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Friday at 8:30am Weekend Masses:

Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 8am & 10am

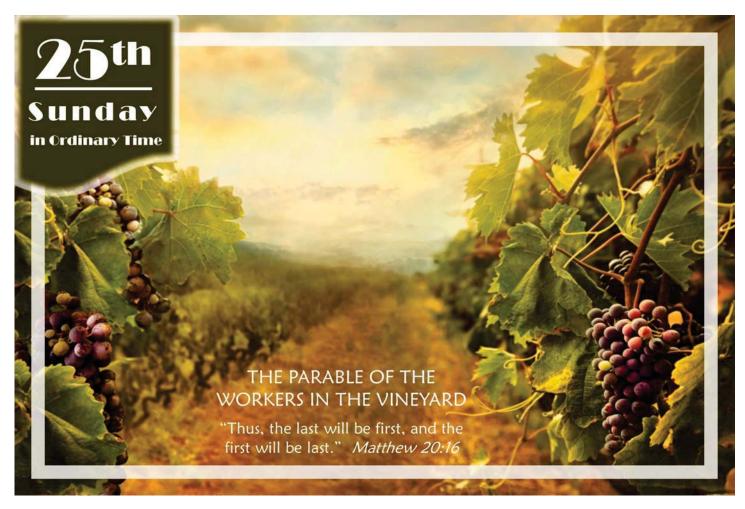


St. Francis of Assisi Church 441 Fellsway West, Medford

Daily Mass:

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 8:30am

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



September 24, 2023 Mass Readings #1000

St. Francis of Assisi Mass Intentions

St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Saturday 9/23/23		Saturday 9/23/23	
8:30 am	Anna May Riminiscenza	4:00 pm	Raffaela DeLuca
4:00 pm	John J. Fallon, Marguerite Fallon & Elizabeth Golden	Sunday 9/24/23	
		8:00 am	Rocco & Margaret Marchese
Sunday 9/24/23			and Robert Sr, Gerard & Anna Marchese
11:30 am	Therese Delaney Breault	40.00	
4:00 pm	Dominica & Pasilio Dealtan	10:00 am	Robert Capraro
•	and Peter Galvin	Monday 9/25/23	
Tuesday 9/26/23		8:30 am	Special Intention: All Seminarians
8:30 am	Fr. Mario Orrigo		
Thursday 9/28/23		Wednesday 9/27/23	
8:30 am	Barbara & Arthur Selvitella	8:30 am	John "Bia" Garrity, Jr
Saturday 9/30/23		Friday 9/29/23	
8:30 am	Anna Gaudio	8:30 am	Anthony Ansaldi
4:00 pm	Tony Scaparotti	Saturday 9/30/23	
		4:00 pm	Marina & Luciano Lunardi
Sunday 10/1/23	5 4 5 4	Sunday 10/1/23	
11:30 am	For the People	8:00 am	Mary, Margaret & Pasquale
4:00 pm	Diane Geehan, Harry & Elizabeth McColgan, Elizabeth	0.00 am	DiVincenzo & the Dello Russo Family
	Doherty and Roseleen Dello Russo	10:00 am	Tony Ardagna

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 adoration24si@comcast.net or 617-459-8735.

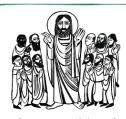
Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are held on the first Sunday of the month at St. Francis of Assisi Church and on the third Sunday of the month at St. Joseph Church. Instruction for first time parents and godparents is held at St. Francis of Assisi on the last Sunday of every month after the 11:30am Mass 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 3-3:45pm 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 24si@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.

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



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

The parable in today's gospel has many explanations. In it, Jesus presents a lesson for his first disciples as well as for us - his disciples today. It is almost as if he is saying, "Everyone, no matter when they come to the faith, is equally precious to God." As Christ's disciples today, we need to celebrate each new generation and culture that comes to the faith. If we are to be the evangelizing parishes that God intends us to be, we need to welcome all those who come to our parishes. That means we can't disregard anyone, whether they speak a different language or have different religious practice or have different economic circumstances. Rather we are to see all as "equally precious to God."



September Wedding

Please keep in your prayers

Michael Pantano S Angela LaRocca

who will celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage this month.

