

## 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





Mark 1:21-22

On the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes.

January 28, 2024 Mass Readings at #938

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St. Francis of Assisi		St. Joseph Mass Intentions	
Ma	ss Intentions	Mass Intentions	
Saturday 1/27/24		Saturday 1/27/24	
8:30 am	Anna & Ralph Gaudio	4:00 pm	Helen Mignosa
4:00 pm	Tony Scaparotti	Sunday 1/28/24	
Sunday 1/28/24		8:00 am	Lillian & John Cassidy
11:30 am	Alfonso & Carmela Rizzo	10:00 am	Francis Doherty
4:00 pm	Madeline Albanese	Monday 1/29/24	
Tuesday 1/30/24		8:30 am	Katherine Lucier-Grattan
8:30 am	Deceased members of the Plati Family	Wednesday 1/31/24	L
	r laar anniy	8:30 am	Gladys Mars
Thursday 2/1/24		Friday 2/2/24	
8:30 am	Phero Huynh Duy Tan	8:30 am	Adoration Team - Living &
Saturday 2/3/24			Deceased
8:30 am	Alfredo Velazco	Saturday 2/3/24	
4:00 pm	Catherine Gustin	4:00 pm	David Paparo
Sunday 2/4/24		Sunday 2/4/24	
11:30 am	Patrick & Kathleen Cafferty	8:00 am	For the People
4:00 pm	Antonio Buccella	10:00 am	Joseph M. Lambias

*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 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.

*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

# Fourth Sunday IN Ordinary Time

Mark makes clear in today's Gospel that Jesus spoke with a different kind of authority, an authority or confidence that arose from his own prayer and personal relationship with the Father. Everything Jesus did, his words, his deeds, his response to those in need, all sprang from that relationship. This gospel gives us a little push to reflect on our own words and actions. During this coming week take time to speak to Christ about his relationship with the Father and to consider whether what we say and do arises from our relationship with God. Ask for the grace to speak with the confidence of Christ about his/ our Father!

## **Booking Mass Intentions**

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

#### READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2024 YEAR B

4 <sup>™</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Jan 28	Dt 18:15-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
<b>MONDAY</b> Jan 29	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/PS 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 5:1-20
<b>TUESDAY</b> Jan 30	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43
	Saint John Bosco, Priest 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6
THURSDAY Feb 1	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chronicles 29:10, 11ab, 11d- 12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13
FRIDAY Feb 2	<b>Presentation of the Lord</b> Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
SATURDAY Feb 3	Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34
5 <sup>™</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Feb 4	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39
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Gino D'Ampolo

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

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



## Hosts & Wine and Sanctuary Candle Memorial Donations

Mary, Queen of Peace offers a special way to honor your loved ones while supporting our parish. For a donation of \$25, you can remember your loved ones by having the *Hosts & Wine* for the week's liturgies or the *Sanctuary Candle* lit in their memory.

Please call the parish office at  $781-396-0423 \times 103$  to donate or for more information.



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

January 21 Offertory including online giving: \$9,226 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

> This week's 2nd Collection: Church in Latin America

> Next week's 2nd Collection: St. Joseph School Support



## **Rosary Children**

Join us for our next meeting! Wednesday, February 7 at 3:30pm at the St. Francis of Assisi Lower Church

Our February meeting will be Valentine themed. In addition to praying the Rosary, we will be making Valentine's Day cards for the Courtyard Nursing Home residents.

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>

## **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
Joe Sestito	Maintenance	115
Pat Cappucci	School Tuition Office	117
St. Joseph School	781-396-3636 ext	0
Parish Fax	781-391-2919	

### **COFFEE HOURS!** Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>



We hope you will join us for Coffee Hour on the 2nd Sunday of every month!

Coffee Hours follow: ~ the 10:00 am Mass at St. Joseph (Cafeteria) ~the 11:30 am Mass at St. Francis (Lower Church)

## Save the Date!

## Celebrate St. Valentine's Day at our FEBRUARY DINNER!

Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 5pm

Menu & Ticket information coming soon!

## **Grand Annual Update**

Our Campaign ends this month!

**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!

<u>Goal</u> : \$80,000 <u>\$ Collected</u> : \$64,735 <u>% Collected</u> : 80%



The campaign will be in effect until January 2024. We also offer an on-line donation option on our website, for your convenience. It can be accessed with the QR code above or <a href="https://www.maryqopmedford.com/donate">www.maryqopmedford.com/donate</a>

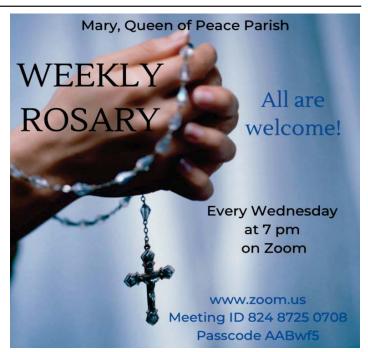
We ask for your prayerful consideration & generosity!

