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St. Joseph Church
118 High St, Medford

Daily Mass:
Monday, Wednesday &
Friday at 8:30am

Weekend Masses:
Saturday at 4pm &
Sunday at 8am & 10am



St. Francis of Assisi Church
441 Fellsway West, Medford

Daily Mass:
Tuesday, Thursday &
Saturday at 8:30am

Weekend Masses:
Saturday at 4pm &
Sunday at 11:30am & 4pm



Palm Sunday

Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of
God the Father.

Philippians 2:11

April 2, 2023
Mass Readings at #898

St. Francis of Assisi Mass Intentions

Saturday 4/1/23

8:30 am Elizabeth "Betty" Eiseman

4:00 pm John P. Dugas and
John & Josephine Miele

Sunday 4/2/23

Palm Sunday

11:30 am Michael Francis Falco &
Thomas Donahue

4:00 pm Vincent J. "Vinny" DiClemente

Tuesday 4/4/23

8:30 am Florence Dattero

Thursday 4/6/23

Holy Thursday

9:00 am *Morning Prayer*

Friday 4/7/23

Good Friday

9:00 am *Morning Prayer*
2:00 pm *Stations of the Cross*
3:00 pm *Service*

Saturday 4/8/23

Holy Saturday

9:00 am *Morning Prayer*
8:00 pm *Easter Vigil*

Sunday 4/9/23

Easter Sunday

9:00 am Mass
11:30 am Mass

St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Saturday 4/1/23

4:00 pm William Doherty

Sunday 4/2/23

Palm Sunday

8:00 am Joseph & Irene Plati

10:00 am James "Jim" Brown

Monday 4/3/23

8:30 am George Bailey

Wednesday 4/5/23

8:30 am Adoration Team - Living &
Deceased

Thursday 4/6/23

Holy Thursday

7:00 pm *Mass*

Friday 4/7/23

Good Friday

7:00 pm *Service*

Sunday 4/9/23

Easter Sunday

8:00 am Mass
10:00 am Mass

Adoration at St. Joseph Church - Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 9am - 8pm (lower church) (Adoration will not be held on days Medford schools are closed due to weather.) If you are interested in volunteering for a time slot, please contact adoration24sj@comcast.net or 617-459-8735.

Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are held on the second Sunday of the month at St. Francis of Assisi Church and on the third Sunday of the month at St. Joseph Church. Instruction for first time parents and godparents is held at St. Francis of Assisi on the last Sunday of every month after the 11:30am Mass in the upper church (unless there is a schedule conflict). Please call the office to register.

Confessions - Saturdays after the 8:30am Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church and Saturdays from 3pm-3:45pm at both St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph Churches.

Legion of Mary - Wednesdays, 6:30pm-8pm at the St. Joseph Lower Church Sacristy. Please email adoration24sj@comcast.net or call 781-391-1396 for more information.

St. Francis of Assisi Marion Movement of Priests Prayer Group - meets Mondays at 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi (upper church) for Adoration and to pray the Rosary.

Secular Franciscans - The Secular Franciscans meet every third Sunday from 1:30 - 3:30pm at St. Francis of Assisi's Upper Church. For information, please call Ginny Del Signore, OFS Minister at 617-605-1275.

Weekly Rosary - Wednesday nights at 7pm on Zoom. All are welcome!

Go to: www.zoom.us - Click on join a meeting - Meeting ID: 824 8725 0708 Password: AABwf5



PALM SUNDAY



This story never gets old. The challenge before us is to listen as if hearing it for the first time. What words or actions linger in your heart as you walk with Jesus in his passion? Notice how quickly the mood of the crowd changes - at one moment praising Jesus and singing "Hosanna" to faithless angry calls "Crucify him! Crucify him!" The cost of discipleship is real. During this holiest week of the year, spend some time in church or in quiet prayer reflecting on all that Jesus endured in his passion and death to save us from our selfishness and sin. How will you respond to his extraordinary act of love? Look for an opportunity this week to share your love of Christ with another.



**Elvira DeFalco
Steven M. Foley
Lucia Gabriello**

*We remember in our prayers
our deceased parishioners
& loved ones.*

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



*This week at
St. Francis of Assisi Church ~*

The Hosts & Wine for our liturgies are in memory of:

Brendan Woolbert

This week at St. Joseph Church ~

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit and the Hosts & Wine for our liturgies are in memory of:

Kathy Anderson

Booking Mass Intentions

We are currently booking Mass Intentions through July 2023. If you would like to book a Mass for a loved one, please call the parish office at 781-396-0423 x 103.

