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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

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to our Faith Formation students who received Confirmation on Saturday, May 13, 2023 at St. Joseph Church.

Grace Anzalone **Gian** Artates Kaylee Bacon Stephanie Bova Isabella Brogna **Brody Byrne Catriona** Capraro James Casey Vincent Castro Alexa Conley Luke DelGreco Aidan Foley Isabella Fountain Mykenna Galluzzo Matteo Giambusso Maureen Hennessy Alex Hickey Jewel Huynh



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Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ May 14, 2023 Mass Readings #913

Assisi tions	St. Joseph Mass Intentions	
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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 <u>adoration24sj@comcast.net</u> 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 <u>adoration24sj@comcast.net</u> 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: <u>www.zoom.us</u> - Click on join a meeting - Meeting ID: 824 8725 0708 Password: AABwf5

Sixth Sunday of Easter



SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER

Easter readings make very clear our The responsibility as disciples of Jesus Christ. We are to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ into every aspect of our lives: when we rise and go to bed, at mealtimes, in our conversations and in our work. The readings urge us to take our relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church, both seriously and joyfully! Consider in your prayers the words of St. Peter, "Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope... and do it with gentleness and reverence." In what ways does your relationship with Christ give you hope? Make every effort to pass that hope along to your children, your spouse, to someone in need. This week five men will be ordained to priesthood on Saturday, May 20th in the Archdiocese of Boston. Pray that God will give them a spirit of humility and generosity in passing along their hope in Jesus Christ.



This week at St. Francis of Assisi Church ~ The Sanctuary Lamp is lit and the Hosts & Wine for our liturgies are in memory of:

Anna May Riminiscenza

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2023

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6 [™] SUNDAY OF EASTER May 14	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20/ 1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21
MONDAY May 15	Saint Isidore Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2,3-4,5-6a+9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a
TUESDAY May 16	Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3,7c-8/Jn 16:5-11
WEDNESDAY May 17	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/ Jn 16:12-15
THURSDAY May 18	Ascension of the Lord - Holyday of Obligation Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Eph 1:17-23/ Mt 28:16-20
FRIDAY May 19	Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
SATURDAY May 20	Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
7 [™] SUNDAY OF EASTER May 21	Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8/1 Pt 4:13-16/ Jn 17:1-11a
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We remember in our prayers our deceased parishioners & loved ones.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

The Ascension of the Lord



Holy Day Mass Schedule

St. Francis of Assisi ~ Wednesday, May 17 at 6pm

St. Joseph ~ Thursday, May 18 at 8:30am & 6pm

*Please note there will be NO 8:30am Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church on Thursday, May 18. The Mass will be held at St. Joseph Church in order for the school children to attend.



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

May 7 Offertory including online giving: \$8,921 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

Monthly Maintenance: \$2,651

Next week's second collection: Landscaping Maintenance

Congratulations to our Faith Formation students who received 1ST HOLY COMMUNION at St. Joseph Church on May 13, 2023!





Receiving Holy Communion ~ Some Reminders

Dear Parish Members,

It may be helpful to be reminded about what we do when we receive Holy Communion. We believe - and the Church has insisted from the beginning - that the Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ. So, we should approach and receive the Eucharist with reverence and gratitude.

As you approach the priest or minister, make a small bow as a sign of reverence to the Lord Who is present in the Eucharist. When the priest or minister says, "the Body of Christ," you respond, "Amen" (which means, "yes, I believe"). Then, if you are receiving on your tongue, put out your tongue far enough so that the minister can easily place the host there. If you are receiving in your hand, place one hand under the other (make a "throne" for the King), and then when the host is put in your hand, take it with your other hand and consume it right away. It is not appropriate to "take" the host from the minister's hand - you receive it as a gift. Also, consume the host immediately; it is not appropriate to take it back to your seat and consume it there. Ministers have been instructed to follow anyone who does not consume the host right away, in order to make sure that he/she does so.

