ordinary shepherd would not do. Besides guiding and protecting us, He died to save us! Because He died for our sins, all of His sheep can now go to Heaven where they will be happy forever! How blessed we are to have such a loving Shepherd!



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