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**St. Joseph Church** 118 High St, Medford

Daily Mass:
Monday Wednesday

Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 8:30am

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



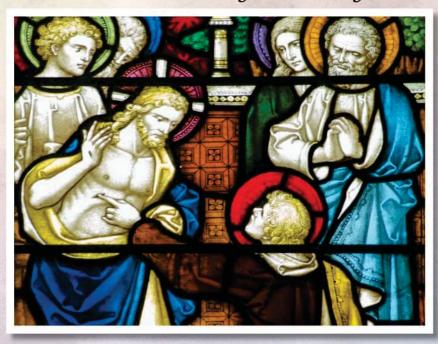
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### Diving Mercy Sunday



"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." John 20:29

> Second Sunday of Easter April 16, 2023 Mass Readings #903

St. Fran	cis of Assisi
Mass	Intentions

### St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Saturday 4/15/23		Saturday 4/15/23	
8:30 am	Carroll Dennis Cook	4:00 pm	Richard LoConte
4:00 pm	Vincent & Mary Musto	Sunday 4/16/23	
Sunday 4/16/23		8:00 am	John Harris
•	Farania Varian Bian Hamak	0.00 am	John Harris
11:30 am	Francis Xavier Dieu Huynh	10:00 am	Mary & Sam Rimini
4:00 pm	Maria Casali Ulloa		
Tuesday 4/18/23		Monday 4/17/23	
8:30 am	Angelo, Theresa, David & Peggy Leone	8:30 am	Souls in Purgatory
		Wednesday 4/19/23	
Thursday 4/20/23		8:30 am	Mass
8:30 am	Frank & Josephine Brindisi		
Saturday 4/22/23		Friday 4/21/23	
8:30 am	Dawn Marie Borrelli	8:30 am	Mass
4:00 pm	Tony Scaparotti	Saturday 4/22/23	
0 1 4/00/00		4:00 pm	Kathleen Granara Skerry
Sunday 4/23/23			
11:30 am	Pasquale Penta, Salvatore &	Sunday 4/23/23	
	Luisa Maelillo and Pasquale & Assunta Penta	8:00 am	For the People
4:00 pm	For the People	10:00 am	Phero Tan Huynh

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 <a href="mailto:adoration24sj@comcast.net">adoration24sj@comcast.net</a> 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 adoration 24sj@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

#### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



This Sunday, our scriptures give us clear instruction about how we are to live as disciples. In the reading from Acts, the author describes the disciples' way of life: "They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers." Teaching, prayer and Eucharist, sound familiar? If we are to live as faithful disciples, these must be our regular practices. Nourished by prayer and our reception of Holy Communion we are then strengthened to bring the peace and mercy of Christ to those you meet.



Darcy J. Donahue Charles E. Douglas Concetta L. "Connie" Evangelista

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

#### MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



This week at St. Joseph Church ~

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of:

David, Scott & MaryGrace **Napier** 

### **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.



### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

### Eucharistic **Holy Hour**

Please join us this Sunday, April 16th, from 3pm - 4pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church.

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS 2023

2ND SUNDAY Divine Mercy Sunday
OF EASTER Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/

Jn 20:19-31 April 16

MONDAY Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8 April 17

TUESDAY Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

April 18 WEDNESDAY

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21 April 19

THURSDAY Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2+9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36 April 20

Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church FRIDAY April 21 Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

SATURDAY Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21 April 22

3RD SUNDAY Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/ OF EASTER

1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35 April 23



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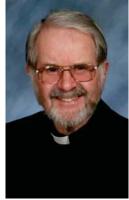
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Easter Collection for the Clergy Benefit Trust: \$8,081 Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land: \$1,626

This week's second collection: Monthly Maintenance Next week's second collection: Utilities

### **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.



### Rest in Peace, Fr. Pat McLaughlin

Rev. Patrick McLaughlin, long-time pastor of St Joseph's Parish, died on April 4. His Funeral Mass took place on April 13 at St. Agatha's Parish in Milton, and he was buried at St Joseph's Cemetery in West Roxbury. Fr. Pat served at St Joseph's Parish from 1976 until 2012, and was much loved for his generosity to so many. He also was involved with the School during these years, collaborating with the Sisters of St. Joseph and many lay teachers. One of his signature projects was the restoration of St. Joseph Church, which was completed in 2003.

Fr. Pat was ordained in 1961, and served in St. John's in Peabody, Santa Cruz in Bolivia (as a missionary), and Our Lady of Lourdes in Brockton before coming to Medford in 1976. He became a senior priest in 2012, and continued to serve part-time at St. Agatha's in Milton.

We pray for his eternal rest, in gratitude for his service here for many years, and for the consolation of his family.







### The Easter Vigil at St. Francis of Assisi Church was a beautiful celebration!

Congratulations to Christina Bonisolli, Elaina Repucci, Nicholas Scanlon and Amy Wu who received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion, and to Roxana Hernandez, Ana E. Ludwig, Jennifer Roy and Peggy Renois who received the Sacrament of Confirmation at our Easter Vigil this year.

