

MARY, QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC PARISH

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH & ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

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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

333rd SUNDAY in Ordinary Time



Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me bears much fruit. John 15:4a, 5b

November 19, 2023 Mass Readings #1024

St. Francis of Assisi Mass Intentions		St. Joseph Mass Intentíons	
Saturday 11/18/23		Saturday 11/18/23	
8:30 am	Kathleen Pothier	4:00 pm	Richard & Paula Piemonte
4:00 pm	Josephine Miele	Sunday 11/19/23	
Sunday 11/19/23		8:00 am	Bishop Francis X. Irwin
11:30 am	Lucy DelMuto	10:00 am	John "Bia" Garrity, Jr.
4:00 pm	Dr. John F. Lee & Family	Monday 11/20/23	
Tuesday 11/21/23		8:30 am	Donald O'Keefe & Yoko O'Keefe
8:30 am	Lucy DelMuto		
Thursday 11/23/23 8:30 am	<i>Thanksgiving</i> For the People	Wednesday 11/22/23 8:30 am	3 Kathleen Anderson
Saturday 11/25/23 8:30 am	Janet Passacantilli	Friday 11/24/23 8:30 am	John & Lillian Cassidy
4:00 pm	William Rhoda	Saturday 11/25/23 4:00 pm	David Paparo
Sunday 11/26/23		Sunday 11/26/23	
11:30 am	Romeo, Pietrolungo & LaVita Families	8:00 am	Kathleen (Tully) Mestari
4:00 pm	John Ferrari	10:00 am	James E. & Jeanne M. O'Brien

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 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 <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.

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

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY in Ordinary Time



God has given each of us different gifts. It is not the number of gifts that matter. What matters is how each of us uses the gifts God has given. God never demands from us what we do not have; but God does want us to use to the full the gifts which we do possess. Today's parable tells us that whatever talent/saintly quality we have, be it little or great, it is important to place it at the service of God. It may be helpful to reflect if you are putting your gifts at the service of God and others? And, if not, then to ask for the grace to be confident and generous with your time and talents.



This week at St. Francis of Assisi Church ~

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

Domenic Spirito

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2023

33RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Nov 19	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/ 1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
MONDAY Nov 20	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43
TUESDAY	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Nov 21	2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10
WEDNESDAY	Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
Nov 22	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b+15/Lk 19:11-28
THURSDAY Nov 23 Thanksgiving	Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44 OR for Thanksgiving Day: Sir 50:22-24/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11/1 Cor 1:3-9/Lk 17:11-19
FRIDAY Nov 24	Saint Andrew Düng-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d- 12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48
SATURDAY	Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr
Nov 25	1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4+6, 16+9/Lk 20:27-40
CHRIST THE KING	<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>
SUNDAY	Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-
Nov 26	26, 28/Mt 25:31-46



Phillip C. Clark

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

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

~Come and Give Thanks to God~ **Thanksgiving Mass**

Thursday, November 23, 2023 8:30am St. Francis of Assisi Church

Join us as we gather to thank and praise our God at His table. As part of the liturgy, we will be blessing bread for you to enjoy with your Thanksgiving dinner.

This beautiful liturgy is a wonderful way to begin your Thanksgiving Day!

We praise You God, for Your goodness and rejoice in the bounty of Your love. We thank You for each new day, for our faith, and for Your mercy from above. Amen.



Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be **closed** on **Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24** for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Fr. Paul, Fr. Peter, Fr. John and the Mary, Queen of Peace staff wish you & your families a Happy & Blessed Thanksgiving!

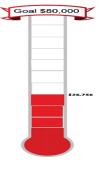
Pilot Bulletins

Grand Annual Update

One month down, three to go!



THANK YOU to all who have responded to our appeal and contributed to this campaign! This collection is <u>critical</u> to maintaining the financial stability of our parish. Our Weekly Offertory alone doesn't cover all our operating expenses, so our Grand Annual collection is the bridge that allows us to do so. Especially at this time of year, this collection helps us meet the increased utilities and maintenance costs associated with the cold months coming ahead. **Your help in reaching our goal is needed and most appreciated!**



 Goal :
 \$80,000

 \$ Collected :
 \$31,097

 % Collected :
 40%

The campaign will be in effect until January 2024. We also offer an on-line donation option, for your convenience. It can be accessed through our website at <u>www.medfordcollaborative.com/</u><u>donate</u> or the QR code above .