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2023

PALM SUNDAY April 2	<i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i> Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/ Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54
MONDAY April 3	Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11
TUESDAY April 4	Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2,3-4a,5-6ab,15+17/Jn 13:21-33,36-38
WEDNESDAY April 5	Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31+33-34/Mt 26:14-25
HOLY THURSDAY April 6	<i>Mass of the Lord's Supper</i> Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/ 1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
GOOD FRIDAY April 7	<i>The Lord's Passion</i> Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2+6, 12-13, 15-16, 17+25/ Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
HOLY SATURDAY April 8	<i>Easter Vigil</i> (1) Gn 1:1—2:2, (2) Gn 22:1-18, (3) Ex 14:15—15:1, (4) Is 54:5-14, (5) Is 55:1-11, (6) Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4, (7) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/ (1) Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10+12, 13-14, 24+35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22, (2) Ps 16:5+8, 9-10, 11, (3) Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18, (4) Ps 30:2+4, 5-6, 11-12a+13b, (5) Is 12:2-3, 4abcd, 5-6, (6) Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11, (7) Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 / Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10
EASTER SUNDAY April 9	<i>Resurrection of the Lord</i> Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9

HOLY WEEK

at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish



PALM SUNDAY ~ April 2nd

St. Joseph - Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 8am & 10am

St. Francis of Assisi - Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 11:30am & 4pm



HOLY THURSDAY ~ April 6th

9am *Morning Prayer Service* at St. Francis of Assisi

7pm *Celebration of the Lord's Supper* at St. Joseph



GOOD FRIDAY ~ April 7th

9am *Morning Prayer Service* at St. Francis of Assisi

2pm *Stations of the Cross* at St. Francis of Assisi

3pm *Passion of the Lord Service* at St. Francis of Assisi

7pm *Passion of the Lord Service* at St. Joseph



HOLY SATURDAY ~ April 8th

9am *Morning Prayer Service* at St. Francis of Assisi

9am - 11am *Confessions* at St. Francis of Assisi

8pm *Easter Vigil* at St. Francis of Assisi

EASTER SUNDAY ~ April 9th

St. Joseph - 8am (no music) & 10am

St. Francis of Assisi - 9am & 11:30am (no 4pm Mass)

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If you have not had a chance to do so, please consider making your gift to the Appeal today by picking up an envelope at church or scanning the QR code above to make an on-line donation at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org.

Participation from every household in the parish is important and every gift makes a meaningful difference in putting faith into action to support the parishes, schools, and communities within our Archdiocese. Please note that this campaign is an assessment to our parish. This means that, if we don't make our goal, the parish has to make up the shortfall from our limited funds.

Thank you for responding in faith, hope, and charity by making a gift to the 2023 Catholic Appeal. We are stronger together and your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



St. Joseph Holy Week Adoration Schedule

Wednesday, April 5th
9am - 8pm
Thursday, April 6th
9am - 12 Noon

Please note Adoration at St. Joseph Church will end at 12 Noon on Holy Thursday. There will be no Adoration on Good Friday. We hope you will join us for our Good Friday services. Please see page 4 for our Holy Week Schedule.



Baptisms

Congratulations and welcome to the newest members of our parish, who were baptized in March.

*Jack Thomas Garrity
Natalie Ava Hollerbach
Andrew Joseph Price*

May God continue to bring to fulfillment the great work He has begun with them.

Rosary Children



Please join us for our next meeting:

Wednesday, April 5th
3:30pm - 4:30pm at

St. Francis of Assisi's Lower Church

In addition to praying the Rosary, we will have a snack, do a craft and have an Easter Egg Hunt!

All children and parents/guardians welcome!
For more information, please contact Nadia at
kevinandnadia1@verizon.net

New WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE for our PARISH!

Website: www.MaryQOPMedford.org

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A very heartfelt thank you for your generous and continued financial support of our parish through your offertory contributions!

Mary, Queen of Peace Parish
St. Joseph & St. Francis of Assisi Churches

March 26 Offertory including online giving: \$8,169
Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

Good Friday Collection: Holy Land
Easter Collection: Clergy Benefit Trust

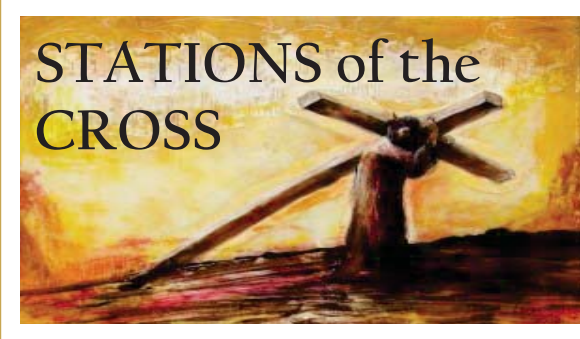
2022 Contribution Statements

If you would like to request a 2022 Contribution Statement of your donations to Mary, Queen of Peace Parish, please contact the Parish Office by email at MedfordCatholic@gmail.com or phone 781-396-0423 x 103.