Parishioners are also reminded that if you are aware of having committed a mortal sin, you should go to confession to be forgiven of that sin before receiving Communion. The priests are happy to hear confessions at any reasonable time in addition to the weekly scheduled times. Also, it is not appropriate for non-Catholics to receive Communion - the very word "communion" means that we who receive are in full union with the Lord, the Church, and all Her teachings.

Anyone who, for whatever reason, is not receiving Communion can come forward and request a blessing from the priest by crossing their arms over their chest. (Also, anyone who is not Catholic but would like to know more about the faith or about becoming Catholic is encouraged to contact Fr. Peter about the annual RCIA program.)

Our nation is currently in the midst of a 3-year National Eucharistic Revival. Find out more information at <u>www.eucharisticrevival.org</u>. May we give thanks every day for this precious gift of the Holy Eucharist, which strengthens our "Communion" with our Lord, and strengthens us in our efforts to love Him and love our neighbor.

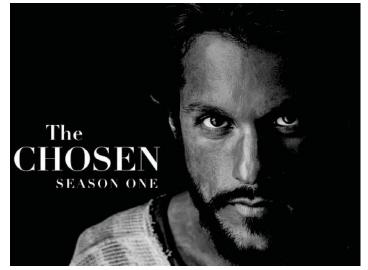
Fr. Paul

Rosary Children

Wednesday, 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 <u>kevinandnadia1@verizon.net</u>



Join us every Thursday, 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.

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.

Young Adults Group Tuesday, May 16 at 7pm

Our Young Adults Group will have it's monthly gathering at the St. Joseph Rectory on **Tuesday**, **May 16 at 7pm**. If you would like to attend or want more information, please contact Fr. Peter at <u>pshen44@yahoo.com</u> or Stephanie at <u>spw085@gmail.com</u>. All are welcome!

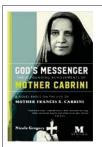


Altar Server Training

We are looking to add to our wonderful team of Altar Servers! Being a Altar Server is one of the best

ways to serve God! Any child who has received 1st Holy Communion can be an Altar Server. We will have Altar Server Training on Sunday, May 21st following the 10am Mass at St. Joseph Church.

If you are interested, please contact Chris Donelan at pho71@yahoo.com or Melisa DeMeo at mcspoohbear83@aol.com



Parish Book Club

Tuesday, May 30th at 7pm at the St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church Hall

Our next book to read and share in discussion is:

God's Messenger: A novel based on the life of Mother Cabrini By Nicole Gregory

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!*



Annual Rose for Life Drive

May 13 & 14 at St. Joseph Church

The Annual Mother's Day Rose for Life Drive will take place after all the Masses at St. Joseph Church this weekend, Saturday, May 13 & Sunday, May 14. 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.

Thank You!

Many thanks to all who helped make last week's Rose for Life drive at St. Francis of Assisi Church such a success! \$480 was raised to help Massachusetts Citizens for Life continue their efforts on behalf of the most vulnerable in our society. May God richly bless all of you for your generosity!

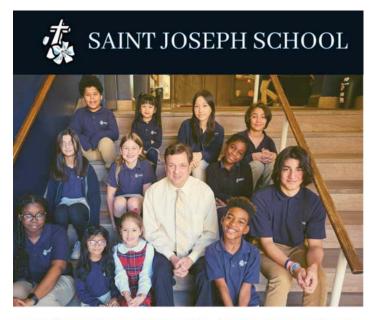


We are so close to the finish line! Our parish has raised \$41,532 toward our 2023 Catholic Appeal goal of \$44,198, which means we have reached 94% of our goal. Our heartfelt thanks to all who have helped make our campaign a success so far.

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 <u>www.bostoncatholicappeal.org</u>.

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. We also get to share in the success of exceeding the campaign goal. Last year, we earned a rebate of \$2,000 as we raised contributions in excess of the goal!*

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!



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Be sure to visit our new Facebook page and website for the latest Parish News & Events!

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	

Booking Mass Intentions

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter



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"Be a Servant" Matthew 20:26



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