## St Francis of Assisi Church Furnace Replacement Update

The St. Francis Church furnace project was successfully completed on January 13, 2024. The total cost of the project is \$78,000. The Finance Council repurposed the use of the funds available in the Inspiring Hope Campaign, \$40,000, to pay for part of this project. Our vendor, Cubby Oil, extended 12 months interest free financing for the remaining balance of \$38,000.

We are so very grateful for your generous response to our appeal! **This month to date you have contributed \$17,101 toward the cost of this project.** That's nearly 50% of the remaining balance! And, we have seen parishioners from both churches step up to help. THANK YOU!

If you haven't made a donation, we ask you to prayerfully consider contributing to this project. Over the next few months, we will have special collections at Masses. You can also make a donation online through our website www.maryqopmedford.org.



## **2023** Contribution Statements

If you would like to request a 2023 Contribution Statement of your donations to Mary, Queen of Peace Parish, please contact the Parish Office by email at <u>MedfordCatholic@gmail.com</u> or phone 781-396-0423 x 103.

### **Blessing of the Throats** In honor of the Feast Day of Saint Blaise February 3 & 4, 2024

St. Joseph ~ at the 4pm Saturday, 8am & 10am Sunday Masses St. Francis of Assisi ~ at the 4pm Saturday, 11:30am & 4pm Sunday Masses

## Saint Blaise

A aint Blaise is a bishop and martyr who lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. For a time, Blaise lived in a cave to escape persecution. On his feast the church recalls a miracle cure associated with him and celebrates the blessing of the throats. Blaise apparently saved the life of a boy who was choking on a fish bone. The saint said that anyone who lit a candle in his memory would be free of infection, thus candles are used in the traditional throat blessing. He is listed among the Fourteen Holy Helpers, saints revered as healers.

He is the patron saint of throat illnesses, animals, wool combers, and wool trading.

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DIED 316 FEAST DAY — FEBRUARY 3



## St. Joseph School Honors Sister Catherine and Sister Elizabeth

## Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 1pm

Please join us at St. Joseph School, 132 High St, this Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 1pm as we honor our beloved Sisters!

Sister Catherine and Sister Elizabeth will be our honored guests as we dedicate their former classrooms to them.







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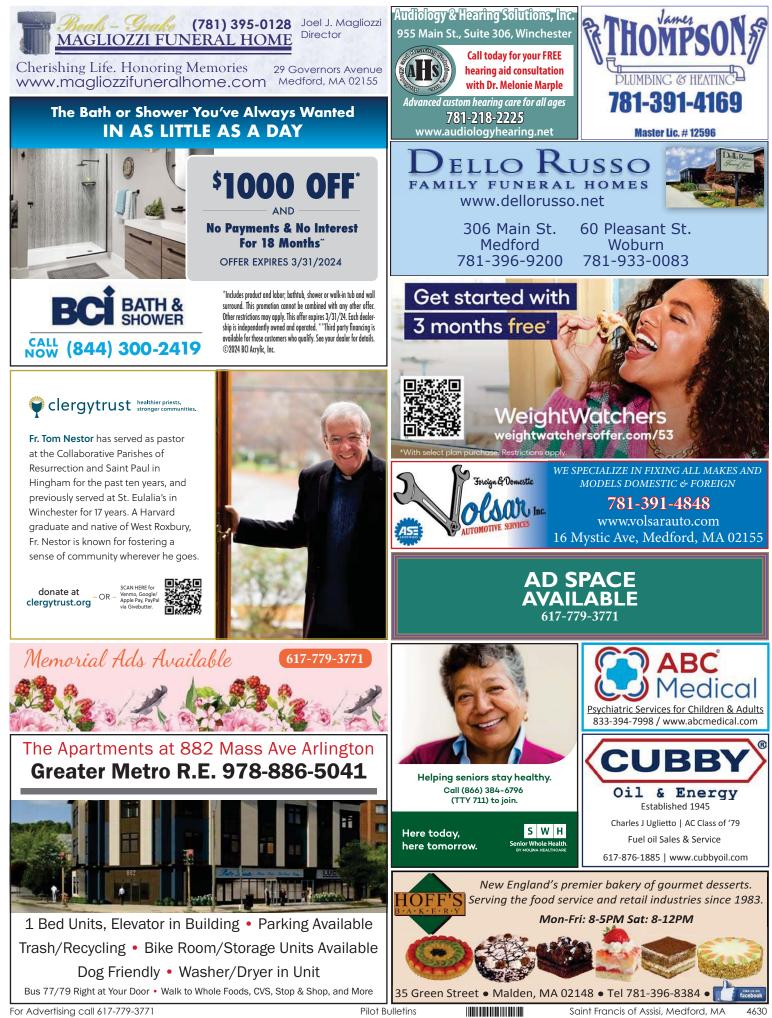




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