Staff Contact List

To reach a member of our staff, please call
781-396-0423 and dial the following extension:

Fr. Paul Sullivan	Pastor	121
Fr. Peter Shen	Parochial Vicar	108
Laura Powers	Finance & Operations	104
Doreen Breen	Faith Formation	118
Nancy Albanese	Faith Formation	105
Alisa O'Dowd	Office Manager	103
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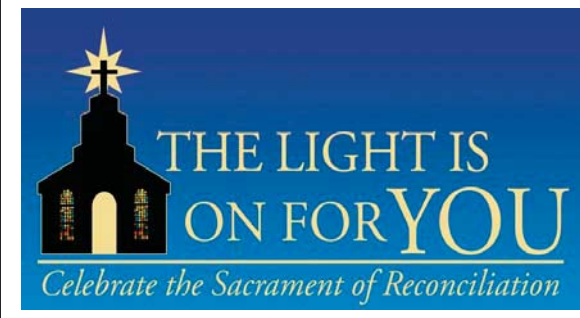


St. Francis of Assisi (upper church)

Mondays during Lent at 7pm
Good Friday, April 7 at 2pm

St. Joseph (lower church)

Fridays during Lent at 7pm until March 31
On April 7, there will be no Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph. Please join us for our Good Friday service at 7pm in the upper church.



CONFESSIONS

St. Francis of Assisi (upper church)

Wednesdays during Lent from 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Holy Saturday, April 8, from 9am - 11am

Mary, Queen of Peace Parish

WEEKLY ROSARY

All are welcome!

Every Wednesday at 7 pm on Zoom

www.zoom.us
Meeting ID 824 8725 0708
Passcode AABwf5

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Abstinence: Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligations of abstinence. *Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.* Meat should not be consumed on days of abstinence.

Fasting: Catholics from the age of 18 to 59 are bound to the obligation of fasting. *Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting.* On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain one's strength, may be consumed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

Let's support the practice of almsgiving this Lenten season. We encourage you to participate in our

Lenten Gospel Giving

Each weekend, members of the parish are asked to bring one NEW item, as suggested by the readings of the day seen below.

1st
Sunday
of Lent

"At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert.

Collecting new toothbrushes, full size toothpaste, hairbrush, full size soap, shampoo, feminine care items, razors, shaving kits, & hand sanitizer for New England Center and Home for Veterans.
(Faith Formation organizing)

Feb
25-26

2nd
Sunday
of Lent

"... and his clothes became white as light."

Collecting whiteners, soap, laundry detergent, etc. for the Mystic Community Market
(Children & Adult Choir organizing)

Mar
4-5

3rd
Sunday
of Lent

"Jesus said to her, 'give me a drink'"

Collecting juice boxes for the YMCA
(Basketball organizing)

Mar
11-12

4th
Sunday
of Lent

"I am the light of the world"

Collecting new children's books for Home for the Little Wanderers
(St. Joseph School organizing)

Mar
18-19

5th
Sunday
of Lent

"The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands and his face was wrapped in a cloth"

Collecting new bunting jackets, blankets, sleeper's size 0-3 and 3-6 months only for Heartbeat
(Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers organizing)

Mar
25-26

Palm
Sunday
Lords'
Passion

"The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road"

Collecting only new Men's XL - XXXL sweaters, flannel shirts, sweatshirts & hoodies for St. Francis House.
(Children's & Wednesday Zoom rosary, and Monday prayer group organizing)

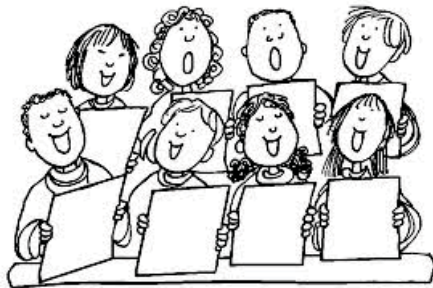
Apr
1-2

Holy
Thursday
-Easter
Sunday

"He took a towel and tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet"

Collecting pairs of new white athletic socks for Bread of Life
(St. Vincent DePaul organizing)

Apr
6-9



New Choir Members Welcome!

