

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

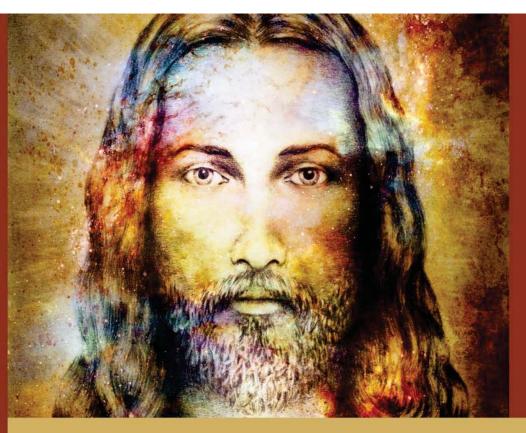


St. Francis of Assisi Church 441 Fellsway West, Medford

Daily Mass: Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 8:30am

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

5 th SUNDAY of Lent



Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, there also will my servant be. John 12:26

March 17, 2024 Mass Readings at #896

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St. Francis of Assisi		S	St. Joseph Mass Intentions	
Mass Intentions		Mae	ss Intentions	
Saturday 3/16/24		Saturday 3/16/24		
8:30 am	Mass	4:00 pm	Joseph Fiore	
4:00 pm	Tony Scaparotti	Sunday 3/17/24		
Sunday 2/47/24		8:00 am	For the People	
Sunday 3/17/24 11:30 am	Robert Wilson	10:00 am	Luigi Federico	
4:00 pm	Roy Sodano	Monday 3/18/24		
		8:30 am	Robert Nicholson	
Tuesday 3/19/24		T		
8:30 am	Mass will be said at St. Joseph	Tuesday 3/19/24 8:30 am	Freed of St. Joseph	
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Thursday 3/21/24		Wednesday 3/20/24		
8:30 am	Peter Neary	8:30 am	Anita & John Turchi	
Saturday 3/23/24		Friday 3/22/24		
8:30 am	David Cunningham & Family	8:30 am	Maurice Renaudie & Christian Renaudie	
4:00 pm	John P. Dugas and John &			
	Josephine Miele	Saturday 3/23/24		
Sunday 3/24/24		4:00 pm	Matilda Musto	
12:00 noon	Leo & Elizabeth Gidare	Sunday 3/24/24		
12.00 110011		8:00 am	Mario Cocchiara	
4:00 pm	Maria Crognale & Giovanni Crognale	10:00 am	Dante J. DeMichaelis	

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Dear Parishioners,

We announced at all the Masses on March 9 and 10 that Cardinal Sean O'Malley has appointed a new pastor for Mary Queen of Peace Parish, beginning on June 1. His name is Fr. Timothy Hynes, and he is currently a parochial vicar at St. Catherine of Siena in Norwood. Fr. Hynes visited Medford briefly last week, and is looking forward to coming here. Please see his message to the Parish below. And, for those who may be unaware ... I have been appointed by Cardinal Sean to be a spiritual director at St. John's Seminary in Brighton, beginning on June 1. Let's ask the Lord to guide and support us all during this time of transition.

Fr. Paul



Hello Mary, Queen of Peace!

It is a joy to make a simple introduction to you all through this short bulletin announcement. In the near future I look forward to a much more personal introduction on June 1st when I am privileged to join you all as pastor of Mary, Queen of Peace.

By now I am sure many of you are eager to get to know a little more about your next pastor. I assure you: He is just as eager to get to know you!

I was born and raised in Windham, New Hampshire, the fifth of eight children, all of whom have remained local. I attended undergraduate studies at what is now called Assumption University (in my day, still a college). From there I moved to Portsmouth, NH where I started my career as a software engineer in a small, but growing startup company. After three years in Portsmouth, I felt God calling me to something different, something that would draw me closer to him. This call was realized as an invitation to become a missionary in *Barrios Altos, Lima, Perú*, in a neighborhood some have called "*desfavorecido*" [unfavored].

After two years as a missionary I returned to the U.S. to restart my engineering career at a defense contractor in Cambridge, MA. Nevertheless, I continued to feel a calling to serve God's people in a more personal way. After much time in prayer and reflection, especially in Eucharistic Adoration, I discerned a call to enter the seminary to study for the priesthood. There at St. John's Seminary in Brighton the Lord continued to confirm that calling and at the end of my studies I was ordained a priest on May 18, 2019.

At that time, Cardinal Seán assigned me to St. Mary's, Foxboro, MA as parochial vicar. The first nine months of my ministry were quite ordinary until the world turned upside down in March, 2020. During that time, I was privileged to take up residence in Lynnfield, MA as a member of the priest COVID response team. For more than two months my mission was to bring the Most Holy Eucharist, the Sacrament of the Sick, and Last Rites to the ill and dying around the North Shore and beyond. It was a very grace-filled time in my life as a priest to be able to bring the Sacraments to those otherwise living in isolation with very little human contact.