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2023

25[™] SUNDAY Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/ Mt 20:1-16a Sept 24 MONDAY Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18 Sept 25

Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs TUESDAY Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/ Sept 26

Lk 8:19-21

WEDNESDAY Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

Sept 27 Ezr 9:5-9/Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; THURSDAY

Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b/Lk 9:7-9

Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels FRIDAY Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab,

Sept 29 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church SATURDAY Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/ Sept 30

Lk 9:43b-45

26[™] SUNDAY Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/ ORDINARY TIME

Mt 21:28-32 Oct 1

Sept 28



Santina Colorito **Antonino Prestipino**

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

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



This week at St. Joseph Church ~

The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of:

Gene & Anna Burchfield

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

Peter, Robert Jr, Joseph Jr & Nancy Marchese

This week at St. Francis of Assisi Church ~

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

Anna May Riminiscenza

Booking Mass Intentions

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



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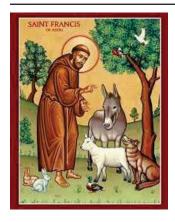
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September 17 Offertory including online giving: \$7,464 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

Clergy Benefit Trust: \$3,474

This week's Second Collection: **Faith Formation Support**

Next week's Second Collection: **Holy Father & Apostolic Works**



Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 1, 2023

at St. Joseph &
St. Francis of Assisi
Churches

In honor of the Patron Saint of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have our annual Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 1st at:

St. Joseph Church following the 10am Mass

St. Francis of Assisi Church following the 11:30am Mass

We hope you will join us!



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.

September 14 Episode 1: Thunder September 21 Episode 2: I Saw You September 28 Episode 3: Matthew 4:24

October 12 Episode 4: The Perfect Opportunity

October 19 Episode 5: Spirit
October 26 Episode 6: Unlawful
November 2 Episode 7: Reckoning

November 9 Episode 8: Beyond Mountains

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



You are invited to join us for our special Anointing Mass

Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 11:00 am at St. Joseph Church

Confessions will be offered at 10:00 am and a luncheon reception will follow at the St. Joseph Social Center

During the liturgy, all who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick will have the opportunity to be anointed. Anointing is for anyone experiencing physical, emotional, or spiritual distress.

After Mass we will have a luncheon in the St. Joseph Social Center served by the Confirmation students of Mary, Queen of Peace Parish and sponsored by the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

If you plan to attend the luncheon, please RSVP by Wednesday, October 11th by calling the Parish Office at 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. Joseph School	781-396-3636 ext	0
Parish Fax	781-391-2919	



Rosary Children

Wednesday, October 18th at 3:30pm St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church

Our October meeting will be pumpkin themed. In addition to praying the Rosary, we will decorate pumpkins! All children and parents/guardians welcome!

For more information, please contact Nadia at kevinandnadia1@verizon.net

Young Adults Group

Join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, October 17th at 7pm!

Our group meets every third Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the St. Joseph rectory. Our meetings are structured around scripture, with dedicated time to discuss the topic at hand and explore deeper themes. We are also pursuing opportunities for organized community service and outreach. While young adults typically range from 18 – 40, all are welcome to share in this journey with us. For more information, please contact Father Peter at pshen44@yahoo.com or Stephanie at spw085@gmail.com.

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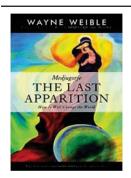
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Prayer for My Parish

Almighty God, my parish of Mary, Queen of Peace is composed of people like me. I help to make it what it is. It will be a friendly parish if I am friendly. It will be holy if I am holy. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. It will do great work if I work. It will be prayerful if I pray. It will make generous gifts to various charities if I am a generous giver. It will be a parish family of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion and charity if I - who make it what it is - am filled with these same qualities. Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Bless my journey, Lord God, that I might follow Jesus and build up the Church for your glory. Amen.





Next meeting of the Parish Book Club:

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church Hall

Our next book to read and share in discussion is:

Medjugorje: The Last Apparition By Wayne Warble

THE LAST APPARITION goes well beyond the basics of what author Wayne Weible calls the most important event happening in the world today the ongoing daily apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to six chosen visionaries in the little village of Medjugorje in Bosnia-Herzegovina. It is packed with vital new information in addition to the basic story of its beginnings and where it is today.

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!

New Choir Members Welcome!



We are always looking for new choir members. We are just starting regular rehearsals and hope that you will join us.

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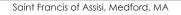
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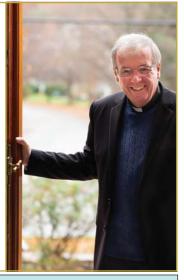


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