We are continually looking for new choir members to sing with us. If you have a musical talent to share with the community, we would love to have you join us. Please contact Shawn Mikkelson, Director of Music (mikkelson_shawn@yahoo.com), or his assistant, Mark Nemeskal (nemeskal@verizon.net).

We are currently seeking children to join us at the 10am Sunday family Mass at Saint Joseph Church. Children grades 3 and up, who enjoy singing and who are able to join us on Sundays for rehearsal at 9:15 a.m. prior to Mass at 10:00 a.m., are most welcome to be part of the music team!

The Adult Choir sings at the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays at Saint Francis of Assisi Church. They meet at 11:00 a.m. to prepare for Mass and then stay after Mass for about 45 minutes to rehearse for upcoming liturgies. Any singers who are able to commit some time to join us in the loft at Saint Francis should contact Shawn or Mark as noted above.

We look forward to hearing from you!!



Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out on the last night of our **Parish Lenten Mission: Soup & Stations** on March 24th. We enjoyed a simple meal of soup & bread at the social center before heading over to St. Joseph Church for the Stations of the Cross.

Homebound Visits

If you or a loved one are homebound and would like a Eucharistic Minister to bring Communion to your home, please call the parish office at 781-396-0423 x 103.



Mary, Queen of Peace Parish
FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE
114 High St
Medford, MA 02155
(781) 396-0423
mccfaithformation@gmail.com

Date	Grade	Program	Time/Location
4/2	Gr 1-5	Project Nazareth Before Mass	8:45 - 9:45 am SJ Cafe
	Gr 1-5	Project Nazareth After Mass	11:15 am -12:15 pm SJ Cafe
4/2	Gr 9	Confirmation Class	6:15-8 pm SJ Cafe
4/3	Gr 6-8	EDGE Class	6:30-7:30 pm SFA Lower Church
4/10	Gr 2	Communion Prep Classes	4 - 5:30 pm SFA Lower Church 6 - 7:30 pm SFA Lower Church
4/26	Gr 2	SFA Communion Practice	4:30 - 6:30 pm SFA Upper Church
4/27	Gr 2	SFA Communion Practice	4:30-6:30 pm SFA Upper Church
4/29	Gr 2	SFA First Holy Communion	11 am SFA Upper Church



St. Joseph 10am Family Mass

All families are invited to the 10am Sunday Mass at St. Joseph Church. Children will be invited to move from the upper church to the lower church for the Liturgy of the Word. Please join us and be sure to get a children’s handout as you leave Mass!

Host Families Needed! Please consider signing up to be a host family at the 10am Mass. Your family can participate at Mass as greeters, processors and gift bears! Contact our Faith Formation Office at mccfaithformation@gmail.com or 781-396-0423 x 118 or to sign up or for more information.

We look forward to seeing you!



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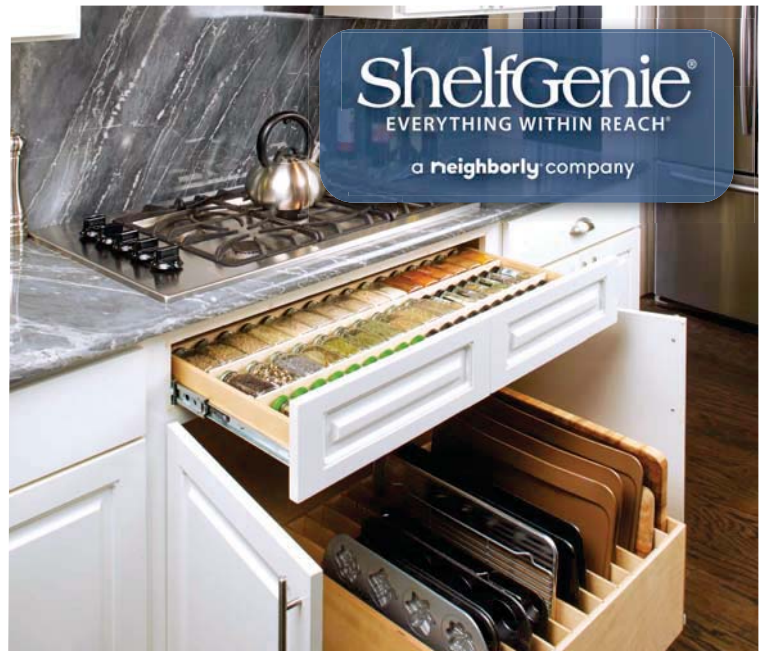
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