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I am pleased to share that our parish has raised \$34,155 toward our 2023 Catholic Appeal goal of \$44,198, which means we have reached 77% of our goal! Our heartfelt thanks to all who have helped make our campaign a success so far.

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.

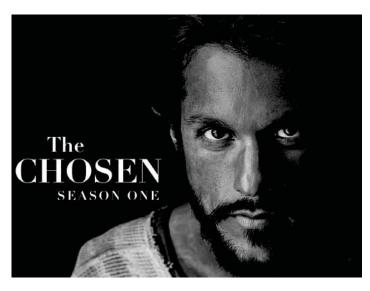
Thank you for responding in faith, hope, and charity by making a gift to the 2023 Catholic Appeal. We are stronger together and your generosity is greatly appreciated!



### **Annual Rose for Life Drive**

May 6 & 7 at St. Francis of Assisi May 13 & 14 at St. Joseph

The Annual Mother's Day Rose for Life Drive will take place after all the Masses at St Francis of Assisi Church on Saturday May 6 & Sunday May 7. It will take place after all the Masses at St. Joseph Church on Saturday May 13 & Sunday May 14. The cost of the roses has gone up over the years and has once more increased this year, but any donation you give will be greatly appreciated. All proceeds benefit the educational and lobbying efforts of Massachusetts Citizens for Life to defend the Right to Life of the unborn, the disabled and the elderly.



Join us every Thursday, starting on April 20th through June 8, 2023 at the St. Francis Lower Church Hall at 7pm to watch Season I of The Chosen.

The Chosen is a series about the life of Jesus. Every episode allows us to see Him through the eyes of those who knew Him.

April 20 - Episode 1: I Have Called You By Name

April 27 - Episode 2: Shabbat

May 4 - Episode 3: Jesus Loves the Little Children

May 11 - Episode 4: The Rock On Which It Is Built

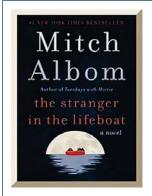
May 18 - Episode 5: The Wedding Gift

May 25 - Episode 6: Indescribable Compassion

June 1 - Episode 7: Invitations

June 8 - Episode 8: I Am He

After watching each episode, we'll engage in discussion and sharing. Light refreshments will be served.



#### Parish Book Club

Tuesday, April 25 at 7pm at the St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church Hall

Our next book to read and share in discussion is:

### The Stranger in the Lifeboat By Mitch Albom

What would happen if we called on God for help and God actually appeared? In Mitch Albom's profound new novel of hope and faith, a group of shipwrecked passengers pull a strange man from the sea. He claims to be "the Lord". And he says he can only save them if they all believe in him. Albom keeps us guessing until the end: Is this strange man really who he claims to be? A fast-paced, compelling novel that makes you ponder your deepest beliefs, The Stranger in the Lifeboat suggests that answers to our prayers may be found where we least expect them

We have a limited number of books for sale at the Parish Office at the discounted rate of \$15 each. Please call us at 781-396-0423 to get your copy, while supplies last.

If you are interested in joining the Parish Book Club, please contact the Parish Office to sign up. We look forward to seeing you!

### **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
Shawn Mikkelson	Music Director	116
Pat Cappucci	School Tuition Office	117
St. Joseph School	781-396-3636 ext	0
Parish Fax	781-391-2919	

### Our Faith Formation Students learn about Palm Sunday!









Mary, Queen of Peace Parish FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE #41lighst Medford, MA 02155 (781) 396-0423 mcefaithformation@gmail.com



Date	Grade	Program	Time/Location
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
4/30	Gr 2	Marian Mass/Reception	11:30 am SFA Upper Church
5/3	Gr 2	SJ Communion Practice	4:30 - 6 pm SJ Upper Church
5/5	Gr 2	SJ Communion Practice	4:40 - 6 pm SJ Upper Church
5/6	Gr 2	SJ First Holy Communion	10 am SJ Upper Church
5/7	Gr 2	Marian Mass/Reception	10 am SJ Upper Church
5/10	Gr 10	<b>Confirmation Practice</b>	7 pm SJ Upper Church
5/13	Gr 10	Confirmation	11 am SJ Church



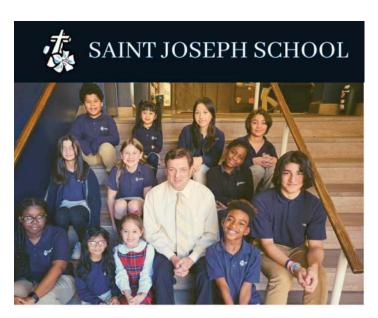
### **Rosary Children**

**Upcoming Meetings:** 

May 10 at 3:30pm at St. Francis (lower church)
June 7 at 3:30pm at Carr Park

In addition to praying the Rosary, we will have a snack and do a fun craft!

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



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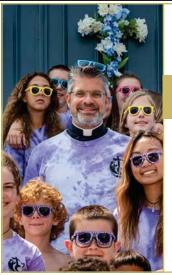
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