Eventually, I returned to parish life in Foxboro where I remained until I was asked to take a new assignment as parochial vicar at St. Catherine of Siena in Norwood, MA. This 1st of June will mark the end of my two years here at St. Catherine's and the start of my new term as pastor of Mary Queen of Peace in Medford. While I am saddened at the prospect of leaving behind the many wonderful friendships that have developed in these two parishes over the last five years, I am excited to get to work in the vineyard of the Lord in Medford where I am sure many new friendships await.

Please be assured of my prayers for you all and, if you would be so kind, please pray for me also, that I may be the holy pastor God calls me to be and that you all most certainly deserve!

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

-Fr. Hynes

Feast of St. Joseph Mass

Please note there will be NO 8:30am Mass at St. Francis on the Feast of St. Joseph, Tuesday, March 19, 2024. Mass will be held at St. Joseph Church so that the school students can attend.



Alice Beverley James M. Byrnes Grace Cassaro

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

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2024 YEAR B 5[™] SUNDAY Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15/Heb 5:7-9/ OF LENT Jn 12:20-33 Mar 17 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MONDAY Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Mar 18 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11 Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary TUESDAY 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27+29/Rom Mar 19 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2:41-51 WEDNESDAY Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Mar 20 Jn 8:31-42 THURSDAY Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59 Mar 21 FRIDAY Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42 Mar 22 SATURDAY Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56 Mar 23 PALM Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, SUNDAY 19-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39 Mar 24 Pilot Bulletin

HOLY WEEK at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish





PALM SUNDAY ~ March 24th

St. Joseph - Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 8am & 10am
St. Francis of Assisi - Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 12noon* & 4pm
*Please note the 11:30am Mass at St. Francis has been moved to 12noon due to the length of the Palm Sunday Masses.

HOLY THURSDAY ~ March 28th

9am Morning Prayer Service at St. Francis of Assisi
7pm Celebration of the Lord's Supper at St. Francis of Assisi

GOOD FRIDAY ~ March 29th

9am Morning Prayer Service at St. Francis of Assisi
2pm Stations of the Cross at St. Francis of Assisi
3pm Passion of the Lord Service at St. Francis of Assisi
7pm Passion of the Lord Service at St. Joseph

HOLY SATURDAY ~ March 30th

9am Morning Prayer Service at St. Francis of Assisi
9am - Ilam Confessions at St. Francis of Assisi
8pm Easter Vigil at St. Joseph

EASTER SUNDAY ~ March 31st

St. Joseph - 8am & 10am St. Francis of Assisi - 9am & 11:30am (no 4pm Mass)





Would you like to be one of the twelve?

As many of you know, during the **Holy Thursday Liturgy (March 28 at 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi)**, the celebrant reenacts the gospel by washing the feet of twelve people. We are in need of volunteers who are willing to have their feet washed.

If you would like to take part in this special liturgy, please contact the parish office at 781-396-0423 x 103. We hope you will consider participating in this beautiful ritual.

CONFESSIONS

St. Joseph Church

• Saturdays 3pm - 3:45pm

St. Francis of Assisi Church

- Saturdays at 9am and 3pm 3:45pm
- Wednesdays during Lent, 6:30pm 7:30pm
- Holy Saturday (March 30) 9am 11am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Joseph (lower church)

• Fridays at 7pm (February 23 - March 22)

St. Francis of Assisi (upper church)

- Mondays at 7pm (February 19 March 25)
- Good Friday, March 29 at 2pm

LENTEN GOSPEL GIVING

Let's support the practice of almsgiving this Lenten Season. Each weekend, members of our parish are asked to donate one NEW item, as suggested, based on the readings of the day.



LENTEN REGULATIONS

<u>Abstinence</u>: Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligations of abstinence. *Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent*. Meat should not be consumed on days of abstinence.

<u>Fasting</u>: Catholics from the age of 18 to 59 are bound to the obligation of fasting. *Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting*. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain one's strength, may be consumed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

March 17, 2024



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

March 10 Offertory including online giving: \$7,255 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$10,000

Winter Utilities: \$2,060

This week's Second Collection: St. Vincent de Paul

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.

Booking Mass Intentions ~We are

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



"Every gift to the Appeal, no matter the amount, has meaning and purpose, and every gift plays an integral part in the vital mission of the Archdiocese of Boston."

- Cardinal Seán O'Malley



Rosary Children

Please join us! Wednesday, April 3rd at 3:30pm St. Francis Lower Church

In addition to praying the Rosary, we will learn about the Resurrection and do an Easter Egg Hunt! All children and parents/guardians welcome!

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



The Young Adults Group at Mary Queen of Peace Parish will meet **Tuesday, March 19 at 7pm at St. Joseph's Rectory**. As March is International Women's Month, we will be looking at the role of women in the Church. Meetings are open to all but please, a minimum age of 21 is requested. Come join us for scripture, snacks, and laughs!

Please also join us in hosting the 4pm Mass at St. Francis on the last Sunday of every month! Following Mass, we will gather for pizza and drinks in the lower church.

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Staff Contact List

To reach a member of our staff, please call 781-396-0423 and dial the following extension:

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