We ask for your prayerful consideration and generosity!

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
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Mary, Queen of Peace Christmas Dinner & Concert

Saturday, December 16, 2023

~Dinner at 5pm at the St. Joseph Social Center~ ~Concert at 7pm at St. Joseph Church~

We hope you will join us for this special evening! More information coming soon!

Booking Mass Intentions

We are now booking Mass Intentions through February 2024. If you would like to book a Mass for a loved one, please contact the parish office at 781-396-0423 x 103.

Next COFFEE HOUR Sunday, December 10th!

We hope you will join us for our Coffee Hour on the 2nd Sunday of every month following the 10am Mass at St. Joseph (Cafeteria) and the 11:30am Mass at St. Francis of Assisi (Lower Church Hall). All are welcome!





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

The November 12th & 19th collection amounts will be reported in the December 3 bulletin.

This week's 2nd Collection: Retired Religious Sisters

Donations for Immigrants

Cardinal Sean O'Malley is calling all parishioners in the Archdiocese of Boston to generously respond to the escalating Immigration Crisis in our state. With the help of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, the Archdiocese has coordinated efforts to collect winter clothing and personal care items to be distributed to shelters across the state that are in desperate need.

The weekend of November 18 & 19, we ask you to please consider donating any of the following items:

Winter clothing: Coats, boots and socks

Personal care:

Diapers, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, mouthwash, combs, shampoo, Kleenex tissues

All donations can be dropped off directly in the St. Vincent de Paul bin located behind the St. Joseph Rectory. Thank you for your generosity!

Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40



Rosary Children

Wednesday, December 6th 3:30pm St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church

Our December meeting will be Christmas themed. All children and parents/guardians welcome!

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

MARY QUEEN of PEACE

...is on social media! Follow us for the latest Parish News & Events!

Instagram: @MaryQueenOfPeaceMedford Facebook: <u>MaryQueenOfPeaceMedford</u> Website: <u>www.MaryQOPMedford.org</u> Mary, Queen of Peace Parish St. Joseph/St. Francis of Assisi Churches Christmas Eve Pageant



3:30 pm Before the 4 pm Mass Ages 3 & up

St. Joseph Practices: 11/27/23 at 5 pm 12/6/23 at 5 pm 12/10/23 after 10 am Mass 12/20/23 at 5 pm 12/24/23 at 3 pm





Please contact Caitlyn Murphy 617-875-5718 or Melissa DeMeo at 617-678-9833

We are still hoping to have a Christmas Pageant at St. Francis, please let us know if your interested in leading.

GIVINGTUESDAY



Mark your calendar!

On November 28, 2023, Mary, Queen of Peace Parish is proud to participate in this global day of generosity. **GivingTuesday** is a movement that unleashes the power of *Radical Generosity* in our community and around the world to make a positive difference.

Our goal is to raise \$6,000 to purchase and install new Devotional Candle Stands at both our churches. It's our hope that these stands will enhance our parishioners' worship experience.

To donate, please use the QR code above, online through the Giving Tuesday link on our website or by putting a donation in the offertory baskets at our churches.

You can follow us on social media: Facebook: MaryQueenofPeaceMedford Instagram: @MaryQueenofPeaceMedford Website: <u>www.maryqopmedford.org</u>

Radical Generosity

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The concept that the suffering of others should be as intolerable to us as our own suffering.

GI**₩ING** TUESDAY



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you an adult who has not yet been baptized and would like to explore the possibility of being baptized?

Are you an adult who was baptized in a non-Catholic Christian community and would be interested in entering into full communion with the Catholic Church?

Are you an adult who was baptized in the Catholic Church as a child, never received further faith formation, and would like to pursue reception of the sacraments beyond baptism?

Are you an adult who did not complete your Religious Education and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?

If any of these descriptions applies to you, please consider participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – RCIA. The RCIA is the process of spiritual and catechetical formation through which adults decide to be baptized or enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. You are welcome to pass this notice on to a family member or friend.

We will have an introductory meeting on Sunday, December 17, 2023 following the 10am Mass at St. Joseph Church.

For questions or to register, please contact the parish office or Fr. Peter Shen at <u>pshen44@yahoo.com</u>





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